

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF PEACHLAND

**Regular Council Meeting Minutes
Held Tuesday, October 23rd, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.
In the Council Chambers, Peachland Community Centre**

PRESENT: Mayor Reid, Councillors Condon, Fraser, Hallberg, Nielsen, Thorne and Moritz (7:06 p.m.)

CAO Elsie Lemke
Corporate Officer Betty Briggs
Director of Operations Dave Gold
Director of Planning & Development Services David Smith
Recreation Director Pelma Haffenden (part of meeting)

Members of the Public
Members of the Media

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

**AMENDMENTS TO
THE AGENDA** None.

**APPROVAL OF
THE AGENDA** MOVED by Councillor Condon, SECONDED by Councillor Thorne:
THAT the Agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED.

PRESENTATIONS & DELEGATIONS

ACT NOW BC! Recreation Director Pelma Haffenden provided information on Peachland's 'Steps Out Around Europe' program, which is part of the provincial ActNowBC! Initiative. She presented Mayor Reid with a Steps Out pedometer, and invited Council and Peachland residents to join the program. Mayor Reid thanked Ms. Haffenden for her presentation.

**OKANAGAN
REGIONAL LIBRARY** Mr. Don Nettleton, Financial Manager, presented the fall 2007 annual update for the Okanagan Regional Library. He noted technological improvements, buildings improvements/replacements, Library usage, staff turnover, strategic plan, popular databases, new Provincial initiatives, and finances.

MOVED by Councillor Condon, SECONDED by Councillor Fraser:

THAT the presentation time be extended for 5 minutes.

CARRIED.

Mr. Nettleton noted that financial information can be found on the website, www.orlbc.ca. He expressed thanks to Councillor Fraser for her years serving on the Board, and thanked Council for supporting the local branch.

Mayor Reid thanked Mr. Nettleton for his presentation.

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**CENTENNIAL
UPDATE**

Mr. Chris Scowen, Centennial Coordinator, provided an update on Centennial planning, and introduced Committee members present: Lorraine Bergman, Barb Dionne, Tracy Boorman and Peter Schierbeck. He presented the recommended Centennial logo, noted the Centennial link on www.peachland.ca, and asked Council to consider sponsoring 3 municipal Centennial events: December 31, 2008, December 31, 2009, and Homecoming July 1 to 5, 2009. Three public meetings are planned for January, 2008. Committee members presented Council members with the blue and white Centennial lanyard. The first Centennial event has been scheduled, April 22 to 24, 2009 Senior Chorifest, organized by Phyllis Papineau.

MOVED by Councillor Thorne, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

THAT Council adopts the Centennial logo as presented.

CARRIED.

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

ADOPT MINUTES

MOVED by Councillor Nielsen, SECONDED by Councillor Thorne:

THAT the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held October 9, 2007 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.

MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Moritz:

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held October 9, 2007 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.

MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

THAT the Minutes of the Public Hearing held October 9, 2007 for Zoning Amendment Bylaw Number 1827, 2007 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**TREPANIER
EMERGENCY LANE**

Director of Operations Dave Gold presented a report with additional information regarding the Trepanier Emergency Lane project. He displayed a plan of the District highlighting the numerous roads with only one access/egress.

MOVED by Councillor Hallberg, SECONDED by Councillor Thorne:

THAT Council rejects the tenders for the Trepanier Emergency Lane project and not proceed with the project at this time.

Further discussion took place, with Council members noting:

- high interface fire hazard area identified by Fire Chief
- interface fire hazard will increase District-wide once the pine beetle kill is done
- question need for retaining walls on this project

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**TREPANIER
EMERGENCY LANE
(CONT.)**

MOVED by Councillor Condon, SECONDED by Councillor Moritz:

THAT the motion to reject tenders for the Trepanier Emergency Lane project be referred to Public Safety & Security Committee for reconsideration.

CARRIED.

Fire Chief Topham will be requested to attend the Committee meeting.

COMMITTEE & STAFF REPORTS

Committees:

COTW

MOVED by Councillor Hallberg, SECONDED by Councillor Moritz:

THAT Council approves the Fee for Service Agreement with Peachland Communications Society for a period of three years.

CARRIED.

Councillor Nielsen OPPOSED.

**PARKS, REC &
CULTURE**

Mayor Reid noted that the first two recommendations from Parks, Recreation and Culture Committee are in regards to the Boys & Girls Club, and that Executive Director Craig Monley will make a presentation to Council at the November 13th meeting. Marion Irving and Judy Martin will be invited to attend that meeting.

MOVED by Councillor Moritz, SECONDED by Councillor Thorne:

THAT Peachland Riding Club Lease Bylaw Number 1843, 2007 be read First, Second and Third Times.

CARRIED.

MOVED by Councillor Moritz, SECONDED by Councillor Thorne:

THAT amended Civic Grants Policy #FIN-025, to include sports teams/individuals funding, be adopted.

CARRIED.

MOVED by Councillor Nielsen, SECONDED by Councillor Fraser:

THAT the recommendation to consider entering the 2009 Communities in Bloom competition be referred to the Centennial Committee.

CARRIED.

**PUBLIC SAFETY &
SECURITY**

MOVED by Councillor Condon, SECONDED by Councillor Nielsen:

THAT Traffic Amendment Bylaw Number 1856, 2007 be read First, Second and Third Times.

CARRIED.

Staff:

BUILDING REPORT MOVED by Councillor Hallberg, SECONDED by Councillor Thorne:

THAT the Building Permit Report for September, 2007, be received for information.

CARRIED.

**BYLAW #1855
TAX EXEMPTION** MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Moritz:

THAT 2008 Tax Exemption Bylaw Number 1855, 2007 be finally reconsidered and adopted.

MOVED by Councillor Moritz, SECONDED by Councillor Condon:

THAT the motion to adopt Bylaw Number 1855 be amended to split the vote to vote on #9 separately.

CARRIED.

MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Moritz:

THAT #9 Maple Springs Bible Camp in Bylaw Number 1855 be approved.

CARRIED.

Councillor Nielsen OPPOSED.

MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Moritz:

THAT #1 to 8 in Bylaw Number 1855 be approved.

CARRIED.

PRIMARY SCHOOL CAO Elsie Lemke presented a report with history and background regarding the Peachland Primary School building, culminating in a Request for Proposals with no proposals submitted.

Mayor Reid asked that each Council member state their opinion prior to a motion being put forward.

Councillor Condon:

- prefers to hear the Boys & Girls Club presentation first

Councillor Hallberg:

- best to demolish the building and not burden taxpayers

Councillor Moritz:

- quoted from technical reports (prepared statement to be provided to Council members)

Councillor Thorne:

- reserve decision until Boys & Girls Club presentation

Councillor Fraser:

- should go to referendum to spend tax dollars

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**PRIMARY SCHOOL
(CONT.)**

Councillor Nielsen:

- supports referring to Committee of the Whole to hear Boys & Girls Club presentation

Mayor Reid:

- prefers to go through process with Boys & Girls Club and Renaissance Developments (downtown core redevelopment & alternate location for municipal offices)
- hold Committee of the Whole meeting at Regular Council meeting November 13th

Mayor Reid then asked if Council members had further comments.

Councillor Hallberg:

- Community Centre was designed for a second story; possibility for municipal offices

Councillor Moritz:

- 5 letters from School Board and 4 reports paid for by taxpayers are public record
- quoted from technical reports regarding indoor environmental issues

MOVED by Councillor Moritz, SECONDED by Councillor Condon:

THAT the Primary School item be referred to Committee of the Whole for future use discussions and recommendations.

CARRIED.

Mayor Reid advised that Council will accept written submissions from the public regarding the Primary School building.

**BYLAW #1852
EARTHWORKS
CONTROL**

MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Condon:

THAT Earthworks Control Bylaw No. 832 Amendment Bylaw Number 1852, 2007 be finally reconsidered and adopted.

CARRIED.

**BYLAW #1853
SIGNS**

MOVED by Councillor Hallberg, SECONDED by Councillor Thorne:

THAT Sign Bylaw Number 1853, 2007 be finally reconsidered and adopted.

CARRIED.

**TEMPORARY IND.
USE PERMIT
5475 PIERCE ST.**

Director of Planning & Development Services David Smith presented a report recommending approval of a Temporary Industrial Use Permit for temporary storage of boats and RVs at 5475 Pierce Street, Steve Penich applicant. He noted concerns expressed by the Fire Chief regarding this application. He advised that the property is suitable for a storage facility, as it is not visible from any residential properties. The *Local Government Act* restricts a Temporary Industrial Use Permit to a 2 year period, with a one time 2 year extension.

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TEMPORARY USE PERMIT (CONT.)

Council members discussed the application. The Director of Planning was requested to specify items permitted to be stored and items not permitted to be stored, rather than 'similar items.'

The applicant, Mr. Steve Penich, clarified for Council the use of adjacent properties.

MOVED by Councillor Hallberg, SECONDED by Councillor Fraser:

THAT Council approves a Temporary Industrial Use Permit, as provided for in Section 921 of the *Local Government Act*, by designating Lot 1, Plan KAP83500, DL 2538, located at 5475 Pierce Street, allowing for temporary storage of boats, RVs, motorcycles, and other items on wheels (dry land storage) within a fenced compound, for a period of two years, until October 31, 2009;

AND THAT the applicant provide screened fencing before commencement of the temporary business to be provided in the Industrial Development Permit and guaranteed through associated bonding.

CARRIED.
Councillor Moritz OPPOSED.

BYLAW #1854
CROSS CONNECTION CONTROL

Director of Operations Dave Gold presented a report regarding the IHA requirement for a Cross Connection Control program on the water systems. A representative from MTS Municipal Tracking Systems, the contractor involved in developing the program for Peachland, answered questions from Council, and stressed that the program is to protect drinking water systems, and is strictly for commercial and industrial properties.

MOVED by Councillor Condon, SECONDED by Councillor Fraser:

THAT Cross Connection Control Bylaw Number 1854, 2007 be read First, Second and Third Times.

CARRIED.

FIRE INSPECTION POLICY #PRO-080

CAO Elsie Lemke presented a report on behalf of Fire Chief Topham regarding Frequency of Fire Inspections Policy #PRO-080.

MOVED by Councillor Hallberg, SECONDED by Councillor Fraser:

THAT Frequency of Fire Inspections Policy #PRO-080 be adopted.

CARRIED.

MAYOR & COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

MAYOR REID

Mayor Reid advised that the single regional structure committee will meet on November 2nd, and he will keep Council apprised.

CORRESPONDENCE

**PF & C MARKET
PARKING**

MOVED by Councillor Condon, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

THAT PF & C Market Society (Peachland Farmers & Crafters Market) is granted permission to use 11 parking spaces in front of Heritage Park for each Sunday of its operation from May to September, 2008, from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

CARRIED.
Councillor Moritz OPPOSED.

ORL

MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

THAT Council send a letter to our MP in support of Private Members' Bill C-458.

Discussion took place regarding the motion. It was noted that there is a Minister responsible for postal rates, and the proper procedure would be for the Okanagan Regional Library Board to contact that Minister.

AMEND MOTION

MOVED by Councillor Moritz, SECONDED by Councillor Nielsen:

THAT Council send a letter to Okanagan Regional Library Board supporting its position regarding Private Members' Bill C-458;

AND THAT the letter be copied to the Minister responsible for postal rates.

CARRIED.

OTHER BUSINESS

IN CAMERA MTG.

MOVED by Councillor Condon, SECONDED by Councillor Moritz:

THAT an In Camera Meeting be held at 1:00 p.m. November 13, 2007 pursuant to Sec. 90(1)(g) [litigation or potential litigation] of the *Community Charter*.

CARRIED.

QUESTION PERIOD

C. SCOWEN

Centennial Coordinator Chris Scowen noted that the 6th member of the Centennial Committee is Mr. Don Wigfield.

G. TODD

Mr. Graham Todd, 3976 Beach Avenue, asked why Council would not apply for a 'go green' grant to renovate the Primary School building. He asked how long the Wellness Centre would stay in its current location.

Mayor Reid advised that a feasibility study for seniors housing in the area of the Wellness Centre is underway; Council has requested, and will continue to request, that a Wellness Centre facility be considered to be included in any seniors housing development.

Mr. Todd asked if the request for proposals for the Primary School held during summer months was a fair way of doing it. Mayor Reid responded that it was. CAO Elsie Lemke advised that organizations could have submitted a group proposal.

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G. TODD (CONT.)

Mr. Todd asked if renovation estimates were fair.

Mayor Reid advised Mr. Todd and others interested to write letters to Mayor and Council for consideration at the Committee of the Whole meeting.

S. RIDDELL

Ms. Shannon Riddell, 3701 Beach Avenue, asked how Council will maintain the history of the community if it keeps demolishing old buildings.

Councillor Nielsen responded that history is never lost, it is passed, and it is preserved in its past and is chronicled.

J. SANDERSON

Mr. John Sanderson, 6188 Sanderson Avenue, asked the cost to remove the Primary School building.

Mayor Reid estimated the cost between \$150,000 and \$200,000.

Mr. Sanderson noted that any asbestos has to be removed first, before demolition.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Nielsen:

THAT the Regular Council Meeting adjourn at 9:51 p.m.

CARRIED.

Certified Correct.

(Original signed by Mayor & Corporate Officer)

Mayor

Corporate Officer

Dated at Peachland, B.C.
This 15th day of November, 2007.