

Village of Queen Charlotte

May 7th, 2007

Minutes of the Council Meeting of the Village of Queen Charlotte held on Monday May 7, 2007 at the Queen Charlotte Village Office, Queen Charlotte, B.C.

Adopted

PRESENT:

Council:

Mayor C. Kulesha
Councillor E. Ross
Councillor K. Olsen

Electronic

Participation: Councillor G. Martin

Regrets: Councillor G. Noddin

Staff:

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

Public:

Sergius DeBucy, Kevin Gibson, Jacques Morin
Observer – Heather Ramsay

CALL TO ORDER

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

Agenda:

R2007/18/02 MOVED by Councillor Olsen, seconded by Councillor Ross to adopt the agenda as amended.

CARRIED

Minutes:

a) Village of Queen Charlotte Council Minutes, April 2, 2007

b) Village of Queen Charlotte Council Minutes, April 16, 2007

R2007/18/03 MOVED by Councillor Olsen, seconded by Councillor Ross to adopt the Village of Queen Charlotte Council Minutes, April 2, 2007 and Village of Queen Charlotte Council Minutes, April 16, 2007 as circulated.

CARRIED

Delegate:

a) Heather Ramsay – Self guided Heritage Walking Tour Brochure of Queen Charlotte – requesting Letter of Support (LOS) Gwaii Trust Funding May 15, 2007

Heather Ramsay presented an idea for producing a heritage walking tour brochure to be funded by Gwaii Trust. She has approached both the Visitors Information Centre and the Arts Council to submit the proposal. She asked for a letter of support for the project. She did not know which group would be submitting the proposal and did not have a final budget.

R2007/18/04 MOVED by Councillor Olsen, seconded by Councillor Ross to send a letter of support in principle for the Self guided Heritage Walking Tour Brochure of Queen Charlotte.

CARRIED

Correspondence:

For Information

- a) UBCM Conference – Re: Final Treaty Agreements, Examining Local Government Interests May 23 -24, 2007 in Richmond - April 27, 2007
- b) UBCM - Highlights of the April 19-20, 2007 UBCM Executive Meeting, April 27, 2007
- c) Vancouver Island Regional Library (VIRL) – News Brief, April 2007
- d) The Child Center Playschool – acknowledgement to the Village of Queen Charlotte re: Letter of Support, April 10, 2007
- e) South Moresby Forest Replacement Account (SMFRA) – Re: Appointment to the Board of the Gwaii Forest Fund, April 26, 2007
- f) Skeena Queen Charlotte Regional District (SQCRD) – Minutes March 23, 2007
- g) Gwaii Trust South End Minutes – April 24, 2007

R2007/18/05 MOVED by Councillor Ross, seconded by Councillor Olsen to receive and file a) UBCM Conference – Re: Final Treaty Agreements, Examining Local Government Interests May 23 -24, 2007 in Richmond - April 27, 2007, b) UBCM - Highlights of the April 19-20, 2007 UBCM Executive Meeting, April 27, 2007, c) Vancouver Island Regional Library (VIRL) – News Brief, April 2007, d) The Child Center Playschool – acknowledgement to the Village of Queen Charlotte re: Letter of Support, April 10, 2007, e) South Moresby Forest Replacement Account (SMFRA) – Re: Appointment to the Board of the Gwaii Forest Fund, April 26, 2007 and f) Skeena Queen Charlotte Regional District (SQCRD) – Minutes March 23, 2007.

CARRIED

For Action

- a) Village of Masset – request letter of support (LOS) Gwaii Trust May 15

R2007/18/06 MOVED by Councillor Ross, seconded by Councillor Olsen to send a letter of support to the Village of Masset for their funding application to Gwaii Trust.

CARRIED

- b) Gwaiitel – request letter of support Gwaii Trust May 15

R2007/18/07 MOVED by Councillor Olsen, seconded by Councillor Ross to send a letter of support to Gwaii Tel for their funding application to Gwaii Trust.

CARRIED

- c) Island Solid Waste Management (ISWAC) - request letter of support Gwaii Trust May 15

R2007/18/08 MOVED by Councillor Olsen, seconded by Councillor Ross to send a LOS in principle to ISWAC for their funding application to Gwaii Trust.

CARRIED

Councillor Martin joined by phone 7:58 pm

5 Bylaw:

a) A Bylaw for Land Sales Reserve Fund Establishment, Bylaw No. 15-2007 for adoption

R2007/18/09 MOVED by Councillor Ross, seconded by Councillor Martin to adopt the Bylaw for Land Sales Reserve Fund Establishment Bylaw No. 15-2007.
CARRIED

b) A Bylaw to establish the Financial Plan for the Village of Queen Charlotte for the years 2007-2011, Bylaw No. 17-2007 for adoption

R2007/18/10 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Olsen to adopt the Bylaw to establish the Financial Plan for the Village of Queen Charlotte for the years 2007-2011, Bylaw No. 17-2007.

CARRIED

c) A Bylaw for the Levying of Rates for Municipal, Debt, Hospital, Regional District Purposes for the year 2007, Bylaw No.18-2007 for adoption

R2007/18/11 MOVED by Councillor Olsen, seconded by Councillor Ross to adopt the Bylaw for the Levying of Rates for Municipal, Debt, Hospital, Regional District Purposed for the year 2007, Bylaw No. 18-2007.

CARRIED

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

a) Mayor & Council

Mayor Kulesha: see report attached

Councillor Martin: Attended Community Electricity Plan in Masset, April 27th.

Councillor Ross: Still working on waste oil collection for the south end of Graham Island.

Councillor Olsen: Attended Advisory Planning Commission meeting.

CAO: Updates – Skateboard Park is finishing the cement work next week. All supplies are here. Construction on the Stanley Lake Spur Road started. Public Works crew is changing the filter media in the water treatment plant.

Action: ad to Observer? make notice and post

Corporate and Financial Officer:

The 2007 Budget is now officially in place. Will receive the first drafts of the year end this week.

Public Participation:

Kevin Gibson: What is the ratio power between Mitchell Dam and the diesel plant?

Ans. We don't know at this time, we will be trying to get this info. for planning

Jacques Morin: 30% diesel in summer. More accurate data available soon from BC Hydro

Kevin Gibson: Councillor Ross, there are a number of people asking what the orange leach ate is from by Edith Bells place - do you think it may be from machines/iron?

Councillor Olsen: There is an underground creek there that has been buried.

Observer:

What is "filter media"?

Ans: The water treatment plant filters the water through layers of sands etc. to purify the water. This is the filter media.

Were there any questions from the public about the Financial Plan?

Ans: Approximately 6 people picked up copies of the budgets.

What do you mean when you say Gwaii Trust has been “over subscribed”?

Ans: Each Gwaii Trust program has set amount of dollars available. When they receive more requests for funds than there are funds to award the program has been over subscribed.

Jacques Morin: How are the board members chosen for Gwaii Forest and Gwaii Tel?

Ans. Gwaii Trust determined that the Gwaii Tel Board would be chosen the same way as Gwaii Trust. Each community appoints a representative and they vote on the director and alternate. Queen Charlotte, Lawn Hill and Miller Creek are all included in our Gwaii Trust area.

Jacques Morin: Will the funding from Gwaii Forest be for societies only?

Ans. Yes, it looks like that right now. There are two overlapping mandates between the Gwaii Trust and the Gwaii Forest accounts.

Observer: Will there be an election for these boards?

Ans. Gwaii Trust alternates its board members tenures. They will notify the South Graham Island Gwaii Trust Committee (Queen Charlotte, Lawn Hill and Miller Creek) when a new board member needs to be appointed. A call for interested persons to put their names forward will be publicized and the committee will meet to make its appointment.

R2007/18/12 MOVED by Councillor Olsen, seconded by Councillor Ross to exclude the Public and move In Camera under the Community Charter: Section 90(1)(e)Property

CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Next meeting Tuesday May 22nd, 2007

Mayor Kulesha

D. Uliana, Recording