

The Corporation of the Village of Slocan
 Minutes of the Meeting
 January 17, 2007

A 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, Madeleine Perriere, John Gates, and Marc Septav. Administrator Eunice Ludlow. Twelve members of the public were present.

CALL TO ORDER:

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Moved by Councillor John Gates, seconded by Councillor Madeleine Perriere that the agenda be adopted

RES 07/008

Carried

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

Moved by Councillor Joanne Ellis, seconded by Councillor Madeleine Perriere to amend the minutes of December 13, 2006 and January 10, 2007 as one, rectify the "June disbursements" as "December disbursements". And clarify items 3, 4, and 5 under New Business.

RES 07/009

Carried

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

A motion was moved by Councillor Joanne Ellis to receive packages on Monday, seconded by Councillor Madeleine Perriere

RES 07/010

Carried

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

Neighbourhood Pub –

Points were made for and against the proposal. Concerns were about the location, parking and the feelings of neighbours in the direct radius of the proposed pub.

It was noted that Slocan does need a business to encourage people to visit and have recreation available. Slocan has an opportunity to expand its tourism potential with the development of the Rails to Trails which BC Tourism feels will be the most popular. Slocan does need establishments for people to stay at, dine and relax.

Motion to reject the application of the Neighbourhood Pub was made by Councillor Madeleine Perriere, seconded by Councillor Joanne Ellis. Mayor John Van Bynen opposed.
RES 07/011 Carried

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

John Sarjeant commented that the December 13th 2006 minutes had left out dialogue.
John Sarjeant stated that he stood behind his letter, which he had submitted to be on the Agenda and that he vigorously defended it.

It was stated that Council Minutes were not to be a verbatim record.

A member of the public asked for a date when the repairs would be done for the Women’s Institute.
A motion was made by Councillor Madeleine Perriere to have the inspection done on the Women’s Institute and report at February Council Meeting. Seconded by Councillor Joanne Ellis.
RES 07/012 Carried

REPORTS AND DELEGATIONS:

Eunice Ludlow - Light Industrial Taxation

It was noted that in four other municipalities, the Light Industrial Tax rates is 15 which is 1/3 of our mill rate of 46.

Motion was made by Councillor Madeleine Perriere to start the budgeting process on Wednesday, February 7th 2007 and look into light industrial mill rates then. Seconded by Councillor John Gates.
RES 07/013 Carried

Jerry Simmons

Alarm Systems – Three quotes have been received and will be reviewed. EOC will have to be done also.
Lights on Sleigh Hill - would like to replace the two lights with regular street lights, due to continuing vandalism.
Gazebo - It is too cold to work there, so they have started cleaning, stripping and painting the library, depending on how much money is available. There is not enough shelving, and it would be possible to build shelves on the walls. The cost of that work will be priced.
In February, Lachlan will be taking the Small Water Systems Course on the 5th and 6th and Tim Hill will be taking Water Distribution 1 from the 5th to the 9th.

Motion was made by Councillor Joanne Ellis to approve water training for Lachlan McGreal and Tim Hill, as out lined by Jerry, and to pay the expenses incurred. Seconded by Councillor Marc Septav.
RES 07/014 Carried

DISBURSEMENTS:

Motion to move December disbursements to in camera was made by Counc. Joanne Ellis, seconded by Counc. Madeleine Perriere
RES 07/015 Carried

COMMITTEES:

1.) R.D.C.K.

It was pointed out that there were several grants available; the Municipal Rural Infrastructure Grant must be submitted by January 31, 2007. The Innovations Fund and the General Strategic Priority Fund deadline is February 16th 2007.

Columbia Basin Trust Grant – Slocan has \$1,187.00 for 2007 to give and \$654.00 left over from 2006 for a total of \$1,841.00. The 2007/2008 CBT applications are out and staff is recommended to look into them.

Motion made by Councillor John Gates that Councillors Madeleine Perriere and Joanne Ellis will be the appointees for the Recreation Commission. Seconded by Councillor Marc Septav.
RES 07/016 Carried

2.) RECREATION COMMITTEE

No meeting.

3.) COMMUNITY FOREST COMMITTEE

The application went out on Jan 12th 2007. There will be a meeting on January 18th 2007 at 4 pm.

4.) OTHERS

Mayor John Van Bynen might want to retire from making ice at the rink for the recreation commission next year.

NEW BUSINESS

1.) **John Sarjeant** - Motion to discuss the letter in camera and bring results out in meeting was made by Councillor Joanne Ellis seconded by Councillor Madeleine Perriere.
RES 07/017 Carried

2.) **Garbage Rates** - .It was noted that it is necessary to raise the Garbage Rates because tipping fees have increased. The residential rate now is 50 cents per bag and plan to raise it to \$1.00 per bag, therefore doubling the Garbage Rates.
Motion made by Councillor Joanne Ellis to increasing the fee of \$52.00 to \$104.00 per residence.
Seconded by Councillor Marc Septav.
RES 07/018 Carried

Motion made by Councillor Joanne Ellis to read the Garbage Amendment Bylaw # 560, 2007 Seconded by Councillor Marc Septav.
RES 07/019 Carried

Motion made by Councillor John Gates that Garbage Amendment Bylaw # 560, 2007 be read for a second time. Seconded by Councillor Madeleine Perriere.
RES 07/019 Carried

Motion made by Councillor Marc Septav that Garbage Amendment Bylaw # 560, 2007 be read for a third time. Seconded by Councillor John Gates.
RES 07/020 Carried

The next reading will be on January 19, 2007 at 9 am.

- 3.) **RDCK**- Letter of Consent – Motion by John Gates to approve RDCK Emergency Communications System Service Establishment Amendment Bylaw No. 1860, 2007.
- 4.) **Sabine Wolters** - Ward Ave access to property – There will be a estimate for a fence for the whole Public Works Yard coming.
- 5.) **Board of Variance** - Variance at 603 Slocan St. Covered Walkway - Sabine Wolters. The Variance has been granted by the Board of Variance with the caveat that there will be no change of use of the walkway, i.e. no covering in, no decks, etc.
- 6.) **Liquor Licence Application** – Councillor Joanne Ellis made a motion for staff to proceed with finding out the details of getting a liquor licence in writing. Councillor John Gates seconded.
RES 07/021 Carried

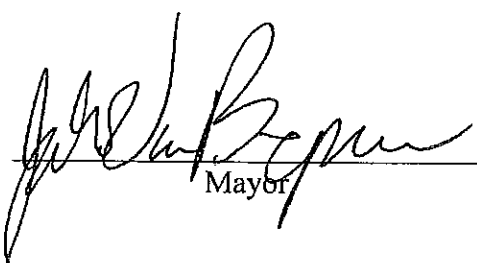
INFORMATION:

Meeting was adjourned to In Camera by the Mayor at 8:45 p.m.

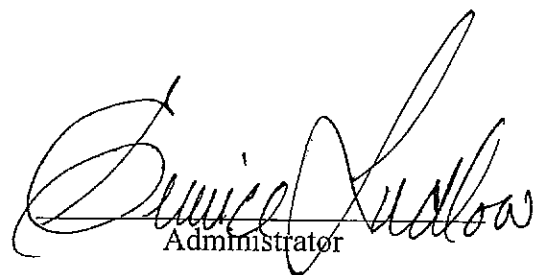
A motion was made by Joanne Ellis to approve the disbursements and move into session. Marc Septav seconded.
RES 07/022 Carried

John Gates made a motion to to have Bylaw 561 brought up on the January 18th 2007 meeting at 9 a.m. Seconded by Marc Septav.
RES 07/023 Carried

Meeting was adjourned by the Mayor at 9 p.m.



Mayor



Administrator