

DISTRICT OF HIGHLANDS  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting held Monday, June 4, 2001 at the East Highlands Firehall, 3613 Woodridge Place at 7:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Roessingh, Chair  
Councillor Cardinal  
Councillor Faris  
Councillor McLellan  
Councillor McPherson  
Councillor Mendum  
Councillor Vogel

IN ATTENDANCE: Bruce Woodbury, Administrator  
Loranne Hilton, Deputy Clerk

AGENDA

MOTION 301/01 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MCPHERSON  
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MCLELLAN AND RESOLVED  
THAT: The Agenda BE AMENDED as follows:

1. By ADDING the following item:

Item 3 a) Rezoning Application RZ-02-99  
Western Forest Products Ltd. - Highlands South

AND THAT THE AGENDA AS AMENDED BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

1. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

Nil

2. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

a) Minutes of the Public Hearing held May 22, 2001

MOTION 302/01 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MCPHERSON  
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR FARIS AND RESOLVED

THAT: The minutes of the Public Hearing held May 22, 2001 BE ADOPTED  
as circulated.

CARRIED

b) Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held May 22, 2001

MOTION 303/01 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR VOGEL  
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MCLELLAN AND RESOLVED

THAT: The minutes of the Regular Council meeting held May 22, 2001 BE

ADOPTED as circulated.

CARRIED

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a) Rezoning Application RZ-02-99  
Western Forest Products Ltd. - Highlands South

Mr. Danny Carrier was in attendance representing the proponent.

It was noted that some members of Council had questions or concerns regarding various aspects of the proposed development. There was discussion regarding the proposed lots to be situated on the western portion of the property, and concerns were raised regarding the slope of the land in that area.

There was discussion regarding shared vs. individual septic systems and road design, and the Administrator advised that these issues would be addressed at the time of subdivision.

The Administrator answered queries of members of Council with respect to the distribution of amenity funds as outlined in the Development Agreement associated with the proposed Bylaws.

4. REPORTS

a) Committee Reports

i) Administration and Finance

Councillor McPherson noted that the Administration and Finance Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet June 19, 2001 at 7:30 p.m. at Pike House.

ii) Environment

Councillor Faris noted that in addition to a special meeting scheduled for June 5, 2001 regarding the Development Impact Assessment relative to Rezoning Application RZ-02-99, the Environment Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet on June 11, 2001 at Pike House at 7:30 p.m.

iii) Parks and Recreation

Councillor Cardinal advised he had no report.

iv) Protective Services

Councillor McLellan noted that the Protective Services Advisory Committee recently met regarding the Western Forest Products Ltd. Rezoning Application RZ-02-99, and reported that the Committee had no concerns.

Councillor McLellan noted that the Protective Services Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet on June 25, 2001 at the East Fire Hall at 7:30 p.m.

v) Transportation and Public Works

Councillor Mendum provided an update with respect to roadwork on upper Millstream Lake Road, Millstream Lake Road, Munn Road and the Munn Road switchback. Discussion ensued regarding public consultation for the revised proposal for work on the Munn Road switchback.

MOTION 304/01 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MENDUM

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MCLELLAN AND RESOLVED

THAT: An on-site public meeting BE SCHEDULED for Saturday, June 16, 2001 at 10:00 a.m. at the upper end of the switchback on Munn Road with respect to proposed road work for the switchback AND FURTHER that a public mail-out be distributed in this regard.

CARRIED

vi) Trails

Councillor Faris advised that there was good response from residents with respect to the Trails Questionnaire recently distributed, noting that information will be analyzed to assist in the creation of the Trails Master Plan.

Councillor Faris noted that the Trails Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet on June 26, 2001 at Pike House at 7:30 p.m.

vii) Planning and Zoning

Councillor Vogel provided an update regarding the ongoing process of moving the responsibility for arts funding from the Greater Victoria Intermunicipal Committee to the Capital Regional District.

b) Mayor's Report

Mayor Roessingh noted that the Highlands Lake Stewardship group is being expanded to include Eagles Lake, and that he will be the Municipal representative on the Eagles Lake Stewardship Committee.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

6. BYLAWS

Nil

7. NEW BUSINESS

a) Building Report for May 2001

MOTION 305/01 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR FARIS  
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MENDUM AND RESOLVED

THAT: The Building Report for May 2001 BE RECEIVED FOR  
INFORMATION.

CARRIED

b) Letter from Jeff Robertson

Re: Request for Appointment to the Roads Advisory Committee

MOTION 306/01 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MENDUM  
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR FARIS AND RESOLVED

THAT: Jeff Robertson BE APPOINTED to the Roads Advisory Committee  
for the remainder of a one-year term expiring December 31, 2001.

CARRIED

c) Memorandum from the Deputy Clerk

Re: Donations for First National Properties Ltd. Lawsuit

MOTION 307/01 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MCLELLAN  
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MENDUM AND RESOLVED

THAT: The report from the Deputy Clerk dated May 28, 2001 regarding  
donations received for First National Properties lawsuit legal fees BE  
RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION.

A member of Council noted concern that although appreciated, donations to the District of Highlands received with respect to the legal fees incurred for the First National Properties Ltd. lawsuit should go to former Mayor Bob McMinn to help recover his costs incurred as a result of the lawsuit. A member of Council also expressed that Mr. McMinn's offer to pay any costs

incurred by the Municipality should not be accepted, and reasons for this point of view were noted. A number of Council members agreed that Mr. McMinn is under no obligation to pay any of the District of Highlands' costs with respect to the lawsuit. It was pointed out by a member of Council that if Council is prepared to accept donations from some people, it would have to accept donations from anyone wishing to make one.

Further discussion ensued regarding the acceptance of donations and the issuance of tax deductible receipts from the District of Highlands.

CARRIED

8. OTHER BUSINESS

a) Memorandum from the Administrator

Re: Potential Relocation of Millstream Lake Road

Some concern was expressed regarding timelines for completing work this

year if the potential relocation option for Millstream Lake Road is chosen. It was also noted that a public meeting should be held with respect to the potential relocation of Millstream Lake Road.

MOTION 308/01 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR VOGEL  
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MENDUM AND RESOLVED

THAT: JBR Highway Consulting Ltd. BE AUTHORIZED to proceed with mid-level design work, and providing a cost estimate, for the potential relocation of Millstream Lake Road.

In response to an inquiry by a member of Council, the Administrator advised that the costs would be eligible for provincial funding. He also advised that a public meeting on the potential relocation should be held once all the technical information is obtained from JBR Highway Consulting Ltd.

CARRIED

MOTION 309/01 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MENDUM  
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR FARIS AND RESOLVED

THAT: A Public Meeting BE SCHEDULED for June 27, 2001 regarding the potential relation of Millstream Lake Road.

There was discussion with respect to the potential relocation of Millstream Lake Road, and members of Council responded to inquires of residents in this regard.

CARRIED

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 310/01 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR CARDINAL  
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR VOGEL AND RESOLVED

THAT: The Regular meeting of Council be adjourned at 9:05 p.m. AND THAT, pursuant to Section 242.2 of the Local Government Act, a meeting in camera be convened to discuss:

? Litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality.

CARRIED

