DISTRICT OF UCLUELET

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE GEORGE FRASER ROOM, 500 MATTERSON DRIVE Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 7:30 PM

Present:

Chair:

Mayor St. Jacques

Council:

Councillors McEwen, Mole, Noel, and Oliwa

Staff:

Mark Boysen, Chief Administrative Officer
Bruce Greig, Manager of Community Planning

Marlene Lagoa, Deputy Municipal Clerk

Regrets:

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
 - 1.1 Mayor St. Jacques called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.
- 2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF FIRST NATIONS TERRITORY
 - 2.1 Council acknowledged the Yuułu?ił?atḥ First Nations on whose territories the District of Ucluelet operates.
- 3. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA
 - 3.1 Letters pertaining to Agenda Item No. 12.3. 2018 Budget Public Input.
 - Frank Witter
 - Courtney Johnson
 - Kerry Harwood

2017-001

It was moved by Councillor Oliwa and seconded by Councillor McEwen

THAT Council approve the addition of the late agenda items as presented.

CARRIED.

- 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
 - 4.1 April 10, 2018 Regular Agenda

2017-002

It was moved by Councillor Noel and seconded by Councillor McEwen

THAT Council approve the April 10, 2018 Regular Agenda as amended.

CARRIED.

- 5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES
 - 5.1 March 20, 2018 Special Minutes

2017-003

It was moved by Councillor McEwen and seconded by Councillor Noel

THAT Council approve the March 20, 2018 Special Minutes as presented.

CARRIED.

5.2 March 22, 2018 Special Minutes

2017-004

It was moved by Councillor Noel and seconded by Councillor McEwen
THAT Council approve the March 22, 2018 Special Minutes as presented.
CARRIED.

5.3 March 27, 2018 Regular Minutes

• Update minutes to reflect Councillor Noel's absence.

2017-005

It was moved by Councillor Oliwa and seconded by Councillor McEwen

THAT Council approve the March 27, 2018 Regular Minutes as amended.

CARRIED.

- 6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - 6.1 There was no unfinished business.
- 7. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS
 - 7.1 There were no announcements.
- 8. PUBLIC INPUT, DELEGATIONS & PETITIONS
 - 8.1 There were no members of the public who wished to speak.
 - 8.1 Public Input

There were no members of the public who wished to speak.

8.2 Delegations

Erika Goldt, Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Re: Coastal Addendum to the Alberni Agriculture Plan

- Erika Goldt, an independent consultant, is working with the Aberni-Clayoquot Regional District to develop a coastal addendum to the Alberni Agricultural Plan.
- The goal of the addendum to support food production and food processing on the coast.
- Ms. Goldt is asking the District to participate in the process by:
 - 1) Providing a representative to participate in two Advisory Committee Meetings in May and October;
 - 2) Applying for a free consultation with an agrologist to survey specific parcels of land; and

- 3) Attending a public forum scheduled for May in Ucluelet.
- Ms. Goldt responded to questions from Council.

*Councillor McEwen excused her from the meeting at 7:45 PM due to her relationship with Mr. Blackwell.

Lance Blackwell

Re: Requesting Letter of Support & Permission to use the PRVC.

- Lance Blackwell shared that he has applied to Industry Canada for a 24/7 Visitor Information FM radio channel that would encompass Ucluelet and audiences 25 miles down Highway 4 and to the Parks.
- The format would be information based (no music allowed). Examples include advisory notices, wildlife encounters, and talk show format interviewing local representatives.
- The permanent location for the radio antenna will be on Mount Ozzard once renovations on the mountain are done
- In the meantime, a temporary location for a smaller antenna at the Pacific Rim Visitor Centre is being proposed. Packs Canada has given verbal agreement on the condition of also receiving the District's permission.
- Mr. Blackwell asked Council for:
 - A letter of support for a "Visitor Information" radio channel and stating that the sharing of visitor information will be an asset to the area: and,
 - Permission to place a transmitter and FM antenna at the Pacific Rim Visitor Centre temporarily, until Mount Ozzard location is available.
- Mr. Blackwell responded to questions from Council on the size of the antenna, reach of the radio transmission, and ability to update information in a timely manner.

It was moved by Councillor Noel and seconded by Councillor Oliwa.

THAT Council refer Mr. Blackwell's request to staff.

CARRIED.

*Councillor McEwen returned to the meeting at 8:00 PM.

2016-6

9. CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 2018 BC Community Achievement Awards Invitation BC Achievement Foundation

2017-007 It was moved by Councillor McEwen and seconded by Councillor Noel

THAT the Mayor attend the 2018 BC Community Achievement Awards on April 25, 2018 at Government House in Victoria if available.

CARRIED.

9.2 2018 Kap'Yong / Radar Hill Commemoration Ceremony Invitation Parks Canada

2017-008 It was moved by Councillor Mole and seconded by Councillor Oliwa

THAT the Mayor attend the Kap'Yong Commemoration Ceremony on April 20, 2018.

CARRIED.

9.3 Central Westcoast Forest Society Speaker Series Invitation Central Westcoast Forest Society

2017-009 It was moved by Councillor Mole and seconded by Councillor Oliwa

THAT Council receive correspondence item "Central Westcoast Forest Society Speaker Series Invitation" for information.

CARRIED.

9.4 Vancouver Island Real Estate Board Commercial Building Awards Business Examiner

 Mayor St. Jacques reported that the Welcome Bay and Toquaht-Macoah buildings were being recognized.

2017-010 It was moved by Councillor McEwen and seconded by Councillor Mole

THAT the Mayor attend the Vancouver Island Real Estate Board Commercial Building Awards on April 19, 2018 in Nanaimo.

CARRIED.

9.5 Saving Lives Through Organ Donation The Kidney Foundation of Canada

• Councillor Mole noted that the Service BC office use to have an easy sign-up process that citizens may wish to take advantage of.

2017-011 It was moved by Councillor McEwen and seconded by Councillor Mole

THAT Council receive correspondence item "Saving Lives Through Organ Donation" for information.

CARRIED.

9.6 2018 UBCM Convention - BC Assessment Meeting Invitation
BC Assessment Local Government and Communications Division

2017-012 It was moved by Councillor McEwen and seconded by Councillor Oliwa

THAT the District accept an invitation to meet with BC Assessment on September 11, 2018 during the UBCM Convention.

CARRIED.

10. INFORMATION ITEMS

- 10.1 2018 Resolution Collection of Unpaid Bylaw Fines
 The Resort Municipality of Whistler
- 10.2 Personal Service Establishments Island Health
- 2017-013 It was moved by Councillor McEwen and seconded by Councillor Mole

 THAT Council refer information item "Personal Service Establishments" to the planning department.

CARRIED.

- 10.3 Transportation Update
 Alberni Clayoquot Health Network
- 10.4 Vancouver Island Crisis Society Honours Crisis Line Awareness Week 2018
 Vancouver Island Crisis Society
- 10.5 West Coast Multiplex Society Letter Sean & Deddeda White
- 10.6 Project Aims to Boost 'Grown on Vancouver Island' Sales Island Coastal Economic Trust
- 2017-014 It was moved by Councillor McEwen and seconded by Councillor Oliwa THAT Council receive information items 10.1, 10.2, 10.3, 10.4, 10.5, and 10.6 as a block.

CARRIED.

11. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

11.1 Councillor Sally Mole

Deputy Mayor January – February

There were no committee reports from Councillor Mole.

11.2 Councillor Marilyn McEwen

Deputy Mayor March – April

West Coast Multiplex Society

AGM was held April 9th.

- Youth who travel to Port Alberni to play hockey were in attendance and read letters.
- MP Gord Johns gave speech on the inception of the multiplex and everything that has taken place to date.
- Election was held for the board members. The same 10 board members were re-elected and recruited two new members.
- Golf Tournament fundraiser is scheduled for Saturday, September 15th.

Wild Pacific Trail Society

- Meeting was held April 4th.
- Discussed District's Memorandum of Understanding regarding Spring Cove Trail and grant to complete design study of Amphitrite House.
- Pruning Day is scheduled for April 28th from 9 am until noon.
- Paid Silva Johansson to give a presentation during the Whale Festival on the Story of the Pass of Melfort. Ms. Johansson also led a walk of the new Bog Trail.
- Tourism Ucluelet purchased a tent for the summer ambassador in cases of inclement weather.
- Tourism Ucluelet is hiring students this summer who will be wearing "ask me" vests and riding bikes. They will also help with the trail.
- Black Rock Resort is looking to offer French and German language tours of the WPT for their guests.
- Discussed changes to the memorial benches.
 Recommending \$3,000 for a ten-year term before replacing or updating bench. Change will not apply to grandfathered benches.

11.3 Councillor Mayco Noel Deputy Mayor July – October

Barkley Community Forest Board

- Have signed agreement for the third phase.
- Firewood cutting permits will be available soon.
- Hosting a design competition for a new logo.
- The first phase is almost complete.

Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Board – Alternate

 Attended the March 28th Board Meeting on the Mayor's behalf.

- The skydiving company will be out there again this year.
- Discussed the different trails, how they tie together, the committee, and that some trails lack regional representation. The bike trail to the junction was given as one example.

11.4 Councillor Randy Oliwa Deputy Mayor May – June

Education Liaison

- Council met with the Board of Education in-camera today.
- Attended public budget info session held in Ucluelet earlier that evening.
- Board of Education has completed applications for seismic upgrades for both schools. The options may be to complete repairs or to replace the schools.

11.5 Mayor Dianne St. Jacques

DFO Fisheries Committees for Groundfish & Hake

- Attended April 6th meeting in Vancouver.
- Discussed the quota and how it is disbursed.
- There is a new floating factory that has joined the fleet. Increasing to five from four.
- Meeting again on May 9th in Vancouver.

=> Other Reports

- Met with MLA Scott Fraser on April 4th to discuss the Resort Municipality Initiative, the Municipal and Regional District Tax Program, fisheries, school upgrades, testing of water at Kennedy Lake, and the success of the Barkley Community Forest. Councillor Mole brought up daycare and has information to share with local groups. Council then took Mr. Fraser on a tour of the Amphitrite lands.
- Met with MP Gord Johns on April 9th to tour the Amphitrite lands and discuss moving that project forward.

2016-15

It was moved by Councillor Noel and seconded by Councillor Oliwa.

THAT Council receive the committee reports as presented.

CARRIED.

12. REPORTS

12.1 Resolution Tracking Marlene Lagoa, Deputy Municipal Clerk

Staff addressed Council questions regarding:

- A report returning to Council on passenger directed vehicle services (November 14, 2017); and
- Sending resolution to UBCM confirming Council's support for application to Community Emergency Preparedness Fund for EOC kits and training (March 27, 2018).
- Council noted there are some motions missing from the list that are still outstanding.
- Council requested to be copied on all correspondence being sent out.

2017-016

It was moved by Councillor Noel and seconded by Councillor McEwen

THAT Council approve recommendation 1 from report item, "Resolution Tracking" which states:

1. THAT Council receive the District of Ucluelet's Resolution Tracking List from June 2017 until March 2018 for information.

CARRIED.

12.2 Leaf Compassion Inc. Appeal of Denied Business Licence Bruce Greig, Manager of Community Planning

Mayor St. Jacques welcomed Owen Smith, General Manager of Leaf Compassion, and invited him to address Council.

- Mr. Smith thanked Mayor and Council for the opportunity.
- He is making an appeal to the District's decision to deny them a business licence out of the request of the Ucluelet community who currently travel to their retail business in Port Alberni.
- The Port Alberni location has proper zoning requirements and has been in operation for two years.
- The request was denied as it is clearly against the law to sell cannabis from a dispensary, and they are aware of that.
- This year we are going to see cannabis legalization introduced federally.
- Over the last six years they have been attempting to correct some of the problems with cannabis laws through the courts. His court ordeal addresses edible and oral cannabis alternatives. Previously the federal government insisted that cannabis be smoked which he does not think anybody really agrees is the proper method.
- Leaf comes from a community of people who seek to improve the

- situation of some of our most vulnerable and sick Canadians. These people currently travel through the pass which is not an easy one. This is the reason why they applied despite it being clearly against the law.
- Leaf is not trying to impose activism on Council but do feel the need to request and appeal to this compassionate angle. Leaf Compassion has been expanding independently with outlets in Victoria, Salt Spring, Chemainus and Port Alberni.
- Over the years Leaf has improved their service with targeted applications for oral or topical use, and generally being a benefit to the community both by educating locals who are sick looking for opportunities, and to the public and those seeing it as something more recreational as it is coming to Canada soon.
- Leaf would like the District to follow what Port Alberni Council has
 done in laying out some of the guidelines they should follow in
 order to make sure such a business in the community is going to
 be of least disturbance and able to perform its function. Some of
 those recommendations are distance requirements from any
 schools and between cannabis dispensaries.
- Mr. Smith provided copies of the Port Alberni regulations and encouraged Council to look at them.
- The dispensary he first worked at in Victoria opened in 1996.
- Leaf has worked with City Council's in Victoria, Vancouver and Courtenay. He is very willing to share that information with the District to assist with the transition and make it as smooth as possible.

Mayor thanked Mr. Smith for his presentation and invited questions from Council. There were no questions from Council.

The following comments were made:

- Councillor Oliwa noted that everyone is getting educated on cannabis and has been discussed for many years. He is comfortable with waiting for federal regulations as things are going to happen. Staff are already bringing some good information forward to Council. He has not heard of residents having an issue accessing medical cannabis which can be delivered to people's door.
- Mayor St. Jacques noted that there is no opposition, but that Council wants it to be done properly and legally and are waiting for federal legislation to come forward. The District will then have a zone specific to the use, where people will come and apply for that particular zone. There will be an opportunity for public input and, if successful, a business licence will be issued following that.

It was moved by Councillor Oliwa and seconded by Councillor Noel

2017-017

THAT Council approve recommendation 1 from report item, "Leaf Compassion Inc. Appeal of Denied Business Licence for Cannabis Dispensary at 1972 Peninsula Road" which states:

1. THAT Council confirm that the District will not issue a business licence for a "cannabis dispensary" on the property at 1972 Peninsula Road at this time.

CARRIED.

12.3 2018 Budget - Public Input Marlene Lagoa, Deputy Municipal Clerk

 Mayor St. Jacques thanked the public who provided input on the District's budget and asked that the Chief Financial Officer respond to the questions that were received.

2017-018

It was moved by Councillor McEwen and seconded by Councillor Oliwa

THAT Council approve recommendation 1 from report item, "2018 Budget - Public Input" which states:

1. THAT Council receive the public input, attached as Appendix B, on the 2018 Proposed Budget for information.

CARRIED.

12.4 Request For A One Year Renewal For A Temporary Use Permit John Towgood, Planner 1

Bruce Greig, Manger of Community Planning, provided the following responses to Council's questions:

- Request is to renew for another 12-month period. The maximum allowed for a temporary use permit is up to a 3 year term and one renewal.
- If Council were to renew the permit, the temporary use must be discontinued by May 23rd, 2019.
- The District has not received any noise complaints concerning the temporary staff housing area or had any issues with the permit to date.

2017-019

It was moved by Councillor McEwen and seconded by Councillor Noel

THAT Council approve recommendation 1 from report item, "Request for Temporary Use Permit and Associated Development Variance Permit" which states:

1. THAT the temporary use permit, TUP-17-01, for the "Common Area" of Plan: VIS6690, District: 09 (596 Marine Drive) be approved as detailed within the permit ("Appendix B").

CARRIED.

13. OTHER BUSINESS

• Councillor Oliwa reported that the Ucluelet Volunteer Fire Brigade

had visited Matterson House that evening to thank them for their

support over the years.

2017-020

It was moved by Councillor Noel and seconded by Councillor McEwen

THAT Council send a letter to Ken Webb congratulating him on retiring after a

32-year long career maintaining the highways.

CARRIED.

14. QUESTION PERIOD

14.1 There were no members of the public who wished to speak.

15. ADJOURNMENT

15.1 Mayor St. Jacques adjourned the regular meeting at 8:50 PM.

CERTIFIED CORRECT: Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 7:30 pm in the George Fraser Room, Ucluelet Community Centre, 500 Matterson Road, Ucluelet, BC.

Dianne St. Jacques

Mayor

Mark Boysen

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