

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR FINANCE / POLICY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM, CITY HALL,
ON MONDAY, 2010-AUG-16 COMMENCING AT 4:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor J. R. Ruttan, Chair

Members: Councillor W. L. Bestwick
Councillor W. J. Holdom
Councillor D. K. Johnstone
Councillor J. A. Kipp
Councillor L. D. McNabb
Councillor J. F. K. Pattje
Councillor L. J. Sherry
Councillor M. W. Unger

Staff: A. C. Kenning, City Manager
A. W. Laidlaw, General Manager of Community Services
E. C. Swabey, General Manager of Community Safety and Development
T. L. Hartley, Director of Human Resources and Organizational Planning
B. E. Clemens, Director of Finance
Deputy Chief C. Richardson, Nanaimo Fire Rescue
T. F. Moscrip, Senior Manager of Engineering
J. Ritchie, Senior Manager of Parks
S. Samborski, Senior Manager of Recreation and Culture Services
(Arrived 5:55 p.m.)
D. Osborne, Manager of Arenas
M. Dietrich, Manager of Police Support Services
S. Graham, Manager of Financial Planning and Payroll
J. Kinch, Manager of Building Inspections
B. Corsan, Manager of Real Estate
J. E. Harrison, Manager of Legislative Services
T. Wilkinson, Recording Secretary

1. CALL THE OPEN MEETING TO ORDER:

The Regular Finance / Policy Committee of the Whole Meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS:

- (a) Move Item 5 (a) – Presentations – Mr. B. E. Clemens, Director of Finance, 2011-2015 Financial Plan Priorities to Item 9 (b) 2011-2015 Financial Plan Priorities.
- (b) Add Item 10 (c) – Information Only Items – Report from Mr. R. Churchill, Manager of Bylaw, Regulation and Security, re: Bastion Street Parkade Repairs.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

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

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

It was moved and seconded that the Minutes of the Regular Finance / Policy Committee of the Whole Meeting held in the Board Room, City Hall on Monday, 2010-JUL-19 at 4:30 p.m. be adopted as circulated. The motion carried unanimously.

5. DELEGATIONS PERTAINING TO AGENDA ITEMS:

Councillor Holdom vacated the Board Room on a perceived conflict of interest as he represents the Regional District of Nanaimo on the Board of Directors of the Island Corridor Foundation, the applicant for the E&N Railway Station Tax Exemption Application for 321 Selby Street.

- (a) Mr. Darren Moss, P. Eng., Tectonica Management Inc., feels that they meet all the property tax exemption requirements for a 10-year property tax exemption on the Nanaimo Train Station rehabilitation project.

6. COMMISSION REPORTS:

Councillor Holdom returned to the Board Room.

Councillor Bestwick vacated the Board Room as a perceived conflict of interest as he is an owner of the Nanaimo Clippers.

- (a) Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission – Third Party Liquor Operator Contract – Nanaimo Clippers

Councillor Sherry requested that the recommendations be dealt with separately.

It was moved and seconded that Council approve the Nanaimo Clippers operating the City of Nanaimo Primary Liquor Licence 34369 (at Frank Crane Arena) as a Third Party Operator for a one-year trial period effective 2010-SEP-01 through 2011-AUG-31. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved and seconded that Council approve the extension of liquor sales to include the upper mezzanine and Sections 1, 2 & 3 at the discretion of the Arena Manager. The motion carried.

Opposed: Councillor Sherry

Councillor Bestwick returned to the Board Room.

7. STAFF REPORTS:

COMMUNITY SAFETY AND DEVELOPMENT:

Councillor Holdom vacated the Board Room on a perceived conflict of interest as he represents the Regional District of Nanaimo on the Board of Directors of the Island Corridor Foundation, the applicant for the E&N Railway Station Tax Exemption Application for 321 Selby Street.

(a) E&N Railway Station Tax Exemption Application – 321 Selby Street

It was moved and seconded that Council provide a full tax exemption, as requested by the applicant (approximately \$30,000/year for 10 years, totalling \$300,000). The motion carried.

Opposed: Councillor Unger

Councillor Holdom returned to the Board Room.

CORPORATE SERVICES:

(b) 2011-2015 Financial Plan Priorities

Mr. B. E. Clemens, Director of Finance, provided a presentation on 2011-2015 Financial Plan Priorities.

It was moved and seconded that Council schedule a future seminar session to review the following budget priorities:

1. Maintain safe and adequate water supply and sewer services;
2. Develop a strategy for increased energy self-sufficiency (including energy production);
6. Public transportation;
7. Environmental protection;
8. Growth management; and,
11. Create strong pride of place.

The motion carried unanimously.

8. INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS:

- (a) Report from Chief R. Lambert, Nanaimo Fire Rescue, re: Reallocation of Capital Funds.
- (b) Report from Mr. B. Anderson, Manager, Community Planning, re: Supportive Housing (MOU) Projects – Update.
- (c) Report from Mr. R. Churchill, Manager of Bylaw, Regulation and Security, re: Bastion Street Parkade Repairs.

9. OTHER BUSINESS:

- (a) Mr. A. W. Laidlaw, General Manager of Community Services, provided a verbal report on street lighting in Cilaire.

10. QUESTION PERIOD:

- Mr. Fred Taylor, re: the height of street lights in Cilaire; funds received by the City for traffic fines.

11. PROCEDURAL MOTION:

It was moved and seconded that Council move "In Camera" in order to deal with the following matters under the *Community Charter* Section 90(1):

- (e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the Council considers that disclosure might reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality; and,
- (k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the Council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public.

The motion carried unanimously.

Council moved into "In Camera" at 6:43 p.m.

Council moved out of "In Camera" at 7:15 p.m.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved and seconded at 7:15 p.m. that the meeting terminate. The motion carried unanimously.

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CERTIFIED CORRECT:

MANAGER,
LEGISLATIVE SERVICES