

Village of Queen Charlotte

March 17, 2008

Minutes of the Council Meeting of the Village of Queen Charlotte held on Monday, March 17, 2008 at the Queen Charlotte Village Office, Queen Charlotte, B.C.

Adopted

PRESENT:

Council: Mayor C. Kulesha
Councillor G. Noddin
Councillor E. Ross
Councillor G. Martin

Regrets: Councillor K. Oslen

Staff: D. Uliana, Chief Financial Officer
S. Brown, Legislative/Financial Clerk

Public: 5

CALL TO ORDER

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

Agenda:

R2008/10/02 MOVED by Councillor Ross, seconded by Councillor Noddin to adopt the agenda as amended.

CARRIED

Minutes:

a) Village of Queen Charlotte Council Minutes, March 3, 2008

R2008/10/03 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Noddin to adopt the Village of Queen Charlotte Council Minutes, March 3, 2008 as amended.

CARRIED

Delegate – John Holland, Skeena Queen Charlotte Regional District Administrator – Re: Island Solid Waste Management

Mr. Holland presented a draft of the 2007 System Review report prepared for the Skeena-Queen Charlotte Regional District. The report made several recommendation concerning bylaws, targets for the landfill and recycling and education. Mr. Holland also presented a draft 5 year budget for the Skeena-Queen Charlotte Regional District. A \$200,000 shortfall in cash flow has been identified and Mr. Holland asked for feedback from the Council as to a proposal to increase garbage user fees from \$17/mo to \$22/mo,

discontinue the opting out option for residents who are away, as well as increasing the annual requisition from the municipality of up to 25%. Recycling was reported to have a \$54,000 shortfall and Mr. Holland suggested charging an additional fee for recycling or discontinuing the program.

Correspondence:

For Information:

a) Nathan Cullen, MP Skeena-Bulkley Valley – Re: \$1 billion aid package, March 5, 2008

R2008/10/04 MOVED by Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor Noddin to table a response to Nathan Cullen’s letter requesting input on how the Federal aid package monies should be directed in our area until Council has more time to reflect.

CARRIED

b) Legal Services Society – Re: brochure “Legal Aid: A necessity, not a luxury” March 4, 2008

c) District of Hudson’s Hope – Re: Electoral Boundaries Commission Report, March 10, 2008

d) North Central Municipal Association – Re: Getting To Carbon Neutral Workshop, March 7, 2008

R2008/10/05 MOVED by Councillor Noddin, seconded by Councillor Martin to receive and file b) Legal Services Society – Re: brochure “Legal Aid: A necessity, not a luxury” March 4, 2008, c) District of Hudson’s Hope – Re: Electoral Boundaries Commission Report, March 10, 2008 and d) North Central Municipal Association – Re: Getting To Carbon Neutral Workshop, March 7, 2008.

CARRIED

e) Northern Health – Re: Implementation of the new Meat Inspection Regulation – Information Sessions, March 28, 2008

f) City of Vancouver – Re: Funding for Municipal police Forces’ Beat Officers, March 5, 2008

R2008/10/06 MOVED by Councillor Noddin, seconded by Councillor Martin to receive and file e) Northern Health – Re: Implementation of the new Meat Inspection Regulation – Information Sessions, March 28, 2008 and f) City of Vancouver – Re: Funding for Municipal police Forces’ Beat Officers, March 5, 2008.

CARRIED

For Action:

a) The Village of Queen Charlotte Bylaw No. 20-2008, Establishment and Operation of the Queen Charlotte Volunteer Fire Department

R2008/10/07 MOVED by Councillor Ross, seconded by Councillor Martin to adopt

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CARRIED

Action: WCB & Insurance. GST and look into benefits

b) All Islands Trail Group

The All Island Trail Group is asking for a representative from Council to attend their meeting Tuesday March 25, 7 p.m. at the Rising Tide Bakery in Tlell.

Action – contact Maureen at QC Visitors Centre or Councillor Gladys Noddin to attend on the Council’s behalf.

c) RBC After-School Grants

Action: Forward RBC after-school grant information to groups interested in offering this program.

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

a) Mayor & Council

MAYOR’S REPORT MARCH 17, 2008

DRAINAGE

Work being completed on Bay Street in order to establish an outlet to the bay. This is essential so that water in the area can find its way to the inlet. Work is being completed by Ministry of Transportation with the cooperation of the CHN, MOE, DFO and our public works department.

MARTIN MANOR

Our assisted living units had its formal ribbon cutting ceremony. Amongst the dignitaries attending was the CEO of BC Housing Shayne Ramsay, the Manager of Community Development for the BC Region of Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, Tom Siems, Andrew Mclethie, Health Services Administrator of NH, Joline Martin past president of Heritage Housing Society and of course Debbie McMillan the present president. Councillors Eric Ross and Greg Martin also attended. People from Masset and Port Clements came to check out the facility and it is lovely.

Councillor Ross: Nothing to report.

Councillor Noddin: Participated in a Royal Roads Community Viability Project survey and attended a Gwaii Forest Society Board Development meeting.

Councillor Martin: Participated in a Royal Roads Community Viability Project survey, attended the Council Brown bag lunch, worked on mapping for the cemetery, represented Council at Chief Skidegates Funeral, attended Hecate Energy Institute meeting and attended the opening of the Assisted Living Building – Martin Manor.

CFO: Attended a meeting for updating on municipal elections in preparation for the upcoming fall election. Was also able to meet with our software providers for additional training.

Adjournment:

R2008/10/08 MOVED by Councillor Martin to adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m

Next meeting Monday April 7, 2008

Mayor C. Kulesha

D. Uliana, Recording