

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF CENTRAL SAANICH

Minutes of the **ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE COMMITTEE** Meeting
Monday, October 27, 2008, at 9:44 p.m.
Central Saanich Municipal Council Chamber

PRESENT: Councillor John Garrison, Chair
Mayor Jack Mar, Councillors Bryson, Graham, King, and Thompson
Gary C. Nason, Administrator
Sara C. Ribeiro, Municipal Clerk

ABSENT: Councillor Mason

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

1201.08 MOVED BY MAYOR MAR
NO SECONDER
That the Agenda for the Administration & Finance Committee Meeting held on October 27, 2008, be approved as distributed.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1. Staff Memorandum

- a) Staff Memorandum dated October 22, 2008, from the Director of Financial Services entitled "Saanich Peninsula Chamber of Commerce"

The Administrator overviewed the Staff Memorandum and responded to questions from Council.

Ms. Eileen Leddy, Saanich Peninsula Chamber of Commerce, spoke to the project and the unsuccessful grant application from MRIF. She noted the proposal to build washroom facilities at the Visitor Information Centre.

A brief discussion occurred between Committee.

1202.08 MOVED BY MAYOR MAR
NO SECONDER
That it be recommended to Council:

That the Staff Memorandum dated October 22, 2008, from the Director of Financial Services entitled "Saanich Peninsula Chamber of Commerce" be received, and Council indicate that it is supportive of the request of the Saanich Peninsula Chamber of Commerce that the Phase I Community Tourism Program Funding allocation to the Chamber be extended for a period of six months to permit the Chamber adequate time to complete the construction of a public washroom facility at the existing Visitor Information Centre on the Pat Bay Highway.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Council Remuneration

The Administrator overviewed the new materials for Committee, noting recent decisions on Council remuneration from the District of Sooke and the District of North Saanich.

A lengthy discussion occurred between Committee on the different options for Council remuneration based on a per capita rate or an average of comparable municipalities.

D Wilson, Resident, spoke to his experience on calculating Council remuneration, noting flaws in the per capita calculation.

A brief discussion occurred between Committee.

1203.08 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR GRAHAM
NO SECONDER
That it be recommended to Council:

That Council endorse a one time adjustment in the remuneration levels paid to both the Mayor and Councillors on the basis of the BC Stats Population Figures and Per Capita Average data as set-out in the materials provided by the Director of Financial Services, with an annual Consumer Price Index (CPI) adjustment to be implemented, and with it to be recommended to the new incoming Council that a comprehensive review of Council remuneration levels be undertaken during the term of the new Council's mandate.

DEFEATED
OPPOSED: COUNCILLOR KING

1204.08 ***MOTION TO EXTEND THE MEETING PAST 10:30 P.M. ***
MOVED BY COUNCILLOR THOMPSON
NO SECONDER
That the Administration & Finance Committee Meeting of October 27, 2008, be authorized to extend past 10:30 p.m.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1205.08 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR THOMPSON
NO SECONDER
That it be recommended to Council:

That Council adopt a Council Remuneration Policy to compensate Councillors on the basis of the average salary paid to Councillors in the seven Capital Region municipalities of Sidney, North Saanich, Esquimalt, Oak Bay, Colwood, View Royal, and Sooke, with the Mayor to be paid a salary two times the average salary figure for Councillors pursuant to the historical practice of the District.

BEFORE THE QUESTION WAS CALLED, it was

1206.08 ***MOTION TO DEFER**
MOVED BY COUNCILLOR THOMPSON
NO SECONDER
That it be recommended to Council:

That further consideration of the foregoing motion be postponed to the next Regular Council Meeting when all members of Council are anticipated to be in attendance.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT:

On motion, the Administration & Finance Committee Meeting held on October 27, 2008, adjourned at 10:32 p.m.

Councillor John Garrison, Chair

Recorded By: Sara C. Ribeiro
Municipal Clerk