

Minutes of a Regular Council Meeting held in the City Hall Council Chambers, Courtenay B.C., on Monday, February 13, 2012 at 4:00 p.m.

Attending:

Mayor: L. V. Jangula
Councillors: J. K. Ambler
B. F. Anglin
D. A. Hillian
M. Theos
S. L. Winchester

Staff:

Sandy Gray, CAO
J. Ward, Director of Legislative Services
K. Lagan, Director of Operational Services
R. Wiwchar, Director of Community Services
P. Crawford, Director of Planning Services
E. Ferguson, Planning Technician
A. Gornall, Sustainability Planner

1.00 ADOPTION OF MINUTES

.01 Moved by Ambler and seconded by Hillian that the February 6,
MINUTES 2012 Council meeting minutes be adopted.
Carried

3.00 DELEGATIONS

1. Alex Turner, C.V. Council of Canadians re: Canada-European Union: Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) Negotiations

Alex Turner reviewed the CETA negotiations currently underway and requested that Council pass a resolution expressing concerns regarding the proposed agreement.

Moved by Hillian and seconded by Ambler that

WHEREAS the government of Canada and the European Union have been negotiating a trade agreement known as the Comprehensive Economic Trade Agreement (CETA);

AND WHEREAS the European Union and EU based corporations are insisting on unobstructed access to procurement by sub-national governments including municipalities, school boards, universities, hospitals and other provincial agencies which could significantly reduce or eliminate the right to specify local priorities when public money is invested in goods, services, or capital projects;

AND WHEREAS Canadian municipalities have expressed growing concerns with trade agreements and their potential impacts on municipal programs and services and local autonomy;

AND WHEREAS unobstructed access to Canadian municipal procurement by both EU and Canadian corporations, combined with investment protections in CETA on government concessions related to transit, water, electricity and other social services delivered locally may encourage privatization and reduce development options for local communities;

AND WHEREAS the provincial and territorial governments have been actively involved in negotiating CETA with the European Union;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Courtenay request:

- A briefing from the British Columbia government on the scope and content of trade negotiations with the European Union, including the details of its procurement, services and investment offers to the EU;
- The Federation of Canadian Municipalities provide a sector by sector analysis of the potential impacts on municipal functions and powers of procurement regime that the European Union is seeking, and which already exists in the WTO Agreement on Government Procurement;
- The Federation of Canadian Municipalities urge the Government of Canada not to provide the European Union with access to sub-national government procurement;
- The government of British Columbia negotiate a clear, permanent exemption for local governments from CETA;
- The federal government be contacted to provide a response to the position of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities; and
- That this resolution be sent to Vancouver Island North MP John Duncan, Comox Valley MLA Don McRae, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, and the Union of BC Municipalities for consideration and response.

.01 MOTION TO POSTPONE
Moved by Anglin and seconded by Theos that the above resolution be postponed for 30 days to allow for the preparation of a staff report.
Carried with Councillors Hillian and Winchester opposed

4.00 COMMITTEE/STAFF REPORTS

.01 COSTCO WHOLESALE NOISE ISSUES 4020-20
Moved by Hillian and seconded by Ambler that the report from the Director of Development Services regarding Costco Wholesale noise attenuation measures be received for information.
Carried

.02
5TH STREET
BRIDGE STRUCTURAL
WORKS
5400-20

Moved by Winchester and seconded by Anglin that the report on the 5th Street Bridge from the Director of Operational Services be received for information; and

That Council, as authorized under Section 180(3) of the Community Charter and subject to approval by the Inspector of Municipalities, approve that funds borrowed under the “Capital Infrastructure Projects Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 2227, 2002” for the purpose of repainting the 5th Street bridge, be now utilized for the purpose of undertaking rehabilitation works on the 5th Street bridge.

Carried

6.00 REPORTS FROM COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

COUNCILLOR AMBLER Councillor Ambler reviewed his attendance at Regional District meetings.

COUNCILLOR THEOS Councillor Theos reviewed his attendance at Regional District meetings.

COUNCILLOR WINCHESTER Councillor Winchester outlined her attendance at Regional District meetings.

MAYOR JANGULA Mayor Jangula reviewed his attendance at meetings with various community members and groups.

9.00 NOTICE OF MOTION

COUNCILLOR HILLIAN Councillor Hillian provided a notice of motion regarding internet streaming of Council meetings, to be included on the February 20, 2012 Council meeting agenda.

12.00 COUNCIL MEMBER ROUND TABLE

COUNCILLOR ANGLIN Councillor Anglin reviewed his attendance at the Healthy Families BC event.

COUNCILLOR THEOS Councillor Theos reviewed his attendance at the Healthy Families BC event.

COUNCILLOR AMBLER Councillor Ambler reviewed his attendance at the new Discovery Visitors Centre.

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MAYOR JANGULA Mayor Jangula reviewed his attendance at the Lunar New Years Fundraiser in Cumberland.

13.00 ADJOURNMENT

.01 Moved by Theos and seconded by Hillian that the meeting now adjourn at 5:08 p.m.
Carried

CERTIFIED CORRECT

Manager of Corporate Administration

Adopted this 20th day of February, 2012

Mayor