

Village of Queen Charlotte

February 5, 2007

**Minutes of the Council Meeting of the Village of Queen Charlotte held on Monday
February 5, 2007 at the Queen Charlotte Village Office, Queen Charlotte, B.C.**

Adopted

PRESENT:

Council:

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

Staff:

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

Public:

Sergius DeBucy, Kevin Gibson, Joanne Aimes
Heather Ramsay – Observer

CALL TO ORDER

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

Agenda:

2007/04/02 MOVED by Councillor Olsen, seconded by Councillor Martin to adopt the agenda as amended.

CARRIED

Minutes:

a) Village of Queen Charlotte Council Minutes, January 22, 2007

2007/04/03 MOVED by Councillor Noddin, seconded by Councillor Ross to adopt the Village of Queen Charlotte Council Minutes, January 22, 2007 as circulated.

CARRIED

Correspondence:

For Information

- a) UBCM Member Notice – RE: RCMP Accountability: Community Performance Plans – January 18, 2007
- b) Moresby Island Management Committee – Minutes January 10, 2007
- c) Heritage Society of British Columbia – February 19-25 is Heritage Week! – January 12, 2007
- d) Celebrate Canada Committee for British Columbia – “Celebrate Canada!” 2007 – February 1, 2007
- e) Order of British Columbia – Nominations – February 1, 2007
- f) Prince Rupert Regional Community Foundation

2007/04/04 MOVED by Councillor Olsen, seconded by Councillor Noddin to receive and file;

- a) UBCM Member Notice – RE: RCMP Accountability: Community Performance Plans – January 18, 2007, b) Moresby Island Management Committee – Minutes January 10, 2007, c) Heritage Society of British Columbia – February 19-25 is Heritage Week! – January 12, 2007, e) Order of British Columbia – Nominations - February 1, 2007 and f) Prince Rupert Regional Community Foundation.

CARRIED

Action:

Councillor Olsen will look into d) Celebrate Canada Committee for British Columbia – “Celebrate Canada!” 2007 – February 1, 2007.

For Action

- a) City of Prince George – Support and participation for the 2011 Western Canada Summer Games, August 1-9, 2011 – January 24, 2007

R2007/04/05 MOVED by Councillor Olsen, seconded by Councillor Noddin to send letter of support to City of Prince George – Support and participation for the 2011 Western Canada Summer Games, August 1-9, 2011.

CARRIED

- b) Youth Soccer Camp – Letter of Support for the 2007 summer soccer camps – January 24, 2007

R2007/04/06 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Ross send letter of support to the Youth Soccer Camp for the 2007 summer soccer camps.

CARRIED

- c) Village of Port Clements – Letters of Support – Gwaii Trust Feb.15, 2007,
1. Major Contributions – Multi Purpose Building - \$1,000,000.00

R2007/04/07 MOVED by Councillor Olsen, seconded by Councillor Martin to send letter of support to Village of Port Clements – Gwaii Trust Feb.15, 2007 Major Contributions – Multi Purpose Building - \$1,000,000.00.

CARRIED

- 2. Special Initiatives in Education – Public Works Superintendent Waste Water Collection #1 course, January 31, 2007

R2007/04/08 MOVED by Councillor Olsen, seconded by Councillor Noddin to send letter of support to Village of Port Clements - Gwaii Trust Feb.15, 2007 Special Initiatives in Education – Public Works Superintendent Waste Water Collection #1 course.

CARRIED

- d) Hecate Stream Keepers – Letter of Support for Stream Rehabilitation Project, February 1, 2007

R2007/04/09 MOVED by Councillor Olsen, seconded by Councillor Martin to send letter of support to Hecate Stream Keepers – Letter of Support for Stream Rehabilitation Project.

CARRIED

e) Living & Learning School – Letter of Support for Ski trip in March 2007 - February 1, 2007

R2007/04/10 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Ross to send letter of support to Living & Learning School for Ski trip in March 2007.
CARRIED

f) List of Deputy Mayors

Jan-March	2007	Councillor Ross
April-June	2007	Councillor Noddin
July-September	2007	Councillor Martin
Oct-December	2007	Councillor Olsen

This order is approved. If someone is away the next Deputy Mayor will be called forward

R2007/04/11 MOVED by Councillor Olsen, seconded by Councillor Noddin to accept the List of Deputy Mayors as designated.

CARRIED

Reports of Committee, COTW and Commissions:

a) Village of Queen Charlotte Committee of the Whole Minutes January 29, 2007

R2007/04/12 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Ross to adopt the Village of Queen Charlotte Committee of the Whole Minutes January 29, 2007 as circulated.

CARRIED

Resolution

a) Village of Queen Charlotte - Support for Gwaii Trust applications:

Special Initiatives in Education Program - Public Works Training
- Administration Training

Legacy Fund Program – Computer replacement and update

Major Funding Contributions Program - Sewer Lift Station Refit project

R2007/04/13 MOVED by Councillor Noddin, seconded by Councillor Ross to authorize the Gwaii Trust Applications for Special Initiatives in Education Program - Public Works Training - Administration Training, Legacy Fund Program – Computer replacement and update and Major Funding Contributions Program - Sewer Lift Station Refit project.

CARRIED

b) BC Spirit Squares Program – Phase I

R2007/04/14 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Ross to authorize the application for Phase I funding under the Provincial BC Spirit Square Program.

CARRIED

c) Tourism Banner

R2007/04/15 MOVED by Councillor Ross, seconded by Councillor Martin to authorize the Village of Queen Charlotte contribute \$1500.00 to the Chamber of Commerce and Haida Gwaii Tourism Association and commission a

banner for display to promote tourism.

CARRIED

Reports of Council Members and Chief Administrative Officer and Manager of Corporate Financial Services:

a) Mayor & Council

Mayor Kulesha: see report attached.

Councillor Ross: Dave Dickson of ICBC provided more information for the Community Watch program. Noted an article in the Globe & mail where a developer is working to remove land from the tree farm licenses. Development needs to be watched. Concerned about the time it takes Telus to respond to phone line repairs – many people rely on the telephone for emergency purposes and the time lines for repair are too long.

R2007/04/16 MOVED by Councillor Ross, seconded by Councillor Martin to send a letter to Telus re: concerns about the time delays to get telephone repairs/service for people dependant on telephone for handicapped – emergency communication.

CARRIED

Councillor Olsen: Attended the APC meetings. I am very interested in the Spirit Square project and appreciated the Health Forum. Attended the Pole Raising at the museum and was called on to speak for the Village of Queen Charlotte. Attended the Committer of the Whole meeting as well as the PEP (Provincial Emergency Preparedness) meetings in town where information about tsunami and forest fires was discussed. Very interested in working with Small Craft Harbours and the QC Harbour Board on future joint projects. Have received some complaints about the new BC Ferries reservation system. Looking for more information about the Katimavik program and will report back when it is available.

Councillor Martin: no report, attended meetings.

Councillor Noddin: see report attached.

CAO: no report.

Manager of Corporate and Financial Services: Work is beginning on the 2007 budget, year end for 2006 continues and progress reports on our two major projects (Canada/BC Water Project and Stanley Lake) have been completed and forwarded.

Public Participation:

UBCM report oil and gas – will we hear about something new?

-UBCM arranged with the Ministry of Energy to hold meetings to hear community concerns about oil and gas issues. I attend these meetings and there is ongoing information on the UBCM web site and as well as on the Village of Queen Charlotte web site. Will bring values and issues statement for next meeting.

Is Council aware of the new BC Ferries booking arrangements with no access to the local office? Have some concerns about future staffing levels – these are important jobs to our community.

-We have a seat on the BC Ferries Advisory Committee – this change was not brought to the committee. We are interested in hearing feedback on how the system is working so that we can bring forward problems at the advisory committee meetings. Have found out that TAP forms can still be used with the 1-800 number. There is supposed to be warnings of delays in sailings due to weather available on the website or through the central phone number. My next meeting is March 8, please contact the office with any problems you have encountered.

What is happening with the Tourism Strategy Plan?

It was not submitted for the agenda.

Is there support in the community for spending money on the Spirit Square project?

There have been community surveys in the past and support for this type of project was very strong. The Council does represent the community and they have heard wide support for pedestrian safety, additional parking, harbour upgrading and a sea walk. . This project represents an opportunity for a number of organizations in the community to work together – more can be accomplished together than separately. The financial commitment for this study is a 50/50 matching arrangement and staff is working to obtain our share. Some planning funds have been granted to the Village of Queen Charlotte from the Provincial Government for this type of study.

R2007/04/17 Moved by Councillor Olsen, seconded by Councillor Noddin to Exclude the Public and move In Camera under the Community Charter: Section 90(1)(e)Property.

CARRIED.

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Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Next meeting Monday February 5, 2007

Mayor Kulesha

D. Uliana, Recording