

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF SLOCAN
(Minutes of Council)

Slocan, British Columbia
November 14, 2011

Regular Meeting #2011/29 of the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Village of Slocan, elected for the years 2008-2011, was held in Council Chambers 503 Slocan Street, Slocan, B.C., on Monday, November 14, 2011.

PRESENT:

Elected Officials

Mayor Madeleine Perriere
Councillor Jean Patterson
Councillor Hillary Elliott
Councillor Patricia McGreal
Councillor Jessica Lunn

Appointed Personnel

Jack Richardson, Chief Administrative Officer
David Mills, Acting Corporate Services Manager

Call to Order

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

Adopt Agenda

Moved by Councillor Elliott, seconded by Councillor McGreal,
And Resolved:

That the agenda be adopted as amended.

2011/376

Adoption of
Minutes

Moved by Councillor Elliott, seconded by Councillor McGreal,
And Resolved:

That the minutes of
- Regular Meeting #2011/27 of October 17, 2011,
- Public Hearing of October 20, 2011

be adopted.

2011/377

Audience with Council:

Johnson, R.

In response to an October 17th invitation from Village Council to the Slocan Lake Power Improvement Association, Ross Johnson attended the meeting to further discuss the extension of the power line along the east of Slocan Lake between the Villages of Silverton and Slocan.

Moved by Councillor Elliott, seconded by Councillor McGreal,
And Resolved:

That Council provide the Slocan Lake Power Improvement Association with a letter of support in principle for the extension of the power line along the east of Slocan Lake between the Villages of Silverton and Slocan.

2011/378

Recommendations:

Community Recreation
Program

A November 3/11 report from the Acting Corporate Services Manager on the Provincial Government's 'Community Recreation Program' and options for undertaking community projects.

Moved by Councillor Elliott, seconded by Councillor Lunn,
And Resolved

That Council supports an application to the Community Recreation Program;

And that staff publicize a request for proposals from community groups to submit to the Village Office project proposals that meet the criteria of the Community Recreation Program;

and further that all submissions include full project costs and the amount of the projects costs that the applicant is prepared to pay;

and further that all applications be submitted to the Village Office no later than November 30th at 4pm.

2011/379

Moved by Councillor McGreal, seconded by Councillor Elliott,
And Resolved:

That a letter be forwarded to the Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development thanking them for investing in capital projects that make communities healthier, more active places in which to live; but raising concern with the short time frame for application submission and the difficulties that this presents.

2011/380

Information Items:

Moved by Councillor Lunn, seconded by Councillor Patterson,
And Resolved:

That the following items be received:

- Port Alberni – BC Community Living
- Community Recreation Program
- Interior Health – Programs Support Eating Local Year-Round
- Comprehensive Economic & Trade Agreement (CETA) – Draft Resolution
- Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure – BC Transit Review
- Slocan Valley Historical Society – Lease Agreement
- Greenwood – National Sex Offender Registry

2011/381

Moved by Councillor Elliott, seconded by Councillor Lunn,
And Resolved:

That Council support the Comprehensive Economic & Trade Agreement (CETA) Draft Resolution; and that the letter of support be forwarded to the Provincial Government, UBCM, MP, MLA and RDCK Directors.

2011/382

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Elliott,
And Resolved:

That Council support the Slocan Valley Historical Society and instruct staff to prepare a draft lease agreement for the use of the Village Office upstairs space to house archives.

2011/383

Report

OCP Consultant

A November 8, 2011 report from Patricia Dehnel, OCP Review Consultant on information received at the October 20, 2011 OCP Public Hearing.

Moved by Councillor Elliott, seconded by Councillor Patterson,
And Resolved:

That the report from Patricia Dehnel, OCP Review Consultant be received for information.

2011/384

Financial Report An October 11, 2011 report from the CAO on the Village Financial situation to September 30, 2011. The review of the budget did not turn up any major issues and the budget falls within the approved financial plan.

Moved by Councillor Lunn, seconded by Councillor McGreal,
And Resolved:

That the Financial Report from CAO be received for information.

2011/385

1103 Hume St.

A November 3, 2001 report from the CAO that on August 29, 2011, Daryl Eugene Bixler & Naomi Diane Bixler owners of 1103 Hume St. were sent notification, that as a result of complaints received, the Village inspected their property located at 1103 Hume Street, and observed that the property is unkempt and overgrown with weeds, brush and grass. The manufactured home is vacant and unmaintained. All windows and doors are boarded up. The existing enclosed addition appears to be in a dilapidated state; the roof appears to be sagging and is most likely unsafe. The structure appears to be uninhabitable.

Under Division 12 of Part 3, section 74 of the *Community Charter*, Council has the authority to declare such situations a nuisance, and to direct that they be remedied. The Bixler's were served notice and requested to have the manufactured home and all other structures removed from the property and the property cleaned of all brush, weeds and other growth by midnight on November 1, 2011.

The property was inspected on November 3, 2011. The conditions remain unchanged and no work has taken place.

Moved by Councillor Lunn, seconded by Councillor McGreal,
And Resolved:

That the Village of Slocan notify Daryl Eugene Bixler & Naomi Diane Bixler owners of Lot 18, 19 & 20, Block 47, DL 292, Plan 496, 1103 Hume St., that on December 5, 2011, the Chief Administrative Officer will present to Village Council, a report on 1103 Hume Street, whether to declare it a nuisance and require the owners to have the manufactured home and all other structures removed from the property and the property cleaned of all brush, weeds and other growth to remedy the situation.

2011/386

517 Arthur St.

A November 3, 2011 report from the CAO that on August 29, 2011, Eric Jennings, 517 Arthur Street, was sent notification, that as a result of complaints received, the Village of Slocan inspected the property located at 517 Arthur Street and observed that the property to be unkempt and overgrown with weeds, brush and grass.

The manufactured home is vacant and unmaintained. All windows and doors are boarded up. The existing porch addition appears to be in a dilapidated state and the structure is most likely unsafe. The structure appears to be uninhabitable.

Under Division 12 of Part 3, section 74 of the *Community Charter*, Council has the authority to declare such situations a nuisance, and to direct that they be remedied. Mr. Jennings was served notice and requested to have the manufactured home and all other structures removed from the property, the unlicensed vehicle disposed of and the property cleaned of all brush, weeds and other growth by midnight on November 1, 2011.

The property was inspected on November 3, 2011. The conditions remain unchanged and no work has taken place.

Moved by Councillor Elliott, seconded by Councillor Patterson,
And Resolved:

That the Village of Slocan notify Eric Jennings, Lot 11 & 12, Block 12, DL 292, Plan 496, 517 Arthur Street, that on December 5, 2011, the Chief Administrative Officer will present to Village Council, a report on 517 Arthur Street, whether to declare it a nuisance and require the owner to have the manufactured home and all other structures removed from the property, the unlicensed vehicle disposed of and the property cleaned of all brush, weeds and other growth to remedy the situation.

2011/387

Solid Waste

A November 8/ 11 report from the CAO on garbage collection within Slocan; which is regulated by "Garbage Collection and Disposal Bylaw No. 503, 1999. Fees and charges for collection services are contained in the Fees & Charges Bylaw and were last amended January, 2010.

In addition to weekly garbage collection, the Village budgets annually to conduct a spring and fall clean up weeks. The costs of RDCK tipping fees are included in the costs of providing these services.

The cost of providing garbage collection, clean-up weeks services and tipping fees are covered, in addition to user fees, partially by general taxation.

Moved by Councillor Elliott, seconded by Councillor Lunn,
And Resolved:

To ensure the costs of garbage collection / cleanup week / tipping fees remains as a user pay service, the cost of residential garbage collection be increased by \$0.25/week to \$117.00 for weekly garbage pickup service per household for 2012;

And that the residential fee provides for the collection of one garbage bag per week; and that householders may purchase tags for extra residential bags at \$2.00 per tag per bag. Commercial, industrial, churches, and all other non-residential classifications and users, shall pay the fee of \$2.00 per tag for each bag;

2011/388

Moved by Councillor Lunn, seconded by Councillor Patterson,
And Resolved:

That staff be authorized investigate and prepare a report on solid waste management and establishing a curb side recycling program in the Village.

2011/389

Curling Rink

A November 7/11 report from the A/Corporate Services Manager on possible energy retrofits for the curling rink.

Moved by Councillor Elliott, seconded by Councillor McGreal,
And Resolved:

That the report on Curling Club energy retrofits be received for information; and

That staff be directed to inform the Curling Club that the Village cannot directly support a grant application on behalf of the Club at this time, but that they are encouraged to submit an application to the Village for the Community Recreation Grant.

2011/390

Bylaws:

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Lunn,
And Resolved:

That the “Village of Slocan Official Community Plan Bylaw, No. 616, 2011, be read a third time.

2011/391

Moved by Mayor Perriere, seconded by Councillor McGreal,
And Resolved:

That the third reading of the “Village of Slocan Official Community Plan Bylaw, No. 616, 2011, be rescinded.

2011/392

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Lunn,
And Resolved:

That *14.0 Environmentally Sensitive and Hazardous Areas Objective 14.1.1* be amended to read:

14.1.1 Prevent development in environmentally sensitive areas, or in hazardous areas, unless measures have been taken to protect the environment and to address the hazard. 2011/393

Moved by Councillor Lunn, seconded by Councillor Patterson,
And Resolved:

That the “Village of Slocan Official Community Plan Bylaw, No. 616, 2011, be read a third time as amended. 2011/394

Moved by Councillor Elliott, seconded by Councillor Patterson,
And Resolved:

That the “Village of Slocan Official Community Plan Bylaw, No. 616, 2011, be finally passed and adopted. 2011/395

Moved by Councillor Lunn, seconded by Councillor Patterson,
And Resolved:

That the Official Community Plan Advisory Review Committee be dissolved. 2011/396

Moved by Councillor Elliott, seconded by Councillor Lunn,
And Resolved:

That the “Village of Slocan Traffic Bylaw, No. 617, 2011” be introduced and read a first time. 2011/397

Moved by Councillor Elliott, seconded by Councillor Lunn,
And Resolved:

That the “Village of Slocan Traffic Bylaw, No. 617, 2011” be read a second time as amended. 2011/398

Moved by Councillor Elliott, seconded by Councillor McGreal,
And Resolved:

That a Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting be scheduled for December 2011 to further review the “Village of Slocan Traffic Bylaw, No. 617, 2011”.

2011/399

Moved by Councillor Lunn, seconded by Councillor Elliott,
And Resolved:

That the “Annual Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw No. 614, 2011” be introduced and read a first time.

2011/400

Moved by Councillor Lunn, seconded by Councillor Patterson,
And Resolved:

That the “Annual Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw No. 614, 2011” be read a second and third time.

2011/401

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Elliott,
And Resolved:

That the “Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 620, 2011” be introduced and read a first time.

2011/402

Moved by Councillor McGreal, seconded by Councillor Elliott,
And Resolved:

That the “Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 620, 2011” be read a second and third time.

2011/403

Late:
SLSS

A request for a letter of support from the Slocan Lake Stewardship Society for their application to the Columbia Basin Trust for funding to complete the 3rd year of their three year Water Quality Monitoring Program.

Moved by Councillor Elliott, seconded by Councillor McGreal,
And Resolved:

That Council provide a letter of ‘support in principle’ for the Slocan Lake Stewardship Society for their application to the Columbia Basin Trust and other organizations for funding to complete the 3rd year of their three year Water Quality Monitoring Program.

2011/404

Reports:

Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor McGreal,
And Resolved:

That the report of the RDCK Director be received for information.

2011/405

Moved by Councillor Elliott, seconded by Councillor Patterson,
And Resolved:

That the Village of Slocan grant \$500.00 from their RDCK Discretionary Funds
towards the Halloween Hoot.

2011/406

Moved by Councillor Elliott, seconded by Councillor McGreal,
And Resolved:

That the verbal report of the Library Committee be received for information.

2011/407

Public Participation:

Council

Joyce Johnson, Nick Verigin, Maureen Miller and Ray Caouette addressed

Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Patterson,
And Resolved:

That the meeting be adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

2011/408

Mayor

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Chief Administrative Officer