

**DISTRICT OF HIGHLANDS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

Minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on September 5, 2006 at Caleb Pike House, 1589 Millstream Road at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Cardinal, Chair
Councillor K. Brotherston
Councillor Fall
Councillor Kadar
Councillor Mahovlich
Councillor Mendum
Councillor Williams

IN ATTENDANCE: Christopher Coates, Administrator
Laura Beckett, Planner
Sandi Chesley, Administrative Assistant

1. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

MOTION NO. 351/06

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR BROTHERSTON

SECONDED: COUNCILLOR MAHOVLICH

THAT Council approves the agenda as circulated.

CARRIED.

2. **PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS**

3. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

a) Minutes of the Special Council Meeting dated August 21, 2006

MOTION NO. 352/06

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR MAHOVLICH

SECONDED: COUNCILLOR BROTHERSTON

THAT the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting of August 21, 2006 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.

4. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE & COMMISSIONS

a) Committee Reports

- i) Advisory Planning Commission – (Councillor Brotherston) - nothing to report
- ii) Arts Committee – (Councillor Fall) – nothing to report
- iii) Community Energy Planning Steering Committee – (Councillor Williams) – nothing to report
- iv) Emergency Planning Committee – (Councillor Fall) – nothing to report
- v) CRD Environment Committee – (Councillor Mendum) – Councillor Mendum stated that the Capital Works Program for the Hartland Landfill was presented.
- vi) Greater Victoria Family Court Committee – (Councillor Mahovlich) – nothing to report. Councillor Mahovlich did report on the Groundwater Task Force. The Task Force did receive 4 statement of qualifications at the end of July and they will be meeting next week to discuss whether to bring one or two forward to the next Council meeting for consideration to write the Terms of Reference for the Groundwater Study.
- vii) Greater Victoria Public Library Board- (Councillor Kadar) – nothing to report
- viii) Inter-Municipal Committee on Disability Issues– (Councillor Kadar) - nothing to report
- ix) Solid Waste Advisory Committee – (Councillor Kadar) - nothing to report
- x) Western Communities Policing Advisory Committee- (Councillor Mendum) – nothing to report

b) Mayor's Report

- i) Capital Regional Board – nothing to report
- ii) CREST – Mayor Cardinal reported that the District of Highlands is one of two holdouts with the cost allocation formula. The Mayor will be meeting with the Chair of CREST on Friday who is lobbying to get the District's as well as the City of Victoria's approval. Gordon Horth will be attending the Regular Council meeting on September 18th to answer questions from Council.
- iii) West Shore Parks and Recreation Society's Board of Directors – nothing to report

Mayor Cardinal reported on the West Shore Economic Development Association (WSEDA) meeting he attended. The Association has received funding for up to \$160,000 from a UBCM grant where the District of Highlands contributed \$15,000. The Association is moving ahead with the Tourism strategy and a presentation was made by an MRPA Consultant . If the WSEDA accept the presentation and the documentation put forward, they will forward that information to Council for comment back to them.

5. RATIFICATION OF COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

6. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a) Memo from Planner, dated August 30, 2006
Re: Woodridge Subdivision – New Road Names

MOTION NO. 353/06

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR MAHOVLICH

SECONDED: COUNCILLOR KADAR

THAT Council approve Robb Place as the new road name within the Woodridge subdivision.

CARRIED.

Councillor Mahovlich left the Council meeting at 7:35 p.m. citing a potential conflict of interest.

- b) Memo from Planner, dated July 10, 2006
Re: Public Feedback Regarding Regional Context Statement and
Possibility of Water and Sewer Services

There was a round table discussion with various views and opinions noted.

MOTION NO. 354/06

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR MENDUM

SECONDED: COUNCILLOR FALL

THAT Council receive for information the memo from the Planner dated July 10, 2006.

AND FURTHER that Council defer the decision on whether to request the CRD Board proceed with a stand alone amendment to the Regional Growth Strategy for Highlands to the September 8, 2006 Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED.
(Councillor Kadar opposed)

Councillor Mahovlich returned to the Council meeting at 8:10 p.m.

- c) Memo from Planner, dated August 31, 2006
Re: Ford Rezoning/OCP Amendment Application - Referrals

MOTION NO. 355/06

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR

SECONDED: COUNCILLOR

THAT Council receive for information the report from the Planner, dated August 31, 2006 regarding the Ford Rezoning/OCP Amendment Application – Referrals.

CARRIED.

- d) Email from CASH Society
(Consumer Advocacy and Support for Homeowners Society), dated July 23, 2006
Re: Request for support for two motions at the upcoming 2006 UBCM convention
- leaky condos and marijuana/crystal meth operations

MOTION NO. 356/06

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR FALL

SECONDED: COUNCILLOR BROTHERSTON

THAT Council receive for information the Email from CASH Society dated July 23, 2006.

CARRIED.

- e) Memo from the CAO, dated August 1, 2006
Re: Financial Plan Revisions (Edwards Bridge Repair)

The CAO confirmed that the cost of \$12,394 from Kato Construction would bring the bridge up to current safety standards.

MOTION NO. 357/06

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR MAHOVLICH

SECONDED: COUNCILLOR BROTHERSTON

THAT Council direct staff to move forward with the Edwards Bridge Repair.

CARRIED.

- f) Memo from the CAO, dated August 2, 2006
Recommendations from the Fiscal & Environment Select Committee dated July 26, 2006
(The Financial Plan Leaflet)

MOTION NO. 358/06

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR BROTHERSTON

SECONDED: COUNCILLOR KADAR

THAT Council defer the mail out of the Financial Plan Leaflet to correspond with the budget discussions in October.

CARRIED.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence to Receive for Information:

- a) Memo from Mayor Sharon Hartwell, Chair, dated July 28, 2006
Community Economic Development Committee
Re: Softwood Lumber Agreement
- b) Letter from City of Williams Lake, dated August 2, 2006 to the Minister of Forests
Re: US/Canada Softwood Lumber Agreement
- c) Letter from CUPE BC, dated June 23, 2006
Re: Report on Public Private Partnership Projects in BC: The Role of the Auditor General

- d) Letter from Marvin Hunt, President UBCM
Re: Gas Tax Agreement Strategic Priorities Fund Regionally Significant Projects

MOTION NO. 359/06
MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR FALL
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR WILLIAMS

THAT Council receive for information correspondence numbered 8a) to 8d).

CARRIED.

Correspondence Requiring Action:

- e) Memo from LGPS Secretariat, UBCM, dated August 2, 2006
Re: Community Health Promotion – Round 2; Requests for Preliminary Project Proposals

MOTION NO. 360/06
MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR MENDUM
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR MAHOVLICH

THAT Council refer the Requests for Preliminary Project Proposals from UBCM back to staff for further investigation and that Council forward any suggestions to staff and the proposals be brought to the Council meeting of September 18, 2006.

CARRIED.

- f) Request from MFA-BC
Re: 2007 Financial Forum / AGM Call for Topics

MOTION NO. 361/06
MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR MAHOVLICH
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR FALL

THAT Council receive for information the 2007 Financial Forum / AGM Call for Topics.

CARRIED.

- g) Memo from AVICC, dated August 29, 2006
Re: AVICC Issues

The Mayor noted that more communication was needed between BC Hydro and the Municipality when BC Hydro is clearing vegetation from the transmission right of ways.

MOTION NO. 362/06
MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR MENDUM
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR FALL

THAT Council request staff to record on the AVICC Issues form that more communication is needed between BC Hydro and the Municipality when BC Hydro is clearing vegetation from the transmission right of ways.

AND FURTHER that the AVICC Issues form not be sent back until after the September 18, 2006 Regular Council meeting pending additional issues from Council.

CARRIED.

9. BYLAWS

10. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Memo from Building Inspector, dated August 11, 2006
Re: Building Report for July, 2006

MOTION NO. 363/06

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR KADAR

SECONDED: COUNCILLOR MENDUM

THAT the Building Report for July, 2006 be received for information.

CARRIED.

10. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION NO. 364/06

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR KADAR

SECONDED: COUNCILLOR MENDUM

THAT the Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at 8:35 p.m.

CARRIED.

MAYOR

ADMINISTRATOR