

Village of Queen Charlotte

April 18 2006

Minutes of the Council Meeting of the Village of Queen Charlotte held April 18, 2006 at the Queen Charlotte Village Office, Queen Charlotte, B.C.

Adopted

PRESENT:

Council: Mayor C. Kulesha
Councillor Martin
Councillor K. Olsen

Staff: D. Uliana, Manager of Corp & Financial Services
S. Brown, Receptionist/Financial Clerk

Public: Kevin Gibson, Sergius de Bucy, Jacques Morin, Sgt. Hogg, Lisa Pineault,
Edith Bell, Keith Moore, Heather Ramsay - Observer

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor C. Kulesha called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

AGENDA:

R2006/10/02 MOVED by Councillor Olsen, seconded by Councillor Martin to adopt the agenda as amended.

CARRIED.

Action: Check the "Introduction of Late Items" being included with the "Approval Of the Agenda".

MINUTES:

a) Village of Queen Charlotte Council Minutes, April 3, 2006

R2006/10/03 MOVED by Councillor Olsen, seconded by Councillor Martin to adopt the minutes of April 3, 2006 as circulated with a reminder of the Annual Day of Mourning observance on April 28, 2006.

CARRIED.

DELEGATE:

a) Sgt. Hogg, RCMP: Sgt. Hogg reported on the staffing levels for our community. After being understaffed for most of 2005 the detachment is back up to a full complement of a Sergeant and 5 Constables (one Constable being assigned to Sandspit). A new position has been applied for and approved – that of Corporal. Duties for this position include supervision as well as investigation. Crime stats have dropped in the past year and first quarter of 2006 and the detachment continues to work towards enforcement with focused enforcement in some areas and special educational programs in others. Two of the educational programs include an anti bullying program for the younger elementary students and a DARE program for Grade 5 students. The detachment is also cooperating with the Victim Assistance Program and safe house workers in the communities. There

will be more focus on border controls and water safety. A request was made for members of the community to come forward with timely information to assist with enforcement concerning drug offences.

R2006/10/04 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Olsen to allow questions from the public for the delegate. CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE:

For Information

a) Skeena-Queen Charlotte Regional District Minutes, Feb. 24, 2006

R2006/10/05 MOVED by Councillor Martin seconded by Councillor Olsen to receive and file the SQCRD minutes of Feb.24, 2006.

CARRIED.

b) Skeena-Queen Charlotte Regional District Minutes March 24, 2006

R2006/10/06 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Olsen to receive and file the SQCRD minutes of March 24, 2006.

CARRIED.

c) Skeena-Queen Charlotte Regional Hospital District Minutes March 24, 2006

R2006/10/07 MOVED by Councillor Olsen, seconded by Councillor Martin to receive and file the SQCRD Hospital District Minutes of March 24, 2006.

CARRIED.

d) Minister of Forests and Range and Minister Responsible for Housing,
Community Forest Program, March 23, 2006

R2006/10/08 MOVED by Councillor Olsen, seconded by Councillor Martin to receive and file the letter from Minister of Forests and Range Concerning the Community Forest Program, March 23, 2006.

CARRIED.

e) Canadian Association of Home & Property Inspectors (BC) – House
Inspection re, Consumer Protection

R2006/10/09 MOVED by Councillor Olsen, seconded by Councillor Martin to receive and file the letter from the Canadian Association of Home & Property Inspectors.

CARRIED.

f) Northern Development Initiative Trust-Northwest Regional Advisory
Committee Minutes, March 10, 2006

R2006/10/10 MOVED by Councillor Olsen, seconded by Councillor Martin to receive and file the minutes of the Northern Development Initiative Trust-Northwest Regional Advisory Committee.

CARRIED.

Note: The Village of Queen Charlotte has been allotted \$360,000 for projects from this fund.

- g) The Village of Port Clements to the Council of the Haida Nations – Request for Protocol Agreement Meeting, April 4, 2006
R2006/10/11 MOVED by Councillor Olsen, seconded by Councillor Martin to receive and file. CARRIED.

For Action

- a) Agnes L. Mathers Elementary/Jr. Secondary School Parent Advisory Council, Letter of Support Request, Deadline May 15-06
R2006/10/12 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Olsen to send a letter of support for the Agnes L. Mathers Elementary/Jr. Secondary School Parent Advisory Council’s Gwaii Trust application to the Special Initiatives in Education for “Parents as Preventors” program. CARRIED.
- b) Ministry of Energy, Mines, and Petroleum Resources, First Nation & Remote Community Clean Energy Program-Energy Efficient Housing And Community Buildings Project, March 30, 2006
R2006/10/13 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Olsen to invite Christina Ianniciello of the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources to review the First Nation & Remote Community Clean Energy Program-Energy Efficient Housing and Community Buildings Project with the Council in May, 2006. CARRIED.
- c) Realizing the Social Economic Potential of Ecosystem-Based Management Wilfrid Laurier University, March 9, 2006
R2006/10/14 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Olsen to send a Letter of support to Wilfrid Laurier University for their Community University Research Alliance (CURA) project. CARRIED.
- d) UBCM Tourism Funding Grant Application
R2006/10/15 MOVED by Councillor Olsen, seconded by Councillor Martin to apply for the UBCM Tourism Funding Grant. CARRIED.

BYLAW:

- a) Bylaw No. 8; A Bylaw to Establish a Local Area Water Supply and Distribution System Service – For Final Adoption

**VILLAGE OF QUEEN CHARLOTTE
BYLAW NO. 8
A BYLAW TO ESTABLISH A LOCAL AREA WATER SUPPLY
AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM SERVICE**

WHEREAS under section 14.2 of the Village of Queen Charlotte Letters Patent dated June 28, 2005, a local area service was established for water supply and distribution system services, effective December 31, 2005;

AND WHEREAS section 14.4 of the Village of Queen Charlotte Letters Patent dated June 28, 2005 provides that the Village of Queen Charlotte must adopt a bylaw pursuant to section 211(1) of the *Community Charter* in relation to the local area service established by section 14.2 no later than April 30, 2006, and further, that the establishing bylaw provide that the purpose of the local area service and the area of the municipality benefited shall be as described in the local service establishment bylaw of the Skeena-Queen Charlotte Regional District as at the date of transfer of the local service to the municipality;

AND WHEREAS section 14.4 of the Village of Queen Charlotte Letters Patent dated June 28, 2005 states that sections 211(1)(a), (b) and (c) of the *Community Charter* do not apply;

AND WHEREAS under section 211 of the *Community Charter* the Village of Queen Charlotte may create a local area water supply and distribution system service;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council of the Village of Queen Charlotte in open meeting assembled ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

Citation

1. This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as "Local Area Water Supply and Distribution System Service Establishing Bylaw No. _____, 2006".

Service

2. A local area service is created for the purpose of providing a water supply and distribution system.

Service Area Boundaries

3. The boundaries of the Service Area are the boundaries of the municipality of the Village of Queen Charlotte.

Annual Cost

4. All or part of the annual cost of providing the service established under section 2 shall be recovered by a local service tax imposed on the Service Area by means of either or both of a property value tax under Division 3 of Part 7 of the *Community Charter* which may be imposed on land or land and improvements or on both, and a parcel tax under Division 4 of Part 7 of the *Community Charter*.

READ A FIRST TIME THIS	day of	2006
READ A SECOND TIME THIS	day of	2006
READ A THIRD TIME THIS	day of	2006
ADOPTED THIS	day of	2006.

Corporate Administrator

Mayor

R2006/10/16 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Olsen to Adopt Bylaw No. 8, A Bylaw to Establish a Local Area Water Supply and Distribution System Service.

CARRIED.

b) Bylaw #9; A Bylaw to Establish a Sewage Collection and Disposal Service

**VILLAGE OF QUEEN CHARLOTTE
BYLAW NO. 9**

A BYLAW TO ESTABLISH A SEWAGE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL SERVICE

WHEREAS under section 14.2 of the Village of Queen Charlotte Letters Patent dated June 28, 2005, a local area service was established for water supply and distribution system services, effective December 31, 2005;

AND WHEREAS section 14.4 of the Village of Queen Charlotte Letters Patent dated June 28, 2005 provides that the Village of Queen Charlotte must adopt a bylaw pursuant to section 211(1) of the *Community Charter* in relation to the local area service established by section 14.2 no later than April 30, 2006, and further, that the establishing bylaw provide that the purpose of the local area service and the area of the municipality benefited shall be as described in the local service establishment bylaw of the Skeena-Queen Charlotte Regional District as at the date of transfer of the local service to the municipality;

AND WHEREAS section 14.4 of the Village of Queen Charlotte Letters Patent dated June 28, 2005 states that sections 211(1)(a), (b) and (c) of the *Community Charter* do not apply;

AND WHEREAS under section 211 of the *Community Charter* the Village of Queen Charlotte may create a local area sewage collection and disposal service;

a) Mayor & Council

Mayor Kulesha:

Much of my time has been focused on the situation with BC Ferries and the proposals being considered to deal with the northern routes for the remainder of the year. As at 1:00 p.m. today the plan is to service the Queen Charlotte Islands three times per week with the remaining ferry (the winter schedule) with all freight and commercial traffic being handled by a barge service. The number of barge trips would be determined by the volume of freight. The actual schedule is targeted to be announced by the end of the week. The search for an additional ferry continues in Europe but it is estimated that 60 to 90 days would be needed to get the ferry on site and in service at best.

The Queen Charlotte Chamber of Commerce conference with the Prince of Wales and a Drive Tourism event were attended. I also attended the Northern Savings Credit Union annual meeting. Plans are moving forward for their new building. Queen Charlotte Secondary School students did well with their “job interviews”. The Island Health Watch Committee is seeking official committee status with the Council. The Elected Officials Forum is putting forward a request for proposals for developing an economic development strategy.

Councillor Olsen:

A big thanks to the volunteers and staff for completing the Skateboard Park slash burn.

Councillor Martin:

A thank you to Mayor Kulesha for her work for the community on the BC Ferry issue. Enjoyed attending the Prince of Wales conference – good information exchanged.

b) Manager of Corporate and Financial Services

The office renovations are nearing completion and staff have moved into the new space upstairs. The municipal software is loaded and a server is now in place. Utility bills are going out this week and new memberlink accounts have been established for those wishing to pay their utilities and property taxes by computer. All cheques paying utilities and property taxes should be made out to “The Village of Queen Charlotte”. Two new bylaws are being drafted; “Five Year Financial Plan” and the “Tax Rate Bylaw”. Both bylaws are required by Provincial legislation annually.

ADJOURNMENT:

R2006/10/18 MOVED by Councillor Olsen to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8.50pm

Next meeting Monday May 1st, 2006.

Mayor Kulesha, Chair

D.L. Uliana, Recording

