

Minutes of the **REGULAR MEETING** of Pitt Meadows City Council held on **Tuesday, December 18, 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
Councillor D. Eisel
Councillor A. Tolchard
Councillor D. Walters

Staff J. Rudolph, Chief Administrative Officer
D. Rear, Director of Corporate Services
K. Grout, Director of Operations & Development Services
L. Darcus, Director of Legislative Services
L. Jones, Human Resources/Communications Officer
D. Boag, Director of Parks & Facilities
P. Morris, Legislative Services Clerk

Absent: Councillor J. Elkerton
Councillor D. Bing

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOVED by Councillor Tolchard, **SECONDED** by Councillor Walters, THAT the agenda for the December 18, 2007 Regular Meeting of Council be adopted with the following item change: Item H to follow Item I.

CARRIED.

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Minutes of the December 4, 2007 Regular Meeting of Council.

MOVED by Councillor Becker, **SECONDED** by Councillor Tolchard, THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on December 4, 2007, be adopted.

CARRIED.

C. ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

1. City Lights Christmas Outdoor Lights Display Contest.

Councillor Walters announced the winners of the City Lights Christmas light contest which was an effort to promote community pride. The contest was open to residents and businesses and judged on creativity, visual appeal, and the use of power smart lighting. The winners were presented prizes by the Mayor:

1st place: Merlyn Olson of 12222 Cypress Court
2nd place: Tom and Pat Hardy of 11753 – 192A Street
3rd place: Frederick Shire of 19508 -117 Avenue

Honourable Mentions:

12325 Nikola Street	Fern Boardman
12223 Bonson Road	David Hannas
19539 114B Avenue	Susan Mark
19466 117 Avenue	Bryan McGilvray

Councillor Walters encouraged citizens to check out the finely decorated homes within the community and also thanked the Judging Committee volunteers: Tracy Miyashita, Jeff Arnett, Anne Berry, and Gwen O'Connell.

(L. Jones left the meeting at 7:18 p.m.)

D. PUBLIC HEARING

There were no items received for this Meeting.

E. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

There were no items received for this Meeting.

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

MOVED by Councillor Eisel, **SECONDED** by Councillor Walters, THAT the Minutes of the Council in Committee meeting held on December 11, 2007, be received.

CARRIED.

2. REPORTS

2.1 Fill Application – 11177 Harris Road. (4520-08)

- A. **MOVED** by Councillor Walters, **SECONDED** by Councillor Eisel, THAT Council, upon the recommendation of the Council in Committee receive the staff report dated November 29, 2007 for information.

CARRIED.

Concerns about congestion on Harris Road were discussed; although there is support for the light Industrial development proposed for this parcel.

- B. **MOVED** by Councillor Eisel, **SECONDED** by Councillor Becker, THAT the item with respect to the Fill Application for 11177 Harris Road be referred to staff to prepare a report, including rezoning the parcel to Industrial, increasing the extraordinary traffic levy to a new, higher rate, allow truck traffic only between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. and impose a penalty for truck traffic outside those hours, and provide a provision for a cash in lieu amenity; AND THAT the item be deferred to the January 22, 2008 Council in Committee Meeting.

CARRIED.

With Councillor Walters voting in the negative.

2.2 Measuring Up.

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

- A. Endorse the Measuring Up Process, working towards and becoming a more accessible and inclusive community; and

Endorse a sub committee of the Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Municipal Advisory Committee on Accessibility Issues (MACAI), consisting of local businesses, community leaders and residents/citizens be formed to work through the Measuring Up Process; and further

Endorse the 10 x 10 Challenge, which encourages employment opportunities for individuals with disabilities.

CARRIED.

2.3 Council Agenda and Minutes On-line. (01-0550-01-07)

Mayor MacLean thanked the web site team for keeping the site up to date and encouraged the public to visit our web site to access full agenda packages.

MOVED by Councillor Walters, **SECONDED** by Councillor Becker, THAT Council, upon the recommendation of the Council in Committee, receive for information the report prepared by the Director of Legislative Services dated Monday, December 03, 2007.

CARRIED.

2.4 City Statutory Reserve Funds. (1960-01)

MOVED by Councillor Tolchard, **SECONDED** by Councillor Becker, THAT Council, upon the recommendation of the Council in Committee, receive for information the report from the Director of Corporate Services dated December 5, 2007.

CARRIED.

3. BYLAWS

There were no items received for this Meeting.

G. MINUTES OF COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS

MOVED by Councillor Tolchard, **SECONDED** by Councillor Eisel, THAT the Minutes of Committees and Commissions be received:

1. Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows Parks & Leisure Services Commission Regular Meeting held on October 11, 2007 and November 8, 2007 (draft).
2. Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC) Regular Meeting held on October 15, 2007.
3. Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Municipal Advisory Committee on Accessibility Issues (MACAI) Meeting held on October 18, 2007.

CARRIED.

H. COUNCIL COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS

Councillor Becker, attended the Seniors' Christmas Luncheon on the 10th of December and another one on the 14th at which City Staff were in attendance as servers; attended the Agricultural Advisory Committee (AAC) meeting December 18th and noted that they are currently

discussing funding of the dyking and drainage utility. Implementation will result in an increased cost of approximately \$2.2 million from the current funding of \$900,000 and decisions will need to be made on allocation of costs across the agricultural, residential, and commercial sectors. Councillor Becker showed off his musical tie and wished fellow Councillors, the staff and residents a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Councillor Tolchard, attended a number of events in the community due to the season, including the Seniors' Luncheon; he congratulated the Volunteer Fire Department on their efforts last week to raise \$4527 and 6400 lbs. of food plus toys for the Friends in Need Food Bank and Christmas Hamper Society. Councillor Tolchard commented on how impressed he was by the generosity of our community and thanked them personally; he also wished all a Merry, Merry Christmas and hoped for the best opportunity for everyone in the coming year.

Councillor Walters, thanked the Lions Club for preparing dinner for the Volunteer Fire Department's Christmas event which occurred on December 6th; attended the Arts Council meeting on December 17th and President Roger Welch and Director Mark Taylor both have agreed to provide more art programs to Pitt Meadows if they are provided permanent space within the community; to attract more people to attend their meetings they are planning on alternating meetings between Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows in the New Year; also attended the Community Police meeting and reminded residents not to drink and drive during the holiday season – stay safe; thanked staff and Council for their work in the community throughout the year and wished everyone a very, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Councillor Eisel, attended the Seniors' Luncheon on December 10th; she mentioned that the seniors are looking forward to new planning and programming with the new Seniors' Centre facility; invited everyone to the Winter Wonderland and Santa breakfast that will be occurring December 22nd to December 24th at the Pitt Meadows Arenas; she hopes the New Year brings citizens, staff and Council good health and cheer and encouraged those to make a New Year's resolution to include random acts of kindness, and make our City a great place to live in; Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mayor MacLean, will be attending the Winter Wonderland and skate with Santa on December 22nd; attended the Youth Diversion Open House December 17th; will be ending his years on the TransLink Board in 12 days as they have voted in new officials last week; the Pitt Meadows Staff Christmas party was held on December 1st and appreciated the hard work of the Social Committee and proceeds were raised that night for the

United Way; he attended the Mayor's Breakfast on December 5th – the topic was business continuity and disaster planning and hopes to continue hosting more events in the future; the Community Policing Christmas party is scheduled for December 19th and he will drop in to thank volunteers and RCMP for their hard work this year; he wished all a very, Merry Christmas during this time of year, but also encouraged everyone to spend time with those less fortunate, remember those that have lost a loved one this past year, and spread smiles, as they tend to go a long way. Wished all a Merry Christmas, peace and a Happy 2008.

I. NEW/OTHER BUSINESS

1. 2008 Appointments to Greater Vancouver Regional District Board of Directors.

MOVED by Councillor Tolchard, **SECONDED** by Councillor Walters, THAT Council, replace Councillor Janis Elkerton as the First Alternate to the Greater Vancouver Regional District Board of Directors, with Councillor John Becker and Councillor Doug Bing as the Second Alternate.

CARRIED.

2. 2008 Appointments to Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee (LMTAC).

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

- A. Receive for information the communication from Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee (LMTAC) dated November 28, 2007; and
- B. Re-appoint Councillor Debra Eisel to the Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee and appoint Councillor Doug Bing as the Alternate, for the year commencing December 2007.

CARRIED.

3. 2008 Appointments to the Greater Vancouver Regional Labour Relations Bureau.

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

- A. Receive for information the correspondence from Metro Vancouver dated November 26, 2007; and

3. **2008 Appointments to the Greater Vancouver Regional Labour Relations Bureau Cont'd.**

- B. Appoint Councillor Deb Walters as Council Liaison to the Greater Vancouver Regional Labour Relations Bureau, and Councillor John Becker as the Alternate.

CARRIED.

J. CORRESPONDENCE

MOVED by Councillor Eisel, **SECONDED** by Councillor Becker, THAT the following thirteen items of correspondence be received:

1. Communication from the Ministry of Agriculture and Lands dated November 27, 2007, regarding Growing Together – Farming in Partnership with Local Government, Fall 2007 edition. (*Copies have already been forwarded to Council.*)
2. Communication from City of Burnaby, Office of the Mayor dated November 29, 2007, regarding City of Burnaby Submission to Environmental Assessment Office Regarding Port Mann/Highway Project.
3. Communication from Metro Vancouver dated November 30, 2007, regarding request for comment on *Future of the Region Sustainability Dialogues Reports: Culture - People, Places, Values and Industry – The End of Industry.*
4. Communication from Metro Vancouver dated November 30, 2007, regarding Innovative Environmental Policies and Practices.
5. Communication from the Corporation of the City of North Vancouver, Office of the Mayor dated December 3, 2007, regarding Retaining and Expanding Market Rental Housing in the City of North Vancouver.
6. Communication from BC Transmission Corporation received December 3, 2007, regarding *Project Update* November 2007.
7. Communication from City of Ottawa Councillor Clive Doucet received December 3, 2007, regarding the One Cent NOW! Campaign.

8. Communication from Human Resources and Social Development Canada received December 3, 2007, regarding the 2008 Therese Casgrain Volunteer Award Nominations. Deadline for nominations is February 1, 2008. *(Full brochure and application available from the Legislative Services Department).*
9. Communication from Metro Vancouver received December 7, 2007, regarding Actions taken by the GVRD Board of Directors on November 2, 2007: Board in Brief.
10. Email communication from City of Vancouver Mayor Sam Sullivan dated December 11, 2007, regarding minutes from the November 2, 2007 Metro Vancouver (GVRD Board of Directors) Meeting and a newspaper article published in the Goldstream News Gazette.
11. Communication from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) dated December 6, 2007, regarding Bill 64 – Penalties for Breach of Confidentiality.
12. Fax communication from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) received December 11, 2007, regarding New Industry Canada Antenna Siting and Approval Procedures.
13. Fax communication from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) received December 11, 2007, regarding Highlights of the UBCM Executive Meeting held on November 29-30, 2007.

CARRIED.

K. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

L. NOTICES OF MOTION

M. ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION

N. ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

O. NOTICE OF CLOSED MEETING

There were no items received for this Meeting.

P. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Eisel, SECONDED by Councillor Walters, THAT this meeting now be adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Signed:

Certified Correct:

Mayor

Corporate Officer