

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR FINANCE / POLICY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM, CITY HALL,
ON MONDAY, 2009-MAR-16 COMMENCING AT 4:42 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: G. D. Berry, City Manager
A. C. Kenning, Deputy City Manager
A. W. Laidlaw, General Manager of Community 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
Chief R. Lambert, Nanaimo Fire Rescue
J. E. Harrison, Manager of Legislative Services
M. Hutchinson, Economic Development Officer
L. Murray, Manager of Regulation and Risk Management
P. Kristensen, Chief Technology Officer
S. Graham, Manager of Financial Planning and Payroll
K. King, Recording Secretary
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 4:42 p.m.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS:

- (a) Add Item 5 (b) – Delegations Pertaining to Agenda Items – Mr. Randall C. Stearman regarding the Business Improvement Area Tax.
- (b) Add Agenda Item 5 (c) – Delegations Pertaining to Agenda Items – Mr. Ernie Rushworth, 234 Commercial Street, Nanaimo BC, regarding the BIA Renewal.
- (c) Add Agenda Item 5 (d) – Delegations Pertaining to Agenda Items – Mr. Jack McLellan, 169 Comox Street, Nanaimo BC, regarding BIA Bylaw Renewal.

- (d) Add Agenda Item 5 (e) – Delegations Pertaining to Agenda Items – Mr. Lawrence Rieper, 990 Campbell Street, Nanaimo BC, V9R 3H6, regarding BIA Bylaw Renewal.
- (d) Add Agenda Item 6-(b) – Staff Reports – Vancouver Island Conference Centre Greening.

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-MAR-02 at 4:49 p.m. be adopted as circulated. The motion carried unanimously.

5. DELEGATIONS PERTAINING TO AGENDA ITEMS:

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

(a) 2008 – 2012 Financial Plan

Ms. Patricia Portsmouth, 934 Highview Terrace, Nanaimo, BC, V9R 6K5, spoke on behalf of Mr. Douglas Hardie, Chair, South End Community Association, regarding funding for the South End Neighbourhood Plan. Ms. Portsmouth outlined the Association's activities and requested confirmation from Council that the Neighbourhood Plan application, submitted in September of 2007, would be included in the 2009 Budget.

(b) Mr. Randall C. Stearman, 6430 Phantom Rd, Lantzville, BC, V0R 2H0, regarding the Business Improvement Area.
Mr. Stearman was not in attendance at the meeting.

(c) Mr. Ernie Rushworth, 234 Commercial Street, Nanaimo BC, expressed concerns regarding the Downtown Nanaimo Partnership Society and the BIA Bylaw process.

(d) Mr. Jack McLellan, 169 Comox Street, Nanaimo BC, expressed concerns regarding the Downtown Nanaimo Partnership Society and the BIA Bylaw process.

(e) Mr. Lawrence Rieper, 990 Campbell Street, Nanaimo BC, V9R 3H6, expressed concerns regarding the Downtown Nanaimo Partnership Society and the BIA Bylaw process.

6. STAFF REPORTS:

ADMINISTRATION:

(a) 2009 Budget and Property Tax Bylaw

Consideration of the 2009 Budget and Property Tax Bylaw was postponed and to the next Regular Council meeting to be held 2009-Mar-23.

(b) Vancouver Island Conference Centre Greening

It was moved and seconded that Council award a fixed price contract to Vondella Mechanical in the amount of \$2,020,692.73 for the install of the air source heat pump system and solar hot water heating system at the Port of Nanaimo Centre. The motion carried.

Opposed: *Councillor Kipp*

CORPORATE SERVICES:

(b) Business Improvement Area (BIA 1) Bylaw 2009 No. 7086
Business Improvement Area (BIA 2) Bylaw 2009 No. 7087

It was moved and seconded that Council receive the results of the "Local area service on council initiative – subject to petition against" process for BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA (BIA 1) BYLAW 2009 NO. 7086 and BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA (BIA 2) BYLAW 2009 NO.7087 as included in this report. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved and seconded that Staff place Business Improvement Area (BIA 1) Bylaw 2009 No. 7086 and Business Improvement Area (BIA 2) Bylaw 2009 No. 7087 on the agenda for consideration at the Regular Council Meeting of 2009-MAR-23. The motion carried unanimously.

(c) Verbal Report from Mr. I. Howat, Director of Legislative Services, regarding Legislative Services Operations

The verbal report from Mr. Howat, was removed from the agenda.

Ms. Linda Murray, Manager, Regulation and Risk Management, provided a verbal report regarding the current Parking Study and Milton Street parking Issues.

7. INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS:

(a) Report from Mr. B.E. Clemens. Director of Finance, re: Assessment Roll Adjustments.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved and seconded at 6:08 p.m. that the meeting terminate. The motion carried unanimously.

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CERTIFIED CORRECT:

DIRECTOR,
LEGISLATIVE SERVICES