



MINUTES

Meeting Regular Council
Date Tuesday, August 11, 2015
Time 7:10 PM
Place Municipal Hall – Council Chambers

- Present** Mayor Schooner
Councillor Bellanger
Councillor Overton
Councillor Taylor
Councillor Van Solkema
- Staff** Doug Chapman, CAO, CFO, Corporate Officer
Amit Sharma, Deputy CFO
- Public** 4 members of the public
- A. Call to Order** Mayor Schooner called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. and acknowledged and respected that we are upon Mowachaht / Muchalaht Traditional Territory.
- B. Introduction of Late Items** The report from the CAO re: change of regular Council meeting dates in September 2015.
- C. Approval of Agenda** /2015
Moved, seconded by Overton/Taylor that the Agenda for the August 11, 2015 Regular Meeting of Council be adopted as amended.
CARRIED
- D. Petitions and Delegations** None.
- E. Public Input #1** Dan Dahling mentioned that it appears that in the NSEDC report that they are continuing to spend when they do not have any income coming in.

Judy Burges wanted to know if there continues to be contamination issues with the recycling.
- F. Adoption of the Minutes**
- Regular Council meeting – July 14, 2015 /2015
Moved, seconded by Councillors Overton/Taylor that the minutes of the Regular meeting of Council held July 14, 2015 be adopted as amended.
CARRIED
- Special Open Council meeting – July 30, 2015 /2015
Moved, seconded by Councillors Overton/Taylor that the minutes of the Special Open council meeting of Council held July 30, 2015 be adopted as presented.
CARRIED
/2015

G. Rise and Report

None.

H. Business Arising

1. Web Page Discussion (brought forward from July 2, 2015 Committee of the Whole Meeting
Re: Request for proposal to be done in 2 stages: the first being the creation or redevelopment of the web site, and the second stage being the marketing use of the web site.

A general discussion ensued concerning the issuance of the Request for Proposals.

J. Unfinished Business

1. Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development – infrastructure funding applications available (October 21, 2014 meeting)

J. Council Reports

Mayor Schooner
(written report)

Good evening,

Though it has been a few weeks since Tahsis Days I certainly want to recognize and thank the many that made the 3 day event a success. I appreciate the work of the many volunteers, the village staff, council members and donations by the businesses.

At the July 23rd Municipal Services Committee meeting for the SRD, the members continued discussions on the possibility of a sub-regional tourism service. A round table review of what individual municipalities were doing established the recognition that the separate entities involved were working on separate aspects of tourism plans. Campbell River is establishing a Tourism Board in October, awaiting legislation around the MRDT. The Municipal and Regional District Tax (MRDT) is a tax of up to 2% that registered operators of hotels, motels, and other lodgings charge on the purchase price of taxable accommodation. The MRDT is intended to assist municipalities, regional districts and other eligible entities in promoting their tourism industry and financing new tourist facilities or programs. Sayward is meeting with TAVI (Tourism Association of Vancouver Island) to assist them in establishing a tourism committee. Both Gold River and Zeballos are looking at redoing their websites, as the Village of Tahsis is. A consensus was arrived at with the decision to put on hold any municipal tourism service enabling everyone the opportunity to get some foundation tourism work done in their own areas. Since I had not received any feedback from council regarding the Mahon Jones reports, on a tourism service, I agreed that time would be of assistance in getting our individual tourism strategies in order. The one overriding observation was that a sub-regional tourism service would enable the building of relationships amongst the various communities within the regional district.

At the SRD board meeting that afternoon a motion was passed, after an informative presentation: THAT the SRD endorse the proposed \$10 a day daycare plan and that a letter be sent to the province asking for the implementation of such a plan.

The Strathcona Regional District agreed to request a meeting with Minister Virk at the Union of British Columbia Municipalities Convention regarding issues of connectivity and communication services that were raised as a primary issue at the Community Health Network and are a common concern for the region.

Councillor Overton
(written report)

Good evening Council and Mayor,

I would like to thank Amit Sharma for his spearheading Tahsis Days, and all the volunteers and contributors for our small community. I had friends and relatives from out of town, some for the first time, participating and we all had a blast. I've also attended yesterday's Committee of the Whole where

we discussed our future website and which ministers our Mayor is going to see at the Union of British Columbia Municipalities.

I've missed a few meetings due to knee surgery, it occurred to me when I picked up the minutes of meetings I've missed that as a resident of Tahsis I would like to see how we came to these decisions. So I am hoping to open up dialogue this evening to rectify how we can be more transparent. I am concerned with our seniors, physically challenged and the ones that are just too busy to attend our meetings, wouldn't it be great if we went the extra mile to keep them informed. I have mentioned a video on our website of the meetings to some of you, the feedback was concern of people (not necessarily just residents) grandstanding to that I say, so what, it's our duty to listen to our community! It is our responsibility to keep our residents informed and engaged and it wouldn't hurt for us at the table to take a good look at ourselves and see where we could improve, we like to say we are transparent, but after missing some meetings, looking from another side, we don't appear to be. Unless everyone at this table believes we are above reproach and do everything at this table perfectly, I can't find a reason why we can't give it a try for a couple of months.

Councillor Van Solkema
(verbal report)

I would like to report that the West Coast Aquatics Society had earmarked some funding for a coordinator position to do with the stream enhancement project list that had been developed by M.C. Wright and Associates. The Nootka Sound Watershed Society will soon be hiring someone for the position.

Councillor Bellanger
(written report)

Good evening everyone, Mayor and Council.

I'm really not sure what to put into our reports all the time, but I did promise I would always have one. I have noticed a lot of new faces in our community and had the pleasure of talking to a few visitors, and as having a bit of company come to visit my family this summer, and said to say, pretty much all of them had noticed the unkept yards and houses, and made their complaints to me. So, I'm not quite sure what the next step we can do to solve this problem, but we have to try. Also, I have noticed a lot of vehicles and trailers in our boat launch parking that have no stickers on their windows and that is revenue we are losing out on. We have to figure that out too, even though we have lost a month or so on that.

Councillor Taylor
(no report)

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Moved, seconded by Councillors Van Solkema/Taylor that the Council reports be received for information.

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Administrative Reports

(provided at the 2nd meeting of the month)

CAO/CFO/CO	(not provided)
Public Works	(not provided)
Recreation	(not provided)
Fire Department	(not provided)
Daycare	(provided)

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Moved, seconded by Councillors Van Solkema/Overtton that the administrative reports be received.

CARRIED

K. Bylaws

None

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L. Correspondence

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Moved, seconded by Councillors Overton/Taylor that only correspondence items pertaining to the Village of Tahsis are to be included on the Council agendas.

CARRIED

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Moved, seconded by Councillors Overton/Van Solkema that correspondence items numbered 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, and 26 be received.

CARRIED

2. Maureen Roth –
Re Property
Maintenance
Bylaw No 573,
2013 – complaint
against Terry J.
Paracy

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Moved, seconded by Councillors Overton/Bellanger that the correspondence from Maureen Roth complaining about the property owned by Terry J. Paracy be received and filed.

CARRIED

12. Ministry of
Forests, Lands and
Natural Resource
Operations

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Moved, seconded by Councillors Overton/Van Solkema that the correspondence from the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations announcing the lifting of the campfire ban for parts of the Coastal Fire Centre be received and filed.

CARRIED

M. New Business

1. Annual Reporting
of Council
remuneration,
expenses and
contracts

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Moved, seconded by Councillors Taylor/Bellanger that the Annual Reporting of Council remuneration, expenses and contracts be received for information.

CARRIED

2. Tahsis Days –
Donation made
by Synex Energy
Resources

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Moved, seconded by Councillors Taylor/Overton that the Report from the CAO, dated August 6, 2015 be received for information

CARRIED

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Moved, seconded by Councillors Overton/Van Solkema that no action be taken concerning the complaint made by Synex Energy Corp. as to how their donated gift was utilized.

CARRIED

3. Regular Council
Meeting dates
for September
2015

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Moved, seconded by Councillors Overton/Bellanger that the regular Council meeting dates for September be established as September 1st and September 15th, 2015

CARRIED

N. Public Input #2

Maureen Roth – glad to learn that the Village is already dealing with Terry Paracy and that she will see what happens during the next 20 days.

Dan Dahling – disagrees that the Paracy property is a mess. The material on Terry Paracy's property is recycling material and is not rubbish. Mr. Paracy is actually doing the community a service by looking after these recycling materials.

O. Adjournment

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Moved by Councillors Overton/Bellanger that the meeting adjourn at 8:10 p.m.

CARRIED

Certified correct this
1st day of September, 2015

Corporate Officer