

TOWN OF LAKE COWICHAN

Minutes of a Regular meeting of Council held on
Tuesday, October 28th, 2014



PRESENT: Mayor Ross Forrest
Councillor Bob Day
Councillor Frank Hornbrook
Councillor Jayne Ingram
Councillor Tim McGonigle

STAFF: Joseph A. Fernandez, Chief Administrative Officer
Roni-Lee Roach, Executive Secretary

PUBLIC: 5

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Forrest called the meeting to order at 6:23 p.m.

2. AGENDA

No. R.152/14

Moved: Councillor Hornbrook

Seconded: Councillor Ingram

that the agenda be approved with the following addition:

Reports – Staff Reports

- Chief Administrative Officer re: Proposal for Insurance Services.

that the agenda be approved with the following deletions:

Delegations and Representations

- Domenico Iannidinardo, Timberwest Forest Corporation re: Relations with Lake Cowichan Local Government; and
- Aaron Hamilton, Lake Cowichan First Nation re: Land Use Plan of First Nation.

CARRIED.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

No. R.153/14

(a) Moved: Councillor Day

Seconded: Councillor McGonigle

that the minutes of the Regular meeting of Council held on September 16th, 2014 be amended and adopted.

CARRIED.

No. R.154/14

(b) Moved: Councillor Hornbrook

Seconded: Councillor Ingram

that the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on October 21st, 2014 be adopted.

CARRIED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

5. DELEGATIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS

None.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

- (a) The correspondence item from Union of BC Municipalities, Gas Tax Program Services regarding the gas tax agreement community works fund payment was treated as information.
- (b) The correspondence item from the Corporation of the Township of Spallumcheen regarding concerns regarding smart meters was treated as information.

7. REPORTS

No. R.155/14
Finance and
Administration

Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Ingram
that the minutes of the Finance and Administration Committee meeting held on October 14th, 2014 be approved with the following recommendations:

1—Stage 3 Water Restriction

that Council rescind the Stage 3 water restriction in conjunction with other local governments.

2—TD Greenstreets Application

that Council endorse the grant application under TD Greenstreets by Judy Stafford for the Community Garden Project.

CARRIED.

No. R.156/14
CLEC, Lakeview and Fire
Department

Moved: Councillor Day
Seconded: Councillor McGonigle
that the minutes of the CLEC, Lakeview and Fire Department Committee meeting held on October 14th, 2014 be approved.

CARRIED.

No. R.157/14
Sustainable Planning and
Development

Moved: Councillor Ingram
Seconded: Councillor Hornbrook
that the minutes of the Sustainable Planning and Development Committee meeting held on October 21st, 2014 be approved.

CARRIED.

Cowichan Lake
Recreation

The minutes of the Cowichan Lake Recreation Commission meeting held on September 25th, 2014 were treated as information.

Ohtaki Twinning
Committee

Mayor Forrest advised that the visit by the Japanese delegates went well and he extended his thanks to all those involved and especially those with homestays.

Advisory Planning
Commission

Councillor Hornbrook reported that the Advisory Planning Commission were currently working on clarification of definitions and that it has completed a review of the signage bylaw and would bring forward for Council's consideration for the end of November, 2014.

Community Forest
Co-op

Councillor McGonigle reported on his attendance at the recent Chamber of Commerce meeting with representatives of the Community Forest Co-op seeking letters of endorsement for its application to renew its forest license.

Mayor Forrest advised that the Town of Lake Cowichan submitted a letter recently.

Council and Other
Committee Reports

There were no reports on the following:

- Public Works;
- Parks, Recreation and Culture;
- Vancouver Island Regional Library;
- Ohtaki Twinning Committee; and
- Community Forest Co-op.

No. R.158/14
Lake Cowichan Fire
Department –
Incident Report

- (b)** Moved: Councillor Day
Seconded: Councillor McGonigle
that the Fire Department Monthly Incident Report for
September, 2014 and payment in the amount of \$7,804.05 be
approved.

CARRIED.

Councillor McGonigle expressed his concern with the callouts for false alarm and medical assists for the month of September, 2014. He stressed the importance of continuing to find alternate revenues, similar to the false alarm bylaw currently being considered by Council.

Cowichan Valley
Regional District
Board

Councillor McGonigle reported on his attendance at the recent Board meeting held on October 8th, 2014 with the following highlights:

- Various electoral area referendum bylaws;
- Presentation by Judy Stafford, Cowichan Green Community on Food Security Report;
- Presentation by Nick Versteeg, Cittaslow Cowichan Bay regarding a conference;
- Verbal presentations by Director Ian Morrison on the Municipal Finance Authority and Municipal Finance Authority; and
- Staff report on free transit for November 11th, 2014.

No. R.159/14
Age-Friendly Community
Planning and Project
Grant Application

- (c)** Moved: Councillor Hornbrook
Seconded: Councillor Ingram
that the Town of Lake Cowichan submit a grant application to
the Union of BC Municipalities for \$19,850 to produce an Age-
friendly Community Action Plan.

CARRIED.

No. R.160/14
Shaker Mill – Change to
Liquor License

Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Ingram
that Council approve the addition of a patron participation
entertainment endorsement for a food primary license for
Scamp Catering Inc./Shaker Mill Restaurant on an application
dated October 24th, 2014.

CARRIED.

Chief Administrative Officer spoke on the matter of the proposal for insurance services and the two (2) quotes received from Aon and Municipal Insurance Association.

The matter was referred to a Special Meeting of Council to be held on Friday, October 31st, 2014 at 2:30 p.m.

8. BYLAWS

No. R.161/14
Bylaw No. 946-2014
False Alarm

- (a) Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Ingram
that the "Town of Lake Cowichan False Alarm Bylaw No. 946-2014" be read a third time.

CARRIED.

No. R.162/14
Bylaw No. 949-2014
Council Remuneration
and Expense

- (b) Moved: Councillor Hornbrook
Seconded: Councillor Ingram
that the "Town of Lake Cowichan Council Remuneration and Expense Bylaw No. 949-2014" be read a third time.

CARRIED.

No. R.163/14
Bylaw No. 950-2014
Permissive Exemption
from Taxation – Churches
and Not-for-Profit

- (c) Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Day
that the "Town of Lake Cowichan Permissive Exemption from Taxation for Churches and Not-for-Profit Bylaw No. 950-2014" may be reconsidered and adopted.

CARRIED.

No. R.164/14
Bylaw No. 951-2014
Permissive Exemption
from Taxation – Gillespie
Park

- (d) Moved: Councillor Hornbrook
Seconded: Councillor Ingram
that the "Town of Lake Cowichan Permissive Exemption from Taxation for Gillespie Park Bylaw No. 951-2014" may be reconsidered and adopted.

CARRIED.

No. R.165/14
Bylaw No. 952-2014
Permissive Exemption
from Taxation – Boat
Launch

- (e) Moved: Councillor Day
Seconded: Councillor McGonigle
that the "Town of Lake Cowichan Permissive Exemption from Taxation for the Boat Launch Bylaw No. 952-2014" may be reconsidered and adopted.

CARRIED.

No. R.166/14
Bylaw No. 953-2014
Permissive Exemption
from Taxation – King
George Affordable
Housing Society

- (f) Moved: Councillor McGonigle
Seconded: Councillor Ingram
that the "Town of Lake Cowichan Permissive Exemption from Taxation for King George Affordable Housing Society Bylaw No. 953-2014" may be reconsidered and adopted.

CARRIED.

9. NEW BUSINESS

None.

10. MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor presented his report for October, 2014 with the following highlights:

- Recognition by the Canadian Federation of Independent Business on how well the Town of Lake Cowichan keeps its municipal spending in check by the amount of tax payable per capita in 2012 and the taxes assessed from 2000 to 2012;
- Funding received from Insurance Corporation of BC and Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure for the pedestrian activated crosswalks crossings at South Shore Road and Cowichan Lake Road;
- New proprietors Mid-Island Consumers Services Co-operative are set to open on November 3rd, 2014 with

the Town once again having two viable options of gasoline services;

- Increase of visitors to the Town evidenced by the numbers provided by the Visitor's Centre with 33,276 from January to September, 2014 versus 30,187 in 2013;
- Paying tribute to the memories of Corporal Nathan Cirillo and Warrant Officer Patrice Vincent by flying the Town's flags at half-mast until after funeral services for them; and
- The importance of constituents to exercise their right to vote at the November 15th, 2014 election.

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

None.

12. MEDIA / PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

Aspen Gainer, Lake Cowichan Gazette, requested clarification on the North Shore Road Boat Launch.

David Ridley commented on the following three (3) matters:

- False alarm callout charges shouldn't be lumped in with medical assists;
- Pedestrian safety, in particular on Cowichan Lake Road by the RBC Bank; and
- Council remuneration increase unrelated to consultant's recommendation.

Wendy Klyne asked for clarification on what the gas tax dollars were used for by the Town. The Mayor responded for green initiatives such as the new curbside collection totes and sewage treatment plant upgrades.

Darlene Ector asked when the repairs at the North Shore Road boat launch would be undertaken. She was advised that the repairs were completed three (3) weeks ago.

13. IN CAMERA

None.

14. ADJOURNMENT

No. R.167/14
Adjournment

Moved: Councillor Ingram
Seconded: Councillor Day
that we arise with no report and adjourn (7:12 p.m.).

CARRIED.

Certified correct _____.

Confirmed on the _____ day of _____, 2014.

Mayor