

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting
of the
Municipal Council of the District of North Saanich
Monday, April 20, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.**

PRESENT:

Mayor A. Finall
Councillors P. Chandler
R. Commandeur
S. Fea
C. Green
A. Scoones
B. Shaw

ATTENDING:

Chief Administrative Officer B. C. Williams
Director of Financial Services R. Gillis
Director of Development and Community Services T. Olsen
Director of Infrastructure Services P. O'Reilly
Works Superintendent B. Robinson
Executive Secretary C. R. Nash

INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

Mayor Finall noted the addition of the following late items:

- Kelset School Parking – Staff report dated April 10, 2009;
- Agricultural Advisory Commission Request to Sponsor a Community Event – Staff report dated April 17, 2009; and,
- Beach party concerns at beach accesses – verbal report from Councillor Scoones.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR GREEN
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR CHANDLER

169 That the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

PRESENTATIONS PERTAINING TO AGENDA ITEMS

Dave Erb, President, Peninsula Soccer Association, spoke to his letter regarding the development of Wain Road Park, noting that there are a number of infrastructure programs available to local governments which encourage this type of development. He suggested that this work could be undertaken over 4 or 5 years in partnership with the Peninsula Soccer Association.

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Colin Ross, 8898 Haro Park Terrace, spoke to the report regarding Kelset School parking and again requested that “residential parking only” signs be erected on Haro Park Terrace, if only halfway up the road.

Farrell Boyce, 10675 Madrona Drive, advised that over the weekend there was a party at the Norris Road beach access which left a significant amount of litter on the road and beach and interrupted residents late into the night. He noted that North Saanich needs to encourage respectful use of all parks and beach accesses in North Saanich.

Peter Kerr, 10664 Madrona Drive, advised that he called RCMP with regards to the party at the Norris Road beach access and it was attended to within about 30 minutes of the call being placed. He urged Council to convene a meeting with the RCMP, fire and emergency services, and the Parks Commission to establish a protocol which can be broadcast to all members of the public in order to address concerns of residents that beach parties will not be tolerated. He also suggested that there be an RCMP callback when callouts occur, and that there also be a curfew placed on beach accesses. He further suggested that signs be placed on all beaches advising that beach fires are prohibited.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR CHANDLER
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR COMMANDEUR

170 That the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of April 6, 2009 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

Agriculture Plan

Derek Masselink, Masselink Environmental Design, was in attendance to make a presentation to Council regarding the Agriculture Plan that he has been hired to undertake. He noted that having current data regarding land use and farm production will assist tremendously in the outcomes for the agriculture plan. He reviewed a number of potential challenges facing the farming community, and noted that North Saanich has significant assets which encourage and promote the continuation of a healthy farming community. He reviewed the proposed approach to the agriculture plan which identifies 7 key steps, and that the plan should be completed in December 2009. Community dialogues will take place on May 27th and June 11th and will identify issues and common objectives in order to begin to generate strategies for the agriculture plan.

MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Finall advised of her attendance at the following recent events and meetings:

- CRD Board meeting on April 8th where the Anti Idling Bylaw was passed.

CORRESPONDENCE**(a) Peninsula Recreation Commission programs in North Saanich parks**

Councillor Chandler suggested that the Peninsula Recreation Commission be requested to prepare a business plan which would address use of the parks for recreation programs, including costs of maintenance and other associated issues. The Works Superintendent noted that there is merit in the proposal but that only certain parks should be identified for this purpose due to the static nature of many of the parks in North Saanich.

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR GREEN
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR FEA

171 That the letter dated March 30, 2009 from Tim Chad, Chair, Peninsula Recreation Commission, requesting that North Saanich amend their policies to allow Peninsula Recreation Commission programs to be held in North Saanich Parks be received, that Staff be requested to prepare a report on future use of the North Saanich park system for Peninsula Recreation Commission activities, and that the Works Superintendent continue discussions with the Panorama Recreation Centre to identify a park which could host programs by June 2009.

CARRIED

(b) Hallmark Society Awards Night

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR COMMANDEUR
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR FEA

172 That the letter dated April 1, 2009 from Helen Edwards, Administrative Director, Hallmark Society, regarding the annual Hallmark Society Awards Night be received, and referred to the Heritage Advisory Commission for consideration and immediate action.

CARRIED

(c) In-law Suites

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR GREEN
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR CHANDLER

173 That the e-mail dated April 1, 2009 from Lonnie Thompson regarding in-law suites be received and referred to Staff for a response.

CARRIED

(d) Improving infrastructure to promote active transportation

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR CHANDLER
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR COMMANDEUR

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174 That the e-mail dated April 7, 2009 from Joan Pashley, 1474 Wain Road, regarding improving infrastructure to promote active transportation be received and referred to Staff for consideration.

CARRIED

(e) Saanich Peninsula Wastewater Treatment Plant Capacity Update

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR SHAW
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR FEA

175 That the letter dated April 8, 2009 from Cathy Leahy, Secretary, Saanich Peninsula Wastewater Commission, providing an update of the Saanich Peninsula Wastewater Treatment Plan capacity be received and referred to Staff for the preparation of a report to address treatment plant capacity implications for the District of North Saanich.

CARRIED

(f) Revised proposal for Vantreight Lands

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR CHANDLER
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR COMMANDEUR

176 That the e-mail dated April 8, 2009 from Vivien Marshall, 8508 Aldous Terrace, regarding the revised proposal for Vantreight lands be received.

CARRIED

(g) McTavish Interchange

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR GREEN
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR FEA

177 That the letter dated April 9, 2009 from Christine Stoneman, Chair, Victoria Airport Authority, regarding the recent announcement regarding the McTavish Interchange project be received.

CARRIED

(h) Wain Road Park

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR COMMANDEUR
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR FEA

178 That the letter dated April 14, 2009 from David Erb, President, Peninsula Soccer Association, regarding Wain Road Park be received and referred to the Parks Commission in consideration with the overall Parks Plan currently being reviewed and updated.

CARRIED

Council

(i) Climate Action Steering Committee and Working Group (CRD)

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR GREEN
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR COMMANDEUR

179 That the letter dated April 2, 2009 from Glenn Harris, CRD Environmental Services, regarding the Climate Action Steering Committee and Working Group (CRD) be received, and that Councillor Chandler be appointed as the North Saanich Council representative on the Committee with Councillor Scoones as the alternate.

CARRIED

(j) Agricultural Advisory Commission Request to Sponsor a Community Event

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR SCOONES
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR CHANDLER

180 That the report dated April 17, 2009 from the Manager of Corporate Services regarding “Agricultural Advisory Commission Request to Sponsor a Community Event” be received and that this request be approved.

CARRIED

REPORTS

Council Liaison Reports

AVICC Conference Highlights – April 3-5, 2009

Councillor Green provided an update of the AVICC Conference held April 3 – 5, 2009 in Nanaimo.

Peninsula Soccer Association’s Plans for Blue Heron Park

This item was deferred to a future meeting.

The Friends of North Saanich Hedgerows

Councillor Scoones provided an update on the undertakings of the Friends of North Saanich Hedgerows and encouraged residents to plant native species in their hedgerows.

Beach Party Concerns at Beach Accesses

Councillor Scoones noted that public education is necessary in order to reduce instances of parties on beaches in North Saanich, and this will require participation by the Sidney/North Saanich RCMP detachment. Councillor Fea noted that the Citizens on Patrol program recently brought forward to Council may assist in deterring parties on beaches. Council agreed that a meeting between the RCMP, the School District and residents would be beneficial in order to alleviate concerns expressed by residents.

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MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR CHANDLER
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR COMMANDEUR

- 181 That the RCMP be advised of the concerns expressed by Council regarding parties on beaches and it be suggested that workshops be held with waterfront property owners and others who have expressed concern with this issue, that a protocol be developed to outline how these issues will be responded to by the RCMP, and that the message be communicated to the local secondary schools.

CARRIED

Staff Reports

Section 57 Notices

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR SHAW
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR GREEN

- 182 That the report dated April 15, 2009 from the Director of Development and Community Services regarding “Section 57 Notices” be received, and that Council authorizes a notice, in accordance with Section 57 of the Community Charter, to be placed on title of the five properties located at:
- 11064 Chalet Road – Lot B, Section 20, Range 3 West, North Saanich District, Plan 31749 – Permit No. 0060
 - 1690 Lands End Road – Lot 3, Section 23, Range 2 East, North Saanich District, Plan 19477 – Permit No. 0515
 - 8910 Salish Place – Lot 87, Section 4, Range 2 East, North Saanich District, Plan 29757 – Permit No. 0747
 - 9721 West Saanich Road – Lot A, Section 10, Range 1 East, North Saanich District, Plan 22589 – No Permit
 - 9743 West Saanich Road – Lot 17, Section 10, Range 1 West, North Saanich District, Plan 2818 – Permit No. 2934 and 2938

CARRIED

Council Liaison Policy

Councillor Chandler asked that wording be added that Council liaisons will act in good faith with no bias, and that more thought be given to how Council liaisons bring requests from Commissions back to Council for decision. Councillor Shaw suggested that the policy be amended to note that a Council liaison has a duty to ensure that Commissions are adhering to their mandate. Councillor Green suggested that Council liaisons receive approval from Mayor and Council prior to undertaking work on internal Commissions. Mayor Finall suggested that Regional District directors be encouraged to bring issues back to Council for Council’s review and consideration.

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MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR SCOONES
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR FEA

183 That the report dated April 15, 2009 from the Chief Administrative Officer regarding “Council Liaison Policy” be received, and the draft policy entitled “Council Liaison Policy” be approved as amended by Council.

CARRIED

Rotary Park Leasehold Expansion Agreement

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR CHANDLER
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR GREEN

184 That the report dated April 16, 2009 from the Works Superintendent regarding “Rotary Park Leasehold Expansion Agreement” be received, and that Council approves of the execution of the supplemental leasehold agreement (Amendment #4 dated March 25, 2009) between the Victoria Airport Authority, the Town of Sidney and the District of North Saanich for the expansion of the lease area of Rotary Park to allow for improvements to the playing fields to meet current standards.

CARRIED

Kelset School Parking

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR GREEN
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR COMMANDEUR

185 That the report dated April 10, 2009 from the Director of Infrastructure Services regarding “Kelset School Parking” be received, and that Staff establish additional parking on the south side of Forest Park Drive across from Kelset School and implement on-street changes including signage setting a time limit for drop off and pick up, to facilitate such parking as soon as possible.

CARRIED

CAO’s REPORT

The Chief Administrative Officer advised that a report on Secondary Suites will be coming forward to Council soon, as well as a report from the Director of Infrastructure Services regarding the BC Ferries sewer connection. He also advised that the Director of Development and Community Services has been appointed to the CRD’s Climate Action Working Group, and the Director of Infrastructure Services will be representing the District on the BC Transit Committee.

Council

BYLAWS

North Saanich Water Parcel Rate Bylaw No. 259 (1978), Amendment Bylaw No. 1202 (2009)

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR CHANDLER
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR SHAW

186 That “North Saanich Water Parcel Rate Bylaw No. 259 (1978), Amendment Bylaw No. 1202 (2009)” be read a first time.

CARRIED

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR COMMANDEUR
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR FEA

187 That “North Saanich Water Parcel Rate Bylaw No. 259 (1978), Amendment Bylaw No. 1202 (2009)” be read a second time.

CARRIED

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR COMMANDEUR
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR GREEN

188 That “North Saanich Water Parcel Rate Bylaw No. 259 (1978), Amendment Bylaw No. 1202 (2009)” be read a third time.

CARRIED

North Saanich Sewer Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 1002 (2002), Amendment Bylaw No. 1203 (2009)

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR SHAW
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR FEA

189 That “North Saanich Sewer Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 1002 (2002), Amendment Bylaw No. 1203 (2009)” be read a first time.

CARRIED

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR COMMANDEUR
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR FEA

190 That “North Saanich Sewer Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 1002 (2002), Amendment Bylaw No. 1203 (2009)” be read a second time.

CARRIED

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR GREEN
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR SCOONES

Council

191 That “North Saanich Sewer Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 1002 (2002), Amendment Bylaw No. 1203 (2009)” be read a third time.

CARRIED

MOTIONS AND NEW BUSINESS

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR COMMANDEUR
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR GREEN

192 That Council authorizes the creation of a McTavish Road Interchange Task Force consisting of two representatives from each of the jurisdictions noted below, and that Staff be directed to draft the Terms of Reference for the Task Force to be brought forward to a future Committee of the Whole meeting for Council’s consideration:

- North Saanich Council
- North Saanich Staff
- Sidney Council
- North Saanich Community at Large
- Victoria Airport Authority
- Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure

CARRIED

OPPOSED: COUNCILLOR SHAW AND COUNCILLOR FEA

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD PERTAINING TO ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

As there was no one who wished to speak, the Public Participation Period concluded at 9:48 p.m.

IN CAMERA

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR GREEN
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR CHANDLER

193 That in accordance with Section 90(1) of the *Community Charter*, attendance for the remainder of the Council meeting, commencing at 9:48 p.m., be closed to the public to consider:

- Law enforcement, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the conduct of an investigation under or enforcement of an enactment; and,
- The receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR SCOONES
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR CHANDLER

194 That the meeting be adjourned at 10:31 p.m.

CARRIED

CERTIFIED CORRECT

APPROVED AND CONFIRMED

Bruce Williams
Chief Administrative Officer

Alice Finall
Mayor