MINUTES OF THE REGULAR NANAIMO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MEETING HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM, CITY HALL, ON THURSDAY, 2010-JUN-17 COMMENCING AT 3:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor J. R. Ruttan, Chair

Members: Chief Douglas White

B. Bennie
J. Green
R. Grey
A.J. Hustins
M. Jenkins
T. Knight
R. Nilson
G. Scobie

J. Pink (3:34 pm)

Absent: Councillor D. K. Johnstone

Councillor M. W. Unger

Doug Slowski

Staff: I. Howat, Director of Strategic Relationships

A. Manhas, Research & Information Analyst K. Ferland, Economic Development Coordinator J. Ford, Destination Marketing Coordinator

1. CALL THE OPEN MEETING TO ORDER:

The Regular Nanaimo Economic Development Commission Meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

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

3. <u>ADOPTION OF MINUTES:</u>

It was moved and seconded that the Minutes of the Regular Economic Development Commission Meeting held in the Board Room, City Hall on Monday, 2010-MAY-20 at 3:00 p.m. be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

4. CHAIR'S REPORT:

(a) <u>Information re: Hoverflight Company</u>

Mayor Ruttan provided an overview of the Hoverflight Company's proposal to transport passengers between downtown Nanaimo and downtown Vancouver via a Hoverflight 90 airlift vessel. He advised that the company would be invited back for a presentation to the Commission once their business plan was complete.

(b) Follow up to Inaugural Meeting – Prioritize List of Initiatives

The Commission separated the previously drafted proposed list of initiatives into five main categories: Tourism and Marketing, Transportation, Business Support and Retention, Infrastructure and Sustainability. It was confirmed that the NEDC Visioning Session with EDCD Consulting was booked for June 29, 2010 at 3:00 pm.

5. <u>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT STAFF UPDATE:</u>

Economic Development staff Amrit Manhas, Research & Information Analyst and Jennifer Ford, Destination Marketing Coordintor, provided updates on current projects and campaigns.

6. ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved and seconded at 4:25 p.m. that the meeting terminate. The motion carried unanimously.

CHAIR
CERTIFIED CORRECT:
DIRECTOR, LEGISLATIVE SERVICES