

DISTRICT OF SOOKE

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council
held in the Council Chamber
at 2225 Otter Point Road, Sooke, BC
on July 27, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

COUNCIL PRESENT

Mayor Janet Evans
Councillor Sheila Beech
Councillor David Bennett
Councillor Bev Burger
Councillor Ron Dumont
Councillor Herb Haldane
Councillor Maja Tait

STAFF PRESENT

Dave Devana, Acting Chief Administrative Officer
Bonnie Sprinkling, Corporate Officer
Gerald Christie, Director of Planning
Al Fontes, Director of Engineering
Steve Sorensen, Fire Chief
Bill Hadikin, Head of Building and Bylaw Services
Tara Johnson, Planner

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Evans called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOVED and seconded to approve the agenda as circulated.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOVED and seconded that the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on July 13, 2009 be adopted as amended.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES FOR INFORMATION

MOVED and seconded that minutes the following minutes be received for information:

June 17, 2009	Sign Bylaw Review Committee
June 18, 2009	Board of Variance
July 7, 2009	Protective Services Committee with amendments
July 8, 2009	Sooke Economic Development Commission with amendments
July 9, 2009	Sooke Program of the Arts Committee
July 15, 2009	Protective Services Committee
July 16, 2009	Board of Variance

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council requested that Evan Parliament, CAO provide them with the update he provided the Sooke EDC at the July 8, 2009 meeting (Minutes Page 2, Item 6).

DELEGATIONS

D-1 Mark McLaughlin, Crystal Meth Society of BC – presentation and request for financial support

Mark McLaughlin gave a presentation and Council viewed a realistic video on Crystal Meth:

- what it is and its production and sale in communities – drug labs
- how it adversely affects the user and easily becomes addictive, targets the youth

Also in attendance, the President of Crystal Meth Society of BC and two student volunteers Ashley Horton, UVic and Crystal Cummings, Camosun College.

The Crystal Meth Society of BC requires funding to continue their school and community Crystal Meth educational program. Mr. McLaughlin invited Council to attend one of the Society's presentations in a local school.

MOVED and seconded to provide \$1500 to the Crystal Meth Society of BC from the Council contingency fund.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

BA-1 Sooke Program of the Arts Committee Recommendations – July 9, 2009

MOVED and seconded to authorize Sooke Program for the Arts to proceed with two new hydro box graffiti wraps at a cost of \$920 plus applicable taxes expenditure from the SPA Reserve Fund.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC QUESTION AND COMMENT PERIOD

Lee Hendricks, Henlyn Drive, stated that having served on the PAC two years ago and now working with the Juan de Fuca Emergency Preparedness Society, that something more needs to be done to merge or coordinate the JDFEPS with the District of Sooke emergency operations.

Ida MacDonald, Parkland, on behalf of Sooke Fall Fair, spoke in support of the Community Grant Funding request for funding for flag people.

Lee Hendricks, Henlyn Drive, expressed her support for forming a green committee.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND RELATED BYLAWS

Mayor Evans advised that any person who believes that their interest in property is affected by the proposed bylaws would be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard or to present written submissions at the public hearings and opened the Public Hearings at 7:40 pm.

PH-1 Bylaw No. 391, Zoning Amendment Bylaw (270-53) – 2075 Otter Point

Councillor Dumont left the meeting at 7:42 pm stating that his son owns 2075 Otter Point Road.

Tara Johnson gave an overview of the rezoning application for 2075 Otter Point Road.

Mayor Evans called three times for submissions. Hearing none, she closed the public hearing at 7:47 pm.

MOVED and seconded that Bylaw No. 391, *Zoning Amendment Bylaw (270-53)* be read a third time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Dumont returned to the meeting at 7:47 pm.

PH-2 Bylaw No. 382, Zoning Amendment Bylaw (270-50) – Lot 3, SilverSpray

Tara Johnson gave an overview of the rezoning application for Lot 3, Silver Spray.

Michael Thornton gave an update on the resort property; an Alberta company offered to purchase the destination resort zoned property last year and with the economy change, the project has been delayed. The Lot 3 will be added to the purchase agreement.

Lee Hendricks, Henlyn Drive, asked a question about waste water and rainwater which has to be dealt with on site.

Victor Wehmann, expressed his support of the Silver Spray rezoning application.

Mayor Evans called three times for submissions. Hearing none, she closed the public hearing at 7:57 pm.

MOVED and seconded that Bylaw No. 382, *Zoning Amendment Bylaw (270-50)* be read a third time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORTS REQUIRING ACTION

RA-1 Community Grant – Sooke Fall Fair Association – reallocation of grant funding

MOVED and seconded to allocate \$400 in addition to the \$2,327.50 from the Community Grant funding to the Sooke Fall Fair Association for traffic control on Eustace and Shields Road.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RA-2 CVRD Emergency Management Agreement Renewal

MOVED and seconded to approve the renewal of the Emergency Management Agreement with the Cowichan Valley Regional District;
AND THAT the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to sign the Emergency Management Agreement.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

RI-1 Fire Department – Quarterly Report

MOVED and seconded to receive the Fire Department Quarterly report for information.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RI-2 RCMP – Monthly Report (June)

MOVED and seconded to receive the RCMP Monthly Report (June) for information.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RI-3 Finance Department - Financial Forecast Report

Dave Devana advised that revenues have increased since the date of the report and that he is confident that we will meet our revenue targets.

MOVED and seconded to receive the Finance Department - Financial Forecast Report for information.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Evans read and submitted her written Mayor's Report.

Councillor Bennett read and submitted his written report.

Councillor Tait read and submitted her written report.

Councillor Dumont reported that he sold pizzas for the Transition House at the Sooke Philharmonic Fling and that the Library Board is contacting local governments advising that they are concerned that they are not getting any grant funding from the Province and that they need local government to send letters of support.

Councillor Beech reported that she attend the Caffery Road dedication and the T'Sou-ke Solar

CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRING ACTION

- C-1 Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities – Possible Hosting of 2012 Convention**

MOVED and seconded to offer our community as host for the 2012 AVICC Convention.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- C-2 BC Recreation and Parks Association – Request for letter of support**

MOVED and seconded to send letter of support to the Province as to funding for the BC Recreation and Parks Association for recreation infrastructure renewal in British Columbia.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BYLAWS

- B-1 Bylaw No. 410, *Zoning Amendment Bylaw (270-58)* - 6962 West Coast Road**

Gerald Christie gave an overview of the rezoning application. Council discussed:

- what this type of development brings to this area
- future road connections to Grant Road

MOVED and seconded that Bylaw No. 410, *Zoning Amendment Bylaw (270-58)* be introduced and read a first time.

CARRIED

Councillor Dumont opposed the Motion

MOVED and seconded that Bylaw No. 410, *Zoning Amendment Bylaw (270-58)* be read a second time.

CARRIED

Councillor Dumont opposed the Motion

MOVED and seconded to schedule a Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 410, *Zoning Amendment Bylaw (270-58)* in accordance with the *Local Government Act* and *Community Charter* notice requirements.

CARRIED

Councillor Dumont opposed the Motion

- B-2 Bylaw No. 413, *Sooke Town Centre Revitalization Amendment Bylaw (408-1)***

MOVED and seconded that Bylaw No. 413, *Sooke Town Centre Revitalization Amendment Bylaw (408-1)* be introduced and read a first time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED and seconded that Bylaw No. 413, *Sooke Town Centre Revitalization Amendment Bylaw (408-1)* be read a second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED and seconded that Bylaw No. 413, *Sooke Town Centre Revitalization Amendment Bylaw (408-1)* be read a third time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B-3 Bylaw No. 414, *Zoning Amendment Bylaw (270-61)*

Gerald Christie gave a presentation on the proposed zoning text amendments.

MOVED and seconded to accept the proposed amendment to Bylaw No. 270, *Sooke Zoning Bylaw, 2006*, to allow 'Duplex, where three or more dwelling units are proposed' as a permitted use in the following zones: Low Density Multi Family Residential Zone (RM-2), Medium Density Multi Family Residential Zone (RM-3), and High Density Multi Family Residential Zone (RM-4).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED and seconded to accept the proposed amendment to Bylaw No. 270, *Sooke Zoning Bylaw, 2006*, to include a definition for 'Row House' and to allow 'Row House' as a permitted use in the following zones: Low Density Multi Family Residential Zone (RM-2), Medium Density Multi Family Residential Zone (RM-3), and High Density Multi Family Residential Zone (RM-4)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED and seconded to accept the proposed amendment to Bylaw No. 270, *Sooke Zoning Bylaw, 2006*, to include the proposed amendment to the definition of 'LOT COVERAGE'.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED and seconded to accept the proposed amendment to Bylaw No. 270, *Sooke Zoning Bylaw, 2006*, to include provisions for 'HAZARDOUS FENCING'.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Julie Wilson, resident of District of Sooke, spoke as to the dangers of razor wire fences in residential neighbourhoods.

Liz Kreeft stated that the razor wire he was concerned about could possibly be on municipal or Crown land.

MOVED and seconded that Bylaw No. 414, *Zoning Amendment Bylaw (270-61)* be introduced and read a first time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED and seconded that Bylaw No. 414, *Zoning Amendment Bylaw (270-61)* be read a second time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED and seconded to schedule a Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 414, *Zoning Amendment Bylaw (270-61)* in accordance with the *Local Government Act* and *Community Charter* notice requirements.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NOTICES OF MOTION

NM-1 NOTICE OF MOTION Councillor Maja Tait:

MOVED and seconded that Council review and discuss the status of the District of Sooke's Emergency Plan.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Update provided by Bill Hadikin, Head of Building and Bylaw Services.

- A working Municipal Emergency Plan is in place that meets Provincial requirements
- Cooperation with regional and school district emergency services - plans to be integrated
- Weak in emergency social services; training and coordination of volunteers required

Councillor Tait expressed her concern that the emergency plan is not known to the public and with the increased growth in the community, that the municipality should build public awareness as to emergency measures.

NM-2 NOTICE OF MOTION Councillor Maja Tait:

MOVED and seconded to direct staff to bring back a report on the creation of a District of Sooke "Green Team" committee to develop and implement strategies under the Climate Action Chart.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NOTICE OF MOTION Councillor Herb Haldane

1. **THAT COUNCIL** consider changing the lot sizes for duplexes to 600m² from 800 m² in the sewer area. This will help the affordable housing portion of the OCP.
2. **THAT COUNCIL** consider developing an incentive program for new green residential homes (solar power, Leed certified, etc.) in all zones within the District of Sooke.

NOTICE OF MOTION Councillor Ron Dumont

1. **THAT COUNCIL** discuss the issue of people crossing private property (short-cuts) such as at Ayre Manor without permission.

MOTION TO CLOSE THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

MOVED and seconded to close the meeting at 9:54 pm to the public under section 90 of the *Community Charter* to discuss 90 (1) (e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED and seconded to extend the meeting past 10:00 pm.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 p.m.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Certified Correct:

Janet Evans
Mayor

Bonnie Sprinkling
Corporate Officer