

Village of Queen Charlotte

March 6, 2006

**Minutes of the Council Meeting of the Village of Queen Charlotte held
March 6, 2006 at the Queen Charlotte Village Office, Queen Charlotte, B.C.**

Adopted

PRESENT:

Council:

Mayor C. Kulesha
Councillor E. Ross
Councillor G. Martin
Councillor K. Olsen
Councillor G. Noddin

Staff:

A. Yeates, Chief Administration Officer
D. Uliana, Manager of Corp & Financial Services
S. Brown, Receptionist/Financial Clerk

Public:

Walter Noddin, Kevin Gibson, Sergus de Bucy, Larry Duke, Edith Bell, Skye
Cantin, Lindsey Doersken, Colin Greenough, Mark Salzl, Leslie Johnson,
Heather Ramsay – Observer

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor C. Kulesha called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

AGENDA:

R2006/07/02 MOVED by Concillor Olsen, seconded by Councillor Ross to adopt the
agenda as amended.

CARRIED

MINUTES:

a) Village of Queen Charlotte Council Minutes, Feb. 20, 2006

R2006/07/03 MOVED by Councillor Ross, seconded by Councillor Noddin to adopt
the minutes of Feb. 20, 2006 as amended.

CARRIED

b) Skeena-Queen Charlotte Regional District Minutes, Jan. 27, 2006.

R2006/07/04 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Olsen to receive
and file Skeena-Queen Charlotte Regional District Minutes, Jan. 27, 2006.

CARRIED

LATE ITEMS: DELEGATE Mark Salzl, knotweed/skateboard park site.

DELEGATE:

- a) Queen Charlottes Islands Chamber of Commerce, Prince of Wales Island Chamber of Commerce Exchange, April 7 & 8, 2006; Skye Cantin

R2006/07/05 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Noddin to contribute a \$250 grant or in kind donation and/or auction items to the Queen Charlotte Islands Chamber of Commerce for the information Exchange meetings with the Prince of Wales Chamber of Commerce April 7 and 8th, 2006.

CARRIED

- b) Knotweed- Skateboard Park Site; Mark Salzl

Mr. Salzl presented information about controlling knotweed and the impact it can have on waterways and riparian ecological systems. Knotweed can also break up concrete which is a concern when locating the skateboard park. The knotweed issue has also limited the options in removing slash from the park area due to the danger of spreading this invasive weed. Burning the slash on site and implementing a strategy to deal with knotweed might be the best option. Councillor Olsen and Lindsey Doerksen volunteered to canvass the immediate neighbourhood re. burning the slash pile and to ask about health problems. A public meeting will be set up to discuss the Skateboard Park.

CORRESPONDENCE:

For Information

- a) “New Deal” Management Services, Community Works Fund Allocation, Feb. 14, 2006
b) Provincial Budget Highlights, Feb. 21, 2006.

R2006/07/06 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Noddin to receive and file the “New Deal” Community Works Fund letter and the Provincial Budget Highlights of Feb. 21, 2006.

CARRIED

For Action

- a) Queen Charlotte Islands Chamber of Commerce, Feb. 23, 2006 Refer to R2006/07/05.

- b) Haida Gwaii Tourism Association, March 1, 2006.

R2006/07/07 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Ross to join the Haida Gwaii Tourism Association (\$50.00).

CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS:

a) Office Renovations Tender

R2006/07/08 MOVED by Councillor Noddin, seconded by Councillor Ross that the tender received from Mark Baggaley Feb. 27th, 2006 for office renovations in the amount of \$8,996.56 be accepted.

CARRIED

b) Council Chamber Furniture Tender

R2006/07/09 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Ross that the tender received from Mark Baggaley Feb. 27th, 2006 for construction of Council furniture in the amount of \$3,691.50 be accepted.

CARRIED

REPORTS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS AND CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER AND MANAGER OF CORPORATE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES:

Mayor Kulesha: Attended the Northwest Regional Hospital meeting as well as the Skeena-Queen Charlotte Regional District meeting in Prince Rupert. The garbage collection contract between SQCRD and the Village of Queen Charlotte was approved. The SQCRD donated \$250 to support the Living and Learning School Art Show. Will attend a Land Use meeting tomorrow. Worked with our CAO and Highways Manager reviewing roads and drainage issues. Northern Health has completed upgrades for the Clinic in Queen Charlotte. Representatives from Provincial Emergency Preparedness will be on Island May 10 to talk with elected officials.

Councillor Noddin: Attended the Haida Gwaii Museum Society meeting and will continue to attend in the future.

Councillor Martin: Have been working with a community group interested in swimming pools. Attended the Cascadia Forest Stewardship Open House.

Councillor Olsen: Have been working with the Skidegate Band Council to get some skills upgrading courses available for youth on Island.

Councillor Ross: Doing some background work looking towards a Community Forest project. Attending ISWAC meetings.

Chief Administrative Officer: Attended the Queen Charlotte Emergency Preparedness meeting. Have been asked to act as Emergency Coordinator.

NEW BUSINESS:

a) Gwaii Trust-Special Initiatives in Education-Water System Operator Training Proposal for March 15, 2006

b) Gwaii Trust-Special Initiatives in Education-Finance Training and Education
Program Proposal for March 15, 2006

R2006/07/10 MOVED by Councillor Noddin, seconded by Councillor Ross to submit two funding proposals to Gwaii Trust under the Initiatives in Education Program for training the Public Works Superintendent and the Manager of Corporate and Financial Services.

CARRIED.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Leslie Johnson: When will the Protocol Agreement be addressed by Council?

Ans: Public consultation was promised, so this will have to take place first.

Observer: What will the Council tables look like?

Ans.: Three sections forming a modified V shape that can be moved on wheels to form a large meeting table when needed.

ADJOURNMENT:

R2006/07/11 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Olsen to Exclude the public under Section 90 (1) of the Community Charter: (Sec. 90 (1)(g) Legal, and (Sec. 90(1)(e) Property.

CARRIED

Mayor Kulesha, Chair

D.L. Uliana, Recording