

Village of Queen Charlotte

May 8 2006

**Minutes of the Council Meeting of the Village of Queen Charlotte held
May 8, 2006 at the *Residence of Councillor Noddin* at 324 3rd Ave., Queen Charlotte**

Adopted

PRESENT:

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

Staff: A. Yeates, Chief Administration Officer
D. Uliana, Manager of Corp & Financial Services

Public: Heidi Bevington – Observer

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor C. Kulesha called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.

Agenda:

R2006/11/02 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Olsen to adopt the agenda as amended.

CARRIED

Minutes:

a) Village of Queen Charlotte Council Minutes, April 18, 2006

R2006/11/03 MOVED by Councillor Olsen, seconded by Councillor Martin to adopt the minutes of April 18, 2006 as circulated.

CARRIED

b) ISWAC Minutes, Feb. 9, 2006

R2006/11/04 MOVED by Councillor Noddin, seconded by Councillor Olsen to receive and file ISWAC Minutes of Feb. 9, 2006.

CARRIED

Correspondence:

For Information

a) Coquitlam – Seniors Advocacy Project Resolution, April 12, 2006

R2006/11/05 MOVED by Councillor Noddin, seconded by Councillor Martin to receive and file Coquitlam – Seniors Advocacy Project Resolution, April 12, 2006.

CARRIED

For Action

a) ALS Society of B.C. – Proclamation of June, April 26, 2006

R2006/11/06 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Noddin to proclaim the month of June ALS “I, Mayor Carol Kulesha, on behalf of Queen Charlotte, do hereby proclaim **June 2006** as “**ALS Awareness Month**” to raise awareness about Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis and to raise funds for research and patient care for people living with this disease in Queen Charlotte”.

CARRIED

b) Haida Gwaii Pastoral Charge Request for Letter of Support, April 28, 2006

R2006/11/07 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Noddin to send a letter of support to the Haida Gwaii Pastoral Charge for their application to the Gwaii Trust’s – Culture as it Relates to Tourism program re: Addition to the present church building.

CARRIED

c) Village of Port Clements Request for Letter of Support

R2006/11/08 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Olsen to send a letter of support to the Village of Port Clements for their application to the Gwaii Trust’s – Healthy Humans program re: Aerator for the Community Soccer Field.

CARRIED

Reports of Committee, COTW and Commissions:

a) Committee of the Whole Minutes, May 1, 2006

R2006/11/09 MOVED by Councillor Noddin, seconded by Councillor Olsen to receive and file the minutes of the Committee of the Whole, May 1, 2006.

CARRIED

Bylaw:

a) Advisory Planning Commission Bylaw 7-2006 for 2nd and 3rd Reading

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF Queen Charlotte

BYLAW # 7, 2006

ADVISORY PLANNING COMMISSION

A Bylaw to provide for

the establishment of an Advisory Planning Commission

WHEREAS The Local Government Act, in Section 898, provides for the establishment of an Advisory Planning Commission;

AND WHEREAS the Council deems it expedient to appoint a body of persons experienced and interested in the development of the Village of Queen Charlotte;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Queen Charlotte, in an open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

CITATION:

1. This bylaw may be cited as the "Advisory Planning Commission Bylaw # 7, 2006".

FUNCTION:

1. The function of the Advisory Planning Commission. Hereinafter referred to as the Commission, shall be to study and advise Council on matters respecting land use, community planning or proposed bylaws and permits under Divisions (2), (7), (9), and (11) of Part 26 of the Local Government Act, that are referred to it by the Council, and other matters that may from time to time be referred to the Commission by Council.

MEMBERSHIP:

1. The Commission composition shall be of residents of the Village of Queen Charlotte.
2. The Commission shall consist of five members appointed by a majority of Council plus one non-voting member of Council.
3. The term of office shall be for one year. The appointment shall be confirmed in January of each year by a majority of council.
4. The term of office for the Council representative shall be one calendar year and the appointment of the Council member shall be made in December of the preceding year.
5. An advertisement shall be placed with the local media to seek qualified applicants to the commission. Applications for membership on the Commission shall be in writing and directed to the Mayor and Council.
6. Upon recommendation of the Commission, or the Council itself, the Council shall have the power by an affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds (2/3) of all members thereof to remove any member of the Commission from office at any time.
7. Any member of the Commission, who is absent from meetings of the Commission for two consecutive meetings without leave of absence from the Commission Chair or

R2006/11/10 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Noddin to have second reading Bylaw 7-2006 Advisory Planning Commission .

CARRIED

R2006/11/11 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Noddin to have 3rd reading of Bylaw 7-2006 Advisory Planning Commission .

CARRIED

Councillor Olsen voted no/3 yes

b) A Bylaw to Amend Bylaw No.1-2006 to Govern the Proceedings of Council and Committees, Bylaw 12-2006 for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Reading

VILLAGE OF QUEEN CHARLOTTE

BYLAW NO. 12-2006

A BYLAW TO AMEND BYLAW No. 1-2005 A BYLAW TO GOVERN THE PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL AND COMMITTEES

WHEREAS Section 128(1) of the *Community Charter* gives municipalities the opportunity to conduct special council meetings using electronic and communications media, such as telephone and video conferencing and this section also authorizes municipalities to allow individual council, or committee members, to participate in council or committee meetings through such media, when the member is unable to attend in person;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of the Village of Queen Charlotte in an open meeting assembled enacts as follows:

Part 1 – Introduction

Citation

1. This bylaw may be cited for all purposes as “Bylaw No.12 A Bylaw to Amend Bylaw No.1 A Bylaw to Govern the Proceedings of Council and Committees.”
2. This bylaw shall take effect on the date immediately following its adoption.
3. The following bylaw or sections of the bylaw are hereby amended as follows:

a) Bylaw No. 1, A Bylaw to Govern the Proceedings of Council and Committees be amended as follows:

“Add as a new Section at the end of Section 5(c), and renumber sections of the bylaw as necessary the following:

Electronic Meetings

6. Provided the conditions set out in subsection 128(2) of the *Community Charter* are met,

(a) a special Council meeting may be conducted by means of visual and audio or electronic or other communication facilities if:

- (i) Mayor requires;
- (ii) the Council requires; or

(b) a member of Council or a Council Committee member who is unable to attend at a Council meeting or Council Committee meeting, as applicable, may participate in the meeting by means of visual and audio or electronic or other communication facilities, if:

- (i) the member is unable to attend because of physical incapacity or absence from the municipality.

(c) The member presiding at a special council or council committee meeting must not participate electronically.

(d) Agendas will be delivered to whatever electronic means the Council member requests.

READ A FIRST TIME this 8th day of May, 2006

READ A SECOND TIME this 8th day of May, 2006

READ A THIRD TIME this 8th day of May, 2006

RECONSIDERED AND FINALLY ADOPTED THIS ___ day of _____, _____

Mayor

Director of Corporate Services

I hereby certify that the above is true and correct copy of "Village of Queen Charlotte Council Procedure Amendment Bylaw No. 10-2006", as adopted by Council of the Village of Queen Charlotte on the ___ day of _____, _____.

Director of Corporate Services

R2006/11/12 MOVED by Councillor Noddin, seconded by Councillor Martin to have 1st reading of Bylaw 12-2006 A Bylaw to Govern the Proceedings of Council and Committees.

CARRIED

R2006/11/13 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Noddin to have 2nd reading of Bylaw 12-2006 A Bylaw to Govern the Proceedings of Council and Committees.

CARRIED

R2006/11/14 MOVED by Councillor Olsen, seconded by Councillor Martin to have 3rd reading of Bylaw 12-2006 A Bylaw to Govern the Proceedings of Council and Committees.

CARRIED

c) A Bylaw for the Levying of Rates for Municipal, Debt, Hospital, Regional District Purposes for the year 2006; Bylaw 11-2006 for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Reading

THE VILLAGE OF QUEEN CHARLOTTE

BYLAW NO. 11-2006

*Being a by-law for the Levying of Rates
for Municipal, Debt, Hospital, Regional District
Purposes for the year 2006.*

THE COUNCIL of The Village of Queen Charlotte, in open meeting assembled,
ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The following rates are hereby imposed and levied for the year 2006:

- A. (i) For all lawful General Municipal purposes of the municipality on the value of land and improvements taxable for general municipal purposes, rates appearing in column "A" of the Schedule attached hereto and forming a part hereof.
- (ii) For hospital purposes on the value of land and improvements taxable for Regional Hospital Districts purposes, rates appearing in column "B" of the Schedule attached hereto and forming a part hereof.
- (iii) For purposes of the Skeena-Queen Charlotte Regional District on the value of land and improvements taxable for general municipal purposes, rates appearing in column "C" of the Schedule attached hereto and forming a part hereof.
- (iv) For Northwest Regional Hospital retirement of debt on the assessed value of land and improvements taxable for Regional District Hospital purposes, rates appearing in column "D" of the Schedule attached hereto and forming part hereof.
2. The minimum amount of taxation upon a parcel of real property shall be ONE (\$1.00) DOLLAR.
3. This by-law shall be cited for all purposes as the "Annual Tax Rates By-law No. 11, 2006".

READ A FIRST TIME this 8th day of May 2006.

READ A SECOND TIME this 8th day of May 2006.

READ A THIRD TIME this 8th day of May 2006.

FINALLY PASSED AND ADOPTED the ____ day of May 2006.

Mayor

CAO

Certified a true copy of the Levying of Rates for
Municipal, Debt, Hospital, Regional District Purposes
for the year 2006 Bylaw #11-2006.

Chief Administrative Officer

THE VILLAGE OF QUEEN CHARLOTTE
SCHEDULE OF 2006 TAX RATES
ATTACHED TO AND FORMING PART OF BY-LAW NO. 11

TAX RATES (dollars of tax per \$1,000.00 taxable value)

PROPERTY CLASS	COLUMN A General Municipal	COLUMN B Regional Hospital	COLUMN C Regional District	COLUMN D NW Regional Hospital
1. Residential	2.51	0.147	.725	0.52
2. Utilities	10.04	0.588	2.9	2.08
5. Light Industry	9.538	0.5586	2.755	1.976
6. Business And Other	7.53	0.441	2.175	1.56
7. Managed Forest Land	2.51	0.147	0.725	0.52
9. Farm	2.51	0.147	0.725	0.52

R2006/11/15 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Noddin to have 1st reading of Bylaw 11-2006 A Bylaw for the Levying of Rates for Municipal, Debt, Hospital, Regional District Purposes for the year 2006.

CARRIED

R2006/11/16 MOVED by Councillor Noddin, seconded by Councillor Martin to have 2nd reading of Bylaw 11-2006 A Bylaw for the Levying of Rates for Municipal, Debt, Hospital, Regional District Purposes for the year 2006.

CARRIED

R2006/11/17 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Olsen to have 3rd reading of Bylaw 11-2006 A Bylaw for the Levying of Rates for Municipal, Debt, Hospital, Regional District Purposes for the year 2006.

CARRIED

6. Reports of Council Members and Chief Administrative Officer and Manager of Corporate and Financial Services;

a) Mayor & Council

MAYOR'S REPORT May 8, 2006

North Central Municipal Association

Attended the conference with CAO Yeates. This is our regional representation to the Union of BC Municipalities where we identify and lobby for issues of importance for our area, meet other Mayors, Councillors and Administrators and receive information on the subjects important to our communities.

We attended meetings that discussed the proposed RCMP taxation (see CAO Report), the legal responsibilities of Councillors, possibilities of the 2010 Legacy program, heard from the Leader of the Opposition Carole James, attended the AGM of the Northern Medical Programs Trust (UNBC Prince George graduating medical personnel in the north), the Municipal Finance Authority's report, the Real Estate Foundation's Communities in Transition Initiative, the programs of the Local Government Management Association, process changes to the Northern Development Trust and voted on resolutions to be brought forward to the UBCM in the fall. These resolutions are issues local governments believe should be lobbied to the province.

Of importance to us were resolutions emphasizing the difficulties of remote or rural communities such as: reviewing the current school funding formula, assisting local gov'ts and property owners with cost of repairs to buildings and infrastructure damaged by land slippage, redirection of insurance premium tax revenue towards community fire services, funding for playground equipment to

School Districts, restoration of operational funding for Women's Resource Centres and a more positive response towards an additional 2% tax on sports fishing lodges. Ideas such as tax exemptions for fire dept volunteers, community involvement in decisions regarding service delivery of local mental health and addiction services, free water testing, and points on our license for seat belt infractions were supported. On the other hand a moratorium on new fish farms was not passed. There were more resolutions and they can be found on the NCMA website.

Census

Please make sure you are counted. It is worth \$5000 for each resident to the Province and \$250/person to our community. More money collected means less taxes needed for services.

Councillor Noddin: Glad to be home and thank you to the Council for having the meeting at my residence.

Councillor Olsen: The new sign for the Village prepared by students of the Queen Charlotte Secondary School looks great!

Councillor Martin: The communications tower for internet still in progress. Will attend the ISWAC meeting later this week.

b) **Chief Administration Officer**

Obtained Highway plans for the Village of Queen Charlotte roads and sign locations. Updating the survey will be considered. The formulas for calculating RCMP costs for small municipalities and rural areas beginning in 2007 are not final. The slash burn for the skateboard park was completed within the required guidelines. Another meeting is planned with the Skateboard Park Committee including the youth to review the draft master plan. Our Public Works Superintendent is back from Level III Water Distribution course. The environmental work is going forward for the Stanley Lake project including CHN advisors. The MIA site assessment of our infrastructure went well. Will be attending a Provincial Emergency Preparedness meeting later this week in Queen Charlotte.

7. New Business:

a) **Special Council Meeting for May 12, 2006**

R2006/11/18 MOVED by Councillor Olsen, seconded by Councillor Martin to call a Special Council Meeting for May 12th, 2006 at 4:00 p.m. to consider "Bylaw to Amend Bylaw No.1-2006 to Govern the Proceedings of Council and Committees, Bylaw 12-2006" and "Bylaw for the Levying of Rates for Municipal, Debt, Hospital, Regional District Purposes for the year 2006; Bylaw 11-2006" for adoption.

CARRIED.

8. Adjournment:

R2006/11/19 MOVED by Councillor Olsen to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm

Next meetings Friday May 12th, 2006 at 4:00 p.m. and Monday, May 15th, 2006 at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Kulesha, Chair

D.L. Uliana, Recording