

City of Prince Rupert

Minutes for the **REGULAR MEETING** of Council held on Monday, April 14, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 424 - 3rd Avenue West, Prince Rupert, B.C.

PRESENT: Mayor J. Mussallem
Councillor A. Ashley
Councillor B. Cunningham
Councillor G. Garon
Councillor N. Kinney
Councillor J. Thorkelson

ABSENT: Councillor J. Carlick-Pearson

STAFF: R. Long, City Manager
C. Bomben, Chief Financial Officer
R. Pucci, Engineering Coordinator
R. Mandryk, Corporate Administrator
Z. Krekic, City Planner

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the Regular Meeting of April 14, 2014 to order at 7:04 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOVED by Councillor Ashley and seconded by Councillor Kinney that the Agenda for the Regular Council Meeting of April 14, 2014 be adopted as circulated and amended to **change under MINUTES #3e) the date of the Minutes of up for adoption to the Special Council Meeting of April 1, 2014.**

CARRIED

3. MINUTES

a) MOVED by Councillor Ashley and seconded by Councillor Kinney that the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting of March 24, 2014 be adopted.

CARRIED

b) MOVED by Councillor Kinney and seconded by Councillor Ashley that the Minutes of the Public Hearing of March 24, 2014 be adopted.

CARRIED

c) MOVED by Councillor Cunningham and seconded by Councillor Ashley that the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of March 24, 2014 be adopted.

CARRIED

- d) MOVED by Councillor Ashley and seconded by Councillor Cunningham that the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of March 24, 2014 be received.

CARRIED

- e) MOVED by Councillor Kinney and seconded by Councillor Ashley that the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting of April 1, 2014 be amended under #3a) to show that Councillor Ashley Opposed the following resolution not Councillor Garon: and,

MOVED by Councillor Thorkelson and seconded by Councillor Cunningham that the 2014 Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw 3345, 2014 be amended to exclude the proposed fee increase to the Civic Centre, Arena and Pool and to increase the tax rate by 1.2%; and,

THAT Council Introduce and give First, Second, and Third Reading to the 2014 Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw 3345, 2014 as amended.

CARRIED

Councillor Kinney and Councillor Garon - OPPOSED

THAT the minutes be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

4. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

- a) **Presentation from Ms. Tessa Gill, Head of Corporate and Stakeholder Relations and Mr. Derek Baker, Community Relations Advisor from Pacific Northwest LNG – Re: Update.**

Ms. Tessa Gill and Mr. Derek Baker gave an update on Pacific Northwest LNG accompanied by a Power Point presentation.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mayor Mussallem spoke regarding the historic circumstances surrounding Watson Island.

6. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- a) **Report from the Engineering Coordinator – Encroachment Agreement – 952 Ambrose Avenue.**

MOVED by Councillor Garon and seconded by Councillor Ashley that the City enters into an Encroachment Agreement with the new owner of 952 Ambrose Avenue.

CARRIED

b) Report from the Engineering Coordinator – RFP Award – Raw Water Supply Replacement Study.

MOVED by Councillor Ashley and seconded by Councillor Garon that Mayor and Council approve the recommendations of the Engineering and Public Works Departments and award the Raw Water Supply Replacement Study to L&M Engineering.

CARRIED

c) Report from the Economic Development Officer – Dry Dock Subsidies Act.

MOVED by Councillor Ashley and seconded by Councillor Garon that Council provide a letter of support for a dry dock in Prince Rupert.

CARRIED

d) Report from the Corporate Administrator – 60th Anniversary Ceremony of Sister City Owase City, Japan.

MOVED by Councillor Thorkelson and seconded by Councillor Kinney that staff send a letter to The Mayor of Owase City, Japan thanking them for their invitation to Mayor Mussallem but declining and also suggest that at a later date when times are economically better we would be more than happy to have Mayor Mussallem visit; and,

THAT staff make arrangements to send a plaque displaying a photo of the City of Prince Rupert and congratulating the City of Owase on their 60th celebration.

CARRIED

e) Report from the Corporate Administrator – Lighthouse Harbour Ministries Grant In Aid.

MOVED by Councillor Cunningham and seconded by Councillor Kinney that staff proceed with option 2 and that staff prepare a letter to the Provincial Government making the request to waive the tax as charged to the Lighthouse Harbour Ministries by the City of Prince Rupert.

Councillor Thorkelson questioned if Lighthouse Harbour Ministries is an actual place of worship.

Councillor Cunningham and Councillor Kinney revoked their support of the motion.

MOVED by Councillor Ashley and seconded by Councillor Garon that staff ask the Lighthouse Harbour Ministry if they are a place of worship under the *Land Title Act* and bring this information back to Council.

CARRIED

7. REQUESTS

8. CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION

a) Proclamation request from the Prince Rupert Labour Council – Day of Mourning.

MOVED by Councillor Kinney and seconded by Councillor Ashley that Council declare April 28, 2013 a “Day of Mourning” in the City of Prince Rupert.

CARRIED

b) Proclamation request from the Prince Rupert Cemetery Committee – Cemetery Day.

MOVED by Councillor Garon and seconded by Councillor Cunningham that Council declare May 1, 2014 as Cemetery Day in the City of Prince Rupert.

CARRIED

9. RESOLUTIONS FROM CLOSED MEETINGS

Council adopted a resolution on April 14, 2014 to release the following:

Prince Rupert Airport Authority Board appointments effective April 2014:

Ms. Maureen Macarenko for a term of two (2) years expiring April 2016;
Mr. Ken Doleman for a term of two (2) years expiring April 2016;
Mr. Kelly Sawchuk for term of two (2) years expiring April 2016;
Mr. Paul Kennedy for term of two (2) years expiring April 2016;
Mr. Mike Shaw for a term of one (1) year expiring April 2015; and,
Ms. Judy Fraser for a term of one (1) year expiring April 2015.

Recreation Commission appointments effective March 24, 2014:

Ms. Joyce Charleton, Mr. Steve Robin, Mr. Marc Page, Ms. Tammy Luciw, Ms. Joy Sundin and Ms. B. Dawn Quast effective immediately and expiring March 31, 2015.

Councillors Ashley and Carlick-Pearson be appointed to the Recreation Commission for a term that is effective immediately and expires on November 15, 2014; and,

Mayor Mussallem will attend as Chair for first three months, April/May/June/after which time Councillor Cunningham will then take over as the third member and at which time a new chair will be appointed.

10. BYLAWS & DEVELOPMENT PERMITS

a) Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 3346, 2014.

MOVED by Councillor Garon and seconded by Councillor Kinney that Council Introduce and give First Reading to the City of Prince Rupert Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 3346, 2014; and instructs Staff to commence the referral process and Public Notification.

CARRIED

b) 2014 Property Tax Bylaw No. 3347, 2014.

MOVED by Councillor Thorkelson and seconded by Councillor Garon that Council Introduce and give First, Second, and Third Readings to the 2014 Property Tax Bylaw No. 3347, 2014.

Mayor Mussallem, Councillor Ashley & Councillor Kinney - OPPOSED

The motion was tied, this Bylaw has been tabled until the Special Council Meeting on Wednesday, April 16, 2014.

MOVED by Councillor Thorkelson and seconded by Councillor Kinney that the report on taxation as supplied by Councillor Thorkelson be provided to the public by being placed on the City's website and be supplied in the mailed out tax notices; and,

THAT staff be directed to investigate the \$10k community grant that BC Housing has for land use planning.

CARRIED

MOVED by Councillor Cunningham and Seconded by Councillor Ashley that a member of CityWest IT be invited to attend Council's next meeting and explain the slow internet access in Prince Rupert.

CARRIED

Councillor Cunningham requested an update on a derelict vehicle in the Seal Cove area.

Councillor Garon requested an update on the 17th Street reconstruction, what is the update on the actual construction and why it is taking so long to complete.

Councillor Ashley spoke regarding the need for a Special Meeting of Council on Tuesday, April 22, 2014 to potentially adopt the 2014 Property Tax Bylaw No. 3347, 2014.

11. ADDITIONAL ITEMS

The Mayor provided his Mayor's report verbally.

12. REPORTS, QUESTIONS AND INQUIRIES FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Cunningham and seconded by Councillor Ashley that the meeting be adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

CARRIED

Confirmed:

MAYOR

Certified Correct:

CORPORATE ADMINISTRATOR

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