

Village of Queen Charlotte

February 7, 2011

Minutes of the Council Meeting of the Village of Queen Charlotte held at 7.30 p.m. on Monday, February 7, 2011 at the Queen Charlotte Village Office, Queen Charlotte, B.C.

Adopted

PRESENT:

Council:

Deputy Mayor K. Olsen
Councillor L. Johnson
Councillor G. Martin

Staff:

B. Beamish, Chief Administrative Officer
S. Brown, Legislative/Financial Clerk

Regrets:

Mayor C. Kulesha

Absent:

Councillor G. Noddin

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1. CALL TO ORDER:

Deputy Mayor Olsen called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

2. Agenda Addition and/or Deletions:

Bring forward as the 1st correspondence item 9.7 Northern Health – Re: Radon

3. Approval of the Agenda:

R2011/04/02 MOVED by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor Martin that the agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

4. Adoption of the Minutes:

4.1 Village of Queen Charlotte Council Minutes January 17, 2011

R2011/04/03 MOVED by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor Martin that the Village of Queen Charlotte Council Minutes January 17, 2011 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

5. Business Arising from the Minutes:

6. Proclamations:

7. Delegates

7.1 Sgt. Knapton presented a report of activity for the past quarter. He plans to have a report for Council every quarter. Copies are available at the Village Office.

8. Inquiries from the Public Regarding the Approved Agenda Items:

none at this time

**9. Correspondence:
For Information**

9.7 Northern Health – Re: Radon
R2011/04/04 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Johnson that
Northern Health – R: Radon be received and filed.

CARRIED

note: Sgt. Knapton will share the results if available from the testing of Radon that was
done recently for the RCMP houses

9.1 Statistics Canada
R2011/04/05 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Johnson that
Statistics Canada - Re: Census and the new National Household Survey
(NHS) be received and filed.

CARRIED

note: Statistics Canada - Re: Census and the new National Household Survey (NHS)
will go in our February issue of the Village Voice

9.2 Municipal Remuneration Guidelines
R2011/04/06 MOVED by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor Martin that
Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development – Re:
Municipal Remuneration Guidelines be received and filed.

CARRIED

9.3 Earth Day Canada
R2011/04/07 MOVED by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor Martin that
Earth Day Canada – Re: Hometown Heroes be received and filed.

CARRIED

9.4 Ministry of Finance – Re: BizPal
R2011/04/08 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Johnson that
Ministry of Finance – Re: BizPal be received and filed.

CARRIED

note: Mr. Beamish, CAO, reported that he has discussed this with Ministry staff and will
work with them to include Queen Charlotte.

9.5 Heart and Stroke Foundation of BC and Yukon – Re: Smoke-free
outdoor public places
R2011/04/09 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Johnson that
Heart and Stroke Foundation of BC and Yukon – Re: Smoke-free
outdoor public places be received and filed.

CARRIED

For Action:

9.6 BC Water and Waste Association (BCWWA) – Re: Drinking Water
Week May 1-7, 2011
R2011/04/10 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Johnson that staff
be asked to work toward a grand opening of the Water Treatment Plant
and to feature water in the April issue of the Village Voice.

CARRIED

- 9.8** Village of Port Clements – Re: Request letter of support for Gwaii Trust application – Trail Extension
R2011/04/11 MOVED by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor Martin that a letter of support be sent to the Village of Port Clements for their Gwaii Trust application – Trail Extension.

CARRIED

- 9.9** Haida Health Hub – Re: Request letter of support for Gwaii Trust application - Development of an inclusive youth strategy
R2011/04/12 MOVED by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor Martin that a letter of support be sent to the Haida Health Hub for their Gwaii Trust application - Development of an inclusive youth strategy.

CARRIED

- 9.10** Nathan Cullen, MP – Re: Coastguard deciding to replace the Point Henry
R2011/04/13 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Johnson that a letter be sent to Minister Shea - Re: Coastguard deciding to replace the Point Henry and a copy of the letter sent to other Coastal Communities, Gary Coons, MLA and Nathan Cullen, MP

and approved the following resolution:

Whereas, The 8 – hour Service time of the replacement vessel will **not** allow it to travel to most areas of the North Coast, and then carry out Search and Rescue Services once it has reached Station.

Whereas, The Smaller size of the Vessel will limit its ability to travel in the extremes of weather and sea-state and further limit its time on station.

Whereas, The replacement vessel is not equipped to transport patients, also called “Medi-Vacs” due to both space and service time, from villages to Prince Rupert Hospital, as the Point Henry is equipped and is utilized approx. 55 times per year whenever the “Medi-Vac” Helicopter is unable to fly because of Weather or operational conditions.

Whereas, The replacement Vessel is not equipped with Washroom and essential cleanup and warming facilities for rescue victims as the “Point Henry” class vessel is.

Whereas, There are no other SAR vessels on the Mainland North of Central Coast to provide Backup Services to the 14.4 metre Lifeboat, should it be unable to carry out its task due to Service Limits.

Whereas, The Current practice of sending out a Fast Response craft, then following with the Cutter to relieve crew and recover victims will not be possible with the 14.4 metre vessel due to crew size and vessel size.

Whereas, Loading rescued victims at sea from a portable life raft, over the side and onto the Deck of a 14.4 metre vessel is hazardous to both rescued and rescuer alike, unlike the current practice of launching and recovering the Hard-Hull rescue craft onto the stern of the Point Henry.

Whereas, The Removal of the 21 metre Class of Vessel, **Point Henry**, from this area and assignment of a 14.4 metre Class Vessel will Limit the ability of SAR on the North

Coast and will almost certainly lead to failed rescues and “Medi-Vacs” in the Area and result in **Loss of life**.

THEREFORE be it resolved that the Council for the Village of Queen Charlotte, British Columbia, request that the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans stop the replacement of the 21 metre Coast Guard Cutters with a smaller, less functional craft.

CARRIED

9.11 Sunshine Coast Regional District – Re: Request policy change regarding drinking watersheds
R2011/04/14 MOVED by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor Martin that a letter of support be sent to the Sunshine Coast Regional District to acknowledge their letter dated January 26, 2011 concerning watershed protection, and copies of the letter to the leadership candidates of all parties and to the UBCM.

CARRIED

9.12 Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) – Re: Workshop on Municipal – First Nations relationships and service agreements
R2011/04/15 MOVED by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor Martin that Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) – Re: Workshop on Municipal – First Nations relationships and service agreements be received and filed.

CARRIED

9.13 North Central Local Government Association (NCLGA) –Re: 2011 Measuring up the North Initiative Award of Excellence
R2011/04/16 MOVED by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor Martin that North Central Local Government Association (NCLGA) –Re: 2011 Measuring up the North Initiative Award of Excellence be tabled to the 7 March 2011 Council meeting.

CARRIED

10. Reports of Committee, COTW and Commissions:

11. Bylaws:

11.1 Village of Queen Charlotte Bylaw No. 47-2010 for 3rd reading
R2011/04/17 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Johnson to give 3rd reading to Village of Queen Charlotte Bylaw No. 47-2010 – A Bylaw for Road Closure and Disposition.

CARRIED

note: bylaw to be forwarded to the Ministry of transportation and Infrastructure for approval before final adoption.

12. Unfinished Business:

13. New Business:

14. Notice of Motion:

15. Reports of Mayor, Council Members and Staff:

Deputy Mayor Olsen

- Attended the Protocol meeting at the Kaay Centre January 28, 2011

Councillor Martin:

- Attended the Protocol meeting at the Kaay Centre January 28, 2011
- Attended the Committee of the Whole January 31, 2011 and met with Skidegate Band Council February 3, 2011
- Nathan Cullen, MP will be in Queen Charlotte February 18, 2011 and will meet with members of Council at 4.00pm and a public session will be held at 7.00pm in the QC Community Hall

Councillor Johnson:

- Attended the Protocol meeting at the Kaay Centre January 28, 2011
- Attended the Committee of the Whole January 31, 2011 and met with Skidegate Band Council February 3, 2011
- Councillor Martin and Councillor Johnson will volunteer as facilitators if needed during Nathan Cullen's visit Feb. 18, 2011 during the public meeting

CAO:

- CFO will be away for the next 6 weeks
- Auditor did not arrive yet due to the plane being delayed by bad weather
- Met with Yuill from Sustainability Solutions to discuss the Climate Action program
- February Village Voice to get out by Thursday
- Set a date for a Committee of the Whole (COW) to meet with Travis Glasman, for an update on MIEDS
 - try for a COW Wednesday 23 Feb, 2011 at 3.30pm
- Mary Lou Schroeder to present the Agriculture Strategy for Haida Gwaii at the February 21, 2011 council meeting
- BC Hydro will meet here on February 9, 2011 to discuss Sturdy Creek Dam and will also be in Queen Charlotte to attend the Community Dialogue on February 24, 2011 at 7.00pm at the Village office
- CAO will be away from the office from February 15 – 20, 2011. Mr. Beamish will be available by cell phone.

16. Inquiries from the Public:

- Complaint regarding the area on the East side of the Community Hall park which he views to be an eyesore and he would like to see it cleaned up from the old machinery, tires and invasive weeds. Who is responsible for this?
 - CAO will take photos and send to Dan Baker of MoT and will follow up.

Observer

- Has there been any meetings lately with the Watershed Advisory Committee?
 - No, there has been no recent activity
- Why is Council reluctant to nominate individuals for Earth Day and the NCLGA – 2011 Measuring up the North initiative Award of Excellence?

- Council receives so many requests like these that they cannot participate in all of them or use more of staff time. They will bring forward the NCLGA 2011 Measuring up the North initiative Award of Excellence to the March 7, 2011 council meeting. Council does encourage individuals to participate in any of these requests it is not always necessary for Council to be the lead.

17. Adjournment:

R2011/04/18 MOVED by Councillor Martin to adjourn.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:52 pm

Next meeting Monday February 21, 2011

K. Olsen, Chair

S. Brown, Recording