

VILLAGE OF BELCARRA MINUTES

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
VILLAGE HALL
MONDAY, MARCH 25, 2002
AT 7:30 P.M.**

These are the minutes of the **Regular Meeting** of the Municipal Council for the Village of Belcarra, held Monday, March 25, 2002, at the Municipal Hall, 4084 Bedwell Bay Road, Belcarra, BC.

**COUNCIL IN
ATTENDANCE:**

Mayor Ralph Drew
Councillor Bruce Drake
Councillor Larry Carlsen
Councillor Jennifer Glover
Councillor Jamie Ross

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:

Administrator, Moira McGregor
Building Inspector, Larry Scott

**Regular Minutes
March 11, 2002**

1. Upon advice that there was a quorum present, Mayor Drew called the regular meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.
2. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**
It was; Moved by: Councillor Carlsen
 Seconded by: Councillor Drake
THAT the Agenda be approved as circulated.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
3. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**
It was; Moved by: Councillor Carlsen
 Seconded by: Councillor Glover
THAT the minutes of the Regular meeting of Council held Monday, March 11, 2002 be **ADOPTED**.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
4. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES AS ADOPTED MINUTES**
5. **BUSINESS POSTPONED OR TABLED AT OR NOT DEALT WITH AT A PREVIOUS MEETING**

**BC Hydro
Charlotte Bemister, Doug
Trider, Ray Read and Jim
Papadoulis**

6. DELEGATIONS & PETITIONS

- 6.1** Mayor Drew introduced and welcomed BC Hydro representatives, Charlotte Bemister, Community Relations Coordinator, Doug Trider, Line Manager, Ray Read, Vegetation/Pest Biologist and Jim Papadoulis, Maintenance Program Engineer. Mayor Drew advised the public that as part of BC Hydro's remedial woodpole test and treat program, 200 wood utility poles were inspected in the Village in January, poles exhibiting signs of decay were treated with wood preservatives in accordance with a Pesticide Use Permit issued by the Ministry of Water Land and Air Protection (MWLAP).

Mayor Drew noted that in February 2000, Simon Fraser Health Authority advised the Village that BC Hydro was intending to inspect and possibly apply a pesticide and/or preservative to utility poles in the community. Following this advisement, Council adopted a resolution stating that, Belcarra is opposed to the application of preservatives to utility poles, as the Village is reliant on groundwater as its domestic water supply. The resolution also asked that prior to consideration of any initiative to apply preservatives to utility poles in Belcarra, BC Hydro should give a presentation to Council, in order to satisfy community concerns that there would be no contamination to the local ground water supply. Mayor Drew further noted that this resolution was communicated in a letter to the responsible authorities, however, there appeared to be a breakdown in communication, and unfortunately the poles were inspected and, in some cases treated with a preservative, without the Village being consulted.

Charlotte Bemister, Community Relations Coordinator, Lower Mainland Coastal Region thanked Council for allowing the representatives to attend the meeting, and advised that Doug Trider, Line Manager, would provide a brief overview of the utility pole test and treat program that occurred in the Village. B.C. Hydro noted that there are approximately 850,000 wooden poles in BC that either have, or will be, tested and treated under this program. Within the Village approximately 200 poles were tested however, not all the poles were treated with preservatives. All test and treat programs in the Lower Mainland are done with qualified contractors approved by the MWALP.

Ray Read, BC Hydro's, Vegetation/Pest Biologist, explained that the preservative program is intended to prolong the life of the utility poles, and offered an information package on the treatment program, which is available for residents. Mr. Read further explained that MWALP issues the Pesticide Use Permit with

restrictions that include no preservatives on poles located within 30 metres from a domestic water source; all permit restrictions are discussed with the contractors. Ray Read confirmed that Hydro is aware of 3 poles being treated in less than 30 metres from a wellhead. Council asked if Hydro would provide Public Works with the data and the location of the treated poles. Public Works will then advise residents and if there are any concerns, Hydro should be prepared to answer all questions. Mr. Trider stated that B.C. Hydro is prepared to remove the bandages and soil from the poles, however the burrowing rods inside the poles cannot be removed.

Following a lengthy discussion and a question and answer period from residents, it was;

Moved by: Councillor Drake

Seconded by: Councillor Glover

WHEREAS Council understands that contractors for *BC Hydro* have applied preservatives to utility power poles within the *Village of Belcarra* in a manner not in accordance with the permits for such treatment issued by the *BC Ministry of Environment*;

AND WHEREAS Belcarra residents are a unique community being dependent upon wells and ground water for their domestic water supply;

AND WHEREAS the violations of the permit apparently involve use of the utility pole treatments in proximity to domestic water supplies or wells;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council:

1. Notify all residents of the Village that utility pole treatments may have occurred near their domestic water supply contrary to the applicable permits.
2. Formally request a report from *BC Hydro*, which the Village will assist through identification of sensitive sites, that identifies all treatments of utility poles that took place within the *Village of Belcarra* and, identifies each case where the applicable permit of the *Ministry of Environment* was not respected, and explains how this occurred and what steps will be taken to prevent this in future. This report to be presented at a future public meeting in Belcarra.
3. Work with *BC Hydro* to establish a protocol to ensure, in future, that utility pole treatments are undertaken in accordance with applicable permits and with the knowledge of residents.

4. Request that, in each case where the *Ministry of Environment* permit has been violated, *BC Hydro* arrange for water testing on at least one occasion and thereafter in accordance with recommendations of the *Ministry of Environment*, and *Ministry of Health* or other competent health authority, for such a period of time and at such a frequency as that authority considers prudent, given test results.
5. Request representatives of the *Ministry of Environment* and *Ministry of Health* appear at a public meeting in Belcarra to explain the permit criteria, their scientific basis, and the steps the *Ministry of Environment* will take in light of the permit violations.
6. Upon completion of these steps, request a presentation of the report by the *BC Hydro* Vice-President for Environmental Affairs, or equivalent position, at a public meeting in Belcarra.
7. Copy this resolution to *Ministry of Environment*, *Simon Fraser Health Region*, *BC Hydro* Chair and Vice-President for Environmental Affairs.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mr. Trider suggested that when a notification is sent out to the residents perhaps that would be the appropriate time to have each one of them identify where their wells are to assist BC Hydro in their protocol in the future. Mayor Drew stated that Council could invite the residents to communicate to the Village office and a mapping exercise will be started. Councillor Glover advised that she would be presenting a report from the Environment Committee on well locations under her committee report.

Mayor Drew thanked the representatives from BC Hydro for attending the meeting.

7. STAFF REPORTS/DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMITS

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

8.1 Public Works and Infrastructure Committee

- (I) Councillor Carlsen advised that Public Works would be working on repairing the potholes in the road as soon as weather permits.

8.2 Planning & Special Projects

Councillor Carlsen

Councillor Ross

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| <p>First Nations Dispute Resolution Mechanism</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Councillor Ross stated that he would be attending the LMTAC on Wednesday March 27th. (ii) Council reviewed a report from the Belcarra Treaty Advisory Committee following a review of the LMTAC’s First Principles to include a First Nations Dispute Resolution Mechanism. Mayor Drew stated that this matter has not been discussed at LMTAC and TABLED discussion of the report to the April 8th, 2002 meeting. |
| <p>Councillor Drake</p> | <p>8.3 Protective Services</p> <p>Councillor Drake stated that a Protective Services meeting would be scheduled shortly.</p> |
| <p>Councillor Glover</p> | <p>8.4 Environmental Affairs</p> <p>Council reviewed a report dated March 25, 2002 relative to forming a database of wells in the Village. Councillor Glover advised that a public presentation evening is planned during Earth Month involving Groundwater Protection. Councillor Glover stated that the Committee has been speaking for a number of weeks for the need to have an inventory of all the wells in the Village in a case of an emergency.</p> |
| <p>Well Location Database</p> | <p>Moved by: Councillor Glover Seconded by: Councillor Carlsen</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. THAT Council support the Environmental Committee in its initiative to form a database of wells in the Village for the purpose of groundwater protection by asking property owners to identify individual well locations. 2. THAT Council support the Environmental Committee to inquire whether a Challenge Grant is available to hire a summer student for the purpose of plotting Village wells on a GPS Database to assist the committee in its groundwater protection project. <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p> |
| <p>Mayor Drew</p> | <p>8.5 Finance Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mayor Drew stated that the annual budget and five-year financial plan was presented at the March 11, 2002 Council meeting. |

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| MRN GVTA Funding | (ii) Mayor Drew announced that the GVTA has increased the maintenance grant for Bedwell Bay Road under the Major Roads Network funding (MRN) from \$26,000 to \$34,000. Mayor Drew stated that the Capital Funding Application has not received approval to-date. |
| Volunteer Appreciation Night | <p>9. <u>MAYOR'S REPORT</u></p> <p>10. <u>ADMINISTRATOR' S REPORT</u></p> <p>10.1 Moved by: Councillor Carlsen Seconded by: Councillor Glover</p> <p>THAT Council host a social "Volunteer Appreciation Night" on Friday April 5, 2002 at a cost not to exceed \$750.00.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p> |
| Private Single Licence Agreement – 3471 Senkler Road | <p>10.2 Council reviewed a report dated March 20, 2002, from the Administrator relative to an application for a Private Single Residential Waterlot Licence Agreement at 3471 Senkler Road. The Administrator advised that there is a report from the Building Inspector stating that this application applies with standards.</p> <p>Moved by Councillor Carlsen Seconded by: Councillor Glover</p> <p>THAT the Village of Belcarra authorize the Administrator to proceed with a request to the Vancouver Port Authority for a Private Residential Single Waterlot Licence fronting the foreshore of the immediate upland property of 3471 Senkler Road.</p> <p>AND THAT the Administrator be authorized to prepare a Sub-Licence Agreement and a Highway Encroachment Agreement between the Village of Belcarra and Kurt and Melanie Tsuyuki, 3471 Senkler Road, Belcarra.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p> |
| Bylaw 335, 2002 Revenue Anticipation Borrowing ADOPTION | <p>11. <u>BYLAWS</u></p> <p>11.1 Moved by: Councillor Glover Seconded by: Councillor Carlsen</p> <p>THAT the Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw No. 335, 2002 being a bylaw to provide for the borrowing of such sums of money as may be requisite to meet the current lawful expenditures of the Village of Belcarra for the year 2002 be ADOPTED this 25th Day of March 2002.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p> |
| Capital Works Reserve | 11.2 Moved by: Councillor Carlsen |

**Fund Expenditure Bylaw
No. 336, 2002
ADOPTION**

Seconded by: Councillor Glover

THAT Bylaw No. 336, 2002 being a bylaw to authorize the expenditure of monies in the Capital Works Reserve Fund during 2002 be **ADOPTED** this 25th Day of March 2002.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Equipment Replacement
Reserve Fund Expenditure
Bylaw No. 337, 2002
ADOPTION**

11.3 Moved by: Councillor Drake
Seconded by: Councillor Ross

THAT Bylaw No. 337, 2002 being a bylaw to authorize the expenditure of monies in the Equipment Replacement Reserve Fund during 2002 be **ADOPTED** this 25th Day of March 2002.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Five Year Financial Plan
Bylaw No. 338, 2002
FIRST READING**

11.4 Moved by: Councillor Ross
Seconded by: Councillor Carlsen

THAT Bylaw No. 338, 2002 being a bylaw to adopt a Five Year Financial Plan for the Village of Belcarra be **READ** a **FIRST** time this 25th Day of March 2002.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Five Year Financial Plan
Bylaw No. 338, 2002
SECOND READING**

Moved by: Councillor Carlsen
Seconded by: Councillor Glover

THAT Bylaw No. 338, 2002 being a bylaw to adopt a Five Year Financial Plan for the Village of Belcarra be **READ** a **SECOND** time this 25th Day of March 2002.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**Five Year Financial Plan
Bylaw No. 338, 2002
THIRD READING**

Moved by: Councillor Glover
Seconded by: Councillor Drake

THAT Bylaw No. 338, 2002 being a bylaw to adopt a Five Year Financial Plan for the Village of Belcarra be **READ** a **THIRD** time this 25th Day of March 2002.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12. CORRESPONDENCE

Moved by: Councillor Drake
Seconded by: Councillor Carlsen

THAT correspondence be **RECEIVED** as reviewed by Council and those requiring action be itemized below.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mary Walker
Bike Month Coordinator

George Puil, Chair
GVRD

- 12.1** Letter dated March 5, 2002 inviting the Village to participate in Bike Month 2002.
- Moved by: Councillor Ross
Seconded by: Councillor Glover
THAT the Village of Belcarra proclaim June as Bike Month 2002.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
- 12.2** Letter dated March 7, 2002 requesting Council to tap into community engagement processes and support the Sustainable Region Initiative. Mayor Drew stated that there are probably opportunities within that process for the Environmental Committee to think about things.
- 13. PROCLAMATIONS**
- 14. NEW BUSINESS**
- 14.1** Councillor Ross asked if there are discussions between Translink and the Board regarding the new governance structure.
- Mayor Drew stated that discussions are underway, two meetings have been held and several more are planned to be followed with a public process will come out of that.
- Councillor Ross asked if there is a Council process to inform the committee.
- Mayor Drew stated that some municipalities have chosen to write the Chair of the TransLink Board expressing their views in terms of Governance and that information is brought forward for discussion.
- This item will be discussed at the next meeting.**
- 15. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
- 16. NOTICES OF MOTION**
- 17. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
- 18. TERMINATION OF REGULAR MEETING**
Moved by: Councillor Carlsen
Seconded by: Councillor Drake
- THAT** the Regular Meeting of Council **TERMINATES** at 10:00 p.m.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CERTIFIED CORRECT

Mayor Drew

**ADMINISTRATOR
M. McGregor**