

MINUTES
SPECIAL OPEN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
BOARD ROOM, SERVICE AND RESOURCE CENTRE, 411 DUNSMUIR STREET,
WEDNESDAY, 2014-MAR-12 AT 9:00 A.M.

PRESENT: Mayor J. R. Ruttan, Chair

Members: Councillor G. Anderson
Councillor W. L. Bestwick
Councillor M. D. Brennan
Councillor G. E. Greves
Councillor D. K. Johnstone
Councillor J. A. Kipp
Councillor W. B. McKay
Councillor J. F. K. Pattje

Staff: E. C. Swabey, City Manager
T. M. Hickey, General Manager of Community Services
I. Howat, General Manager of Corporate Services
T. P. Seward, Director of Social & Protective Services
T. L. Hartley, Director of Human Resources & Organizational Planning
B. E. Clemens, Director of Finance
G. Ferrero, Director of Information Technology & Legislative Services
R. J. Harding, Director of Parks, Environment & Recreation
D. Lindsay, Director of Community Development
Chief C. Richardson, Nanaimo Fire Rescue
P. Cooper, Communications Manager
D. Duncan, Manager of Financial Planning
W. Fulla, Manager of Finance, Community Services
D. Fournier, Municipal Infrastructure Engineer
D. Hiscock, Revenue Services Manager
C. Jackson, Manager of Legislative Services
B. Joiner, Manager of Infrastructure Planning & Energy
B. Prokopenko, Senior Manager of Engineering
S. Samborski, Senior Manager of Culture & Heritage
D. Smith, Recording Secretary

1. CALL THE SPECIAL OPEN MEETING TO ORDER:

The Special Open Committee of the Whole Meeting was called to order at 9:06 a.m.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS:

- (a) Item 4 (a) – add Decision Package background material.
- (b) Councillor Bestwick and Councillor Greves requested that items related to land and personnel be added to the agenda, with the intention that they be considered in an “In Camera” meeting.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

It was moved and seconded that the Agenda, as amended, be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

4. CORPORATE SERVICES:

(a) City of Nanaimo Draft 2014-2018 Financial Plan - Decision Package - Projects and Service Level Increases

Mr. B. Clemens, Director of Finance, provided Council with an overview of projected tax increases for 2014-2018, based on Council's recent amendments to the draft 2014-2018 Financial Plan Decision Package, as follows: 2.1% in 2014; 4.5% in 2015; 3.4% in 2016; 6.9% in 2017; and, 1.2% in 2018.

Council agreed to consider Item 5 (a) "Early Approval for Caledonia Park Interim Improvements" prior to proceeding with further discussion regarding the 2014-2018 Financial Plan

5. COMMUNITY SERVICES:

(a) Early Approval for Caledonia Park Interim Improvements

It was moved and seconded that Council direct Staff to proceed with tenders immediately to allow for the interim improvements at Caledonia Park to take place in 2014, including the following recommendations:

- approve the interim improvement plan for Caledonia Park for 2014;
- approve the use of the 2014 sports field development funds of \$250,000 for interim improvements of Caledonia Park;
- approve and allocate the \$15,000 Sustainability Project funds for the Caledonia Park Change Room;
- approve and allocate the \$15,000 Facility Accessibility funds for Caledonia Park; and,
- allocate \$100,000 from the Parks Development Cost Charges reserve for use towards this project.

The motion carried unanimously.

6. PROCEDURAL MOTION:

That the meeting be closed to the public in order to deal with agenda items under the *Community Charter* Section 90(1):

- (c) labour relations or other employee relations; and,
- (e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the Council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality;

The motion carried unanimously.

All members of the public and Staff, with the exception of Mr. Ted Swabey, City Manager, were requested to leave the Board Room.

Council moved to “In Camera” at 9:23 a.m.

Council moved out of “In Camera” at 9:53 a.m.

7. ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved and seconded at 9:59 a.m. that the meeting terminate. The motion carried unanimously.

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CERTIFIED CORRECT:

CORPORATE OFFICER