



DISTRICT OF STEWART

Minutes for the **SPECIAL MEETING** of Council held Monday August 9th, 2010 7:00pm
at the Council Chambers 705 Brightwell St, Stewart, BC

PRESENT: Mayor A. Brand Danuser
Councillor R. Clark
Councillor G. Durant - *participated electronically*
Councillor D. Johns
Councillor E. Lister
Councillor C. McKay

STAFF: Douglas Jay, CAO & Corporate Officer

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the Council Meeting of August 9th, 2010 to order at 7:00pm.

MOVED by Councillor Johns, seconded by Councillor Lister that Councillor Durant be permitted to attend electronically.

CARRIED 163.10

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOVED by Councillor Clark, seconded by Councillor McKay that the agenda be adopted.

CARRIED 164.10

3. MINUTES

a) July 12th, 2010 Minutes

Mayor Brand Danuser inquired about the Minutes and her concern about Resolution 160.10 regarding the byelection dates and the appointment of the Chief Election Officer.

The CAO clarified that the appointment of the Chief Election Officer for the byelection would be effective for a November 6th byelection.

MOVED by Councillor Johns, seconded by Councillor Clark that the Minutes of the Special Meeting of July 12th, 2010 be adopted.

CARRIED 165.10

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – NONE

5. PUBLIC INPUT, DELEGATIONS & PETITIONS – NONE

6. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

a) Report from the CAO – 2010 UBCM Registration

MOVED by Councillor Clark, seconded by Councillor Lister that Councillors Durant and Johns be approved to attend the 2010 UBCM Annual Convention with usual expenses.

CARRIED 166.10

b) Report from the CAO – 2009 Annual Report and Statement of Financial Information

Mayor Brand Danuser invited members of the public to address Council regarding the Reports.

Mitch Kovatch – thanked Council for the opportunity to inquire about the Annual Report and the Statement of Financial Information. He inquired about the status of Councillor Johns' remuneration and why it shows zero dollars.

Mayor Brand Danuser advised that Councillor Johns had previously not taken a stipend and had donated it back to the District for District projects.

MOVED by Councillor Johns, seconded by Councillor Clark that the 2009 Annual Report and Statement of Financial Information be adopted and further that copies be forwarded to the Ministry of Community and Rural Development.

CARRIED 167.10

Report from the CAO – Environmental Assessment Office (Kitsault Mine Working Group)

MOVED by Councillor Johns, seconded by Councillor Clark that Mayor Angela Brand Danuser be appointed to represent the District of Stewart on the Kitsault Mine Project – Environmental Assessment Working Group.

CARRIED 168.10

7. CORRESPONDENCE

a) Ministry of Energy, Mines & Petroleum Resources (Castle Resources)

MOVED by Councillor Clark, seconded by Councillor Johns that the correspondence be received for information.

CARRIED 169.10

8. INFORMATION ITEMS

a) Cheque Distribution – June 2010

MOVED by Councillor Johns, seconded by Councillor Lister that the Cheque Distribution list be received.

CARRIED 170.10

b) Thank You Card – District Ball Field

MOVED by Councillor Johns, seconded by Councillor Lister that the Thank You Card be received.

CARRIED 171.10

c) BC Tourism Industry Conference

MOVED by Councillor Johns, seconded by Councillor Lister that the item be referred to the next meeting of Council.

CARRIED 172.10

d) Office of the Mayor – Council Portfolios

MOVED by Councillor Johns, seconded by Councillor Durant that the list of Council Portfolios be adopted as presented.

CARRIED 173.10

Mayor Brand Danuser circulated a list of motions for Council to consider and adopt.

MOVED by Councillor Johns, seconded by Councillor Clark that meetings or discussion regarding Councillor Portfolio designations must include the Councillor assigned. Where

this is not possible the Councillor must be briefed on the issue as soon as reasonably possible.

CARRIED 174.10

MOVED by Councillor Johns, seconded by Councillor Clark that all meetings and discussions relating to the Committee of the Whole designation must be open to all of Council. Where this is not possible Council must be briefed on the issues as soon as reasonable possible.

CARRIED 175.10

MOVED by Councillor Johns, seconded by Councillor Clark that the first Monday of every month will be set aside as a “Town Hall” type meeting. Members of the community are encouraged to attend to discuss issues of importance in a more relaxed open atmosphere. These meetings will be held in Council Chambers at 7pm. If required these meetings can be postponed to a different day however they should be held at least one time per month.

CARRIED 176.10

9. COMMITTEES – None

10. BYLAWS – None

11. LATE ITEMS – None

12. REPORTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL

a) Mayor’s Report:

The Mayor reported on attending the following events:

- Red Chris Mine tour and Northwest Transmission Line Project and that she had information from the Regional District of Kitimat Stikine. She also reported that the NWTL is currently targeting construction start dates in 2012.
- Northern Health meeting on July 20th and that there appears to be problems with lab techs.
- A meeting between the RDKS and Minister Ben Stewart and that she had sent an email to the Regional District regarding her concerns about the forest fire situation on Highway 37 towards the Yukon border.

The Mayor also reported that she will be attending the Regional District meeting this Friday and then heading out to Quesnel until August 21st for hockey camp.

b) Councillor Reports

Councillor Johns:

Inquired about a fallen tree onto a resident’s property and what the status of the tree was.

Councillor Johns then reported on attending the Special Council Meeting of July 22, 2010, a meeting with the District’s Insurance representative on July 28th, and the “meet and greet” meeting with Canada Resurgence Developments on July 31st.

He then reported that he had received a pin from St. Louis, Missouri.

Councillor Lister: Reported that he attended the “meet and greet” with Canada Resurgence Developments as the “Acting Mayor”

Councillor Durant: Nothing to report.

Councillor McKay: Reported on also attending the “meet and greet” with Canada Resurgence Developments.

Councillor Clark: Reported on also attending the “meet and greet” with Canada Resurgence Developments.

13. MANAGER’S UPDATE REPORT

ECO ENERGY PROGRAM – The manager reported that the Eco Energy Program coordinator for the Northwest is requesting some financial assistance from the District to cover one-night’s accommodation and three meals for their inspector. The purpose of the inspector’s visit is to complete the final inspections for approximately 5-6 homeowners that have participated in the program.

MOVED by Councillor Johns, seconded by Councillor Lister that the Chief Administrative Officer be directed to pay the costs of one-night’s accommodations and three meals for the Eco Energy Program inspector.

CARRIED 177.10
Councillor Clark – **OPPOSED**

MEMORIAL PARK (SPIRIT SQUARE PROJECT) – the manager reported that staff have been organizing to complete the outstanding project. Trusses for the picnic pavilion have been ordered. The shrubs and trees had arrived from the nursery and the CAF team were busy with planting.

ARENA UPDATE – the Manager reported that the project managers have prepared a “bid-tender” package for regional contractors in the arena repair project. The Manager advised that there should be a recommendation ready for Council on awarding the contract(s) for Council’s meeting on September 13.

MOVED by Councillor Johns, seconded by Councillor Lister that the Manager’s Report be adopted as presented.

CARRIED 178.10

14. REPORT OF BUSINESS FROM CLOSED MEETING

Rise and report from the June 14th, 2010 meeting:

Nothing to Report

15. QUESTION PERIOD

Comments received from Ms. Pat Lynn regarding the byelection, the appointment of the Chief Election Officer and the dates for the advance voting opportunities. Then Ms. Lynn reminded Council of the Bear Festival for the weekend.

Mitch Kovatch inquired if the BC Tourism Industry Conference was available to non-Council members if they were willing to pay for the event on their own.

The Mayor advised that the conference was open to all and that Mr. Kovatch could register as a participant.

16. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Clark, seconded by Councillor McKay that the Meeting be adjourned at 8:10 pm.

CARRIED 179.10

Certified as the true and correct minutes:

Douglas Jay
Corporate Officer

Angela Brand Danuser
Mayor