

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Tuesday, October 1, 2024 6:30 P.M. Ladysmith Seniors Centre 630 2nd Avenue

Council Members Present:

Acting Mayor Tricia McKay
Councillor Ray Gourlay
Councillor Amanda Jacobson
Councillor Duck Paterson

Councillor Marsh Stevens (joined the meeting via Zoom at 7:55 p.m.)

Councillor Jeff Virtanen

Staff Present:

Allison McCarrick Erin Anderson Chris Barfoot Sue Bouma Tim Tanton Nick Pescod Mark Van Vliet Hayley Young

1. CALL TO ORDER

Acting Mayor McKay called this Meeting of Council to order at 6:30 p.m., in order to retire immediately into Closed Session.

2. CLOSED SESSION

CS 2024-220

That, in accordance with section 90(1) of the *Community Charter*, Council retire into closed session in order to consider items related to the following:

- b) personal information about an identifiable individual who is being considered for a municipal award or honour, or who has offered to provide a gift to the municipality on condition of anonymity;
- e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality.

Motion Carried

3. OPEN MEETING AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT (7:00 P.M.)

Acting Mayor McKay called this Regular Meeting of Council to order at 7:00 p.m., recognizing with gratitude that it was taking place on the unceded territory of the Stz'uminus First Nation.

4. AGENDA APPROVAL

CS 2024-221

That Council approve the agenda for this Regular Meeting of Council for October 1, 2024, as amended to add a presentation to item 8.2 "Rosalie Sawrie, Project Director, Social Planning Cowichan Transportation Plan Project Outcomes" as circulated to Council and published on the website.

Motion Carried

5. RISE AND REPORT- Items from Closed Session

Council rose from Closed Session at 6:41 p.m. with report on the following:

CE 2024-073

That Council:

- 1. Appoint Jake Belobaba, Director of Development Services to bid on any of the residential properties included in the 2024 Tax Sale;
- 2. Rise and report on Recommendation No. 1 immediately.

6. MINUTES

6.1 Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held September 24, 2024 CS 2024-222

That Council approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held September 24, 2024.

Motion Carried

7. COMMITTEE MINUTES

7.1 Public Arts Committee - September 23, 2024

CS 2024-223

That Council receive the minutes of the Public Arts Committee meeting held September 23, 2024.

Motion Carried

7.2 Poverty Reduction Task Group - July 17, 2024

CS 2024-224

That Council receive the minutes of the Poverty Reduction Task Group meeting held July 17, 2024.

Motion Carried

7.3 Accessibility Advisory Committee - May 22, 2024

CS 2024-225

That Council receive the minutes of the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting held May 22, 2024.

Motion Carried

8. DELEGATIONS

8.1 Rosalie Sawrie, Project Director, Social Planning Cowichan

Rosalie Sawrie, Project Director at Social Planning Cowichan, updated the Council on the CommUNITY Together to End Poverty Hw-nuts'-ulwum (As One) Project, covering its themes, goals, and session details. She answered questions from the Council, who thanked her and the volunteers for their community efforts.

8.2 Rosalie Sawrie, Project Director, Social Planning Cowichan

Rosalie Sawrie, Project Director at Social Planning Cowichan, updated the Council on the "Exploring Transportation Options for Ladysmith and Surrounding Communities" initiative, including key takeaways from the engagement process. Council expressed their appreciation for the thorough and informative presentation.

Councillor Stevens joined the meeting via Zoom at 7:55 p.m.

9. BYLAWS

9.1 Bylaws for Introduction

9.1.1 "Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Bylaw 2022, No. 2116, Amendment Bylaw 2024, No. 2193"

CS 2024-226

That Council give first, second and third readings to "Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Bylaw 2022, No. 2116, Amendment Bylaw 2024, No. 2193".

Motion Carried

OPPOSED: Councillor Virtanen.

9.1.2 "Council Procedure Bylaw 2009, No. 1666, Amendment Bylaw 2024, No. 2195"

CS 2024-227

That Council give first, second and third readings to "Council Procedure Bylaw 2009, No. 1666, Amendment Bylaw 2024, No. 2195".

Motion Carried

9.2 Bylaws for Adoption

9.2.1 "Building & Plumbing Bylaw 2024, No. 2174"

CS 2024-228

That Council adopt "Building & Plumbing Bylaw 2024, No. 2174". *Motion Carried*

9.2.2 "Town of Ladysmith Fees and Charges Bylaw 2008, No. 1644, Amendment Bylaw 2024, No. 2191"

CS 2024-229

That Council adopt "Town of Ladysmith Fees and Charges Bylaw 2008, No. 1644, Amendment Bylaw 2024, No. 2191."

Motion Carried

9.2.3 "Water Supply Works Temporary Borrowing Bylaw 2024, No. 2192"

CS 2024-230

That Council adopt "Water Supply Works Temporary Borrowing Bylaw 2024, No. 2192".

Motion Carried

9.3 Bylaw Status Sheet

10. NEW BUSINESS

10.1 Appointment of Deputy Mayor

Acting Mayor McKay appointed Councillor Ray Gourlay as Deputy Mayor to November 4, 2024.

10.2 Appointment of Deputy Approving Officer

CS 2024-231

That Council approve the appointment of Tim Tanton as Deputy Approving Officer.

Motion Carried

11. QUESTION PERIOD

A member of the public asked whether wheelchair accessibility for buildings is being considered as an initiative of the Accessibility Committee.

12. ADJOURNMENT

CS 2024-232

That this Regular Meeting of Council be adjourned at 8:12 p.m. *Motion Carried*

CERTIFIED CORRECT

Acting Mayor (T. McKay)

Corporate Officer (S. Bouma