

Minutes of the **COUNCIL IN COMMITTEE MEETING** of Pitt Meadows City Council held on **Tuesday, January 9, 2007** 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, Chair
Councillor D. Bing
Councillor D. Eisel
Councillor J. Elkerton
Councillor A. Tolchard
Councillor D. Walters

Staff J. Rudolph, Chief Administrator Officer
L. Darcus, Director of Legislative Services
D. Rear, Director of Corporate Services
K. Grout, Director of Operations and Development Services
R. Boyes, Planner
B. Park, Fire Chief
L. Kelly, Executive Assistant

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOVED by Mayor MacLean, **SECONDED** by Councillor Walters, THAT the agenda for the January 9, 2007 Council in Committee Meeting be adopted.

CARRIED.

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Minutes of the December 19, 2006 Council in Committee Meeting.

MOVED by Councillor Tolchard, **SECONDED** by Councillor Bing, THAT the Minutes of the Council in Committee Meeting held on December 19, 2006, be adopted.

CARRIED.

C. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATION**1. Alternatives to Increase Electrical Transmission Capacity Between Interior and Lower Mainland.**

Melissa Holland, Manager, Major Projects, Donna McGeachie, Manager, Community Relations, and Lesley Wood, Community Relations Specialist, BC Transmission Corporation, were not in attendance.

D. REPORTS**1. Emergency Fire Department Response to Golden Ears Bridge and Roadworks.**

MOVED by Mayor MacLean, **SECONDED** by Councillor Eisel, THAT the Committee recommends THAT Council receive the report by the Director of Fire Services dated January 4, 2007, on Fire Department response to Golden Ears Bridge and roadworks, and recommend a course of action to staff.

CARRIED.

MOVED by Councillor Elkerton, **SECONDED** by Councillor Walters, THAT the Committee recommends THAT Council direct staff to write to the Greater Vancouver Transportation Authority (TransLink) Board Chairman, requesting further dialogue between TransLink staff and municipal staff on the issue of a Fee for Service Agreement for Emergency Response and design criteria of the Golden Ears Bridge and associated roadworks to reduce the time committed during an emergency response.

CARRIED.

2. Antique Fire Truck.

MOVED by Councillor Elkerton, **SECONDED** by Councillor Eisel, THAT the Committee recommends THAT Council authorize staff to liaise with the Pitt Meadows Heritage and Museum Society and Parks and Leisure Services with respect to the storage and maintenance of the 1928 Ford fire truck.

CARRIED.

3. Grow Operation Amendment Bylaw No. 2301, 2007. (3900-02)

MOVED by Mayor MacLean, **SECONDED** by Councillor Tolchard, THAT the Committee recommends THAT Council Grant First, Second and Third Readings to Grow Operation Amendment Bylaw No. 2301, 2007.

CARRIED.

(B. Park left the meeting at 7:30 p.m.)

4. **Financial Plan Bylaw No. 2300, 2007. (1700-06 {2007})**

MOVED by Councillor Eisel, **SECONDED** by Mayor MacLean, THAT the Committee recommends THAT Council grant First, Second and Third Readings to Financial Plan Bylaw No. 2300, 2007.

CARRIED.

5. **Civic Centre Planning and “Spirit Squares” Grant Application. (0890-20)**

MOVED by councillor Eisel, **SECONDED** by Councillor Walters, THAT the Committee recommends THAT Council:

- A. Commit to the planning process and development of a Spirit Square in the area generally as shown on Attachment “B” of the report by the Director of Operations and Development Services dated January 2, 2007 – an area bounded by Harris Road, Pitt Meadows Elementary School, the Pitt Meadows Family Recreation Centre and the City Hall; and
- B. Apply to the Province of British Columbia for a Phase 1 Spirit Square Grant.

CARRIED.

Staff was directed to provide Council with an update on the status of Grants received, applied for, and potential future Grants being offered.

6. **Land Use Bylaw Amendment Bylaw No. 2299, 2006. (3900-20)**

Mr. Boyes noted that the amendment bylaw would allow for the establishment of a parking standard for industrial use as 1 space per 93m² of gross floor area, plus 1 space per 46m² of office area and a standard for medical and dental offices or clinics of 1 space per 30m² of gross floor area.

MOVED by Mayor MacLean, **SECONDED** by Councillor Elkerton, THAT the Committee recommends THAT Council grant First Reading to Bylaw No. 2299, 2006 to amend Part C - Off Street Parking and Loading.

CARRIED.

7. **Development Permit 2002-005 Amendment – Meadowtown Centre. (3060-20-2006-07)**

MOVED by Councillor Eisel, **SECONDED** by Councillor Tolchard, THAT the Committee recommends THAT Council authorize the amendment to Development Permit No. 2002-005 to include:

7. **Development Permit 2002-005 Amendment – Meadowtown Centre Cont'd. (3060-20-2006-07)**

- A. Addition of an East elevation signage area for Building A (CRU-A3) as shown in Attachment A to the report by the Director of Operations and Development Services dated January 3, 2007.

CARRIED.

E. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Mayor MacLean, **SECONDED** by Councillor Elkerton, THAT this meeting now be adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

CARRIED.

Chairman

F. QUESTION PERIOD

1. **Grow Operation – Cedar Lane.**

Ken Woollard, 19648 Cedar Lane, Pitt Meadows, expressed the neighbourhood's concern regarding a grow operation house in the vicinity of the Edith McDermott School. He said residents of the neighbourhood had been expressing their concerns to the RCMP since June 2006. On January 8, 2007, the house was emptied of its contents and, although the RCMP was called, in his opinion, they did not respond in a timely manner.

Mayor MacLean asked Mr. Woollard to provide verifiable documentation outlining his concerns, including documentation lost by the RCMP and the slowness of the RCMP's response to the neighbourhood's requests regarding the grow operation. Mayor MacLean pointed out that the RCMP needs to have probable cause and a search warrant authorized by the Court in order to enter the house.

Jim Polomark, 19362 120B Avenue, Pitt Meadows, questioned the length of time it took the RCMP to respond.

1. **Grow Operation – Cedar Lane Cont'd.**

It was agreed that the Council liaison to the Community Police Office Committee would ensure that Cpl. McDougall provides a briefing to the neighbourhood on the outcome regarding the grow operation, including ensuring that the house is not a risk to neighbours (ie, no crystal meth lab in it). Mr. Woollard was also encouraged to start a neighbourhood watch program in the area.

2. **Sign at the Trail on the Fraser River.**

Robert McKee, 19149 117B Avenue, Pitt Meadows, said the new cedar sign on Baynes Road which advertises the trail, has toppled over and requires repairs to ensure it is secured.