

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Gold River held Monday, April 18, 2016 in Council Chambers of the Village Office located at 499 Muchalat Drive commencing at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor B. Unger
Councillor K. Begon
Councillor D. Curr
Councillor R. MacLeod
Councillor G. Waterman

STAFF: Mr. L. Plourde, Administrator

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Jeremy Dunn, Executive Director, BC Salmon Farmers Association presented and spoke to the 2015 Sustainability Progress Report.

Larry Plourde, Administrator presented the 2016-2020 Financial Plan.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED that the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held April 4, 2016.

MOVED that the minutes be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held April 11, 2016.

MOVED that the minutes be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

REPORTS

M. Mann, Parks & Recreation Manager - (LED) Electronic Bulletin Board Policy.

MOVED that the report be received.

CARRIED

MOVED that Council adopt the Electronic Bulletin Board Policy as written:

A. What qualifies to be on our message board:

1. Any advertisement for a booked event (whether paid or granted free use) being held at Village facilities (Community Centre, Aquatic Centre or Parks).
2. Events or Activities sponsored or co-sponsored by the Village.
3. Any message requested by the CAO or designate pertaining to Village business.
4. Any message requested by Council.

Examples:

- a) Advertising for the Fire Department Smoke Alarm Blitz
- b) Notice of Special Council Presentations
- c) Notice of Voting for Municipal Elections (i.e. Advance Polls at Municipal Office).

B. What does not qualify:

1. Birthday/anniversary or congratulatory messages for individuals or organizations.
2. Fundraiser events not being held at Village facilities (Community Centre, Aquatic Centre or Parks).
3. Promotion of Events or Activities not being held at Village facilities (Community Centre, Aquatic Centre or Parks) unless sponsored or co-sponsored by the Village.
4. Political or religious advertisement messages.

Examples:

- a) A community fundraiser does not qualify unless it is booked at our facilities whether paid or granted free use.
- b) A birthday/anniversary or congratulatory greeting does not qualify but an advertisement for such an event in one of our facilities whether paid or granted free use does qualify.
- c) A political or religious message does not qualify but an advertisement for a political or religious event at one of our facilities whether paid or granted free use does qualify.
- d) Hate messages do not qualify.
- e) Paid advertising shall not be accepted.

Village Council has the authority to approve any message for the LED electronic message board.

CARRIED

Deputy Treasurer - 2016 Financial Plan and 2016 Tax Rates.

MOVED that the report be received.

CARRIED

Deputy Treasurer - Accounts Payable Cheque Listing to March 31, 2016.

MOVED that the report be received.

CARRIED

COUNCIL INFORMATION ITEMS

Mayor Unger advised that a Press Release is being prepared regarding the Vision Statement signed by the Villages of Gold River, Tahsis and the Mowachaht Muchalaht First Nation.

Mayor Unger advised an adhoc (Select) Committee will be organized to plan for Gold River Days celebration proposed for August 27-29, 2016.

BYLAWS

For consideration and second reading:

- 2016 Financial Plan Bylaw No. 697, 2016.

MOVED that Bylaw No. 697, 2016 being the “2016 Financial Plan Bylaw No. 697, 2016” be considered and read the second time.

CARRIED

MOVED that Council rescind the motion passed at the April 11, 2016 Special Meeting to approve a 2% across the board increase to 2016 tax rates.

CARRIED

MOVED that Council reconsider the 2016 property tax increase and that a 0% increase across the board to 2016 property taxes be approved.

CARRIED

Tax Rate Bylaw scheduled for Introduction was not brought forward due to resolution of Council to rescind proposed 2% across the board tax increase. Staff to redo Financial Plan Bylaw and Tax Rate Bylaw based on 0% tax increase for 2016.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. News Release - Office of the Premier and Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations regarding \$75 million BC Rural Dividend helps small communities.
2. Jay Chalke, Ombudsperson, Province of BC regarding Bylaw Enforcement: Best Practices Guide for Local Governments.
3. Honourable Terry Lake, Minister of Health, letter to Mayor Hank Bood, District of Port Hardy regarding hospital parking and accessibility of health care to North Island Residents (our letter to Minister Terry Lake opposing parking fees at the new Campbell River Regional Hospital is included).
4. Deryk Lee, President, Public Works Association of BC regarding National Public Works Week, May 15-21, 2016.
5. Philip Hochstein, Independent Contractors and Businesses Association of BC regarding responsible resource development in BC.
6. Dennis Back, City Clerk, City of Burnaby, letter to UBCM regarding BC Home Owner Grant Program.
7. Honourable Peter Fassbender, Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development and Minister Responsible for TransLink regarding transportation and accommodation service providers.

MOVED that the correspondence be received.

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: 8:55 p.m.

CARRIED

RISE AND REPORT

The Council rose at 9:15 p.m.

TERMINATION

MOVED that the meeting terminate.

Time: 9:15 p.m.

CARRIED

B. Unger

Mayor

L. Plourde

Corporate Administrator

Certified correct by the Corporate Administrator

L. Plourde

Corporate Administrator