MINUTES OF THE REGULAR NANAIMO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MEETING HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM, CITY HALL, ON THURSDAY, 2011-MAR-08 COMMENCING AT 3:03 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor J. R. Ruttan, Chair

Members: Councillor F. Pattje

Councillor M. W. Unger

G. Clark J. Green R. Grey

M. Jenkins (3:06 pm)

C. McLay R. Nilson J. Pink

Absent: Chief Douglas White

B. Bennie T. Knight D. Slowski

Staff: A. Kenning, City Manager

I. Howat, Director of Strategic Relationships K. Ferland, Economic Development Coordinator

1. <u>CALL THE OPEN MEETING TO ORDER:</u>

The Regular Nanaimo Economic Development Commission Meeting was called to order at 3:03 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

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

3. STAFF REPORTS::

(a) <u>Investigation of an Arm's Length Economic Development Corporation</u>

<u>Staff's Recommendation:</u> That the Nanaimo Economic Development Commission recommends to Council to:

 direct the commission to proceed with the establishment of an Economic Development Corporation within the constraints of existing City funding levels and appoint the existing commission members as the interim board of directors; and 2. request a staff report on the possible establishment of a progress board to assist Council in ensuring the Economic Development Corporation is fully accountable to the community.

It was moved and seconded that the recommendation be adopted. The motion carried.

Opposed: J. Green

4. <u>ADJOURNMENT:</u>

It was moved and seconded at 4:30 pm that the meeting terminate. The motion carried unanimously.

CHAIR
CERTIFIED CORRECT:
DIRECTOR, LEGISLATIVE SERVICES