

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF PEACHLAND

**Regular Council Meeting Minutes
Held Tuesday, April 8, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.
In the Council Chambers, Peachland Community Centre**

PRESENT: Mayor Reid, Councillors Condon, Fraser, Hallberg, Moritz, Nielsen and Thorne

CAO Elsie Lemke
Corporate Officer Betty Briggs
Director of Finance Doug Pryde
Director of Planning & Development Services David Smith
Corporate Officer (incumbent) Polly Palmer

Members of the Public
Members of the Media

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

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA Added to the Agenda:
7-I: Request to waive Policy #FIN-060 Contracting Authority & Purchasing
11-B: representation at SILGA

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA MOVED by Councillor Condon, SECONDED by Councillor Moritz:
THAT the Agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED.

PRESENTATIONS & DELEGATIONS

2007 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Mr. Rob Collins, Grant Thornton Chartered Accountants, presented the 2007 audited Financial Statements, along with a clean management opinion. Mr. Collins also noted the improved net position and reserve funds over last year.

MOVED by Councillor Moritz, SECONDED by Councillor Fraser:

THAT Council approves the 2007 Financial Statements as submitted by Grant Thornton Chartered Accountants.

Carried.

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

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

THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held March 25, 2008 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.

MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Condon:

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held March 25, 2008 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**COUNCIL
REMUNERATION**

Councillor Nielsen provided background information towards his recommendation for increases to Mayor and Councillors' remuneration. A Notice of Motion for the next Regular Council meeting followed:

THAT effective at the swearing in of new Councillors and Mayor in December, 2008, the stipend paid to Councillors be \$11,469 and the stipend paid to the Mayor be \$21,017;

AND THAT this level of remuneration continue for the years 2009, 2010 and 2011;

AND THAT a further review for the level of remuneration be reviewed mid-year in 2011.

COMMITTEE & STAFF REPORTS

Staff:

**DEPARTMENTS -
MARCH REPORTS**

MOVED by Councillor Thorne, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

THAT the following Department Reports for March, 2008, be received:

- i) Corporate Services & Recreation
- ii) Planning & Development Services
- iii) Operations & Public Works
- iv) Peachland Fire & Rescue Service
- v) Building Permits.

CARRIED.

**VISITOR INFO
FEE FOR SERVICE**

CAO Elsie Lemke presented a report requesting authorization for the Mayor and Corporate Officer to sign the Fee for Service Agreement for Visitor Information Services.

MOVED by Councillor Hallberg, SECONDED by Councillor Thorne:

THAT the Mayor and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the Fee for Service Agreement with the Peachland Chamber of Commerce for provision of Visitor Information Services for 2008.

AMENDMENT

MOVED by Councillor Moritz, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

THAT the Fee for Service Agreement be amended to change 'Booth' to 'Centre' in each instance.

CARRIED.

**MAIN MOTION AS
AMENDED**

THAT the Mayor and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the Fee for Service Agreement, as amended, with the Peachland Chamber of Commerce for provision of Visitor Information Services for 2008.

CARRIED.

Mayor Reid, Councillors Condon and Nielsen OPPOSED.

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**AUTOMATED
CURBSIDE
COLLECTION**

CAO Elsie Lemke presented a report requesting authorization to award the curbside collection contract to Okanagan Environmental Services and to endorse the Regional District's application for funding of waste collection carts.

Council members discussed details of automated collection.

MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Moritz:

THAT Council awards the curbside collection contract to Okanagan Environmental Services beginning March 1, 2009, for a cost of \$1,999,945 for the seven year period (\$285,706.44 per year or \$117.72 per household per year.)

CARRIED.

MOVED by Councillor Condon, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

THAT Council provides a letter of endorsement to the Regional District of Central Okanagan for the application to the General Strategic Priority Fund (GSPF) for funding of waste collection carts.

CARRIED.

**2008 FINANCIAL
PLAN BYLAW
#1870**

Director of Finance Doug Pryde gave a power point presentation regarding the 2008 Financial Plan. Key points included:

- 1.9% tax increase
- no reduction in reserve funding
- 10% of policing reserve to fund policing assessment
- no increase in water improvement parcel tax

Mr. Pryde outlined:

- general fund reconciliation
- source of revenues
- general fund expenditures
- summary of 5 year financial plan
- civic grants for 2008
- reserve fund contributions.

CAO Elsie Lemke summarized the following capital projects for 2008:

- waterfront walkway, Swim Bay expansion, Spirit Squares at Heritage Park and 13th Street, Museum washrooms replacement
- paving
- storm drainage improvements
- Public Works equipment
- Fire Department equipment
- Water System No. 1 upgrades
- Water meter program
- SCADA
- Beatrice area sewer phase 2

Mayor Reid asked if Council had any questions regarding the Financial Plan. There were none. He asked first, second, and third and final times if the public had comments or questions. There were none.

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**FINANCIAL PLAN
(CONT.)**

MOVED by Councillor Nielsen, SECONDED by Councillor Moritz:

THAT 2008 Financial Plan Bylaw Number 1870, 2008 be read First, Second and Third Times.

CARRIED.

**BYLAW #1865
OCP AMENDS.**

MOVED by Councillor Condon, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

THAT Official Community Plan Bylaw No.1600 Amendment Bylaw Number 1865, 2008, be finally reconsidered and adopted.

CARRIED.

**MT. KATHLEEN
WIND PARK**

Director of Planning David Smith presented a report for information regarding the proposed Mount Kathleen Wind Park. Mr. Smith is Peachland's appointed member to the working committee for this project. He advised that further technical study is needed for the environmental assessment.

MOVED by Councillor Condon, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

THAT the report regarding the proposed Mount Kathleen Wind Park be received for information.

CARRIED.

Mr. Reid advised the Director of Planning to report quarterly to Council through ELUC on this item.

**GRAVEL PIT
PRINCETON AVE.**

Director of Planning David Smith reported on letters received expressing concerns and objections to the gravel extraction permit. All letters have been forwarded to the Ministry of Mines, Stantec Consulting and MLA Rick Thorpe. As well, the District has acknowledged receipt of each letter to the writer.

MOVED by Councillor Thorne, SECONDED by Councillor Condon:

THAT the Mayor send a letter detailing issues and concerns regarding the gravel extraction permit, including details of the District's amended Earthworks Control Bylaw, for the record.

CARRIED.

**TREPANIER BENCH
ROAD SIGN**

Director of Planning David Smith presented a detailed report, with 3 options for consideration, regarding a proposed community/business sign at the bottom of Trepanier Bench Road.

Councillor Moritz left the meeting at 7:56 pm, and returned at 7:57 pm.

The Director of Planning noted that staff are requesting Council's direction on how to proceed, and that written approval from Ministry of Transportation would be the first step, as the location is in the Ministry's jurisdiction. The proposal would then come back to Council for final approval.

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**TREPANIER SIGN
(CONT.)**

MOVED by Councillor Condon, SECONDED by Councillor Hallberg:

THAT Council supports Option 2 (ownership of the sign would be transferred to the District of Peachland) so that a community/business sign can be placed at the bottom of Trepanier Bench Road in a cost effective and timely manner.

CARRIED.

**POLICY #FIN-060
WAIVER**

CAO Elsie Lemke presented a report requesting waiver of a clause in Policy #FIN-060 Contracting Authority and Purchasing, to facilitate the design-build of the Boardwalk/Pier at Swim Bay and 13th Street, a portion of the Beach Avenue waterfront upgrades capital project.

MOVED by Councillor Condon, SECONDED by Councillor Fraser:

THAT Council approves waiving Formal Public Tendering and Request for Proposals of Policy #FIN-060 Contracting Authority and Purchasing, and engage Shoreline Pile Driving and Wharf Construction for the design-build contract to complete the Boardwalk/Pier at Swim Bay and 13th Street for the estimated value of \$250,000, subject to final approval by the CAO.

CARRIED.

MAYOR & COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

**COUNCILLOR
THORNE**

Councillor Thorne advised that it is 10 days until Awards Night, April 18th, and everyone is invited.

**COUNCILLOR
HALLBERG**

Councillor Hallberg attended the presentation of an historical marker at the Little Schoolhouse, on behalf of Council.

**COUNCILLOR
MORITZ**

Councillor Moritz expressed dismay at the amount of metal and glass on the beach. A Notice of Motion will be brought forward at the next Regular Council meeting requesting staff research the creation of a bylaw which prohibits glass containers on the beach.

CORRESPONDENCE

VOGT FAMILY

CAO Elsie Lemke provided information from the Deputy Treasurer, who administers the Cemetery, in regards to the request from the Vogt family for permission to place an oversized memorial marker in the cremains section.

Council members discussed the details of this request.

MOVED by Councillor Nielsen, SECONDED by Councillor Fraser:

THAT Council relaxes the rules for memorial marker size in the cremains section of the Cemetery to permit the Vogt family to install a previously purchased 36" x 13" marker at their parents' plot.

CARRIED.

OTHER BUSINESS

IN CAMERA MTG. MOVED by Councillor Fraser, SECONDED by Councillor Moritz:

THAT an In Camera meeting be held at 1:00 p.m. April 22, 2008, pursuant to Sec. 90(1)(c) [labour/employee relations] of the *Community Charter*.

CARRIED.

SILGA

Mayor Reid noted that as he is not running in the fall election, he will not be attending the Southern Interior Local Government Association conference in Vernon in late April. He asked if any Council members would attend to represent Peachland. Councillor Moritz, as Deputy Mayor for April, will attend the conference.

QUESTION PERIOD

T. BUCKLEY

Mr. Tony Buckley, 5205 Pineridge Road, expressed opposition to the proposed gravel pit, and asked where Councillor Moritz lives, in reference to his earlier mention of 'proximity to downtown.'

Councillor Moritz advised that he lives on Lake Avenue.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Nielsen:

THAT the Regular Council meeting adjourn at 8:28 p.m.

CARRIED.

(Original signed by Mayor and Corporate Officer)

Certified Correct.

Mayor

Corporate Officer

Dated at Peachland, B.C.
This 23rd day of April, 2008.