

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR FINANCE / POLICY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM, CITY HALL,
ON MONDAY, 2009-SEP-21 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

Others: Inspector Tracey Rook, RCMP
Corporal Rick Skolrood, RCMP

Staff: G. D. Berry, City Manager
A. C. Kenning, Deputy City Manager
A. W. Laidlaw, General Manager of Community Services
D. W. Holmes, General Manager of Corporate Services
I. Howat, Director of Legislative Services
T. L. Hartley, Director of Human Resources
B. E. Clemens, Director of Finance
T. P. Seward, Director of Permits and Properties
B. Anderson, Manager of Community Planning
Superintendent Lott, OIC, Nanaimo Detachment RCMP
M. Dietrich, Manager of Police Support Services
G. Ferrero, Manager of Revenue Services and Financial Systems
S. Graham, Manager of Financial Planning & Payroll
J. E. Harrison, Manager of Legislative Services
S. McMillan, Recording Secretary

1. CALL THE OPEN MEETING TO ORDER:

The Regular Finance / Policy Committee of the Whole Meeting was called to order at 4:32 p.m.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS:

- (a) Add Agenda Item 6 (a) - Delegations Pertaining to Agenda Items – Ms. Carolyn Tatton, Mid-Island Science, Technology & Innovation Council (MISTIC).

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 Minutes of the Regular Finance / Policy Committee of the Whole Meeting held in the Board Room, City Hall on Monday, 2009-AUG-17 at 4:30 p.m. be adopted as circulated. The motion carried unanimously.

5. PRESENTATIONS:

- (a) Inspector Tracey Rook and Corporal Rick Skolrood, RCMP, provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Human Resources Needs Analysis Report for the Nanaimo RCMP detachment.

6. DELEGATIONS PERTAINING TO AGENDA ITEMS:

It was moved and seconded that the Delegations be permitted to address Council. The motion carried unanimously.

- (a) Ms. Carolyn Tatton, Mid-Island Science, Technology & Innovation Council (MISTIC), requested that Council reconsider their application for a Permissive Tax Exemption on their office space leased at 150 Commercial Street.

It was moved and seconded that Grant Application PTE-11 for a Permissive Tax Exemption for the Mid-Island Science & Technology Council be referred back to the Grants Advisory Committee for reconsideration. The motion was withdrawn.

It was moved and seconded that Grant Application PTE-11 for a Permissive Tax Exemption for the Mid-Island Science & Technology Council be moved from Grants Advisory Committee Recommendation No. 5. (deny the Permissive Tax Exemption), to Grants Advisory Committee Recommendation No. 4 (approve the Permissive Tax Exemption). The motion carried unanimously.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- (a) Grants Advisory Committee – 2009 Grants Advisory Committee Recommendations

It was moved and seconded that Grant Application PTE-14 for a Permissive Tax Exemption for the Downtown Nanaimo Partnership Society, be considered separately. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved and seconded that Council:

1. award Other Grants to the following Applicants:
 - OG-05 – Hidden Heroes Education Society \$1,093.93 (\$2,093.93 applied for) For in-kind funding for rental subsidy of Beban Park for fund-raising event.
 - OG-07 – United Way Central & Northern Vancouver Island..... \$247.00 For hanging the United Way banner.;

2. deny an Other Grant to the following Applicant:
 - OG-06 – Nanaimo Citizens on Patrol (\$2,500.00 applied for).;
3. award a Security Check Grant to the following Applicant:
 - SC-03 – Nanaimo Arts Alive Summer School of the Fine Arts \$300.00;
4. award Permissive Tax Exemptions to the following Applicants (beginning in 2010):
 - PTE-07 – Nanaimo Search & Rescue Society
(Folio: 16592.001) – A portion of City-owned property the Society sub-leases from the Regional District of Nanaimo at 195 Fourth Street.
 - PTE-08 – Mid-Island Intergroup Society Inc.
(Folio: 81611.013) - Property the Society leases from the City at 285 Prideaux Street.
 - PTE-09 – Nanaimo Women's Resource Society
(Folio: 81165.000) - Property the Society leases at 285 Selby Street.
 - PTE-11 – Mid-Island Science, Technology & Innovation Council (MISTIC)
Property MISTIC leases from the City of Nanaimo at 150 Commercial Street.
 - PTE-12 – United Way Central & Northern Vancouver Island
(Folio: 07498.255) - Property the Society sub-leases from PacificCare at 3156 Barons Road.
 - PTE-15 – Nanaimo 7-10 Club Society
(Folio: 81611.020) - Property the Society leases from the City of Nanaimo at 285 Prideaux Street.;
5. deny Permissive Tax Exemptions to the following Applicants:
 - PTE-06 – PacificCare for property the Society leases at 3156 Barons Road.
 - PTE-10 – Mental Health & Addiction Services (V.I.H.A.) for property owned by the Vancouver Island Health Authority at 528 Wentworth Street.
 - PTE-13 – John Howard Society of North Island for property the Society leases from the City of Nanaimo at 285 Prideaux Street.;
6. award Cash-in-lieu (Permissive Tax Exemptions) for 2009 taxes as follows:
 - PTE-08 – Mid-Island Intergroup Society Inc. \$500.00
Property the Society leases from the City at 285 Prideaux Street.
 - PTE-12 – United Way Central & Northern Vancouver Island \$1,053.95
Property the Society sub-leases from PacificCare at 3156 Barons Road.
 - PTE-13 – John Howard Society of North Island..... \$500.00
Property the Society leases from the City of Nanaimo at 285 Prideaux Street.;
7. deny Cash-in-lieu (Permissive Tax Exemptions) for 2009 taxes as follows:
 - PTE-06 – PacificCare for property the Society leases at 3156 Barons Road.
 - PTE-10 – Mental Health & Addiction Services (V.I.H.A.) for property owned by the Vancouver Island Health Authority at 528 Wentworth Street.; and,
8. increase the 2010 budget for Other Grants from \$5,345 to \$7,000.

The motion, as amended, carried unanimously.

Councillors Bestwick, Johnstone and Unger vacated the Board Room on a perceived conflict of interest, as they sit on the board of the Downtown Nanaimo Partnership Society.

It was moved and seconded that Council deny Permissive Tax Exemption PTE-14, Downtown Nanaimo Partnership Society, for property leased at A10 Victoria Crescent. The motion was defeated.

Opposed: *Mayor Ruttan, Councillors Kipp, McNabb and Pattje*

It was moved and seconded that Council award Permissive Tax Exemption PTE-14, Downtown Nanaimo Partnership Society, for property leased at A10 Victoria Crescent. The motion carried.

Opposed: *Councillors Holdom and Sherry*

9. 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):

- (c) labour relations or employee negotiations;
- (j) information that is prohibited, or information that if it were presented in a document would be prohibited, from disclosure under section 21 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

The motion carried unanimously.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved and seconded at 6:13 p.m. that the meeting terminate. The motion carried unanimously.

CHAIR

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

DIRECTOR,
LEGISLATIVE SERVICES