

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF PEACHLAND
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
HELD TUESDAY, APRIL 10TH, 2001 AT 7:00 P.M.
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, PEACHLAND COMMUNITY CENTRE

PRESENT: Mayor Waldo, Councillors Dionne, Fraser, Gough, Nielsen, Papineau and Whitelegg

STAFF: Peter Jmaeff, Administrator
Betty Briggs, Deputy Clerk/Administrative Assistant
Doug Pryde, Treasurer
Pelma Haffenden, Recreation Director (part of meeting only)

Members of the Public
Members of the Media

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Waldo called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA The following amendments were made to the Agenda:
add 6(D) Municipal Planner
add 4(A) Unfinished Business Items.

MP S. DAY Mayor Waldo introduced MP Stockwell Day. Mr. Day stated that he and his wife are honoured to live in this community. He mentioned Federal issues such as the Softwood Lumber Agreement, agriculture issues, highway improvements, and of local concern, infrastructure funding for water and sewer projects. He advised that his office in Penticton is open with John Brett and Barb Dionne the staff members. He thanked Council for the warm welcome to the community. Mayor Waldo thanked Mr. Day for attending the meeting.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Papineau:
THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held March 27, 2001 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.

MOVED by Councillor Dionne, SECONDED by Councillor Fraser:

THAT the Minutes of the Public Hearing held March 27, 2001 for Official Community Plan Bylaw Number 1600, 2000 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

TABLED ITEMS Councillor Fraser reported on the results of the following items previously tabled by Council:

- i) Doggie Bags: tabled in August, 1999: The Administrator advised that a doggie bag dispenser will be installed at Swim Bay on a trial basis. If plastic bags end up spread over the beach and not used for the intended purpose, the dispenser will be removed. Cost, including installation and labour, is approximately \$100.

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TABLED ITEMS
(CONT.)

- ii) Untidy Premises – 6580 Bulyea Avenue: Bylaw Enforcement advised that compliance was received May 4, 2000.
- iii) Park Maintenance Costs: The Administrator provided a 2000 Parks Expense Report with a total cost of \$164,999, which was \$7,371 under the budgeted figure of \$172,370.
- iv) Transit Bus Stop Shelters: The Superintendent has investigated construction of bus stop shelters and determined that the cost (approximately \$8,000 to \$10,000) compared to ridership does not justify construction.
- v) Community Centre Lights: The Superintendent advised that there have been lights on the back of the Community Centre since construction, and with the recent purchase of a man-lift truck, burnt out lights can be replaced more promptly than in the past.
- vi) Bylaw No. 1539: In August, 1999, Traffic Regulation Bylaw Number 1534 Amendment Bylaw Number 1539 was placed before Council for First, Second and Third Readings. The purpose of the Bylaw was to correct problems with a right-of-way at the Houston Road/Walker Road/Highway 97 intersection, with staff to contact the Ministry of Transportation and Highways to propose a change to this intersection. It was tabled by Council. The Deputy Clerk reported that this matter is not longer being considered, and the Bylaw should be withdrawn.

MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Papineau:

THAT Traffic Regulation Bylaw Number 1534 Amendment Bylaw Number 1539 be withdrawn.

CARRIED.

- vii) Bylaw Enforcement Contract: A contract was successfully negotiated with Hoemans Services by the Planner, as outlined by Council.

WORKSHOP ITEMS

Councillor Fraser reported that the following items, discussed at a recent Council workshop, were expected to be on this Agenda:

- i) Logo (letterhead, business cards, other stationery)
- ii) Economic Development Committee Strategy Study/Survey
- iii) Volunteer Breakfast
- iv) Lifeguards

The Administrator advised that the above items will be on the April 24th Council Meeting Agenda.

STAFF REPORTS

PUBLIC COMPUTERS The Mayor requested that the Administrator provide a report to Council at the next Regular Meeting regarding the demise of the Communications Society and the availability of computers for public use in Peachland.

POTTER'S GUILD RENTAL OF DIST. FACILITY The Administrator presented a report for information advising that the basement of the Community Policing Office will be rented to the Potter's Guild at a rate of \$200 per month plus \$50 per month for utilities.

MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Dionne:

THAT the report regarding the rental of the basement of the Community Policing Office to the Potter's Guild be received.

CARRIED.
Councillor Gough OPPOSED.

2002 BUDGET ITEMS The Administrator presented a report requesting several grant-in-aid recipients be added to the 2002 Budget as line items.

MOVED by Councillor Dionne, SECONDED by Councillor Papineau:

THAT the following groups be added to the 2002 Budget as line items:

i)	Peachland Chamber of Commerce	\$18,000
ii)	Community Policing Office	1,275
iii)	Citizens Patrol	2,275
iv)	Ambassadorial Committee	6,300.

CARRIED.
Councillors Gough and Nielsen OPPOSED.

RECREATION POLICY

MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Nielsen:

THAT Council rescind existing policies #FIN-030 Community Centre Rental Contract and #FIN-040 Community Centre Rental Policy;

AND THAT Council adopt policy #FIN-035 Recreation Policy;

AND THAT all Peachland Service Organizations defined in Recreation Policy #FIN-035 receive gratis free use of District of Peachland community facilities;

AND THAT the Administrator authorizes all requests from Peachland non-profit groups for gratis free use of District of Peachland community facilities.

CARRIED.

Councillor Fraser noted that some rates have increased due to rises in gas and electricity costs.

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**PLANNING DEPT.
RESTRUCTURING**

The Administrator presented a verbal report advising that the District Planner was terminated without cause on April 3, 2001 due to restructuring of the Planning Department. Little development is expected in the near future, but several large infrastructure projects are planned, for which different expertise will be required.

MOVED by Councillor Papineau, SECONDED by Councillor Fraser:

THAT the report regarding restructuring of the Planning Department be received.
CARRIED.

DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

**REGIONAL TRANS.
DEMAND MGMT.
PROGRAM**

Mr. Ron Westlake, Transportation Manager, advised that the Regional Transportation Demand Management Program is attempting to find alternatives to automobile transportation, including reducing trip generation, changing trip timing, and changing modes of transportation. He invited the District of Peachland to participate, at a cost for 2001 of \$6996. He advised that participants to date include the Regional District, the City of Kelowna and the Westbank First Nations. The District of Lake Country has declined to participate this year.

Mayor Waldo thanked Mr. Westlake for his presentation and advised that Council will consider and have a decision on this request within the next two weeks.

**FOURTH STREET
PLACE UPDATE**

Mr. Doug Armitage updated Council on the conversion of the former Bowling Alley into Fourth Street Place in the past year since Council approved the conversion. Recently, safety exits have been installed, volunteers are constructing tables, and risers were built for stage and/or sitting. Plans are to build a storage unit, paint the exterior, landscape. 4 Your Entertainment Productions has a regular schedule of events, and tomorrow night Lynn Taylor Donovan will entertain. In two weeks time, it will be cowboy night for Sneak Away Wednesday. Mr. Armitage thanked Council for its support over the past year.

YACHT CLUB

Mr. Doug Williams, Treasurer, Peachland Yacht Club, advised that Club members have determined that the best plan is to install a floating breakwater and enlarge the berthage area. Possibly a marine pump-out station would be included. The members have authorized expenditure for engineering to be undertaken. A 25% federal/provincial infrastructure grant would allow the projects to begin.

Councillor Nielsen stated that the proposal is broad. He advised that the head lease is under negotiation with the Province.

MOVED by Councillor Nielsen, SECONDED by Councillor Papineau:

THAT the Yacht Club's request for support for expansion plans be referred to the appropriate Committees for review.

CARRIED.

MAYOR AND COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

**COUNCILLOR
FRASER**

Councillor Fraser reported on attending several meetings with the Administrator regarding the Recreation Policy, and commended staff on the excellent work in drafting this new policy.

Councillor Fraser reported that the Okanagan Regional Library Administrator has requested that Councillor Fraser be a member of the Personnel Committee, and she has accepted the position.

**COUNCILLOR
PAPINEAU**

Councillor Papineau expressed thanks to the Rotary Club for the excellent work at the southern entrance.

Councillor Papineau attended a Brenda Mine Surveillance Committee meeting and felt comforted by the presentation on the water quality monitoring.

Councillor Papineau advised that April 23 to 29 is Arts and Culture Week, with several performances scheduled.

**COUNCILLOR
NIELSEN**

Councillor Nielsen reported that Robert Hobson, Chair of the Regional District of Central Okanagan, joined some Council members for a quick tour of the dump site, with a view towards including it in the Regional Parks function.

Councillor Nielsen advised that meetings are on-going in the attempt to develop a trade college on a 17 acre site off Sanderson Road.

**COUNCILLOR
WHITELEGG**

Councillor Whitelegg advised that BC Assets and Lands is finalizing documents regarding the head lease with the District.

Councillor Whitelegg reported on meeting with Senator Fitzpatrick regarding infrastructure funds for sewer projects.

Councillor Whitelegg report on a meeting with Nancy Darling, Community Futures Development Corporation, regarding the training centre concept.

**COUNCILLOR
DIONNE**

Councillor Dionne advised that an Easter Tea will be held on April 14th at Fourth Street Place as a fund-raiser for the Friends of the Little Schoolhouse.

MAYOR WALDO

Mayor Waldo advised of the Curling Club Annual General Meeting on April 18th at the Community Centre.

Mayor Waldo advised that Awards Night will be held April 20th at the Community Centre.

Mayor Waldo spent two hours today with elementary school children for Local Government Awareness.

Mayor Waldo will attend an OMMA Executive meeting tomorrow in Merritt.

Mayor Waldo advised that the Big Bike is coming back to Peachland soon.

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**MAYOR WALDO
(CONT.)**

Mayor Waldo recognized Mr. Willy Billy and Mr. Bob Harriman and thanked them for their work in televising Council Meetings.

BYLAWS

Bylaw for Final Reconsideration and Adoption:

BYLAW #1600

MOVED by Councillor Papineau, SECONDED by Councillor Dionne:

THAT Official Community Plan Bylaw Number 1600, 2000 be Finally Reconsidered and Adopted.

CARRIED.
Councillor Fraser OPPOSED.

OTHER BUSINESS

**IN CAMERA
MEETING**

MOVED by Councillor Nielsen, SECONDED by Councillor Gough:

THAT an In Camera Meeting be held on Tuesday, April 24, 2001 at 10:00 a.m. for the purpose of discussing Land, Legal or Labour issues.

CARRIED.

**TREE CUTTING
BYLAW**

Councillor Whitelegg advised that he will bring the Tree Cutting Bylaw Number 1288 to Council for review.

QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

Mr. Don Olson asked if there is a limitation on the amount of use of the Community Centre for each non-profit group that receives free use, and if so, is it strongly enforced. The Administrator responded 'yes' to both questions.

Mr. Don Olson asked if the Regional District has to ask for money and does the District have to pay it. The Mayor advised that the Regional District does have to ask, and that the District does not have to pay it.

Mr. Ross McDermott asked if the District Planner was given any termination notice, and what qualifications will the replacement be required to have. The Mayor advised that the Administrator is finalizing the restructuring and it will be made public. Mr. McDermott asked for details of the termination and the Mayor advised that they are not available at this time.

Mr. Doug Williams asked if the newly adopted Recreation Policy includes the Lighthouse Room at Swim Bay as a community facility and could a non-profit group use it on a gratis basis.

Mr. Larry Kushner asked why the school bus does not go to Lipsett. The Mayor advised that the School District will not take a bus to Stuart as legally school buses cannot back up.

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**QUESTION AND
ANSWER PERIOD
(CONT.)**

Mr. Larry Kushner asked if employees would be interested in a book on better computers.

MOVED by Councillor Nielsen, SECONDED by Councillor Dionne:

THAT the Regular Council Meeting adjourn at 8:43 p.m.

CARRIED.

CERTIFIED CORRECT

Mayor

Municipal Clerk/Administrator

Dated this day of April, 2001.