

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF PEACHLAND
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF COUNCIL
HELD TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH, 2001 AT 7:00 P.M.
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, PEACHLAND COMMUNITY CENTRE

PRESENT: Mayor Waldo, Councillors Dionne, Fraser, Nielsen, Papineau, Whitelegg and Gough (7:20 pm)

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

Members of the Public
Members of the Media

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

ADOPTION OF MINUTES MOVED by Councillor Papineau, SECONDED by Councillor Fraser:

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held February 13, 2001 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

OUC Dianne Groffin and Ken Birk addressed Council on behalf of Okanagan University College. They reviewed the following: goals, partners in the region and beyond, growing recognition, research profile, today and tomorrow, funding, future plans and yielding results. Mayor Waldo thanked the OUC representatives for their presentation.

E.D.C. Robert Fine, EDO, and Aaron Dinwoody presented the Economic Development Commission's strategic plan for 2001, including the vision, mission and values, and primary focus areas, goals and strategies and tactics. Mr. Fine advised Council that the economic development strategy for Peachland, currently underway, will identify what the community wants for future development.

MAYOR AND COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

COUNCILLOR PAPINEAU Councillor Papineau reported on the well-attended Health Fair and open house.

Councillor Papineau advised that the Manager of the Chamber of Commerce will have a form letter on Friday for anyone wanting to support toll free telephone calling.

Councillor Papineau attended an Economic Development Marketing Strategy meeting, which was chaired by Planner Wally Semenoff.

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Councillor Papineau attended a children's program at Fourth Street Place which was very well attended. Tomorrow night is Sneak Away Wednesday with a jazz ensemble.

COUNCILLOR DIONNE Councillor Dionne attended the Health Fair, which had a large number of participants.

Councillor Dionne stressed the importance of supporting toll free calling.

COUNCILLOR FRASER Councillor Fraser attended the following meetings: Regional District Planning Advisory Committee, Transportation Committee, and a Westbank First Nations Luncheon meeting with Chief Brian Eli.

Councillor Fraser attended an Okanagan Regional Library Board meeting at which the Finance Committee's spending plan proposal for the year 2001 was approved. It includes an additional 5 open hours per week for the Peachland Library. Leslie Dieno and/or the Treasurer will arrange to attend a Council Meeting to discuss the current budget and other matters of concern to Council.

COUNCILLOR WHITELEGG Councillor Whitelegg attended the Transportation Committee meeting, a Brenda Mine meeting, a Seniors meeting, the Health Fair, the School Board 'Town Hall' meeting, and a Yacht Club meeting.

MAYOR WALDO Mayor Waldo attended a Regional District Board Meeting at which the governance of Westbank was discussed, as well as changes to the dog control bylaw, installation of water meters for commercial and industrial users, and 4 infrastructure grant applications.

Mayor Waldo asked for support for Ft. St. James in its bid to have the GST removed for municipalities' sale of services.

Mayor Waldo advised that the RCMP want a new building in Westbank for its 25 to 30 officers.

REPORTS

COMMUNITY RECREATION The Administrator presented a report with a recommendation from the Development Services Committee that Council support the idea of using volunteers to assist in creating a recreation inventory which will be used to assist in developing a community recreation master plan. The inventory is seen as a first step towards developing a recreation plan.

MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Gough:

THAT this Report be referred back to the Development Services Committee for development of a mandate, committee composition, and time frame for completion of the inventory;

AND THAT a Report be presented at the next Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED

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STANDING COMMITTEES The Administrator presented a report with a request to restructure the current Standing Committees. The proposal outlined how to use the Standing Committees as a resource to Council.

MOVED by Councillor Nielsen, SECONDED by Councillor Fraser:

THAT the current Standing Committee process be restructured;

AND THAT the Standing Committees act as Council resource centers;

AND THAT the Standing Committees appoint sub-committees when required;

AND THAT Sub-Committees are to dissolve upon completion of their task.

CARRIED
Councillor Dionne OPPOSED

PRIMARY HEALTH CENTRE The Administrator presented a report on the possibility of a Primary Health Care Centre for Peachland, as Peachland appears to meet the criteria.

MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Papineau:

THAT Council authorizes the Administrator and Councillor Nielsen to investigate requirements to establish a Primary Health Care Facility in Peachland.

CARRIED

SEWER PROJECT & LOAN AUTHORIZ. The Administrator and Mr. Van Camp, Urban Systems Ltd., presented a report regarding Phase 1-d and Phase 2 Sewer Collection Specified Area Loan Authorization Bylaw. The project would significantly reduce phosphorous contamination levels in the lake, and the municipality's share of the \$13.9 million cost would be 33%. The infrastructure grant application must be submitted by March 15th, and must include the Loan Authorization Bylaw at Third Reading. Mr. Van Camp explained the technicalities of the pre-design stage of the project. The pre-design is a necessary part of the submission for funding.

MOVED by Councillor Dionne, SECONDED by Councillor Papineau:

THAT Council receives this report for information purposes.

CARRIED

BRENT ROAD FIRE PROTECTION The Administrator presented a report requesting authorization for the Peachland Fire and Rescue Service to provide fire protection to Brent Road residents, as requested by the Central Okanagan Regional District. There will be no cost to Peachland residents due to required provisions to be met by the Regional District.

MOVED by Councillor Dionne, SECONDED by Councillor Fraser:

THAT the Peachland Fire Department provide fire protection services to Brent Road residents;

AND THAT the fee schedule be set at \$0.57/\$1,000 of assessed value of land and buildings;

AND THAT the rate could be amended from time to time in accordance with the District's financial requirements;

AND THAT the Regional District of Central Okanagan be responsible for the following items:

- i) installation of 2-10,000 gallon reservoirs on site complete with a gravity fed hydrant on Brent Road, and
- ii) take financial responsibility for Water Rescue Craft, Air Support, or any other financial expenditures outside of what the District's Fire Department currently provides;

AND THAT Council reviews the provision of fire protection, on a contract basis, to Brent Road on an annual basis.

CARRIED

FIRE DEPT. The Deputy Clerk/Administrative Assistant presented a request from the Peachland Fire and Rescue Service for support for a funding application to the BC Gaming Commission.

MOVED by Councillor Gough, SECONDED by Councillor Papineau:

THAT Council provides a letter of endorsement to the Peachland Fire and Rescue Service for its application to the BC Gaming Commission for funding to purchase training and safety equipment.

CARRIED

WOODLINKS The Deputy Clerk/Administrative Assistant presented a request from WoodLinks, an industry education partnership which provides secondary school wood industry training, for support in its funding efforts.

MOVED by Councillor Whitelegg, SECONDED by Councillor Papineau:

THAT Council provide a letter of support as requested by WoodLinks.

CARRIED

ART GALLERY SOUTH OKAN. The Deputy Clerk/Administrative Assistant presented a request from the Art Gallery of the South Okanagan in Penticton for funding assistance to replace its heating and cooling plant.

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MOVED by Councillor Nielsen, SECONDED by Councillor Gough:

THAT the Art Gallery of the South Okanagan be advised that the District of Peachland is unable to provide any funding, and wishes the Art Gallery good luck in its fund-raising efforts.

CARRIED

GRANTS-IN-AID The Treasurer presented a report requesting Council's recommendations on awarding the Grants-in-aid for 2001. There was lengthy discussion on several of the applications.

MOVED by Councillor Dionne, SECONDED by Councillor Nielsen:

THAT the Peachland Chamber of Commerce be removed from the listing of grant-in-aid requests and be handled as a fee for service, with the Administrator and Corporate Services Committee to negotiate a contract for the operation of the Information Centre.

CARRIED

Mayor Waldo and Councillor Gough OPPOSED

EXTEND MEETING

MOVED by Councillor Papineau, SECONDED by Councillor Nielsen:

THAT the Regular Council Meeting be extended beyond 10:00 p.m.

CARRIED

GRANTS-IN-AID

MOVED by Councillor Nielsen, SECONDED by Councillor Papineau:

THAT the following grants-in-aid be approved for 2001:

Citizens Patrol	\$2,275
Community Police	\$1,275
Arts Council	\$2,500.

CARRIED

MOVED by Councillor Gough, SECONDED by Councillor Fraser:

THAT a grant-in-aid be approved for 2001 to Peachland Minor Ball in the amount of \$9,882 plus gratis use of the ball fields.

CARRIED.

Mayor Waldo, Councillors Whitelegg and Papineau OPPOSED

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MOVED by Councillor Papineau, SECONDED by Councillor Fraser:

THAT a grant-in-aid be approved for 2001 to Peachland Riding Club in the amount of \$5,062.

CARRIED
Councillors Nielsen and Whitelegg OPPOSED

Council requested that the Ambassadorial Committee and the Historical Society meet with Council to provide more information regarding membership, fund-raising, etc.

MOVED by Councillor Dionne, SECONDED by Councillor Whitelegg:

THAT a grant-in-aid be approved for 2001 for the Seniors Source Bank in the amount of \$1,250;

AND THAT the Seniors Source Bank become a line item in the budget for next year.

CARRIED

RECESS

MOVED by Councillor Nielsen, SECONDED by Councillor Whitelegg:

THAT the Regular Council Meeting be recessed at 11:00 p.m. until after the meeting scheduled for 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 28th, 2001, with the Central Okanagan Regional District.

CARRIED

RECONVENE Mayor Waldo reconvened the Regular Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m. February 28, 2001, with the following present: Mayor Waldo, Councillors Dionne, Fraser, Nielsen, Papineau, Whitelegg and Gough, Administrator/Clerk, Deputy Clerk/Administrative Assistant, Treasurer, Members of the Media, Members of the Public.

REPORTS (Cont.)

**2001 WATER
& SEWER
RATES**

The Treasurer presented a report regarding the Water and Sewer Rates Bylaws. He advised that the Regional District agreed to reducing the Seasonal Campground sewer rate from \$85.33 to \$52.00 per campsite, and that the local Laundromat has decided to use a meter and pay the meter bylaw rate of \$1.04 per cubic meter. Councillor Fraser requested that Schedule 'A' be amended to include, under the 'Laundromat' rate, the option of paying by metered flow at \$1.04 per cubic meter.

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MOVED by Councillor Dionne, SECONDED by Councillor Papineau:

THAT the report on 2001 Water and Sewer Rates Bylaws be received.

CARRIED

**2001
FINANCIAL
PLAN**

The Treasurer presented a report on the 2001 Financial Plan and explained the amendment to include the addition of \$13,900,000 to sewer capital over a three year period starting this year. He also advised that an opportunity will be provided for residents of Peachland to express an opinion on this amendment prior to adoption of the Plan in May.

MOVED by Councillor Papineau, SECONDED by Councillor Fraser:

THAT the report on the 2001 Financial Plan Bylaw be received.

CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS

**IN CAMERA
MEETING**

MOVED by Councillor Dionne, SECONDED by Councillor Papineau:

THAT an In Camera Meeting be held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, March 13, 2001 for the purpose of discussing Land, Labour or Legal issues.

CARRIED

**SPECIAL
COUNCIL
MEETING**

MOVED by Councillor Papineau, SECONDED by Councillor Fraser:

THAT a Special Council Meeting be held at 9:00 a.m. Friday, March 2, 2001 for the purpose of adopting Water Rates Bylaw Number 1606 and Sewer Rates Bylaw Number 1607.

CARRIED

BYLAWS

**BYLAW #
1604**

MOVED by Councillor Dionne, SECONDED by Councillor Papineau:

THAT Phase 1-d and Phase 2 Sewer Collection System Specified Area Loan Authorization Bylaw Number 1604, 2001 be read a First, Second and Third Time.

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BYLAW # 1606 MOVED by Councillor Dionne, SECONDED by Councillor Papineau:

THAT Water Rates Bylaw Number 1606, 2001 be read a First, Second and Third Time.

CARRIED

BYLAW # 1607 MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Dionne:

THAT Sewer Rates Bylaw Number 1607, 2001 be read a First, Second and Third Time with the following amendment:

'Schedule A:

Laundromat – per machine: \$298.67 or metered at **\$1.04 per cubic meter.**'

CARRIED

BYLAW # 1608 MOVED by Councillor Papineau, SECONDED by Councillor Nielsen:

THAT Financial Plan Bylaw Number 1608, 2001 be read a First, Second and Third Time.

CARRIED

Discussion on the Financial Plan Bylaw included the request to research options for taxation not based on assessment, ie. flat tax, for policing reserve.

QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

D. OLSON Mr. Olson questioned the fire protection coverage in Peachland should the Fire Department respond to a Brent Road fire. The Peachland Fire Department has several pieces of firefighting equipment, as well as Westbank Fire Department for back-up. He asked who pays for replacement of equipment and was told the District of Peachland does.

L. COLLIN Mr. Collin had questions regarding sewer rates charged at his mobile home park. The Mayor advised that this was an issue between the mobile home park residents and the landlord. Mr. Collin requested a better reporting and response system to lift station failures at his trailer park. The Administrator will send a letter to the property owner, copied to the Regional District and the Ministry of Environment.

D. OLSON Mr. Olson asked who installs meters and who owns them. He asked if there was legislation regarding appointing committee members with opposing views.

ADJOURN MOVED by Councillor Whitelegg, SECONDED by Councillor Dionne:

THAT the Regular Council Meeting adjourn at 7:50 p.m.

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CERTIFIED CORRECT.

Mayor

Administrator/Clerk

(Original signed by Mayor and Municipal Clerk)

Dated at Peachland, B.C.
this 29th day of March, 2001