



**VILLAGE OF BELCARRA
REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES
VILLAGE HALL
April 24, 2017**



Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting for the Village of Belcarra, held April 24, 2017, at the Municipal Hall, 4084 Bedwell Bay Road, Belcarra, BC.

Council in Attendance

Mayor Ralph Drew
Councillor Bruce Drake
Councillor Jennifer Glover
Councillor Perry Muxworthy
Councillor Jamie Ross

Staff in Attendance

Connie Esposito, Acting Corporate Officer
Maurice Wutzke, Superintendent of Public Works
Paula Richardson, Administrative Services Assistant

Staff Absent

Lorna Dysart, Chief Administrative Officer

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Drew called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

2.1 Regular Council Meeting April 24, 2017

Moved by: Councillor Muxworthy
Seconded by: Councillor Ross

That the Agenda for the April 24, 2017 Regular Council Meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 Regular Council Meeting, April 10, 2017

Moved by: Councillor Glover
Seconded by: Councillor Ross

That the Minutes from the regular Council Meeting held, April 10, 2017 be adopted.

CARRIED

4. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**4.1** Harriette Chang, Teacher, Banting Middle School, and Leadership students regarding Real Acts of Caring Week, February 12 – 18, 2017

Harriette Chang introduced Leadership students, Braidyn & Taryn Chang, who gave a PowerPoint presentation regarding Real Acts of Caring Week.

Councillor Muxworthy commented that the caring teachers build the fabric of the community creating an important learning experience for students. Mayor Drew thanked the students and their support teacher for their attendance and efforts.

5. REPORTS**5.1 Village of Belcarra Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 463, 2013 Amendment Bylaw No. 507, 2017**

Lorna Dysart, Chief Administrative Officer, report dated April 24, 2017 regarding the Village of Belcarra Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 463, 2013 Amendment Bylaw No. 507, 2017

Moved by: Councillor Muxworthy

Seconded by: Councillor Ross

That the "Village of Belcarra Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 463, 2013 Amendment Bylaw No. 507, 2017" be read a first, second and third time.

CARRIED

5.2 Village of Belcarra Tax Rate Bylaw No. 508, 2017

Nancy Gomerich, NG Consulting, report regarding the Village of Belcarra Tax Rate Bylaw No. 508, 2017

Moved by: Councillor Ross

Seconded by: Councillor Drake

That the "Village of Belcarra Tax Rate Bylaw No. 508, 2017" be read a first, second and third time.

CARRIED

6. REPORTS FROM MAYOR AND PROJECT LEADS**6.1 Mayor's Report – 2017–2021 Five Year Financial Plan**

Mayor Drew outlined his report. Council asked pertinent questions and discussion ensued with regard to the healthy financial stability of the Village of Belcarra.

7. BYLAWS**7.1 Village of Belcarra 5 Year Financial Plan 2017 – 2021, Bylaw No. 506, 2017**

Moved by: Councillor Glover

Seconded by: Councillor Ross

That the Village of Belcarra 5 Year Financial Plan 2017 – 2021, Bylaw No. 506, 2017 be adopted

CARRIED

8. CORRESPONDENCE/PROCLAMATIONS**INFORMATION ITEMS**

- 8.1** Laurie Gourlay, Interim Director, Salish Sea Trust, dated April 12, 2017 regarding Request to Support the Salish Sea UNESCO World Heritage Site Application

Councillor Ross requested this item be moved to the May 8, 2017 Council Agenda. Discussion ensued with regard to the April 30, 2017 deadline for letters of support and that a letter, at any date, would be appreciated by the Salish Sea Trust.

- 8.2** Ralph Drew, Mayor, dated April 19, 2017 – Letter to Athana Mentzelopoulos, Deputy Minister, BC Ministry of Finance, regarding Financial Inequity of the Provincial School Tax Levy within Metro Vancouver

Discussion ensued with regard to the Provincial School Tax Levy and the request for a response from Ministry staff.

Moved by: Councillor Drake

Seconded by: Councillor Glover

That correspondence items 8.1 – 8.2 be received.

CARRIED

9. NEW BUSINESS**9.1 Portable Water Pump**

In light of the recent house fires on Turtlehead Road, Councillor Drake reported on the potential purchase of a portable, gas powered, water pump. Doug Bakker, Public Works staff and a member of the Sasamat Volunteer Fire Department, researched the 60 lb pump as an option for fighting fires in difficult terrain. The portable pump provides 350 gallons of water per minute and may be carried by only one member.

Council asked pertinent questions regarding the effectiveness of the pump as a critical tool in fighting fires in an area of difficult terrain.

Moved by: Councillor Drake

Seconded by: Councillor Glover

That the Village of Belcarra contribute one portable, single person fire pump, up to the cost of \$5,000.00, to the Sasamat Volunteer Fire Department in recognition of the challenging terrain in Belcarra.

CARRIED

- 9.2** Councillor Drake reported on parking issues and a possible illegal suite on Turtlehead Road. Discussion ensued with regard to the demolition fencing at the fire site which encroaches onto Municipal road allowance and further impedes parking on Turtlehead Road.

Council directed staff to write letters to all residents of Turtlehead Road indicating legal parking requirements. A letter will also be sent to owners and renters of a specific property on Turtlehead Road.

10. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

Jim Chisholm, 4505 Belcarra Bay Road, queried regarding:

- Whether the dock where the fire started was being used for commercial purposes
- Water delivery and flow capacity of the water system

Joe Kecskes, 4288 Bedwell Bay Road, queried regarding:

- The new Mill Rate for 2017
- Home based business licenses
- Concerns of AirBnB rentals
- Concerns related to the Department of Fisheries, such as illegal crabbing and clam digging

Mayor Drew commented regarding the Village of Belcarra RCMP liaisons and their ongoing work in monitoring illegal activity in the Village of Belcarra including illegal beach activity.

Eric Broberg, 4168 Marine Avenue, queried regarding:

- Rentals and the need to comply with the landlord/tenant act
- Size of the water reservoir and the possibility of reprogramming SKADA to keep water level above 75%
- Location of pressure reducing valve and whether a signal is sent that Belcarra valves require full flow
- The possibility of a one to two hour flow test used to test the system for future emergency water requirements

Maurice Wutzke, Superintendent Public Works, commented regarding the water volume which is set in agreement with the District of North Vancouver. A meeting is scheduled for next week with Village Staff, Opus and the District of North Vancouver to discuss water delivery and flow capacity. The Public Works staff first priority during Sasamat Volunteer Fire Department emergency callouts is management of the water system.

Mayor Drew commented regarding a post fire/water event analysis and strategies being reviewed.

Les Bramley, 4071 Bedwell Bay Road, queried regarding the Waste and Recycle Depot and the disposal of styrofoam

Councillor Muxworthy commented regarding the WARD facility and the need for styrofoam disposal. Return-It will be contacted to discuss possible recycling options.


11. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Councillor Drake
Seconded by: Councillor Glover

That the April 24, 2017 Regular Council Meeting be adjourned at 9:10 pm.

CARRIED

Certified Correct:


Ralph Drew
Mayor

JENNIFER GLOVER
DEPUTY MAYOR.


Lorna Dysart
Chief Administrative Officer