

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF KITIMAT COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, NORTHWEST COMMUNITY
COLLEGE, ON MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2016 AT 7:30 P.M.

Present: Mayor P. Germuth
Councillors E. Empinado, M. Feldhoff, R. Goffinet,
M. Murphy, C. Rattee, L. Walker

Present: Staff W. Waycheshen, Chief Administrative Officer
T. Gleig, Director of Engineering Services
G. Sewell, Director of Community Planning
M. Gould, Director of Leisure Services
R. Klukas, Director of Economic Development
T. Bossence, Fire Chief
P. Mitchell, Information Systems Coordinator
M. Manson, Deputy Operations Manager
S. Boudreault, Deputy Clerk

Delegations/Presentations

Frank Jensen - Property Taxes Frank Jensen, resident of 89 Coho in Cablecar, addressed Council regarding property taxes. Mr. Jensen said he is not challenging the flat tax system, he is challenging paying service taxes for services not received in Cablecar.

Policing Report Staff Sergeant McLaren and Sergeant Morgan presented the monthly policing report for February.

Hirsch Creek Golf & Winter Club - Lawn Mowers Robin Lapointe and Steve Haggard, on behalf of the Hirsch Creek Golf and Winter Club, requested the District of Kitimat donate to the Golf Club the two ride on mowers the District is replacing.

Hide 'n Heels Cheryl Rumley, Outreach Worker, and Paul Lagace, Housing Resource Worker, addressed Council regarding the upcoming Prevention of Violence Week - Hide 'n Heels event taking place April 14th to educate people and raise awareness about spousal violence.

Agenda Changes

R16-060 1. CBC Licencing Agreement - late item

Moved and seconded,

THAT the agenda be adopted as amended.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Minutes

R16-061

Moved and seconded,

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held March 21, 2016 be adopted as circulated.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motions

R16-062

BC Hydro Outages

Moved and seconded,

THAT the District of Kitimat write to BC Hydro highlighting a recent string of power outages experienced by the residents of Kitimat, the most recent being a multi-day loss of power for our downtown business core, and asking them what they are doing to ensure we don't get such a string of outages in the future.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Bylaws

R16-063

BC Housing, 480 City Centre Zoning & OCP Amendment

Circulated to Council was a report from the Director of Community Planning, dated March 30, 2016, regarding a bylaw to amend zoning to allow social housing and extreme weather refuge in City Centre.

Moved and seconded,

THAT " BC Housing, 480 City Centre Zoning & OCP Amendment Bylaw No. 1884 " be given first reading.

Motion Carried Unanimously

R16-064

Moved and seconded,

THAT Council support a proposal with less vehicle parking, along with bicycle parking spots, as suggested by staff.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Reports and/or Communications

R16-065

Property Taxes

Circulated to Council was a letter from Mr. Frank Jensen, a Cablecar resident, regarding property taxes.

Moved and seconded,

THAT the District obtain a legal response to the issues raised in Mr. Jensen's letter.

Motion Carried Unanimously

R16-066
Donation of Ride On
Mowers

Circulated to Council was a letter from the Hirsch Creek Golf & Winter Club, undated, requesting the District of Kitimat donate the two ride on lawn mowers which are being replaced.

Moved and seconded,

THAT the two ride on lawn mowers the District of Kitimat is replacing be donated to the Hirsch Creek Golf and Winter Club when the new mowers are received.

Motion Carried

In Favour Mayor Germuth,
Councillors Empinado, Feldhoff, Goffinet,
Murphy, Walker

Opposed Councillor Rattee

R16-067
Public Access to
Kitimat Waterfront

Circulated to Council was a report from the Director of Community Planning, dated March 21, 2016, regarding public access to the Kitimat waterfront.

Moved and seconded,

THAT the report regarding public access to Kitimat Waterfront be received for information.

Motion Carried Unanimously

R15-068
Youth Service and
Distinguished Citizen
Awards

Circulated to Council was a report from the Director of Leisure Services, dated March 29, 2016, regarding Youth Community Service and Distinguished Citizen Awards.

Moved and seconded,

THAT the 2016 Youth Community Service and Distinguished Citizen Awards nomination form be received for consideration of potential nominees.

Motion Carried Unanimously

R16-069
CBC Licencing
Agreement

Circulated to Council as a late item was a report from the Director of Corporate Administration, dated March 31, 2016, regarding an agreement with the CBC to use a portion of the lands behind the Fire Hall for its broadcasting equipment.

Moved and seconded,

THAT the first addendum to the license agreement between the District of Kitimat and the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation be approved.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Commission/Committee Minutes

R16-070
Advisory Planning
Commission -
March 15, 2016

Circulated to Council were the minutes of the Advisory Planning Commission meeting held March 15, 2016.

Moved and seconded,

THAT the minutes of the Advisory Planning Commission meeting held March 15, 2016 be received for information.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Council Reports

Verbal reports were given by various member of Council.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

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Corporate Officer

Mayor