

VILLAGE OF BELCARRA MINUTES

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
VILLAGE HALL
MONDAY, MARCH 10, 2003
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 10, 2003, at the Municipal Hall, 4084 Bedwell Bay Road, Belcarra, BC.

COUNCIL IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Ralph Drew
Councillor Bruce Drake
Councillor Jennifer Glover
Councillor Colin Richardson
Councillor Jamie Ross

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:

Administrator, Moira McGregor
Building Inspector, Larry Scott

**REGULAR MEETING
Monday February 10, 2003**

**PUBLIC INFORMATION
MEETING
Wednesday February 5,
2003**

1. Upon advice that there was a quorum present, Mayor Drew called the regular meeting to order at 7:46 p.m.
2. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**
It was; Moved by: Councillor Glover
 Seconded by: Councillor Drake
THAT the Agenda be approved as circulated.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
3. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**
 - 3.1 It was; Moved by: Councillor Glover
 Seconded by: Councillor Richardson
THAT the minutes of the Regular meeting of Council held Monday, February 10, 2003 be **ADOPTED**.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
 - 3.2 It was; Moved by: Councillor Glover
 Seconded by: Councillor Ross
THAT the minutes of the Public Information meeting held Wednesday, February 5, 2003 be **RECEIVED**.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
4. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES AS**

**Reconsideration of
Highway Encroachment
Agreement for Private
Stair Access to Foreshore**

ADOPTED MINUTES

**5. BUSINESS POSTPONED OR TABLED AT OR NOT
DEALT WITH AT A PREVIOUS MEETING**

5.1 TABLED from February 10, 2003

Mayor Drew stated that Council agreed to reconsider the application for a *Highway Encroachment Agreement* to grant private use of stair access to the foreshore fronting 4152 Marine Avenue to the adjacent neighbours. Mayor Drew asked the applicant if he wished to address Council.

Mr. Jillings advised that at the February 10, 2003, meeting Council suggested that the group pursue the concept of a swim float with the *Vancouver Port Authority* (VPA). This concept will likely have all of the same requirements from a designed engineering surveying anchoring systems and environmental issues; BERC has not considered their viability. Regardless, if approval were given for a new swim float, the group would prefer to retain private use of the existing stairs.

Mayor Drew noted that the outcome of the discussion at the February 10, 2003 meeting was that the stairs should be maintained for public use to the beach. If Mr. Jillings is going to apply for a swimming float, he can choose to apply for a private access fronting his property or, use the public stairs.

Councillor Ross stated that he did have a look at the stair location and noted that if the residents have a concern of problems with parking from people using the stairs some shrubbery could be planted. Councillor Ross stated that the options available are;

- the group are permitted to privatize the stairs;
- the stairs are maintained for public use; or
- the stairs are maintained for public use, with a proviso to partially hide the stairs with shrubbery, no signage and parking enforcement.

Following a lengthy discussion, it was;

Moved by: Councillor Ross

Seconded by: Councillor Drake

THAT the application for a *Highway Encroachment Agreement* for private use of an existing stair access to the foreshore fronting 4152 Marine Avenue be denied.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

		<p>Moved by: Councillor Ross Seconded by: Councillor Richardson</p> <p>THAT Staff meet with stakeholders to discuss a landscape and parking management plan for the road allowance adjacent the stairs at 4152 Marine Avenue for Council review.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p> <p>Councillor Ross stated that this would start to address the issues that the group sees as significant and, if after the approved plan is implemented, there are still issues they may address Council again; Larry Scott will meet with Mr. Jillings.</p>
<p>Citizens for Public Power Support for Resolution</p>	<p>5.2</p>	<p><u>TABLED from January 27, 2003</u> Mayor Drew advised that correspondence from <i>BC Citizens for Public Power</i> was looking for support regarding the proposed break up of <i>BC Hydro</i>. Mayor Drew noted that the legislation has already passed Councillor Glover stated Council should consider this action, as the cost to taxpayers could be significant.</p> <p>Following discussion, Mayor Drew suggested that Council give further consideration to the matter and draft a resolution addressing the principle of keeping <i>BC Hydro</i> within the public domain.</p>
<p>Building Officials Education Conference</p>	<p>6.</p> <p>7.</p>	<p>DELEGATIONS & PETITIONS</p> <p>STAFF REPORTS/DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMITS</p>
<p>Councillor Ross</p>	<p>7.1</p>	<p>Moved by: Councillor Ross Seconded by: Councillor Drake</p> <p>THAT the Building Inspector be authorized to attend the Building Officials Education Conference in Kamloops, BC, April 27 to 30, 2003. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p>
<p>Citizen Planning Committee – YMCA Camp Howdy</p>	<p>8.</p> <p>8.1</p> <p>(i)</p>	<p>COMMITTEE REPORTS</p> <p>Public Works and Planning</p> <p>Councillor Ross reviewed a report from the Administrator advising that 15 of people applied to be appointed to the <i>Citizen Planning Committee</i>. Council discussed the problems of a large committee and 8 to 10 people would be preferred.</p> <p>Moved by: Councillor Ross</p>

	<p>Seconded by: Councillor Richardson</p> <p>THAT the report as submitted by the Administrator be received and the recommendation as contained therein to appoint the list of 15-property owners/residents to the <i>Citizen Planning Committee</i> be approved. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p>
<p>Councillor Richardson</p> <p>LMTAC First Principle</p>	<p>8.2 Treaty Advisory Committee & Special Projects</p> <p>(i) Council reviewed a report titled <i>A Background Discussion Paper LMTAC First Principal #27, Rights of Representation Draft #1</i>. Councillor Richardson advised that the paper discusses alternatives for non-natives living on Indian reserves and whether or not they will have representation even though they are paying taxes to their lease payments. Mayor Drew advised that this is a discussion paper intended to stimulate further debate on the issues. The report is being circulated to LMTAC members for consideration and comment. Mayor Drew asked that the <i>Belcarra Citizens Treaty Advisory Committee</i> review and assemble comments to be forwarded to LMTAC.</p>
<p>Councillor Drake</p> <p>Emergency Generator</p>	<p>8.3 Protective Services</p> <p>(i) Councillor Drake presented a report dated March 7, 2003, from the <i>Protective Services Committee</i> regarding the purchase of a new Emergency Generator funded 50/50 by JEPP and the required electrical upgrade to the municipal hall and works yard. The Committee is asking Council to consider funding the total works to be undertaken in the 2003 budget year. Following discussion of other projects that are being considered for 2003, it was agreed that the electrical upgrade would be phased over a two-year period.</p> <p>The Administrator advised that an application for a JEPP Grant to review the <i>Emergency Disaster Plan</i> should be considered by JEPP in April 2003. If approved this review would take place June through September 2003.</p>

<p>Councillor Glover</p> <p>Bottle and Can Bin</p>	<p>8.4 Environmental Affairs</p> <p>(i) Councillor Glover presented a report dated March 7, 2003 from the <i>Environmental Services Committee</i> relative to the construction of a large bin to collect returnable bottles and cans for the purpose of encouraging recycling and to divert the bottles and cans to non-profit community groups such as the Scouts and the Summer Program. This will help the groups with their funding. The group will also be in charge of managing the bins to not add additional work for the Village's Public Works Department. Councillor Glover stated that this has been recommended on a pilot basis.</p> <p>Moved by: Councillor Glover Seconded by: Councillor Richardson</p> <p>THAT</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Council direct Public Works to construct a large bin to collect returnable bottles and cans for the purpose of encouraging recycling. 2. The <i>Environmental Committee</i> select non-profit groups to be responsible for clean up and maintenance of the site; in return the group would receive the cash from all materials collected when returned to the Bottle Depot to fund future events. <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p>
<p>Mayor Drew</p>	<p>8.5 Finance Committee</p> <p>Mayor Drew advised that the <i>Finance Committee</i> held a Committee of the Whole meeting to discuss the proposed budget for 2003. Mayor Drew stated that the March 24 Council meeting will be rescheduled to March 31, 2003, at which time the proposed budget will be presented for consideration and discussion. The Administrator advised that the auditor will also present the 2002 Financial Statements to Council at this meeting..</p>
<p>2003 Property Assessments</p> <p>2003 MRN Operation</p>	<p>9. <u>MAYOR'S REPORT</u></p> <p>9.1 Mayor Drew presented a report on the 2003 Belcarra Property Assessments with comparisons to the Tri-Cities and Anmore. Belcarra's assessed value for 2003 increased by 7.25% of which 3.77% was new construction. The average assessed value increased by 3.5%.</p> <p>9.2 Mayor Drew presented a letter from TransLink advising that</p>

		the funding under the <i>Main Road Network</i> (MRN) Operation Maintenance and Rehabilitation Program for 2003 is \$38,590.00. Mayor Drew advised that any money not used in a given year is accrued for future maintenance on Bedwell Bay Road.
Policing Costs	9.3	Council reviewed a letter from the Solicitor General Rich Coleman advising that the Ministry is in the process of reviewing options for restructuring police financing formula; communities under 5,000 will not be charged in 2003.
Holly Butterfield School Trustee District #43	9.4	Mayor Drew discussed an email from School Trustee, Holly Butterfield asking if Council would like to meet with her and Board staff to discuss any issues of mutual interest. After a short discussion the Administrator was directed to contact School Trustee, Holly Butterfield to arrange a meeting, preferably at the Village Hall.
	10.	<u>ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT</u>
Ombudsman	10.1	The Administrator presented a letter from the Ombudsman requesting that all reporting letters to the Ombudsman restrict the use of names to be more protective of people's privacy.
Residential Wharf – Bedwell Bay	10.2	Council reviewed a letter dated February 3, 2003, from the <i>Vancouver Port Authority</i> (VPA) advising that BERC will not review an application for a residential wharf fronting Marine Avenue. The application was sent to VPA in December 2002. Moved by: Councillor Ross Seconded by: Councillor Glover THAT given the recent correspondence from the <i>Vancouver Port Authority</i> dated February 14, 2003, new applications for Residential Waterfront Licences for a dock, ramp and float fronting Marine Avenue will be accepted only, after the applicant has received and signed for all copies of relevant correspondence regarding the development of wharf approvals on Bedwell Bay. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
LGMA Conference	10.3	Moved by: Councillor Glover Seconded by: Councillor Drake THAT the Administrator be authorized to attend the <i>Municipal Officers' Association</i> Conference in Penticton, BC, from June 17 to 20, 2003. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
Volunteer Appreciation	10.4	Moved by: Councillor Ross

		<p>Seconded by: Councillor Glover</p> <p>THAT Council host a social “Volunteer Appreciation Night” on Friday April 11, 2003 at a cost not to exceed \$750.00.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p>
<p>Bylaw 345, 2003 Council Indemnity FIRST READING</p> <p>Bylaw 345, 2003 Council Indemnity SECOND READING</p> <p>Bylaw 345, 2003 Council Indemnity THIRD READING</p>	<p>11.</p> <p>11.1</p> <p>11.2</p> <p>11.3</p>	<p><u>BYLAWS</u></p> <p>Moved by: Councillor Drake Seconded by: Councillor Ross THAT Bylaw No. 345, 2003 being a bylaw to provide for the payment of an indemnity to the Mayor and Councillors of the Village of Belcarra for the year 2003 be READ a FIRST Time this 10th Day of March 2003.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p> <p>Moved by: Councillor Glover Seconded by: Councillor Ross THAT Bylaw No. 345, 2003 being a bylaw to provide for the payment of an indemnity to the Mayor and Councillors of the Village of Belcarra for the year 2003 be READ a SECOND Time this 10th Day of March 2003.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p> <p>Moved by: Councillor Richardson Seconded by: Councillor Ross THAT Bylaw No. 345, 2003 being a bylaw to provide for the payment of an indemnity to the Mayor and Councillors of the Village of Belcarra for the year 2003 be READ a THIRD Time this 10th Day of March 2003.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p>
<p>Friendly Forest Preschool</p>	<p>12.</p> <p>12.1</p> <p>13.</p>	<p><u>CORRESPONDENCE</u></p> <p>Moved by: Councillor Ross Seconded by: Councillor Drake</p> <p>THAT correspondence be RECEIVED as reviewed by Council and those requiring action be itemized below.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p> <p>Letter dated February 7, 2003 requesting a contribution to the 10th Annual Family Fun Day Silent Auction being held on May 4, 2003 at Anmore Elementary School.</p> <p>The recommendations will be deferred to the operation budget discussions for 2003.</p> <p><u>PROCLAMATIONS</u></p>

	14.	NEW BUSINESS
	15.	UNFINISHED BUSINESS
	16.	NOTICES OF MOTION
	17.	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
Jim Chisholm Belcarra Bay Road	17.1	Mr. Chisholm asked what the total of the Council Indemnity was. Mayor Drew stated that it is approximately \$33,000.
Joe Kecskes Bedwell Bay Road	17.2	Mr. Kecskes asked if Council was aware that there is a class action suit regarding BC Hydro's attempts to privatize. Mr. Kecskes asked if Council would be sending a letter regarding their opposition to the privatization. Mayor Drew advised that the resolution is a statement that may be adopted and forwarded to the Provincial Government. Mayor Drew noted that he had heard that there is a class action suit against BC Hydro.
Joe Kecskes Bedwell Bay Road	17.3	Mr. Kecskes stated that the LMTAC discussion paper Draft #1, Principal #27 is excellent. Mayor Drew stated that there may be something yet that needs to be added to it but he also felt the paper was very good.
Jim Chisholm Belcarra Bay Road	17.4	Mr. Chisholm asked how residents could be encouraged to get the Village decals for their cars. Mayor Drew stated that new residents may not be aware that the stickers are available. The Administrator stated that new residents who come into the office are given the stickers. Mayor Drew suggested that an article be put into the Barnacle that the stickers are available and indicate their value.

18. TERMINATION OF REGULAR MEETING

Moved by: Councillor Ross

Seconded by: Councillor Richardson

THAT the Regular Meeting of Council **TERMINATES** at
10:10 p.m. **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

C E R T I F I E D C O R R E C T

Mayor Drew

ADMINISTRATOR
M. McGregor