

DISTRICT OF UCLUELET
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN THE GEORGE FRASER ROOM, 500 MATTERSON DRIVE
Tuesday, October 22, 2019 at 2:30 PM

Present: **Chair:** Mayor Noël
 Council: Councillors Cole, Kemps, and McEwen
 Staff: Mark Boysen, Chief Administrative Officer
 Donna Monteith, Chief Financial Officer
 Abby Fortune, Director of Parks & Recreation
 Bruce Greig, Manager of Community Planning
 Joey Rotenberg, Manager of Corporate Services
 John Towgood, Planner 1
 Nicole Morin, Corporate / Planning Clerk

Regrets: Councillor Hoar

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Mayor Noël called the meeting to order at 2:30 PM.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF FIRST NATIONS TERRITORY

Council acknowledged the Yuułuꞵifꞵath First Nations on whose traditional territories the District of Ucluelet operates.

3. NOTICE OF VIDEO RECORDING

Council advised District of Ucluelet Staff, audience members and delegates that this Council proceeding is being video recorded and the recording will be live streamed or subsequently published on the District of Ucluelet's YouTube channel.

4. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

4.1 Reordering of the October 22, 2019 Agenda

2019-001 **It was moved by Mayor Noël and seconded by Councillor Cole**
THAT Council amend the October 22, 2019 Regular Agenda to change item 9.2 to item 14.3.

CARRIED.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

5.1 October 22, 2019 Regular Agenda

2019-002 **It was moved by Councillor Kemps and seconded by Councillor McEwen**

THAT Council approve the October 22, 2019 Regular Agenda as amended.

CARRIED.

6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

6.1 October 8, 2019 Regular Minutes

2019-003

It was moved by Councillor McEwen and seconded by Councillor Cole

THAT Council approve the October 8, 2019 Regular minutes as presented.

CARRIED.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7.1 There was no unfinished business.

8. MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

8.1 Presentation of the Sovereign's Medal for Volunteers to Mary Kimoto

- Mayor Noël thanked Ms. Kimoto for her years of local volunteerism.
- Sergeant Mancini and Mayor Noël presented Sovereign's Medal for Volunteers to Ms. Kimoto.
- Representatives from the Ucluelet and Area Museum Society presented Ms. Kimoto with flowers and thanked her for her contribution to the community.

Council recessed at 2:37 PM.

Council returned to session at 2:42 PM.

9. PUBLIC INPUT, DELEGATIONS & PETITIONS

9.1 There was no public input.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

10.1 Request for Letter of Support - Ellen Kimoto

Barb Gudbranson, President, Ucluelet & Area Historical Society

2019-004

It was moved by Councillor McEwen and seconded by Councillor Cole

THAT Council directs Staff to provide a letter of support towards funding for establishing a museum in Ucluelet.

CARRIED.

10.2 Community Child Care Space Creation Program and Community Child Care Planning Grant Program

Honourable Scott Fraser, MLA (Mid Island-Pacific Rim)

Abby Fortune, Manager of Parks and Recreation, recommended that Staff pursue the Community Child Care Planning Grant Program as it would allow the District to identify how to best use existing and future child care spaces.

2019-005

It was moved by Councillor Cole and seconded by Councillor McEwen
THAT Council directs Staff to apply for the Community Child Care Planning Grant Program that is due January 31, 2020.

CARRIED.

11. INFORMATION ITEMS

11.1 BC Hydro Community Relations 2019 Annual Report - Vancouver Island-Sunshine Coast

Ted Olynyk, Community Relations Manager, Vancouver Island-Sunshine Coast - BC Hydro

Council asked about the Electric Vehicle (EV) charging station located at the visitors centre? Mark Boysen, Chief Administrative Officer, reported that the current EV charging station was installed as an interim measure until the original unit is repaired.

12. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

12.1 Councillor Rachelle Cole

Deputy Mayor October - December 2019

- Oct. 18, attended Ucluelet Emergency Operations meeting.

12.2 Councillor Marilyn McEwen

Deputy Mayor November 2018 - March 2019

- Oct. 9, attended Wild Pacific Trail Society meeting.
- Oct. 16, attended Ucluelet Secondary School Seismic Upgrades Update meeting.
- Oct. 23 and 24, Councillor McEwen will attend the Vancouver Island Economic Alliance Summit.

12.3 Councillor Lara Kemps

Deputy Mayor April - June 2019

- Oct. 20, coordinated the Edge to Edge Marathon.

12.4 Councillor Jennifer Hoar

Deputy Mayor July - September 2019

12.5 Mayor Mayco Noël

13. REPORTS

13.1 Resolution Tracking - September & Mid-October 2019
Nicole Morin, Corporate / Planning Clerk

13.2 Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate & Energy Showcase Cities Pilot Program
Mark Boysen, Chief Administrative Officer

Mark Boysen, Chief Administrative Officer, presented this report.
Highlights included:

- The pilot program is intended to assist communities with preparation for climate change through mitigation and adaptation commitments.
- Ucluelet is one of 25 Canadian municipalities, including Courtenay and Nanaimo, involved in this program.
- It is key for smaller communities like Ucluelet to leverage programs like this.
- Participation will not require significant additional staff time and resources.

2019-006

It was moved by Councillor Cole and seconded by Councillor McEwen

THAT Council approve recommendation 1 of the report item, "Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate & Energy Commitment" which states:

1. *THAT Council commit to the Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate & Energy (GCoM), joining thousands of other cities and local governments around the world currently engaged in climate leadership.*

CARRIED.

13.3 Halloween Howl Road Closure & Community Invite
Abigail Fortune, Manager of Parks and Recreation

2019-007

It was moved by Councillor McEwen and seconded by Councillor Cole

THAT Council approve recommendations 1 and 2 of the report item, "Halloween Howl Road Closure & Community Invite" which state:

1. *THAT Council authorizes the following road closures to occur on Thursday, October 31, 2019:*
 - a. *Matterson Road from 8:30 PM – 9:30 PM from Victoria Road to Marine Drive; and*
 - b. *Marine Drive from 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM from Matterson Drive to Rainforest Drive.*
2. *THAT Council attend the Halloween Howl Festivities and invite the community to join them.*

CARRIED.

13.4 Remembrance Day Road Closure
Abigail Fortune, Manager of Parks & Recreation

2019-008

It was moved by Councillor Kemps and seconded by Councillor Cole

THAT Council approve recommendations 1 and 2 of the report item, "Remembrance Day Road Closure" which state:

1. *THAT Council supports the closure of Peninsula Road in front of the Army Navy & Air Force Veterans Club cenotaph at 1708 Peninsular Road on Monday, November 11, 2019, from 10:30 – 11:30 AM.*
2. *THAT Council direct Staff to follow-up with the Ministry of Transportation to obtain authorization for the road closure.*

CARRIED.

14. LEGISLATION

14.1 Zoning Bylaw Amendment for 2100 Peninsula Road
John Towgood, Planner 1

Mayor Noël declared a conflict of interest on the grounds of his ownership of two properties which are adjacent to the subject property, and left the meeting at 3:01 PM

Bruce Greig, Manager of Community Planning, provided this report.

Highlights included:

- The proposed zoning amendment is to allow the subject property to be used for cannabis cultivation.
- The applicants also plan to use the site for cannabis processing.
- The property is at the entrance to town, which may be suitable for light industrial uses like cannabis cultivation.
- All production will occur indoors, and cannabis sales will not be permitted on site.
- The facility may create 6-8 skilled jobs.

Council questions and comments:

- Are the two neighbouring property owners aware of the application? Mr. Greig explained that the neighbours will be notified through the public hearing notices.
- Do the regulations that determine the proximity of cannabis retail spaces to parks also apply to cultivation facilities? Mr. Greig responded that similar regulations apply to production and retail facilities.
- What does escape of "any meaningful odors" mean? Is it defined as detectable odors? Mr. Greig noted smells are regulated by the District of Ucluelet nuisance bylaw. The Applicant noted that the federal regulations are vague, and "meaningful odors" are probably defined in terms of their community impact.

- Asked if light would escape from the facility? The applicant explained that there would be no escape of light.
- Noted that Mayor of Port Alberni has toured a similar facility and recommended that Council tour the facility in Port Alberni.

2019-009

It was moved by Councillor McEwen and seconded by Councillor Kemps

THAT Council approve recommendation 1 of the report item, "Zoning Bylaw Amendment for 2100 Peninsula Road" which states:

1. *THAT District of Ucluelet Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1258, 2019, be given first and second reading and advanced to a public hearing.*

CARRIED.

14.2 Zoning Bylaw Amendment (1557 Larch Rd.) - Adoption Bruce Greig, Manager of Community Planning

Mayor Noël returned to the meeting at 3:12 PM after Council dealt with item 14.1.

2019-010

It was moved by Mayor Noël and seconded by Councillor Cole

THAT Council approve recommendation 1 of the report item, "Zoning Bylaw Amendment (1557 Larch Rd.) - Adoption" which states:

1. *THAT the "District of Ucluelet Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1253, 2019" be adopted.*

CARRIED.

14.3 RCMP Delegation

Sergeant Mancini lead this delegation. Highlights included:

- A 20% increase in call volume from 2018 is projected for 2019. This upward trend is expected to continue.
- Mental health service calls are up from 2018 and there are limited local mental health resources.
- The 2019 priority policing areas are community involvement, drug investigations (street level and seizures), and impaired driving. Priorities are determined in April and Council is invited to participate in determining the 2020 priorities.
- Charges were recently forwarded on 9 residents for drug trafficking or possession with the intent to traffic.
- Seasonal Reserve Constables are generally used to fill vacancies.
- Speed bumps in the school zone seem effective and the area is patrolled regularly.
- There has been no significant increase in local impaired driving cases since cannabis use was legalized.

- A cannabis roadside screening device is in the field-testing stage. Drug recognition experts are used to assess drivers that are suspected to be under the influence of cannabis.

15. OTHER BUSINESS

15.1 52 Steps

Mark Boysen, Chief Administrative Officer, explained that the 52 Steps improvements project has been indefinitely delayed by the Department of Fisheries & Oceans (DFO). District and DFO Staff are discussing potential divestment of 52 Steps to the District.

16. QUESTION PERIOD

16.1 There were no questions.

17. CLOSED SESSION

17.1 Procedural Motion to Move In-Camera

2019-011

It was moved by Mayor Noël and seconded by Councillor Cole

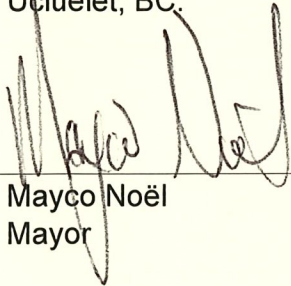
THAT the meeting be closed to the public in order to address agenda items under Section 90(1)(c)(e) and (k) of the Community Charter.

CARRIED.

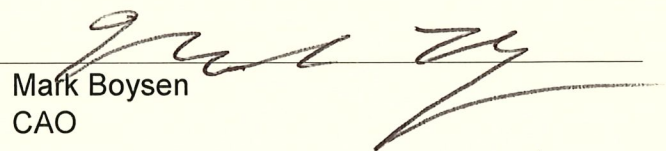
18. ADJOURNMENT

18.1 Mayor Noël adjourned the meeting at 5:37 PM.

CERTIFIED CORRECT: Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on Tuesday, October 22, 2019 at 2:30 pm in the George Fraser Room, Ucluelet Community Centre, 500 Matterson Road, Ucluelet, BC.



Mayco Noël
Mayor



Mark Boysen
CAO