

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL FINANCE / POLICY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM, CITY HALL,
ON MONDAY, 2009-NOV-30 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
D. W. Holmes, General Manager of Corporate Services
E. C. Swabey, General Manager of Development Services
I. Howat, Director of Legislative Services
T. L. Hartley, Director of Human Resources
B. E. Clemens, Director of Finance
T. M. Hickey, Director of Engineering and Public Works
T. P. Seward, Director of Development
Superintendent Lott, OIC, Nanaimo Detachment RCMP
A. J. Tucker, Director of Planning
R. J. Harding, Director of Parks, Recreation and Culture
M. Dietrich, Municipal Manager, RCMP
B. Simpson, Deputy Chief, Operations
C. Richardson, Deputy Chief, Administration
D. Duncan, Finance Manager, Community Services
S. Samborski, Manager, Recreation and Culture Services
T. F. Moscrip, Senior Manager, Engineering
S. Graham, Manager of Financial Planning and Payroll
J. E. Harrison, Manager of Legislative Services
K. King, Recording Secretary

1. CALL THE OPEN MEETING TO ORDER:

The Regular Finance / Policy Committee of the Whole Meeting was called to order at 4:33 p.m.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS:

- (a) Delete Agenda Item 5 (d) – Staff Reports - Richmond O Zone Project February 12th to 28th, 2010.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

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

4. STAFF REPORTS:

ADMINISTRATION:

- (a) 2010 – 2014 Financial Plan

It was moved and seconded that Staff prepare a report on the implications of a tax increase of 1 percent. The motion was defeated.

Opposed: Councillors Holdom, Johnstone, McNabb, Pattje, and Unger

It was moved and seconded that Council direct Staff to prepare a report outlining the options to limit tax increases to 1 percent, 2 percent, and 2.5 percent for 2010. The motion carried.

Opposed: Councillors Holdom and McNabb

- (b) Fire Services Plan

It was moved and seconded that Council delay the design, construction, and staffing of Fire Station No. 6 by two years (2012 design, 2014 construction, 2015 commence staffing, and 2016 complete staffing). The motion carried.

Opposed: Councillors Bestwick, Johnstone, and Kipp

Councillor McNabb vacated the Board Room at 5:50 p.m.

CORPORATE SERVICES:

- (c) Financial Plan Schedule

It was moved and seconded that Council endorse the financial plan schedule as proposed. The motion carried unanimously.

Councillor McNabb returned to the Board Room at 5:53 p.m.

(d) UBCM Community Tourism Grant – Year 2 Outcomes

It was moved and seconded that Council accept the Staff report on outcomes for Year 2 of the UBCM Community Tourism Grant program. The motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNITY SERVICES:

(e) RCMP Contract – Staffing Levels & Budget, Request to Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General

It was moved and seconded that Council:

1. direct Staff to proceed with the financing plan for RCMP resources as approved by Council on 2009-NOV-16; and,
2. direct Staff to write to the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General requesting 10 RCMP members for 2010.

The motion carried unanimously.

5. INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS:

- (a) Report from Mr. T. M. Hickey, Director of Engineering and Public Works and Mr. T. F. Moscrip, Senior Manager of Engineering, re: Upcoming Road Projects.

6. 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(2):

- (b) the consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between the municipality and a provincial government or the federal government or both, or between a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party.

The motion carried unanimously.

Council moved into “In Camera” at 5:55 p.m.

Council moved out of “In Camera” at 6:25 p.m.

7. ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved and seconded at 6:25 p.m. that the meeting terminate. The motion carried unanimously.

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CERTIFIED CORRECT:

DIRECTOR,
LEGISLATIVE SERVICES