

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF PEACHLAND

**Regular Council Meeting Minutes
Held Tuesday, May 11, 2004 at 7:00 p.m.
In the Council Chambers, Peachland Community Centre**

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

Acting Administrator Chris Prosser
Corporate Officer Betty Briggs
Treasurer Doug Pryde

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** None.

**APPROVAL OF
THE AGENDA** MOVED by Councillor Henderson, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

THAT the Agenda be approved.

CARRIED.

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

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

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held April 27, 2004 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.

DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

**COALITION FOR
DRUG ABUSE**

Mr. Allen Leukes, Chair, Okanagan Coalition for Drug Abuse, addressed Council regarding the group's proposed 'Four Pillars Program,' a coordinated drug program, and requested financial support of \$1492 from Peachland. All municipalities in School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan) are being asked to support the \$50,000 program, based on population. Based on results of the report expected by the end of October, Federal and Provincial governments will also be asked for funding. Mr. Leukes responded to several questions from Council members. The Mayor thanked Mr. Leukes for his presentation.

MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

MAYOR HARRIMAN

Mayor Harriman reported spending 151 hours in April performing Mayor duties, and noted several highlights of the month, including the ground-breaking ceremony for the Rotary Pavilion, Awards Night, Comfort Care assisted living open house, OUC International Students dinner, Easter Tea at the Little Schoolhouse, and events for Arts and Culture Week.

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MAYOR HARRIMAN
(CONT.)

Mayor Harriman requested Council's consideration to refer the Acting Administrator Policy #PER-010 to Corporate Services Committee for review, noting several clauses requiring revision. He asked for Council's consideration at this meeting to waive clause #6 at this meeting regarding additional pay for Acting Administrator duties for a term of less than two weeks. The Mayor explained that this clause was meant to cover an Administrator's holiday or sick leave, but was not meant to cover two month Acting Administrator terms, which is the present situation.

MOVED by Councillor Hurd, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

THAT Council waives clause#6 in the Acting Administrator Policy #PER-010:

#6: No additional pay will be given to Staff serving in the role of Acting Administrator for a term of less than two weeks.

CARRIED.

Councillor Moritz OPPOSED.

Councillor Moritz spoke against the motion, as the policy pre-existed the current management staff accepting two month Acting Administrator terms.

MOVED by Councillor Reid, SECONDED by Councillor Moritz:

THAT Acting Administrator Policy #PER-010 be referred to Corporate Services Committee for review.

CARRIED.

COUNCILLOR
MORITZ

Councillor Moritz attended the Rotary Pavilion fund-raiser dinner and auction on Saturday night. He reported on a Primary School Committee meeting, which was well attended. Institutional and community uses are being reviewed, and staff have been requested to report on deficiencies of the building regarding Fire Code, access, etc. The next meeting will be held May 19th at 1:30 pm in the Council Chambers.

COUNCILLOR
HALLBERG

Councillor Hallberg attended the ground-breaking at the Gateway project the Friends of the Library book sale, the Fire Department family breakfast, the dinner meeting with the School Board, and the thank you tea for cancer volunteers.

COUNCILLOR HURD

Councillor Hurd noted an on-line youth magazine reported in the Capital News. He canvassed for the 6th year for cancer in his neighbourhood. He has received questions regarding water restrictions, and asked who else in the Okanagan Basin has restrictions. He noted the interface fire fuel reduction work carried out in MacKinnon Park, and stated that if private lands aren't cleared, it makes no difference to do the parks. He noted the red-needed pines in Trepanier Heights Park and asked if they are beetle or drought caused.

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**COUNCILLOR
HENDERSON**

Councillor Henderson attended several meetings and the OMMA Convention in Kamloops. He is looking forward to the World of Wheels event coming up. He is having a water meter installed at his residence within the next few weeks. He suggested Council invite the Kelowna Water Smart program to make a presentation in Peachland.

**COUNCILLOR
FRASER**

Councillor Fraser attended the Gateway ground-breaking, the book sale, a PDRS monthly Board meeting, and the dinner meeting with the School Board.

COUNCILLOR REID

Councillor Reid attended numerous meetings and openings, as reported by other members. Regarding water, Councillor Reid noted that last year, Peachland Lake reservoir did not fill; as of 2 days ago, it exceeded last year's level and may reach full pool this spring. The watering restrictions allow the reservoir to fill. Trepanier Creek system has no reservoir and the water goes into Okanagan Lake, which is another reservoir. If Peachland Lake fills, the Director of Operations will report to Council and may recommend a relaxation to the watering restrictions. With the recent cool and rainy weather, it is only necessary to water once or twice a week.

Mayor Harriman noted that all communities in the Okanagan Basin have or are considering water restrictions.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PROCEDURE BYLAW MOVED by Councillor Henderson, SECONDED by Councillor Fraser:

THAT Council Procedure Bylaw Number 1704, 2004, Section 16(1) Order of Proceedings and Business, be amended to include 'Correspondence' on the Council Agenda.

CARRIED.

LIBRARY SHELVES

Councillor Fraser reviewed her report included in the Agenda package. Council members requested that the Library be required to obtain 3 quotes for the provision of shelving, as per the District's Purchasing Policy.

MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

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

CARRIED.

STAFF REPORTS

**PROFESSIONAL
SERVICES 2004**

The Acting Administrator presented a report requesting appointment of professional service providers for 2004.

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PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (CONT.)

MOVED by Councillor Moritz, SECONDED by Councillor Hurd:

THAT Council appoints the following for provision of professional services for the 2004 year:

Banking services: Valley First Credit Union (Peachland)
Solicitors: Lidstone, Young, Anderson (Vancouver)
Bell & Jacoe (Summerland)
Engineers: Urban Systems Ltd. (Kelowna)
Auditors: BDO Dunwoody (Kelowna).

CARRIED.

LITTLE SCHOOL-HOUSE LIABILITY INSURANCE

The Acting Administrator presented a report regarding a request from the Little Schoolhouse Society that the District reimburse the liability insurance premium of \$1204, and that Council amend the Letter of Understanding so that the District provides the cost of liability insurance.

Council members discussed: LSS preferred to retain the Letter of Understanding versus negotiating a lease agreement; civic grants application deadline is November; last year, Council authorized payment of liability insurance premiums for the Little Schoolhouse and the Communications Society; is the LSS in financial hardship; the Administrator advised LSS to wait to request reimbursement until the Seniors Centre lease was finalized.

MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Henderson:

THAT the District reimburse the Little Schoolhouse Society \$1204 for its liability insurance premium for 2004;

AND THAT the District amend the May 14, 2002 Letter of Understanding between the District of Peachland and the Little Schoolhouse Society to move the requirement to provide liability insurance from Article 1 of the Letter of Understanding (Little Schoolhouse Society requirements) to Article 2 (District of Peachland requirements.)

DEFEATED.

Councillors Fraser and Henderson IN FAVOUR.
Mayor Harriman, Councillors Hallberg, Hurd, Moritz and Reid OPPOSED.

CURLING CLUB

The Acting Administrator presented a report regarding the possibility of siting the proposed curling rink adjacent to Hwy. 97 and the Community Centre, thereby freeing up the original location property for other uses, and solving the Fire Code problems with that location. He noted that the District would re-purchase the 6th Street property at the end of June, and enter into negotiations with the Curling Club for the new location.

MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Reid:

THAT the curling rink location be referred to a Committee of the Whole Meeting with the Peachland Curling Club, with a date to be arranged by the Acting Administrator and Curling Club representatives as soon as possible.

CARRIED.

BYLAWS

Bylaws for Final Reconsideration and Adoption:

**#1716 FINANCIAL
PLAN**

MOVED by Councillor Hallberg, SECONDED by Councillor Henderson:

THAT Financial Plan Bylaw Number 1716, 2004 be finally reconsidered and adopted.

CARRIED.

**#1721 to 1729
(PARCEL TAXES)**

MOVED by Councillor Hallberg, SECONDED by Councillor Fraser:

THAT the following Bylaws be finally reconsidered and adopted:

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

CARRIED.

Councillor Moritz noted there are no substantive changes to the parcel tax bylaws from the previous year.

#1730 TAX RATES

MOVED by Councillor Reid, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

THAT 2004 Tax Rates Bylaw Number 1730, 2004 be finally reconsidered and adopted.

CARRIED.

Bylaw for First, Second and Third Readings:

**#1732 PARKS & REC
CHARGES**

The Treasurer presented a report outlining the fees and charges in the bylaw, which conform to the Community Recreation Policy adopted by Council earlier this year.

MOVED by Councillor Reid, SECONDED by Councillor Henderson:

THAT Parks and Recreation Fees and Charges Bylaw Number 1732, 2004 be read a First, Second and Third Time.

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#1732 PARKS & REC FEES (CONT.) MOVED by Councillor Hallberg, SECONDED by Councillor Hurd:

THAT Parks and Recreation Fees and Charges Bylaw Number 1732, 2004 be amended to remove from Schedule 'A' charges for Playing Fields.

CARRIED.

MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED

THAT Parks and Recreation Fees and Charges Bylaw Number 1732, 2004, be read a First, Second and Third Time as amended.

CARRIED.

#1733 ZONING AMEND. 5890 COLUMBIA AVE.

The Acting Administrator presented a report regarding the rezoning of Block 12, Plan 125, 5890 Columbia Avenue, from RR-2 Rural Residential zone to R-3 Multiple Family Residential – Low Density zone. The zoning conforms to the Official Community Plan, allowing Council to waive the requirement for a public hearing. The staff recommendation is to give the bylaw first and second readings, and forward it to a public hearing, tentatively scheduled for June 15. The Acting Administrator advised that a geotechnical engineering report is completed, which recommends a 1.2 m high berm, ditch or chain link fence be installed to prevent rackfall/rolling rock hazards from impacting properties along the south and east property boundaries. He also noted that the Major Road Network Plan will be submitted to Council prior to the public hearing for this proposal.

MOVED by Councillor Hurd, SECONDED by Councillor Henderson:

THAT Zoning Bylaw No. 1375 Amendment Bylaw Number 1733, 2004 be read a First and Second Time;

AND THAT a Public Hearing be scheduled.

CARRIED.

Bylaw for Rescinding:

#1077 SENIORS CENTRE

The Acting Administrator presented a report advising that with the recent signing of a lease agreement between the PDRS and the District for use of the Seniors' Activity Centre, Bylaw Number 1077 is redundant.

MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

THAT Senior Citizens' Activity Centre Administration, Control and Maintenance Bylaw Number 1077, 1989 is hereby rescinded.

CARRIED.

QUESTION PERIOD

J. MARCH

Judy March asked when the public hearing would be held for the proposed Columbia Avenue development, and how would people be notified. The Mayor advised that tentatively the public hearing is scheduled for June 15th, it would be advertised, and adjacent property owners would be notified.

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B. STEWART

Bill Stewart, of Somerset Avenue, advised that he appreciates how Council is looking after nickels and dimes, and hopes they give the same consideration to the digging and disruption that will happen with the proposed development on Columbia. He stated that single family houses increase tax loads, they don't decrease them, and people are moving out of Peachland because Council is turning it into a Coney Island.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Reid, SECONDED by Councillor Hurd:

THAT the Regular Council Meeting adjourn at 8:47 p.m.

CARRIED.

(Original signed by Mayor and Corporate Officer)

Certified Correct.

Mayor

Corporate Officer

Dated at Peachland, B.C.
This 26th day of May, 2004.