MINUTES OF THE REGULAR FINANCE / POLICY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM, CITY HALL, ON MONDAY. 2009-MAR-02 COMMENCING AT 4:49 P.M.

PRESENT: His Worship 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 D. W. Holmes, General Manager of Corporate Services E. C. Swabey, General Manager of Development 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 Permits and Properties

A. J. Tucker, Director of Planning

R. J. Harding, Director of Parks, Recreation and Culture

S. Graham, Manager of Financial Planning T. Kraft, Manager of Engineering Projects J. E. Harrison, Manager of Legislative Services

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L. Dennis, Recording SecretaryS. McMillan, Recording Secretary

1. <u>CALL THE OPEN MEETING TO ORDER:</u>

The Regular Finance / Policy Committee of the Whole Meeting was called to order at 4:49 p.m.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS:

- (a) Delete under Agenda Item 5 (a) Presentation by Legislative Services
- (b) Add under Agenda Item 9 Staff Reports Nanaimo/Millennium Hotel
- (c) Add Agenda Item 9 (1-a) Staff Reports Building Canada Fund Grant Second Intake
- (d) Add Agenda Item 10 (a) Information Only Item E.J. Hughes Mural Project

(e) Add Agenda Item 13 (a) – Other Business – Resolution regarding a Staff Report on Blasting

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 Special Finance / Policy Committee of the Whole Meeting held at the Public Works Yard, 2020 Labieux Road, on Monday, 2009-FEB-12 at 4:30 p.m. be adopted as circulated. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved and seconded that Minutes of the Special Finance / Policy Committee of the Whole Meeting held in the Board Room, City Hall, on Monday, 2009-FEB-16 at 4:30 p.m. be adopted as circulated. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved and seconded that Minutes of the Special Finance / Policy Committee of the Whole Meeting held in the Board Room, City Hall, on Monday, 2009-FEB-19 at 4:30 p.m. be adopted as circulated. The motion carried unanimously.

5. PRESENTATIONS:

(a) Per Christensen, Director of Information Technology gave a presentation on the operations of the Information Technology Department.

6. <u>STAFF REPORTS:</u>

ADMINISTRATION:

(a) Nanaimo/Millennium Hotel

It was moved and seconded that Council endorse the draft framework agreement and extend the "standstill period" for a further 30 days to permit development of a further Amendment Agreement to the Amended Partnering Agreement. The motion carried. Opposed: *Councillors Bestwick, Kipp, Pattje, and Sherry*

CORPORATE SERVICES:

(b) Building Canada Fund Grant – Second Intake

It was moved and seconded that Council endorse Green Lake Sewer as the application to be submitted for the 2009-MAR-16 deadline for the second intake of the Building Canada Fund. The motion carried unanimously. COMMUNITY SERVICES:

(c) <u>Lake View Crescent Petition</u>

It was moved and seconded that Council delay further consideration of the proposal for cost sharing sewer services with Lake View Crescent property owners until results of the Federal and/or Provincial Infrastructure Grant applications are known. The motion carried unanimously.

7. INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS:

(a) Report from R.J. Harding, Director of Parks, Recreation and Culture, re: E.J. Hughes Mural Project

8. <u>OTHER BUSINESS:</u>

(a) Staff Report on Blasting

It was moved and seconded that Council direct Staff to prepare a report regarding the possible implementation of a Bylaw to regulate blasting/excavation. The report should address, among other issues:

- the costs associated with taking on this new function
- the municipal liability associated with regulating blasting
- the effect a Blasting Bylaw would have on the timeframes associated with development approvals; and
- how a Blasting Bylaw would provide greater home owner protection from blasting/excavating

The motion carried unanimously.

9. ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved and seconded at 5:45 p.m. that the meeting terminate. The motion carried unanimously.

CHAIR	
CERTIFIED CORRECT:	
DIRECTOR, LEGISLATIVE SERVICES	