

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting
of the
Municipal Council of the District of North Saanich
Monday, September 17, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.**

PRESENT:

Mayor T. Daly
Councillors P. Chandler
S. Fea
C. Green
A. Scoones
B. Shaw
B. Williamson

ATTENDING:

Chief Administrative Officer B. C. Williams
Director, Corporate Services S. M. Bowden
Director, Infrastructure Services T. Tanton
Director, Emergency Services G. Wilton
Works Superintendent B. Robinson
Executive Secretary C. Nash

INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

Councillor Scoones asked that a Community Tourism Funding grant application for the Spirit Committee be considered under Agenda Item No. 9(h) "UBCM Community Tourism Funding Phase 2 for the Mary Winspear Centre".

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR CHANDLER
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR WILLIAMSON

351 That the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

PRESENTATIONS PERTAINING TO AGENDA ITEMS

Dennis Devnich, 2298 Gail Place, submitted a letter and petition containing 120 signatures, requesting that Council amend the Animal Control Bylaw to allow dogs to run off-leash on the eastern side of Cy Hampson Park.

Darren Larosa, 8744 Cordero Crescent, advised that he is in agreement with the Staff recommendation which Council will be considering regarding full time firefighters for the District of North Saanich.

Alex Marr, 1145 Cloake Hill Road, noted that he attended the Public Hearing in the Highlands recently with regards to the proposed amendment to the Regional Growth Strategy, and encouraged Council to oppose this amendment when it comes before Council for consideration.

Debora Johns, Executive Director, Mary Winspear Centre, gave a brief overview of the proposed submission to UBCM for a Small Conference Marketing Development Plan grant. She noted that there are a number of extra-curricular activities that could be offered to delegates attending conferences at the Mary Winspear Centre, and that it is important to expand the services offered by the Centre in order to keep it a financially viable business.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR SHAW

SECONDED: COUNCILLOR WILLIAMSON

352 That the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of August 13, 2007 and the minutes of the Special Council meeting of September 10, 2007 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Daly advised of his attendance at the following recent events:

September 1 – Opening Ceremonies for the Annual Saanich Fall Fair

September 7 – Meals on Wheels Open House

September 12 – Councillor Fea attended the Land Conservancy Annual General Meeting and Open House in Mayor Daly's absence

CORRESPONDENCE

(a) Request to Amend the Animal Control Bylaw

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR SHAW

SECONDED: COUNCILLOR WILLIAMSON

353 That the petition dated September 12, 2007 from Dennis Devnich requesting an amendment to the Animal Control Bylaw be received, and referred to the Parks Commission for review and recommendation.

CARRIED

(b) Environmental Management Plan – Victoria Airport Authority

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR GREEN
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR CHANDLER

- 354 That the letter dated August 1, 2007 from Chad Rintoul and Peter Dolezal, Victoria Airport Authority, regarding the Victoria Airport Authority's Environmental Management Plan be received for information and a copy be forwarded to all District Advisory Commissions for information.

CARRIED

(c) Amending the Regional Growth Strategy to expand the Urban Containment Boundary into the Highlands

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR FEA
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR CHANDLER

- 355 That the letter dated August 8, 2007 from Alex Marr, President, North Saanich Residents Association, regarding amending the Regional Growth Strategy to expand the Urban Containment Boundary into the Highlands be received, and referred to Staff for information.

CARRIED

(d) Applications for Private Docks Over Public Foreshore Including Application Nos. 1412920, 1413895 and 1413901

Councillor Chandler asked that the area south of Pauquachin First Nation between the First Nation land and Central Saanich border also be identified in the response to be prepared by Staff.

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR SHAW
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR GREEN

- 356 That the letter dated September 4, 2007 from Alex Marr, President, North Saanich Residents Association, regarding Applications for Private Docks over Public Foreshore including Application Nos. 1412920, 1413895 and 1413901 be received and referred to Staff for the preparation of a response and that the response also include reference to any foreshore development activity in the area south of the Pauquachin First Nation Reserve to the Central Saanich border, and further that a copy of the response be provided to the Marine Task Force, the Environmental Advisory Commission and the Parks Commission for information.

CARRIED

Council

(e) Texada Crescent Buffer Zone

Councillor Scoones asked that residents of Texada Crescent be advised of the problems occurring in the buffer zone and that they be asked to refrain from dumping debris in this area.

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR WILLIAMSON
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR CHANDLER

357 That the letter dated August 14, 2007 from Barbara Wade, 1726 Forest Park Drive, regarding the Texada Crescent buffer zone be received, and referred to the Parks Commission for review and recommendation.

CARRIED

(f) Request for Full Time Firefighters

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR FEA
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR GREEN

358 That the e-mail dated August 15, 2007 from Darren Larosa, 8744 Cordero Crescent, requesting full time firefighters be received, and referred to Staff for review and recommendation.

CARRIED

(g) Asia Pacific Initiative

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR SHAW
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR GREEN

359 That the letter dated August 20, 2007 from Ida Chong, Minister of Community Services and Minister Responsible for Seniors' and Women's Issues, regarding the Asia Pacific Initiative be received and a copy forwarded to the Saanich Peninsula Chamber of Commerce for action as deemed appropriate, and that the Minister of Community Services be advised that the District of North Saanich will not be pursuing twinning opportunities.

CARRIED

(h) UBCM Community Tourism Funding Phase 2 – Mary Winspear Centre

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR FEA
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR WILLIAMSON

360 That the letter dated September 14, 2007 from Debora Johns, Executive Director, Mary Winspear Centre, regarding UBCM Community Tourism Funding Phase 2 be received, and referred to Staff for discussions with the Mary Winspear Centre and that the letter writer be advised that Council supports the submission of a UBCM Phase 2 grant application for the Small Conference Marketing Development Plan.

CARRIED

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR FEA
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR GREEN

361 That the District of North Saanich submit a UBCM Phase 2 Tourism Funding grant application for \$3,000 for the Spirit Committee.

CARRIED

(i) **Pesticide Use Reduction Education Initiative – CRD Roundtable on the Environment**

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR SCOONES
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR GREEN

362 That the letter dated September 5, 2007 from Susan Brice, Chair, CRD Roundtable on the Environment, regarding the Pesticide Use Reduction Education Initiative be received, and referred to upcoming grant-in-aid discussions.

CARRIED

(j) **Future Trail between John Road and West Saanich Road**

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR SCOONES
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR GREEN

363 That the letter dated September 5, 2007 from Josephine Doman, President, Sunset Riding Club, regarding the future trail between John Road and West Saanich Road be received, and referred to the Parks Commission for review and recommendation.

CARRIED

(k) **Recommendation that the Provincial Government hold a forum to discuss the use of surplus public lands**

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR SHAW
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR WILLIAMSON

364 That the letter dated September 5, 2007 from MaryLynne Rimer, Board Chair, School District No. 63, recommending that the Provincial Government hold a forum to discuss the use of surplus public lands be received for information, and that the letter and the September 17, 2007 news release from the Provincial Government with respect to this issue be referred to the Sansbury School Task Force for information.

CARRIED

REPORTS - OTHER

Fireworks Regulation Bylaw No. 1148

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR GREEN
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR WILLIAMSON

365 That the report dated September 11, 2007 from the Director of Emergency Services regarding “Fireworks Regulation Bylaw 1148” be received, and that Council proceed with first three readings of “North Saanich Fireworks Regulation Bylaw No. 1148 (2007)” as presented.

CARRIED

2007 Overlay Paving and Road Patching Program

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR FEA
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR WILLIAMSON

366 That the report dated September 11, 2007 from the Works Superintendent regarding “2007 Overlay Paving and Road Patching Program” be received, and that the 2007 overlay paving and road patching contract be awarded to Capital City Paving Ltd. in the amount of \$398,466.56 including taxes.

CARRIED

BYLAWS

North Saanich Fireworks Regulation Bylaw No. 1148 (2007)

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR SHAW
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR WILLIAMSON

367 That “North Saanich Fireworks Regulation Bylaw No. 1148 (2007)” be read a first time.

CARRIED

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR CHANDLER
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR GREEN

368 That “North Saanich Fireworks Regulation Bylaw No. 1148 (2007)” be read a second time.

CARRIED

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR GREEN
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR FEA

369 That “North Saanich Fireworks Regulation Bylaw No. 1148 (2007)” be read a third time.

CARRIED

North Saanich Agricultural Advisory Commission Establishment Bylaw No. 1156 (2007)

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR CHANDLER
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR GREEN

370 That “North Saanich Agricultural Advisory Commission Establishment Bylaw No. 1156” be finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and the Corporate Officer and sealed with the Corporate Seal.

CARRIED

North Saanich Fire Equipment Depreciation Reserve Fund Expenditure Bylaw No. 1157 (2007)

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR WILLIAMSON
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR FEA

371 That “North Saanich Fire Equipment Depreciation Reserve Fund Expenditure Bylaw No. 1157 (2007)” be finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and the Corporate Officer and sealed with the Corporate Seal.

CARRIED

North Saanich Sewer Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 1002 (2002), Amendment Bylaw No. 1158 (2007)

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR SHAW
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR WILLIAMSON

372 That “North Saanich Sewer Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 1002 (2002), Amendment Bylaw No. 1158 (2007)” be finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and the Corporate Officer and sealed with the Corporate Seal.

CARRIED

North Saanich New Works and Equipment Reserve Funds Expenditure Bylaw No. 1159 (2007)

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR FEA
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR SHAW

373 That “North Saanich New Works and Equipment Reserve Funds Expenditure Bylaw No. 1159 (2007)” be finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and the Corporate Officer and sealed with the Corporate Seal.

CARRIED

OPPOSED: COUNCILLOR GREEN AND COUNCILLOR CHANDLER

North Saanich Public Works Machinery and Equipment Depreciation Reserve Fund Expenditure Bylaw No. 1160 (2007)

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR GREEN
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR CHANDLER

374 That “North Saanich Public Works Machinery and Equipment Depreciation Reserve Fund Expenditure Bylaw No. 1160 (2007)” be finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and the Corporate Officer and sealed with the Corporate Seal.

CARRIED

North Saanich Utility Reserve Fund Expenditure Bylaw No. 1161 (2007)

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR WILLIAMSON
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR SHAW

375 That “North Saanich Utility Reserve Fund Expenditure Bylaw No. 1161 (2007)” be finally adopted, signed by the Mayor and the Corporate Officer and sealed with the Corporate Seal.

CARRIED

MOTIONS AND NEW BUSINESS

BC Climate Action Charter

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR CHANDLER
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR GREEN

376 WHEREAS local governments throughout the province are actively involved in initiatives related to sustainable communities, climate change and energy, by reducing the negative environmental effects of development, retrofitting existing community infrastructure, and in general, reducing the carbon footprint of communities.

AND WHEREAS the provincial government has committed to address climate change and support development of green communities, and has committed to be carbon neutral by 2010 and to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 33% by 2020.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the District of North Saanich agrees to be a signatory of the British Columbia Climate Action Charter and to develop strategies and take actions to:

1. become carbon neutral in respect of our operations by 2012.
2. measure and report on our greenhouse gases emissions profile; and
3. promote a complete, compact, and more energy efficient community.

CARRIED

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD PERTAINING TO ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Peter Miller, 9378 Glenelg Avenue, advised that a number of local governments are amending their burning bylaws to reduce burning. He questioned how burning will be monitored if the current bylaw is amended, and suggested that Council authorize a complete ban on burning by 2008/09. He also suggested that garden waste be chipped and used on local paths and trails.

As there was no one else who wished to speak, the Public Participation Period concluded at 8:17 p.m.

CAO's REPORT

The Chief Administrative Officer advised that building renovations are proceeding on time and on budget. He also noted that John Trelford was recently hired as the Assistant Fire Chief / Training Officer for the District of North Saanich.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY: COUNCILLOR GREEN
SECONDED: COUNCILLOR SHAW

377 That the meeting be adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

CARRIED

CERTIFIED CORRECT

APPROVED AND CONFIRMED

Sandy Bowden
Director, Corporate Services

Ted Daly
Mayor