

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF CENTRAL SAANICH

Minutes of the **SPECIAL (OPEN) COUNCIL** Meeting
Monday, April 14, 2008, at 7:13 p.m.
Central Saanich Municipal Council Chamber

PRESENT: Mayor Jack Mar
Councillors Bryson, Garrison, Graham, King, Mason and Thompson
Gary C. Nason, Administrator
Rosalyn Tanner, Director of Financial Services
Hope V. Burns, Director of Planning & Building Services
Nirmal Bhattacharya, Municipal Engineer
Ruby Shea, Administrative Assistant

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

The Administrator, Mr. Gary C. Nason, advised that pursuant to direction previously given by Council, the proposed revised Terms of Reference for the Peninsula Agricultural Commission has been added as a late item to the agenda for Council's consideration.

387.08 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR GARRISON
 SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR GRAHAM
 *That the Agenda for the Special (Open) Council Meeting held on April 14, 2008,
 be approved as amended.*
 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

Standing Committees:

1. Special Administration & Finance Committee – April 9, 2008

1. Minutes of the Special Administration & Finance Committee Meeting held April 9, 2008

388.08 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR GARRISON
 SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MASON
 *That the Minutes of the Special Administration & Finance Committee Meeting
 held on April 9, 2008, be approved as circulated.*

389.08 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR KING
 SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BRYSON
 *That the Minutes of the Special Administration & Finance Committee Meeting
 held on April 9, 2008 be amended to indicate in the Minutes that Councillor King
 voted in favour of the motion to remove from the list of 2008 approved
 Supplementals the two Operational Supplementals totalling \$55,100 relating to
 additional temporary labour and materials for the Parks Maintenance Division
 and reprioritize the Supplementals to the 2009 calendar year.*

390.08 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR GRAHAM
 SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MASON
 *That further consideration of the foregoing motion be postponed pending
 clarification from Staff on the provisions in the Council Procedure Bylaw
 governing the recording of resolutions, Council member comments, and
 individual Council member voting.*
 CARRIED

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED ON THE MAIN MOTION, regarding approval of the Minutes of the April 9, 2008, Special Administration & Finance Committee Meeting, it was
CARRIED

2. Decisions With Respect to Status of Operational Supplementary Budget Requests Related to Additional Seven Months Temporary Labour and Additional Materials for Parks Maintenance Division

391.08 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR GARRISON
 SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR THOMPSON
That the following draft policy under Section 6.2.3 (Municipal Expenditure for Parks Open Space and Recreation) of the Draft Official Community Plan (OCP) document be forwarded to the OCP Update/Review Open House to be held on May 7, 2008 for the purposes of receiving further input from the public:

“Policy No. 4 – The upgrading of neighbourhood park open spaces be assigned a high priority over the development of all other levels of parks”

CARRIED

3. Scenarios and Costs Impacts for Additional Contributions to General Uncommitted Reserve Account

392.08 ***DEFEATED***
 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR GARRISON
 SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR GRAHAM
That Council authorize a contribution in 2008 to the General Reserve for Future Expenditures in the amount of \$175,000.

393.08 ***DEFEATED***
 AMENDMENT
 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR THOMPSON
 SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR GRAHAM
That the foregoing motion be amended to read “That Council authorize a contribution in 2008 to the General Reserve for Future Expenditures in the amount of \$230,000, comprising the afore-noted \$175,000 plus an additional \$55,000 representing the approximate cost of the two Parks Maintenance Operational Supplementals to be reprioritized to the 2009 calendar year”.

394.08 ***DEFEATED***
 AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT
 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BRYSON
 SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR KING
That the foregoing amendment be amended to read “That Council authorize a contribution in 2008 to the General Reserve for Future Expenditures in the amount of \$400,000, comprising the afore-noted \$175,000, plus an additional \$55,000 representing the approximate cost of the two Parks Maintenance Operational Supplementals to be reprioritized to the 2009 calendar year, plus an additional \$170,000.

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED ON THE AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT, it was
DEFEATED

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED ON THE AMENDMENT, it was
DEFEATED

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED ON THE MAIN MOTION, it was
DEFEATED

395.08 ***DEFEATED***
 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BRYSON
 SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR GRAHAM
That Council authorize a contribution in 2008 to the General Reserve for Future Expenditures in the amount of \$350,000
DEFEATED

396.08 ***DEFEATED***
MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BRYSON
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR GRAHAM
That Council authorize a contribution in 2008 to the General Reserve for Future Expenditures in the amount of \$230,000, comprising the afore-noted \$175,000 plus an additional \$55,000 representing the approximate cost of the two Parks Maintenance Operational Supplementals to be reprioritized to the 2009 calendar year.
DEFEATED

397.08 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR GARRISON
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR GRAHAM
That the 2008 Civic Referendum include a question or questions on the issue of financial sustainability and the District's Reserves.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Tax Policy and Tax Rates

398.08 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR GARRISON
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MASON
That Council endorse, for the 2008 taxation year, utilizing the 2007 Class Multiples / Ratios for General Municipal purposes as depicted in the spreadsheet entitled "Schedule of Tax Rates and Class Multiples for the 2008 Budget Year"

399.08 ***DEFEATED***
AMENDMENT
MOVED BY COUNCILLOR GRAHAM
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR KING
That the foregoing motion be amended to read "That Council endorse, for the 2008 taxation year, utilizing the 2005 Class Multiples / Ratios for General Municipal purposes".

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED ON THE AMENDMENT, it was
DEFEATED

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED ON THE MAIN MOTION, it was
CARRIED

5. 2008 Water and Sewer Utility Rates

400.08 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR GARRISON
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR GRAHAM
That the Staff Memorandum dated April 2, 2008, from the Director of Financial Services entitled "2008 Water and Sewer Utility Rates Bylaws" be received, and Council endorse Option 1 as depicted in the spreadsheets for both the Water and Sewer Utility Funds and:

1. *the sewer user rate be changed to \$0.8991 per cubic meter, and the minimum charge per period be increased to \$45.00 per billing period;*
2. *the Fixed Water Rate for users residing in Central Saanich be increased to \$46.00 per billing period;*
3. *the Fixed Water Charge for non-resident users be increased to \$96.00 per billing period'*
4. *the Water Consumption rate be increased to \$0.8461 per cubic meter; and,*
5. *Council forward the draft Utility Bylaw Amendment Bylaws to the next available Council Meeting for introduction and three readings*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR GARRISON
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MASON
That Staff be requested to bring forward for consideration in the 2009 Budget year possible scenarios based on an option whereby water rates would be based entirely on consumption, with the inclusion of an appropriate contingency amount to offset the impacts of reduced consumption that are beyond the District's direct control.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

401.08 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MASON
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BRYSON
That Council authorize a contribution in 2008 to the General Reserve for Future Expenditures in the amount of \$174,000.
CARRIED

Councillor Graham requested that his rationale for recommending the 2005 Class Multiples / Ratios for utilization in the 2008 taxation year be recorded in the Minutes with the rationale being that the 2005 Multiples use the same rate for the Light Industry, Business and Recreation / Non-profit property classes, acknowledging that they are all money making ventures and thus treating all three property classes equally.

BYLAWS:

For Consideration of First Three Readings:

1. "Central Saanich Waterworks Regulation Bylaw Amendment Bylaw No. 1615, 2008"

[A Bylaw to Amend Bylaw No. 1581, being a Bylaw to Regulate Connections to and Use of the District Waterworks System.]

402.08 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MASON
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR GRAHAM
That Bylaw No. 1615, cited as "Central Saanich Waterworks Regulation Bylaw Amendment Bylaw No. 1615, 2008" be authorized to receive three readings at the same meeting.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

403.08 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MASON
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR GRAHAM
That Bylaw No. 1615 be given first reading.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

404.08 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MASON
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR GRAHAM
That Bylaw No. 1615 be given second reading.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

405.08 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MASON
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR GRAHAM
That Bylaw No. 1615 be given third reading.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. "Central Saanich Sewer Fee Bylaw Amendment Bylaw No. 1616, 2008"

[A Bylaw to Amend Central Saanich Sewer Fee Bylaw No. 1101, 1993 as Amended by Bylaw No. 1580.]

406.08 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MASON
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR GRAHAM
That Bylaw No. 1616, cited as "Central Saanich Sewer Fee Bylaw Amendment Bylaw No. 1616, 2008" be authorized to receive three readings at the same meeting.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

407.08 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MASON
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR GRAHAM
That Bylaw No. 1616 be given first reading.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

408.08 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MASON
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR GRAHAM
That Bylaw No. 1616 be given second reading.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

409.08 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MASON
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR GRAHAM
That Bylaw No. 1616 be given third reading.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT:

On motion, the Regular Council Meeting held on April 14, 2008, adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Jack Mar
Mayor

Gary C. Nason
Administrator

Recorded by: Ruby Shea
Administrative Assistant