

**VILLAGE OF SAYWARD
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES**

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held September 19, 2007 at the Village Office, 601 Kelsey Way at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Heather Sprout
Councillor Debbie Coates
Councillor Heidi Schrader

ABSENT: Councillor John McDonald

IN ATTENDANCE: Cameron Cairncross, CAO
Jody Atchison, Clerk Receptionist
Tim Richards –Expert Access Consulting Ltd.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Heather Sprout called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.

2. LATE ITEMS
NIL

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION R07/273

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MACDONALD

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR COATES

THAT the agenda be approved, with the addition of 5a) delegation from Sayward Futures Society.

CARRIED

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

a) Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held September 5, 2007

MOTION R07/274

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR COATES

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR SCHRADER

THAT the minutes of the regular meeting under item 5c) be corrected from the Port of Kelsey Bay to the Village of Kelsey Bay and that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on September 5, 2007 be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

5. PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

a) **Sayward Futures Society**

- Sheila Rowe and Vidonna Chauvin, representatives for the Sayward Futures Society, answered questions on their request for a permissive tax exemption. Agenda item 7.f)ii moved forward to 5a)

MOTION R07/275

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MACDONALD

SECONDED BY MAYOR SPROUT

THAT the proposed tax exemption Bylaw #366, 2007 be revised to a two year term from a five year term, and

THAT the revised Bylaw be placed on the Council agenda of Oct 3, 2007.

CARRIED

OPPOSED BY COUNCILLOR SCHRADER

6. CORRESPONDENCE

a) **Catherine Bell – Member of Parliament – Vancouver Island North**

MOTION R07/276

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MACDONALD

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR COATES

THAT the letter be received for information.

CARRIED

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) **Public Safety, Health & Community Services - Coates**

Issues: Public Health, Emergency Planning, Recreation, Ambulance & Education.

i) **Kelsey Centre Recreation Commission - Coates**

b) **Economic Development, Tourism & Community Sustainability -**

MacDonald/Sprout Issues: Economic Development & Waterfront, Tourism and Sayward Futures Society.

i) **Economic Development & Waterfront, Tourism and Sayward Futures Society - MacDonald/Sprout**

Councillor MacDonald provided information on the upcoming VIEDA meeting October the 10th in Parksville. Mayor Heather Sprout will attend in Councillor MacDonald's place.

ii) **MIFLAG -Sprout**

iii) **Harbour Authority – MacDonald**

MOTION R07/277

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR COATES

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MACDONALD

THAT Councillor Schrader be appointed as Councillor MacDonald's alternate for the Harbour Authority.

CARRIED

- c) **Finance, Planning, Priorities and Community Operations** - Sprout, Coates, MacDonald

Issues: Finance, Personnel, Budget, Parks, Public Works, First Nations, Communications, Environment, Water & Sewer, Fire, Police.

i) **Statement of Revenue and Expenditures**

MOTION R07/278

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR COATES

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MACDONALD

THAT The August 31, 2007 Statement of Revenue Expenditures be received.

CARRIED

ii) **List of cheques issued for August**

MOTION R07/279

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MACDONALD

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR SCHRADER

THAT the August list of Cheques be received.

CARRIED

- d) **Vancouver Island Regional Library** – Coates

i) Upcoming meeting in Nanaimo September 22, 2007
Councillor Coates will be attending.

- e) **Regional District** - Sprout/MacDonald

i) Mayor Heather Sprout reported on a presentation given by Dave Mitchell regarding Fire Innovation and the problems faced with recruitment, training standards, identification and boundaries for volunteer firefighters.

ii) Mayor Heather Sprout reported on a presentation given by Beaufort Energy Solutions, on a private public partnership to provide a waste energy power plant, using methane produced from landfills.

f) Miscellaneous

NIL

i) Mayor's Report

NIL

ii) CAO's Reports

A) Playground Inspection report

Mr. Tim Richards of Expert Access Consulting made a presentation to Council on his recent playground inspection and report.

MOTION R07/280

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR COATES

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR SCHRADER

THAT Council refer the costs and timetable to replace or upgrade the playground in Khusam Park to the 2008 budget, and

THAT the two slides in the park be removed as soon as possible.

CARRIED

B) Local Motion Program Grant Request

MOTION R07/281

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MACDONALD

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR COATES

THAT staff advise the Ministry of Community Services that the Village of Sayward withdraws the application for the Hiking Trail project for the Local Motion Grant.

C) Permissive Tax Exemption – Sayward Futures

CAO report discussed under item 5a)

D) Changing the Village of Sayward's Name

MOTION R07/282

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MACDONALD

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR SCHRADER

THAT Council approves the question that will appear on a ballot at the time of the November by-election regarding a change in the Village of Sayward's name.

CARRIED

MOTION R07/283

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR COATES

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR SCHRADER

THAT Jody Atchison write an article for the Sayward News giving reasons of support for the name change of the Village of Sayward, to the Village of Kelsey Bay.

CARRIED

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Change of speed limit on Highway 19A. CAO will make another call to the Ministry of Transportation.

9. NEW BUSINESS

NIL

10. BYLAWS

NIL

11. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD (maximum 15 minutes

Raymond Martell - #305-611 MacMillian Dr.

1)When is there going to be a proper budget set up for the children of this community, in regards to a safe playground?

answer – We are looking into this and it will be included in the in the 2008 budget, and Council passed a resolution to that effect earlier in the agenda.

Barb Crack – 846 Sayward Rd.

2) Is there an extra cost for the question of name change on the ballot?

answer – the direct cost would be of the printing of the ballot. There will be indirect cost's in staff time.

- Related question – Why doesn't Council just decide on the name change for the Village of Sayward?

answer –Council would like to know what the community's preference is in a name change.

Barb Moncrief – 171 Balsam St.

3) Has Council ever considered the possibility of charging a fee for the fire truck to go out to a chimney fire, especially if the truck has gone out to one particular house more than one time?

- The CAO answered - it is something we can look into.

Raymond Martell - #305-601 MacMillian Dr.

4) What is being done to re-open the pool?

- Mayor Heather Sprout answered - There is no available funds at this time to re-open the pool.

Barb Moncrief – 171 Balsam St.

5) Will staff look into the cost for the playground prior to the budget?

- The CAO answered – Council passed a motion to that effect earlier in the agenda.

12. **TERMINATION** – The regular meeting of Council was terminated at 8:50 pm.

a) Resolution to Convene to In-Camera Meeting.

MOTION R07/284

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR COATES

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR SCHRADER

THAT the Council of the Village of Sayward adjourns the Regular Meeting at 8:50 pm and that the meeting be closed to the public and converted to in-camera under Section 90(1) (a) of the Community Charter to deal with matters relating to the following: Personnel

CARRIED

MAYOR

CAO
