

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Gold River held Tuesday, September 2, 2014 in Council Chambers of the Village Office located at 499 Muchalat Drive commencing at 7:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor C. Anderson  
Councillor D. Arcus  
Councillor K. Begon  
Councillor J. Frame  
Councillor G. Waterman

STAFF: Mr. M. Lott, Aquatic Program Manager  
Mr. M. Mann, Parks & Recreation/Public Works  
Mr. L. Plourde, Administrator

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOVED that the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held August 18, 2014.

MOVED that the minutes be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

**REPORTS**

NSEDC - 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report 2014.

MOVED that the report be received.

CARRIED

Deputy Clerk - 2015 Permissive Tax Exemptions.

MOVED that the report be received.

CARRIED

MOVED that staff prepare the Permissive Tax Exemption Notice for advertisement and the 2014 Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw for the 2015 tax year for consideration by Council before October 31, 2014.

CARRIED

M. Mann, Parks & Recreation/Public Works - June Quarterly Report.

MOVED that the report be received.

CARRIED

M. Lott, Aquatic Program Manager/Utility Supervisor - June Quarterly Report.

MOVED that the report be received.

CARRIED

M. Lott Aquatic Program Manager - Review of Friday Morning Swim Sessions.

MOVED that the report be received.

CARRIED

MOVED that Council approve the continuation of the Friday morning swim schedule from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon commencing September 20, 2014 to December 19, 2014.

CARRIED

M. Mann, Parks & Recreation Manager - Parks & Recreation 2014-2015 Proposed Rate Schedule.

MOVED that the report be received.

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MOVED that the report be tabled.

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M. Lott, Aquatic Program Manager - Aquatic Centre 2014-2015 Proposed Rate Schedule.

MOVED that the report be received.

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CARRIED

MOVED that Council adopt the following recommendations:

- Across the board 2% increase (round to .05¢) for all rentals, lessons and sales for the 2014-2015 Aquatic Centre operating season.
- Reset the Court Pass rate to the same rate as the Adult Pass rate but in addition allow users of the Courts access to the Pool/Hot Tub for an extra Loonie (or Twoonie).
- Offer extensions to the 1 month or 3 months pass at the time of purchase to allow the user to extend their pass **to the end of the season** at the same discount, i.e. if someone purchasing a 3 month pass in February wishes to extend the Pass to the June 15<sup>th</sup> closing date instead of buying a 3 month, 1 month and paying single admissions for the last 2 weeks (or purchasing a 10 times pass), they could purchase “at that time” a prorated 4.5 month pass based on the 3 month Pass formula.
- Develop a Formal Policy on the rate structure for Passes based on a standardized formula. This would provide equity between user groups on the Pass costs. The child, student and senior rates already receive a discount on the single admission price and this discount would flow through on the standard formula Pass price. Council would still review the Pass formula from time to time along with the admission fees but a standardized rate would eliminate arbitrary (inequitable) differences between pass users. Due to rounding or change in tax policy application this may have to be reviewed from time to time but with the formula in place we would know what to reset the rate to and what the rate represents in single admission costs.
- The Full Facility Pass as part of the Policy be adjusted on a formula basis to the number of weeks the Aquatic Centre is open to provide for any impact on the Pass cost from time to time caused by and reduction or increase in the Aquatic Centre operating season.

CARRIED

### **COUNCIL INFORMATION ITEMS**

Mayor Anderson advised Council of a Solid Waste Meeting in Nanaimo BC to be held Thursday, September 4, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. with Island communities, Metro Vancouver and the Sunshine Coast communities sponsored by AVICC.

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**CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Stacy Scriver, Executive Administrative Assistant, Infrastructure & Major Projects, Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure regarding request for meeting September 15, 2014 in Campbell River BC.
2. Jeremy Dunn, Executive Director, BC Salmon Farmers Association regarding attendance at the September 15, 2014 Regular Council Meeting to request Council to proclaim September 21-27, 2014 as Aquaculture Awareness Week in Gold River.
3. Bronwyn Barter, Provincial President, Ambulance Paramedics of BC regarding Community Paramedicine.
4. Robert Hux, Committee for the Republic of Canada regarding invitation to the Canada and the Coming Trans-Pacific Fusion Economy Conference Session to be held in Vancouver, BC, August 29, 2014.
5. Erin Boelk, RPF, Planning Forester, BC Timber Sales regarding Pacific TSA Timber Supply Review Initiation.
6. Ted Olynyk, Community Relations Manager, Vancouver Island-South Coast, BC Hydro regarding BC Hydro Community Champions Program.

MOVED that the correspondence be received.

CARRIED

MOVED that travel expenses be approved in accordance with Village policy for Mayor Anderson to attend a meeting in Campbell River on Monday, September 15, 2014 with Jordan Sturdy, Parliamentary Secretary and Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure staff regarding future transportation improvements for Vancouver Island.

CARRIED

**MOTION TO ADJOURN IN CAMERA**

MOVED that Council adjourn to an in-camera session pursuant to the *Community Charter* Section 90 (1) (g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality.

Time: 8:07 p.m.

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**RISE AND REPORT**

The Council rose at 8:20 p.m.

**TERMINATION**

MOVED that the meeting terminate.

Time: 8:20 p.m.

CARRIED

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C. Anderson Mayor

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L. Plourde Corporate Administrator

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L. Plourde Corporate Administrator