

DISTRICT OF UCLUELET
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ELECTRONICALLY AND IN THE GEORGE FRASER ROOM IN THE
UCLUELET COMMUNITY CENTRE, 500 MATTERSON DRIVE
Monday, February 26, 2024 at 4:00 PM

Present: **Chair:** Mayor McEwen
 Council: Councillors Anderson, Hoar, Kennington, and Maftai
 Staff: Duane Lawrence, Chief Administrative Officer
 Bruce Greig, Director of Community Planning
 Abby Fortune, Director of Community Services
 Rick Geddes, Fire Chief
 Joseph Rotenberg, Manager of Corporate Services

Regrets:

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Special Council Meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM.

1.1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE YUULU?IF?ATH

Council acknowledged the Yuulu?if?ath, on whose traditional territories the District of Ucluelet operates.

1.2 NOTICE OF VIDEO RECORDING

Audience members and delegates were advised that the proceeding was being video recorded and broadcast on YouTube on Zoom which may store data on foreign servers.

2. LATE ITEMS

2.1 Approval of the Agenda

There were no late items.

2024.2027.SPECIAL *IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED*

THAT the February 26, 2024, Special Council Meeting Agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED.

3. REPORTS

3.1 2024 - 2028 Draft Five Year Financial Plan (Verbal Report With Accompanying Presentation)

Duane Lawrence, Chief Administrative Officer and Chief Financial Officer

Mr. Lawrence outlined the proposed 2024 District of Ucluelet Budget, the District's current and anticipated debt load, average changes to local property assessments, and proposed tax rates for communities on the Island as well as other Resort Municipalities.

Staff presented two taxation scenarios for Council's consideration. The first scenario included an:

- increased requisition of \$477,850 for the District's operating budget;
- increased requisition of \$150,000 for the District's Water Filtration Project;
- increased requisition of \$150,000 to fund capital investments (such as replacement or repair of roads, water, sanitary, sewer and equipment);
- estimated tax increase of 8.63% for residential classified properties; and
- estimated tax increase of 7.04% for business classified properties.

The second scenario presented by Staff included an:

- increased requisition of \$477,850 for the District's operating budget;
- increased requisition of \$250,000 for the District's Water Filtration Project;
- increased requisition of \$250,000 to fund capital investments (such as replacement or repair of roads, water, sanitary, sewer and equipment);
- estimated tax increase of 10.784% for residential classified properties; and
- estimated tax increase of 8.229% for business classified properties.

Council discussed the scenarios presented by Staff and requested that Staff seek public input on the following two scenarios:

- Scenario 3:
 - an increased requisition of \$477,850 for the District's operating budget;
 - an increased requisition of \$750,000 to fund the Water Filtration Project and capital investments;
 - estimated tax increase of 13.17% for residential classified properties; and
 - estimated tax increase of 9.59% for business classified properties.
- Scenario 4:
 - an increased requisition of \$477,850 for the District's

- operating budget;
- an increased requisition of \$1,000,000 to fund the Water Filtration Project and capital investments;
- estimated tax increase of 15.37% for residential classified properties; and,
- estimated tax increase of 10.83% for business classified properties.

4. ADJOURNMENT

4.1 Motion to Adjourn

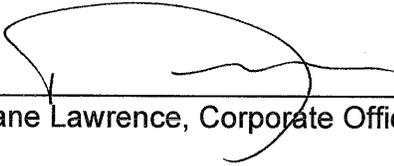
2024.2028.SPECIAL *IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED*

THAT the February 26, 2024 Special Council meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 PM.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:



Duane Lawrence, Corporate Officer



Marilyn McEwen, Mayor