

MINUTES OF
The Corporation of the Village of Slocan
Meeting July 12 2006

The regular meeting of the Slocan Village Council was held on the above date at the Village Office, 503 Slocan Street, with Mayor John Van Bynen, in the chair.

PRESENT:

Mayor John van Bynen, Councillors Joanne Ellis, John Gates, Madeleine Perriere, and Marc Septav. Village Foreman Jerry Simmons, Administrator and Valley Voice reporter Don Currie, were in attendance, and there were two members of the public present.

CALL TO ORDER:

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

RES 06/054 Moved by Counc. Marc Septav, seconded by Counc. Madeleine Perriere that the agenda be adopted as amended, with the additions of three letters.

Carried

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

RES 06/055 Moved by Counc. Marc Septav, seconded by Counc. Madeleine Perriere, that the minutes be adopted as amended.

Carried

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD:

No questions from the public at this time.

DELEGATIONS:

1.) **Report from Public Works:**
Village Foreman Jerry Simmons reported that the breakwater is ready to be moved into the water. We are waiting to hear from the owners of the Iris G regarding the pile driver. The anchoring of the breakwater is being discussed. The landscaping around the Gazebo was discussed. The cost of turf is being looked into but will not be laid until fall or early spring. The crosswalks near the school are done, and the stop sign has been installed.

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Public works is looking into surface lines on the roads as they are more durable as the paint for crosswalks rubs off too soon. Councillor Madeleine Perriere requested more garbage cans at the beach. Foreman Simmons responded that the Village has three cans at this point for the beach, but a few may have been needed elsewhere that weekend. It was also requested that the Public works crew pick up garbage as they work in the Village. Jerry said they have been asked before but will remind them to continue to do so.

2. Report from the Fire Chief:

No report at this time.

DISBURSEMENTS:

Motion to ratify June disbursements in the amount of \$123,537.01 was made by Counc. John Gates, seconded by Counc. Marc Septav

RES 06/056 Carried

BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Counc. Madeleine Perriere, seconded by Counc. John Gates that the Minutes from council meetings are to be posted 3 weeks after adoption.

RES 06/057 Carried

COMMITTEES:

Regional District of Central Kootenay:

Councillor Marc Septav attended the monthly Board Meeting in place of Councillor John Gates. The Financial reports were presented at the meeting. There was a presentation by Colleen McCrory regarding "Stop Jumbo". The R.D.C.K. would like to hear other opinions regarding this matter. The Hospital Board meeting was attended by Councillor Marc Septav, at that meeting the Budget was presented. There is nothing in the budget for hospitals in our area for 10 years or more. An independent review of the Trail Hospital results will be available soon.

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Rec. Commission:

No Report at this time.

Community Forest Committee:

There will be a meeting July 13 2006 with Springer Creek Forest Products and the Ministry of Forests regarding where each group stands. The Community Forest Committee has met most of the goals that the Ministry of Forests has set out. The pine beetle issue will also be addressed at the meeting.

Dog Committee:

No report at this time.

CORRESPONDANCE:

1. Letter has been received from Ann Weir regarding the tennis court and the use of the net. The Village has a net and will install it and also will see how many people use the court. A concern was raised about the use of skateboards on the court. The court is large enough for basketball and the tennis so it was decided to wait and see how the use of the court works out.

Motion made by Mayor Van Bynen, seconded by Counc. Joanne Ellis to put up nets at the tennis court on a trial basis.

RES 06/058

Carried

2. Letter was received from Rudy Markovic regarding the mosquito problems we have been having this spring. The letter suggested that we spray to eradicate the problem. Counc. Joanne Ellis suggested writing a letter to concerned citizens regarding property upkeep to discourage breeding grounds, and an alternative to toxic sprays such as BTI. As the problem of mosquitoes seems to have passed at this time of year, it was suggested that staff research publications about the control of mosquitoes and West Nile disease for a mail out for next spring.

Motion made by Counc. Marc Septav, seconded by Counc. John Gates to have a mail out produced by staff for Villagers for next year regarding mosquito and mosquito borne disease control

RES 06/059

Carried

3. Letter received from Ian Currie regarding speeding on Slocan Street by truck and car traffic. The letter also requests that the truck route be re-routed from Slocan Street to Harold Street. It was discussed that Harold Street was not an option as there a school on the street. It was mentioned that the truck route had been in place for many years, according to the present Official Community Plan. The R.C.M.P. are aware of the speed problem, and maybe they could set up the speed board that records speeds of passing motorists. We will ask them to set up the board and man it as well.

4. E-mail received from Jim Sinclair, President, B.C. Federation of Labour, regarding developments in the forest industry. It was requested that action, by Council, be taken to seek a strong position against the raw log exports and implementation of the softwood lumber agreement by the UBCM.

Motion made by Counc. Joanne Ellis, seconded by Counc. Madeleine Perriere, to send UBCM a letter in support of Mr. Sinclair's position on raw log exports and the softwood lumber agreement.

RES 06/060

Carried

5. Letter received regarding rental of the Gazebo for a wedding. Mayor Van Bynen will talk to Rory Lindsey about possible rentals and revenue and staff will research other community gazebos to find out what they do about bookings.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Ratification of Organizations and associated expenses. Motion was made by Counc. Marc Septav, seconded by Counc. Joanne Ellis with the understanding that all expenses be ratified prior to the expense taking place.

RES 06/061

Carried

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2. Approval for staff training. Motion made by Counc. Marc Septav, seconded by Counc. John Gates that the requested staff training be approved.

RES 06/062 Carried

3. Quotes for benches at the Gazebo. Foreman Jerry Simmons will design a plan for benches, possibly Public Works can have time to build the benches at a later date.

Motion was made to wait until design is ready from Foreman Jerry Simmons before any other quotes are considered. Motion made by Counc. Madeleine Perriere, seconded by Counc. Joanne Ellis.

RES 06/063 Carried

4. Rails to Trails meeting with Rory Lindsey and Heather Burns regarding Rails to Trails and Village of Slocan working together. The parking area south of the gazebo needs some obstruction to address concerns of traffic in that area.

5. Regarding Financial statements and an Administrator report at each meeting, it was discussed that a motion needs to be made for any other requests. Motion was made to have a report from the Administrator regarding project status and expenses to date on Capital projects at each council meeting. Motion by Council. Marc Septav, seconded by Counc. John Gates.

RES 06/064 Carried

6. Motion made to do first reading by context of the Board of Variance draft By-law. Motion by Counc. John Gates, seconded by Counc. Marc Septav for first reading by context.

RES 06/065 Carried

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7. Motion to move forward on the Municipal Ticketing By-law. Motion by Counc. Joanne Ellis, seconded by Counc. John Gates to move forward with a Municipal Ticketing By-law.

RES 06/066 Carried

8. Ratification of donation of \$500.00 to Slocan City Loggers Sports. Motion by Counc. Marc Septav, seconded by Counc. Madeleine Perriere.

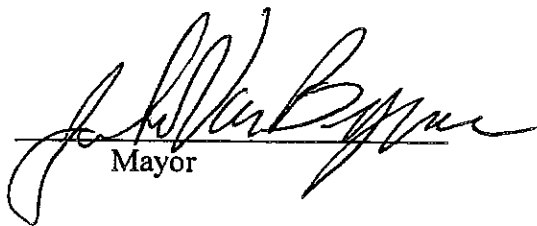
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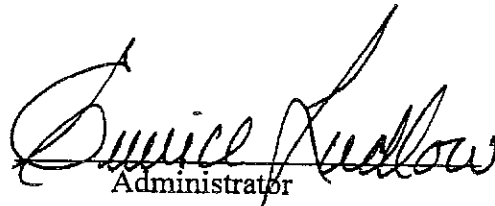
9. Regarding discussions on what can be done about the obvious public drinking at the beach after dark, a request will be made of the R.C.M.P. to have more of a presence in the Village.

10. Discussions on the Wellness centre continue. Corky Evans will be present for the medical Open House at the Wellness centre. Counc. Madeleine Perriere proposed that the Village send a letter to Interior Health Association to consider money from their budget being used to help fund a Nurse practioner for the Wellness Centre. A motion was made by Counc. Joanne Ellis, seconded by Counc. Madeleine Perriere that a letter be sent to Diane Gagnon, c.c. Corky Evans regarding funding from IHA.

Res 06/068 Carried

Meeting adjourned at 9:24 p.m.


Mayor


Administrator