

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF PEACHLAND

**Regular Open Council Meeting Minutes
Held Tuesday, February 24, 2004 at 7:00 p.m.
In the Council Chambers, Peachland Community Centre**

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

Administrator Peter Jmaeff
Corporate Officer Betty Briggs

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 The order of Presentations was amended to: 5-A: Valley Music Festival, 5-B: Mr. Roy Stewart, 5-C: Community Futures.

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

THAT the Agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED.

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

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

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held February 10, 2004, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.

MOVED by Councillor Henderson, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

THAT the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held February 17, 2004, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.

PRESENTATIONS & DELEGATIONS

VALLEY MUSIC FESTIVAL

Mr. Grant Eisworth and Mr. Marty Edwards provided a review of last year's successful first Festival, and an overview of the 2nd annual Festival to be held August 6 and 7. They expressed thanks to sponsors, District staff and Council and all who attended last year's event. The purpose of the Valley Music Festival is to raise funds for abused children. Service Clubs also fund-raise for their causes. The Festival draws visitors from all over, and they are looking forward to this year's Festival.

The Mayor and Councillors thanked Mr. Eisworth and Mr. Edwards for their presentation. Council members are looking forward to this year's event.

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R. STEWART

Mr. Roy Stewart, Peachland Lakeshore Inn, expressed his concerns with the Water Rates Bylaw and sewer charges, and reviewed his two detailed submissions. His submissions compared motel room water rates to campground water rates, and he noted that B & B operations do not pay any extra. He feels the charges are not fair and not right and asked Council to make changes.

The Mayor noted that sewer rates are established by the Regional District.

MOVED by Councillor Hallberg, SECONDED by Councillor Fraser:

THAT Mr. Stewart be allowed to continue beyond the 10 minute time period.

CARRIED.

Mr. Stewart noted that motel room rates are now up to a 210% ratio compared to other categories, and asked how the District came up with the charges.

MOVED by Councillor Moritz, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

THAT the water and sewer rates concerns be referred to staff to provide rationale and calculations for rates and charges.

CARRIED.

Mr. Stewart emphasized the need for water metering in Peachland so that all users pay a fair amount.

MOVED by Councillor Henderson, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

THAT an extra 10 minutes be permitted for Presentations and Delegations.

CARRIED.

CFDC CO

Mr. Eric Greer and Ms. Stephanie Moore, Community Futures Development Corporation Central Okanagan, provided an overview of programs, projects and results of the CFDC. The function of CFDC CO is regional economic development, with a focus on community development with local boards. Ms. Moore explained the small business general loan fund, the self employment benefits program, partnerships, business services and training, and employment services and training. Peachland now has a very successful employment services office. Mr. Greer thanked Council and the Chamber of Commerce for participating to make this happen.

Mayor Harriman thanked Mr. Greer and Ms. Moore for their presentation.

MAYOR AND COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

COUNCILLOR HALLBERG Councillor Hallberg attended a meeting with Councillor Moritz, the Recreation Director and Minor Ball on February 12. She attended the Chamber of Commerce dinner on February 16, the Committee of the Whole meeting on February 17, and last Sunday, the dedication to the Little Schoolhouse of a book case from the Peachland Baptist Church commemorating the church's 100th anniversary.

COUNCILLOR HURD Councillor Hurd attended a community energy alternative forum in Kelowna, and provided information regarding heat exchangers, geo thermal heating, and creekside power plants, among other possibilities.

COUNCILLOR REID Councillor Reid noted that Councillors on his side of the Council table lose the impact of power point presentations, as their view is blocked.

The Administrator advised that a screen will be installed behind the Mayor and Administrator's chairs.

COUNCILLOR FRASER Councillor Fraser attended an Okanagan Regional Library Board meeting on February 11th, at which the auditor's report and the Annual Report for 2003 were received. Councillor Fraser attended a Recreation Committee meeting yesterday.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

RECREATION COM. Councillor Hallberg noted Recreation Committee meeting minutes attached to the Agenda, and explained the proposed amendments to the Community Recreation Policy #FIN-035.

MOVED by Councillor Hallberg, SECONDED by Councillor Moritz:

THAT Council adopts the existing Commercial Rates as Standard Rates;

AND THAT Council amends the Community Recreation Policy #FIN-035 as follows:

h) Rental Fees:

- Non-resident groups/individuals and commercial pay full rates;
- 1/3 off of standard rates for Peachland residents (BC ID or Driver's License);
- 1/2 off of standard rates for Peachland non-profit organizations (list of officers/board, mandate, available financial statements);
- 2/3 off of standard rates for Peachland registered charities and societies (registration number, CCRA number);
- Youth free as per Policy definition;
- During 'down time,' the facility may be used by individuals for \$1.00/hour/person, and use, during regular operating hours, is at the discretion of the Recreation Department;

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RECREATION COM.
(CONT.)

- Council reserves the right to offer the facility free for extra-special occasions;
- Clean up Charge: all renters are responsible for cleaning up after use. A janitorial service is available. Contact the Recreation Department at 767-2133 for the authorized janitorial firm. Clean-up charge will be deducted from the damage deposit at a rate of \$75.00 per hour if the room is not set-down and cleaned;

AND THAT Council imposes a rate freeze for the Community Centre for 2004 – 2005.

CARRIED.

RECREATION COM.
TERMS OF REF.

MOVED by Councillor Hallberg, SECONDED by Councillor Henderson:

THAT Council approves the Terms of Reference for the Recreation Committee, as follows:

Phase 1: to review existing operations of the Community Centre, including:

- a) programming: types, promotion, etc.
- b) staffing levels
- c) hours of operation
- d) fee structures: programs, special events and rentals

Phase 2: coordinate with Recreation Director and Administration staff:

- a) efficient programming
- b) optimum use of facility
- c) marketing opportunities
- d) new and/or community-driven programs
- e) efficient use of resources
- f) meeting or improvement of infrastructure needs

Upon completion of each phase, the Recreation Committee will submit its findings to Council.

CARRIED.

STAFF REPORTS

FIRE BRIGADE
USE OF FITNESS
ROOM & COM.
CENTRE

The Administrator presented a report with a request from the Peachland Fire & Rescue Brigade for unrestricted use of the fitness/weight room at the Community Centre, and a request for free use of the Community Centre gym for team sports.

MOVED by Councillor Hallberg, SECONDED by Councillor Hurd:

THAT Council authorizes free access to the fitness/weight room at the Community Centre during open hours to active members of Peachland Fire & Rescue Brigade.

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**FIRE BRIGADE
(CONT.)**

Regarding the request for use of the gym, Council noted that the new Community Recreation Policy will apply. The Brigade members could pay \$1.00/hour/person during 'down time,' for regularly scheduled use would be recognized as a local not-for-profit group with 50% off. The Policy applies to everyone, and the Brigade will be advised of the options available.

NOTICE OF MOTION

**COUNCILLOR
MORITZ**

Councillor Moritz will bring forward to the next Regular Council meeting a resolution regarding water metering in the District of Peachland. He noted a March, 2001 Urban Systems Report titled 'Final Report – Water Supply and Demand,' which recommended universal water metering. Councillor Reid advised a motion exists from two to three months ago, and that Council is waiting for a report from staff on this topic.

OTHER BUSINESS

IN CAMERA MTG.

MOVED by Councillor Henderson, SECONDED by Councillor Fraser:

THAT an In Camera Meeting be held on March 9, 2004 at 1:00 p.m., pursuant to Section 90(1)(c) of the *Community Charter*.

CARRIED.

BYLAWS

Bylaw for Final Reconsideration and Adoption:

**#1704 COUNCIL
PROCEDURE**

MOVED by Councillor Hallberg, SECONDED by Councillor Fraser:

THAT Council Procedure Bylaw Number 1704, 2004 be finally reconsidered and adopted.

CARRIED.

Bylaws for First, Second and Third Readings:

**#1714 MACKINNON
RD. WATER SERVICE**

The Administrator presented a report advising that Bylaws 1714 and 1715 are further to Water Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1695, 2003.

MOVED by Councillor Hallberg, SECONDED by Councillor Henderson:

THAT 4713 MacKinnon Road Water Service Extra Territorial Service Charge Bylaw Number 1714, 2004 be read a First, Second and Third Time.

CARRIED.

**#1715 MACKINNON
RD. WATER SERVICE**

MOVED by Councillor Henderson, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

THAT 4713 MacKinnon Road Water Service Provision and Termination Criteria Bylaw Number 1715, 2004 be read a First, Second and Third Time, as amended.

CARRIED.

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#1715 MACKINNON RD. WATER SERVICE The amendments to the Bylaw include tying the termination of water service to residential use only and irrigation of landscaped areas only, as well as the existing tie to excessive use of water.

QUESTION PERIOD

COUNCILLOR HALLBERG Councillor Hallberg commended Mr. Stewart on the detailed research in his presentation.

R. STEWART Mr. Roy Stewart reiterated his request for water meters.

G. THORNE Mr. Gord Thorne, on behalf of the Little Schoolhouse Society, invited the Mayor and Councillors to attend the Business After Hours on Wednesday, February 25th at 6:00 p.m., co-hosted by the Little Schoolhouse Society and the Rotary Club.

COUNCILLOR MORITZ Councillor Moritz noted a March 31, 2001 resolution directing staff to investigate water metering for the 2002 water billings.

ADJOURN MOVED by Councillor Reid, SECONDED by Councillor Moritz:

THAT the Regular Council Meeting adjourn at 8:17 p.m.

CARRIED.

(Original signed by Mayor and Corporate Officer)

Certified Correct.

Mayor

Corporate Officer

Dated at Peachland, B.C.
This 10th day of March, 2004.