

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF
PORT EDWARD, HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL HALL ON TUESDAY,
JUNE 25, 2019**

PRESENT:

COUNCIL

Mayor Knut Bjorndal, Chair
Councillor: Dan Franzen, Murray Kristoff, Christine
Mackenzie and James Brown

ADMINISTRATION:

Polly Pereira, Director of Corporate Services
Lorraine Page, Director of Finance Services

MEDIA IN ATTENDANCE:

Jenna Cocullo, The Northern View

OTHER:

Moe Berrigan, Port Edward Resident
Jason Giesbrecht and Family

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Knut Bjorndal called the Meeting to order at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, June 25, 2019.

AGENDA:

19-121 Moved by: Councillor Franzen
Seconded by: Councillor Brown

THAT the Agenda dated June 25, 2019 be amended to include item 5f; and

FURTHER THAT the agenda be adopted as amended.

Carried Unanimously

MINUTES:

19-122 Moved by: Councillor Kristoff
Seconded by: Councillor Franzen

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council dated June 11, 2019 be
adopted as presented.

Carried Unanimously

BUSINESS ARISING:

PETITIONS AND/OR DELEGATION:

- a) **Jason Giesbrecht, Port Edward Fire Chief**
RE: Port Edward Fire Department Update

The Fire Chief thanked Council for sending the Deputy Fire Chief and himself to the BC Fire Chief Conference.

To date the Fire Department has responded to 29 incidents, they have 11 members and possibly one more is coming onboard. The Fire Chief also mentioned the training they have participating in provided by AltaGas and he also mentioned the training that will be taking place in Colorado in the Fall.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- a) **Moe Berrigan, Secretary, Port Edward Community Garden**
RE: Community Garden

19-123 Moved by: Councillor Franzen
Seconded by: Councillor Kirstoff

THAT the letter dated June 5, 2019 requesting Council to donate land for the community garden be received and filed; and

FURTHER THAT the Community Garden Club make a presentation to Council with potential options.

Carried Unanimously

- b) **Norm Craddock, Chairman, Lighthouse Harbour Ministries Prince Rupert**
RE: Financial Support

19-124 Moved by: Councillor Franzen
Seconded by: Councillor Kirstoff

THAT the letter received June 14, 2019 requesting Council to make a contribution towards roof repairs on the Seafarers Mission building be received and filed; and

FURTHER THAT Council will contribute two hundred dollars towards the repairs.

Carried Unanimously

- c) **Lynn Hall, Mayor, City of Prince George**
RE: Regional Collaboration on Evacuee Emergency Support Services

19-125 Moved by: Councillor Franzen
Seconded by: Councillor MacKenzie

THAT the letter dated June 6, 2019 regarding a new model to deal with Regional collaboration on evacuee Emergency Support Services be received and filed.

Carried Unanimously

- d) **Darnelda Seigers, Mayor, District of Sechelt**
Warren Paull, hiwus, shishalh Nation
Lori Pratt, Chair, Sunshine Coast Regional District
Bill Beamish, Mayor, Town of Gibson
RE: Fentanyl Crisis in BC

19-126 Moved by: Councillor Franzen
Seconded by: Councillor MacKenzie

THAT the letter June 5, 2019 regarding the prevention of overdose by providing training be received and filed.

Carried Unanimously

- e) **Honourable Selina Robinson, Minister, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing**
RE: Homelessness in Maple Ridge

19-127 Moved by: Councillor Brown
Seconded by: Councillor Franzen

THAT the letter dated June 19, 2019 responding to our letter regarding the concerns over the Maple Ridge Homelessness situation be received and filed.

Carried Unanimously

- f) **Gitmaxmak'ay Nisga'a PR/PE Society**
RE: Sponsorship Request

19-128 Moved by: Councillor Brown
Seconded by: Councillor Kristoff

THAT the letter dated June 20, 2019 requesting Council to support the Canoe Journey Arrival Celebration be received and filed; and

FURTHER THAT Council will contribute five hundred dollars towards this event.

Carried Unanimously

REPORTS:

- a) **Lorraine Page, Director of Finance**
RE: 2018 Statement of Financial Information

19-129 Moved by: Councillor Kristoff
Second by: Councillor MacKenzie

THAT the Memorandum from Lorraine Page, Director of Finance be accepted as submitted; and

WHEREAS under the Financial Information Act a Statement of Financial Information must be submitted to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing along with a copy of the Audited Financial Statements; and

WHEREAS attached schedule A shows the Remuneration and Expenses paid to Employees, schedule B shows our Debt, schedule C shows the list of suppliers exceeding \$25,000, schedule D shows the Permissive Tax Exemption and schedule E shows the Building Permit Summary Report.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council passes a motion accepting the report as presented.

Carried Unanimously

- b) **Polly Pereira, Director of Corporate Administrative Services**
RE: Council Action Items

19-130 Moved by: Councillor Brown
Seconded by: Councillor Kristoff

THAT the Action Items Report from Polly Pereira, Director of Corporate Administrative Services be accepted as submitted; and

WHEREAS Council wishes to recruit a volunteer to look after the Emergency Social Services for Port Edward; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council accepts the Council Action Items as presented.

Carried Unanimously

COMMUNITY REPORTS:

Councillor Dan Franzen

-Attended the North Coast Regional District Board meeting held at North Pacific Cannery

BYLAWS:

NEW BUSINESS:

a) **Council**
 RE: Diana Lake

19-131 Moved by: Councillor Kristoff
 Seconded by: Councillor Mackenzie

THAT Council made a motion to send a letter to the Dam Safety Branch to inquire as to when will the clean-up of the Diana Lake dam is anticipated by the City of Prince Rupert.

Carried Unanimously

COUNCIL DISCUSSION:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mayor Knut Bjorndal presented Jason Giesbrcht with a 20 year Exemplary Medal of Service for being a volunteer with the Port Edward Fire Department. Council also presented him with a gift for the support he offers our community.

ADJOURNMENT:

19-132 On a motion by Councillor Kristoff the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm on Tuesday, June 25, 2019.

Carried Unanimously

CERTIFIED CORRECT

Mayor

Director of Corporate Administrative Services