

Minutes of the **REGULAR MEETING** of Pitt Meadows City Council held on **Tuesday, September 16, 2008** at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber of the Pitt Meadows City Hall, 12007 Harris Road, Pitt Meadows, British Columbia.

**PRESENT:**

Elected Officials: Mayor D.F. MacLean  
Councillor J. Becker  
Councillor D. Bing  
Councillor D. Eisel  
Councillor A. Tolchard  
Councillor D. Walters

Staff J. Rudolph, Chief Administrator Officer  
D. Rear, Director of Corporate Services  
L. Darcus, Director of Legislative Services  
A. Kopystynsky, Manager of Development Services  
L. Kelly, Executive Assistant

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m.

**A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**MOVED** by Councillor Eisel, **SECONDED** by Councillor Bing, THAT the agenda for the September 16, 2008 Regular Meeting of Council be amended by changing F.2.4 to F.2.3 – GVWD Grant in Lieu of Taxes; AND THAT the agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED.

**B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

1. **Minutes of the September 2, 2008 Regular Meeting of Council and the September 9, 2008 Special Meeting of Council.**

**MOVED** by Councillor Walters, **SECONDED** by Councillor Tolchard, THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on September 2, 2008 and the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on September 9, 2008, be adopted.

CARRIED.

**C. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**In an effort to make the community aware, the following is announced:**

There were no items received for this Meeting.

**D. PUBLIC HEARING**

There were no items received for this Meeting..

**E. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS****1. Cops for Cancer Tour De Coast.**

Joan Ilvasky, Canadian Cancer Society, Local Unit, said they are supporting Aaron Lloyd, a member from the Ridge Meadows Detachment, who will be riding in the Cops for Cancer Tour de Coast in support of pediatric cancer research. The Tour members will be cycling for nine days, through 17 communities and will be at the Meadowtown Centre on September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 3 pm - Ms. Ilvasky invited the public to come out and support the members of the Tour. Prizes will be available, including a bike which is being donated by the Onni Group. Ms. Ilvasky also noted that Casey Wright is a junior team member and a cancer survivor. He was diagnosed with a brain tumor at six months and has been fighting cancer for eight years.

**2. Spirit Dancer Canoe Update.**

Chris Cooper provided a PowerPoint presentation which is included as Attachment 1 and forms part of these minutes.

Mr. Cooper gratefully acknowledged the support provided by Council as well as the local Rotary Club. He said progress has been slow – they covered 400 miles due to the poor weather conditions, but they have been extremely well received by the British people. Four teams have participated this year (BCIT, Vancouver Police and the Royal Navy, UBC, and private individuals) Mr. Cooper said the purpose of the adventure is to support youth and young adults; and they participated in a fundraising event for Precious Lives. There will be an audio/video presentation in early 2009 in Pitt Meadows and at The ACT. For more information, visit [www.spiritdancercanoejourneys.ca](http://www.spiritdancercanoejourneys.ca)

**F. ITEMS FROM COUNCIL IN COMMITTEE****1. RECEIPT OF MINUTES.**

**MOVED** by Councillor Eisel, **SECONDED** by Councillor Tolchard, THAT the Minutes of the Council in Committee meeting held on September 9, 2008, be received.

CARRIED.

2. **REPORTS**

2.1 **2009 Permissive Property Tax Exemptions. (1900-05)**

**MOVED** by Councillor Walters, **SECONDED** by Councillor Becker, THAT Council, upon the recommendation of the Council in Committee:

A. Direct staff to prepare the appropriate public notices and bylaw to permissively exempt the following properties from 2009 property taxation:

1. Tourism Maple Ridge & Pitt Meadows Society, 12492 Harris Road
2. Calvary Chapel Ridge Meadows Church, #3 – 19040 Lougheed Highway
3. Grace Community Evangelical Free Church, 12240 Harris Road
4. Community Christ Meadow Ridge Congregation Church, 19089 Advent Road; AND

B. Direct staff to modify the Permissive Tax Exemption Policy to exclude Housing Co-operatives from exemptions.

CARRIED.

2.2 **Establishment of Farm Home Plates. (3900-2/08)**

The Manager of Development Services provided a PowerPoint presentation which is included as Attachment 2 and forms part of these minutes.

**MOVED** by Councillor Becker, **SECONDED** by Councillor Tolchard, THAT Council, upon the recommendation of the Council in Committee:

A. Receive for information the report by the Director of Operations and Development Services dated September 2, 2008; AND

B. Direct staff to proceed to Public Consultation based on the following options concerning how to regulate Farm Home Plates:

**2.2 Establishment of Farm Home Plates Cont'd. (3900-2/08)**

B.1 Regulating the residential uses by defining a Farm Home Plate and relying on existing setback, height and lot coverage regulations to limit the size of houses in the AG Zone; and

B.2 Regulating the residential uses by defining a Farm Home Plate, relying on existing setback, height and lot coverage regulations and setting an absolute maximum floor area size ("House Cap") to limit the size of houses in the AG Zone; and

Report back to Council on the feedback and the input received.

CARRIED.

**2.3 GVWD Grant in Lieu of Taxes.**

**MOVED** by Councillor Eisel, **SECONDED** by Councillor Walters, THAT Council, upon the recommendation of the Council in Committee, in accordance with section 81 (4) of the *Greater Vancouver Water District Act*, consents to receive a grant in lieu of taxes for 2008 from the Greater Vancouver Water District.

CARRIED.

**3. BYLAWS**

BYLAWS FOR ADOPTION

**3.1 Bylaw No. 2266, 2007: Drainage System Protection and Bylaw No. 2390, 2008: Municipal Ticket Information Amendment.**

A. **MOVED** by Councillor Walters, **SECONDED** by Councillor Eisel, THAT Council Reconsider and Adopt Drainage System Protection Bylaw No. 2266, 2007 using \$12 per unit drainage charge for multi-family residential.

CARRIED.

B. **MOVED** by Councillor Eisel, **SECONDED** by Councillor Walters, THAT Council Reconsider and Adopt Municipal Ticket Information Amendment Bylaw No. 2390, 2008.

CARRIED.

**3.2 Bylaw No. 2378, 2008: Soil Deposit Amendment and Bylaw No. 2391, 2008: Municipal Ticket Information Amendment (Amendments to Soil Deposit Bylaw No. 2205, 2005).**

A. **MOVED** by Councillor Walters, **SECONDED** by Councillor Tolchard, THAT Council Reconsider and Adopt Soil Deposit Amendment Bylaw No. 2378, 2008.

CARRIED.

B. **MOVED** by Councillor Eisel, **SECONDED** by Councillor Bing, THAT Council Reconsider and Adopt Municipal Ticket Information Amendment Bylaw No. 2391, 2008.

CARRIED.

Staff was directed to report to Council, via email, on how fines are established, the maximum amounts allowed, and how the local government is restricted by Provincial legislation.

**3.3 Bylaw No. 2393, 2008: Temporary Borrowing Bylaw. (1750-01)**

**MOVED** by Councillor Bing, **SECONDED** by Councillor Eisel, THAT Council Reconsider and Adopt the City of Pitt Meadows Temporary Borrowing Bylaw No. 2393, 2008.

CARRIED.

BYLAWS FOR FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD READINGS:

**3.4 Council Indemnity Bylaw No. 2383, 2008 and Policy B25. (2510-01)**

**MOVED** by Councillor Tolchard, **SECONDED** by Councillor Walters, THAT Council:

A. Grant First, Second and Third Readings to the City of Pitt Meadows Council Indemnity Bylaw No. 2383, 2008; AND

B. Adopt Policy B25 – Education and Communication for Members of Council, as amended.

CARRIED.

**3.5 Bylaw No. 2392, 2008: Land Use Amendment Bylaw (Requirements for Agrologist Report for AG Zoned Parcels) (3900-2/08).**

**MOVED** by Councillor Eisel, **SECONDED** by Councillor Walters, THAT Council grant First and Second Readings to the City of Pitt Meadows Zoning Text Amendment Bylaw No. 2392, 2008, to amend Land Use Bylaw No. 1250 to require submission of an agrologist report to justify the need for full time employee housing, and to advance this bylaw to a Public Hearing.

CARRIED.

**3.6 Bylaw No. 2394, 2008: Rezoning Application – Cedar Downs Residential Development – McMyn and 190A Street.**

**MOVED** by Councillor Walters, **SECONDED** by Councillor Eisel, THAT Council, upon the recommendation of the Council in Committee, defer the following items:

- A. Grant First and Second Readings to Bylaw No. 2394, 2008 to change the zoning of 12547, 12577, 12605 190A Street, 19017 McMyn Road and 19014 Lougheed Highway from Suburban Residential (RS) and Multiple Family IV (RM-4) to Multiple Family V (RM-5) in order to permit a 338 unit housing complex; AND
- B. Schedule a Public Hearing for October 7, 2008; AND
- C. Authorize staff to notify qualifying property owners that Council will consider approval of Development Variance Permit No. 2008-003 to reduce the minimum lot width requirement for the subject site at the October 7, 2008 Council Meeting.

until issues related to traffic have been resolved.

CARRIED.

**3.7 Bylaw No. 2395, 2008: Amendment to the Financial Plan. (1700-06)**

**MOVED** by Councillor Walters, **SECONDED** by Councillor Eisel, THAT Council grant First, Second and Third Readings to the 2008 Amended Financial Plan Bylaw No. 2395, 2008.

CARRIED.

**G. MINUTES OF COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS**

**MOVED** by Councillor Walters, **SECONDED** by Councillor Becker, THAT the following minutes of Committees and Commissions be received:

1. Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting held on July 17, 2008.  
CARRIED.

Councillor Becker requested that staff investigate, from a bylaw enforcement perspective, how to deal with the rebar storage use that is on the land but which is not permitted in an Agricultural Zone.

**H. COUNCIL COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS**

Councillor Bing, on September 5, attended the groundbreaking ceremony for the Seniors Centre; on September 10 attended two events for the Fraser Valley Regional Library – the Board approved the hiring of a new Chief Executive Officer – attended the summer reading program event – handed out 100 certificates and cake; on September 12; dropped by Randy Kamp's office to thank him for \$1+M grant for the pump station; on September 13 went on the Parks and Leisure Services parks tour in Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows; on September 14 attended the Terry Fox Run; and on September 15 attended the Candidates Orientation Workshop – nice to see a large turn-out.

Councillor Walters, on September 3, on behalf of the Mayor, attended a media conference at Ridge Meadows Hospital to announce a donation of \$1M by Ron Antalek to help enhance the care environment of the psychiatric ward; on September 5 attended the groundbreaking ceremony for the Seniors Centre; on September 14 attended the Terry Fox Run; noted that the Community Police Committee Annual General Meeting will be held on September 17 at 7:00 pm; on September 25 Rivermania will take place at Bonson's Landing from 9:00 am to 11:30 am – will celebrate the people living along the Fraser River for the past 150 years; invited the public to participate in the Great Canadian Shoreline Clean-Up on September 27 at 10:30 am – they will be cleaning up the section of the Alouette River near Harris Road at Menzies Crossing – for more information call Laurie Darcus at 604.465.5454.

Councillor Tolchard, said he had been away so had no liaison reports at this time; however, he noted that we should be thankful for the country that we live in – we need to look to the future to solve our problems, rather than looking to the past.

Councillor Becker, attended the Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting where one of the topics was the Soil Watch Program, which he said the City will be posting signs to advise individuals to report illegal soil dumping and that all the sites where soil is legally being dumped will be required to post a permit and sign – any illegal dumping that is noted should be reported to the Bylaw Officer; as part of moving ahead with the Drainage Protection program, we will need to access the ditches for cleaning purposes in conjunction with the Department of Fisheries and Oceans; noted the Mayor's Breakfast on October 2; there will be a seniors luncheon on October 21, from 12 pm to 2 pm at the Pitt Meadows Family Recreation Centre.

Councillor Eisel, attended the Bicycle Advisory Committee meeting on September 15 – increased gas prices have made cycling more attractive – Lori Alexander and the Vancouver Cycling Coalition were in attendance – advocate safe cycling; noted that the Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee will not be meeting in September – overlapping treaty talks is delaying progress; the Museum is looking for new members – former Meadowland School PAC group is putting together a package on the history of the school; the Terry Fox Run was very successful – the school runs are on September 26.- work sites encouraged to hold a run on September 25.

Mayor MacLean, attended the Seniors Centre groundbreaking on September 5; attended the Terry Fox Run on September 14 – cancer survivors spoke; attended the Parks tour on September 13; also on September 13 attended the Rotary Wine Fest – very worthwhile event.

Laurie Darcus, spoke about the Mayor's Breakfast on October 2 at 7:30 am – Terra Mackie, who works for Revenue Services Group will be speaking about funding opportunities for innovation, research and development, and she will make arrangements to meet with separately individuals, if there is an interest. Staff will discuss development in Pitt Meadows.

## **I. NEW/OTHER BUSINESS**

## **J. CORRESPONDENCE**

**MOVED** by Councillor Walters, **SECONDED** by Councillor Tolchard, THAT the following item of correspondence be received:

1. Parks & Leisure Services September 2008 Community Events Calendar.

CARRIED.

**K. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

**L. NOTICES OF MOTION**

**M. ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION**

**MOVED** by Councillor Tolchard, **SECONDED** by Councillor Eisel, THAT Council receive the following:

At the Special (Closed) Meeting held on September 9, 2008, Council adopted the following motion:

*“THAT the following items be released to the public:*

1. *Pitt Meadows Airport Society – Appointment of Director*

*THAT Council appoint Anthony A. Tennessy as Director of the Pitt Meadows Airport Society Board for a three-year term commencing September 9, 2008.*

2. *Audit Services RFP – Recommendation for Award*

*THAT Council approve the staff recommendation to award the contract for audit services to BDO Dunwoody LLP, Chartered Accountants for three years, with an option to renew for an additional two years, effective for the 2008 fiscal year audit.”*

CARRIED.

**N. ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS**

**O. NOTICE OF CLOSED MEETING**

**P. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOVED** by Councillor Bing, **SECONDED** by Councillor Eisel, THAT this meeting now be adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

CARRIED.

**Signed:**

**Certified Correct:**

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Mayor

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Corporate Officer