

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF PEACHLAND

**Regular Council Meeting Minutes
Held Tuesday, April 27, 2004 at 7:00 p.m.
In the Council Chambers, Peachland Community Centre**

PRESENT: Mayor Harriman, Councillors Fraser, Hallberg, Henderson, Hurd, Moritz & Reid

Acting Administrator Chris Prosser
Corporate Officer Betty Briggs
Treasurer Doug Pryde

Fire Chief Grant Topham
Fire Chief (Ret.) Don Wilson

Members of the Public
Members of the Media

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

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA Added to the Agenda: Notice of Motion 10-A: Council Procedure Bylaw No. 1704, Section 16.01 – include Correspondence.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA MOVED by Councillor Moritz, SECONDED by Councillor Fraser:

THAT the Agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED.

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

ADOPT MINUTES MOVED by Councillor Hallberg, SECONDED by Councillor Reid:

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held April 13, 2004 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.

MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Moritz:

THAT the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held April 20, 2004, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.

DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

2003 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Mr. Mark Zaino, BDO Dunwoody, presented the 2003 audited Financial Statements and Auditor's Report. Mr. Zaino noted that the auditors' Management Letter states, "There were no significant matters found to be brought to Council's attention."

R. STEWART RE: RENFREW ROAD

Mr. Roy Stewart addressed Council regarding the package he submitted following a vehicle accident on Renfrew Road above his property, requesting that Renfrew Road be improved. He also stated concern that his letter was not included in the Council Agenda even though he requested it to be. Mayor Harriman noted that this was the first accident in 30 years on that portion of Renfrew Road and it was attributed to speeding. The Mayor also noted that the Council Procedure Bylaw will be reviewed towards including a section for 'Correspondence.'

MAYOR AND COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

**COUNCILLOR
MORITZ**

Councillor Moritz attended Awards Night which he felt was fantastic.

**COUNCILLOR
HALLBERG**

Councillor Hallberg attended the Community Hymn Sing on April 18th, viewed modular homes on April 19th with Shirley Geiger, Water Committee, Committee of the Whole and Arts & Culture Committee meetings on April 20th, Business After Hours on April 21st, Fire Smart presentation on April 22nd, the spectacular Awards Night on April 23rd, and the Lions Golf Tournament on April 25th. She noted the forest fuel mitigation crew working this week in Peachland.

COUNCILLOR HURD

Councillor Hurd congratulated the Awards winners, and was pleased to see the forest fuel mitigation crew at work. He advised that the new pedestrian bridge over Trepanier Creek behind the trailer park is now completed, with logs from Okanagan Mountain Park fire provided and delivered by Gorman Bros. Lumber. He would like to see Gorman's recognized for this donation. He stated a need for a walking/biking/in-line skating trail along the lake. He asked the Mayor for clarification of a quote in the Capital News regarding boundary expansion to include Gorman's mill. He asked for support to have the hiking trails booklet professionally printed.

MOVED by Councillor Hurd, SECONDED by Councillor Henderson:

THAT staff obtain three quotes to have 500 hiking trail brochures professionally printed.

CARRIED.

MOVED by Councillor Moritz, SECONDED by Councillor Hurd:

THAT a plaque recognizing the donation and delivery of logs by Gorman Bros. Lumber be installed on the pedestrian bridge across Trepanier Creek.

CARRIED.

**COUNCILLOR
HENDERSON**

Councillor Henderson advised that the Arts & Culture booklet is going to press. He has met with Mr. Wilson and Historical Society members regarding having the Museum double as an art gallery. He advised of a \$50,000 grant available through the Leon and Thea Koerner Foundation for either social services or cultural and creative arts projects.

MOVED by Councillor Henderson, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

THAT Council authorizes the submission of a Letter of Intent to be considered for a \$50,000 grant from the Leon and Thea Koerner Foundation for a cultural and creative project in Peachland, suggested to be an Ogopogo sculpture at the pedestrian tunnel.

CARRIED.

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**COUNCILLOR
FRASER**

Councillor Fraser thanked Council members for attending and assisting at Awards Night, and congratulated the winners, particularly Mrs. Elizabeth Lepey, Citizen of the Year. Councillor Fraser stated her surprise that \$5,000 for Library shelving was removed from the Capital Budget in the Financial Plan.

MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

THAT \$5,000 for shelving for the Peachland Branch of Okanagan Regional Library be included in the 2004 Financial Plan, with the funds coming from the Building Reserve Fund.

Council members expressed interest in information on any agreement between the Library and the municipality for this funding.

MOVED by Councillor Reid, SECONDED by Councillor Moritz:

THAT \$5,000 funding for shelving at the Peachland Library be tabled until a report is received from Administration regarding any financial agreement in place for the funding between the District and the Library.

CARRIED.

Councillors Fraser and Hallberg OPPOSED.

COUNCILLOR REID

Councillor Reid attended Water Committee meetings, Committee of the Whole meetings regarding the Financial Plan, the CORD Economic Development Commission Executive meeting, and Awards Night. He congratulated Mrs. Lepey for the Citizen of the Year award. Councillor Reid noted that Gorman Bros. would be an even better corporate citizen if it was within Peachland boundaries.

MOVED by Councillor Reid, SECONDED by Councillor Moritz:

THAT Council pursue the issue of boundary expansion to include Gorman Bros. mill and areas adjacent to Peachland which may not be included in the Westbank governance structure.

CARRIED.

Councillor Reid advised that areas such as Paradise Valley and Brent Road could become 'orphaned' through the Westbank governance study phase 2, and Peachland should declare its interest in including these areas in its boundaries.

Councillor Reid noted the presentation at the last Council meeting from the Okanagan Thompson International Sculpture Society.

MOVED by Councillor Reid, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

THAT Council respectfully declines the offer from Okanagan Thompson Sculpture Society to participate in the 'Sculpture on Main' program.

CARRIED.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

WATER

Councillor Reid noted that two Water Committee meeting minutes are attached to the Agenda. The Committee strongly believes that meters are required prior to new lots being subdivided with the current sewer extension project.

RECREATION

Councillor Hallberg noted that two Recreation Committee meeting minutes are attached to the Agenda.

MOVED by Councillor Hallberg, SECONDED by Councillor Henderson:

THAT staff, with consultation with the Recreation Director, suggest clerical and financial improvements for the Recreation Department.

CARRIED.

NOTICE OF MOTION

**COUNCIL
PROCEDURE BYLAW**

Mayor Harriman advised of a Notice of Motion that the Council Procedure Bylaw be amended to include in Article 16.01 a section for Correspondence.

OTHER BUSINESS

IN CAMERA MTG.

MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Henderson:

THAT an In Camera Meeting be held at 1:00 p.m. May 11, 2004, pursuant to Section 90(1)(c) of the *Community Charter*.

CARRIED.

BYLAWS

Bylaw for Final Reconsideration and Adoption:

**#1717 SIGNING
AUTHORITY**

MOVED by Councillor Moritz, SECONDED by Councillor Henderson:

THAT Signing Authority Bylaw Number 1717, 2004 be finally reconsidered and adopted.

CARRIED.

Bylaw for Third Reading:

**#1716 FINANCIAL
PLAN**

The Treasurer presented a report regarding amendments to the 2004 Financial Plan, including the 2% tax increase is reduced to 0.3%, capital works for 2004 at \$9.4 million, and outstanding items to be determined by Council are civic grants and parks capital funding. He also noted that funding for Library shelves will affect the Financial Plan, but won't affect the tax rate as the funding will come from a reserve fund.

Council agreed to consider civic grant applications one at a time.

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**2004 FINANCIAL
PLAN (CONT.)**

MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Hurd:

THAT Council approves a civic grant in the amount of \$6,300 to the Ambassadorial Committee.

CARRIED.

Council agreed that the Volunteer Liaison Committee will work with the Ambassadorial Committee this year regarding further opportunities for Ambassador involvement in the community.

MOVED by Councillor Henderson, SECONDED by Councillor Hurd:

THAT Council approves a civic grant in the amount of \$12,000 to the Historical Society.

CARRIED.

MOVED by Councillor Reid, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

THAT Council approves a civic grant in the amount of \$2,000 to the Peachland District Retirement Society/Seniors Source Bank.

CARRIED.

MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Henderson:

THAT Council approves a civic grant in the amount of \$1,750 to the Community Policing.

CARRIED.

MOVED by Councillor Reid, SECONDED by Councillor Henderson:

THAT Council approves a civic grant in the amount of \$2,275 to the Citizens on Patrol.

CARRIED.

MOVED by Councillor Hallberg, SECONDED by Councillor Moritz:

THAT Council approves a civic grant in the amount of \$28,000 to the Tourist Information Centre.

CARRIED.

MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Hurd:

THAT Council approves a civic grant in the amount of \$4,000 to the Peachland Wellness Centre.

DEFEATED.

Councillor Reid read the May 13, 2003 Council resolution regarding funding the Wellness Centre, which states, "...further funding until a direct access grant is obtained, other than the rent-free use of the premises at 4426 5th Street, will be provided" The Wellness Centre announced that it received a direct access grant in March, 2004.

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#1716 FINANCIAL MOVED by Councillor Hallberg, SECONDED by Councillor Henderson:

THAT Council approves a civic grant in the amount of \$12,000 to the Central Okanagan Foundation.

CARRIED.
Mayor Harriman OPPOSED.

Council members discussed the grant to the Central Okanagan Foundation and agreed to invite COF to attend a Committee of the Whole meeting for further discussion.

Councillor Reid stated that although he did not have a conflict of interest, as there is no opportunity for financial gain, he is a director and treasurer of the Friends of Parrot Sanctuary Society, and left Council Chambers at 7:57 p.m.

MOVED by Councillor Hurd, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

THAT Council approves a civic grant in the amount of \$1,000 to the Friends of Parrot Sanctuary Society.

CARRIED.

Councillor Reid returned to Council Chambers at 7:58 p.m.

MOVED by Councillor Reid, SECONDED by Councillor Fraser:

THAT Council approves a civic grant in the amount of \$20,000 for gratis use of facilities.

CARRIED.

MOVED by Councillor Hurd, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

THAT Council approves an additional \$20,000 from Parks Reserve to the skateboard park project.

CARRIED.

MOVED by Councillor Hurd, SECONDED by Councillor Henderson:

THAT Council approves \$15,000 from Parks Reserve towards the development of Burdekin Lane park.

Through discussion on the motion, it was determined that Council wants more detail in a report on phased development and construction of this park.

MOVED by Councillor Hurd, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

THAT \$15,000 funding from Parks Reserve towards the development of Burdekin Lane park be tabled until a detailed report regarding phased development and construction is received.

CARRIED.

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**#1716 FINANCIAL
PLAN (CONT.)**

MOVED by Councillor Hurd, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

THAT Council approves \$15,000 from Parks Equipment Reserve for playground equipment at Swim Bay.

Councillor Hurd advised that the District could get a better price on playground equipment if two sets were purchased, one for Heritage Park and one for Swim Bay. Council members felt it was premature to purchase playground equipment for Swim Bay, as there is uncertainty still with this area regarding the future of the Primary School building.

MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

THAT \$15,000 from Parks Equipment Reserve for playground equipment at Swim Bay be tabled.

CARRIED.
Councillor Hurd OPPOSED.

MOVED by Councillor Reid, SECONDED by Councillor Henderson:

THAT 2004 Financial Plan Bylaw Number 1716, 2004 be read a Third Time as amended.

CARRIED.

Bylaws for First, Second and Third Readings:

**12-C TO 12-K
PARCEL TAXES**

The Treasurer presented a report regarding the 2004 Parcel Tax Bylaws.

MOVED by Councillor Reid, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

THAT the following Bylaws be read a First, Second and Third Time:

- Solid Waste Collection and Disposal Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 1721, 2004
- Downtown Revitalization Parcel Tax Bylaw Number 1722, 2004
- Water System No. 3 Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 1723, 2004
- Water System No. 2 Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 1724, 2004
- Sewage Transmission Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 1725, 2004
- Regional District of Central Okanagan Westside Regional Sewer System Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 1726, 2004
- Beach Avenue Sewage Collection Specified Areas Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 1727, 2004
- Beach Avenue Sewage Collection Specified Area Acreage Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 1728, 2004
- Phase 1-D and Phase 2 Sewer Collection Specified Areas Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 1729, 2004.

CARRIED.

#1730 TAX RATES

The Treasurer presented a report regarding the 2004 Tax Rates, which have been reduced from a 2% increase to a 0.3% increase.

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#1730 TAX RATES
(CONT.)

MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Henderson:

THAT 2004 Tax Rates Bylaw Number 1730, 2004 be read a First, Second and Third Time.

CARRIED.

#1718 FIRE & LIFE
SAFETY

The Fire Chief presented a report outlining the major changes included in the new Fire & Life Safety Bylaw. Councillors were interested in hearing the intent of the bylaw, but expressed concerns with some wording, enforcement and drafting issues, authorization through legislation.

MOVED by Councillor Hallberg, SECONDED by Councillor Moritz:

THAT the Fire & Life Safety Bylaw Number 1718, 2004 be referred to the Fire Department Committee for review.

CARRIED.

QUESTION PERIOD

P. RYDER

Mrs. Patricia Ryder provided financial information regarding the Friends of the Peachland Library, and furnishings purchased with the funds. She stated that it is customary for the municipality to provide funding for shelving each year. This weekend the Friends of the Library hold the annual Book Sale.

E. LEPEY

Mrs. E. Lepey thanked Council for the huge honour of awarding her Citizen of the Year at the Municipal Awards night.

S. GEIGER

Mrs. Shirley Geiger extended accolades to the Peachland Fire & Rescue Service for their quick action in extinguishing a fire at the Chamber of Commerce building, started by a carelessly discarded cigarette.

R. COLLEE

Mr. Ray Collee, from Summerland, advised Council that he has extensive experience in sewer installations and water meter hook-ups, and told Council that Peachland staff have done an excellent job informing residents as the sewer project progresses.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Moritz, SECONDED by Councillor Fraser:

THAT the Regular Council Meeting adjourn at 9:11 p.m.

CARRIED.

(Original signed by Mayor and Corporate Officer)

Certified Correct.

Mayor

Corporate Officer

Dated at Peachland, B.C.
This 12th day of May, 2004.