

VILLAGE OF PORT ALICE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Held Wednesday February 11, 2015 AT 7:00 PM in the Village Council Chambers

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Mayor Jan Allen
	Councillor Marnie Chase Councillor Christine Martin Councillor David Stewart Councillor Doug Worthington
ALSO PRESENT:	Madeline McDonald, Chief Administrative Officer Bonnie Danyk, Finance Officer

Mayor Allen called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

41/15 It was duly moved and seconded that the agenda be adopted as presented. **CARRIED**

DELEGATIONS: NONE

MINUTES:

42/15 It was duly moved and seconded that the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held January 14, 2014 be adopted as presented. **CARRIED**

OTHER MINUTES:

43/15 It was duly moved and seconded that the Minutes of the January 7, 2015 Recreation Committee Meeting be received and filed. **CARRIED**

44/15 It was duly moved and seconded that the Minutes of the January 8, 2015 Public Works Committee Meeting be received and filed. **CARRIED**

COMMUNICATIONS:

45/15 It was duly moved and seconded that the January 15, 2015 request for support from Canadian Union of Postal Workers be received and filed. **CARRIED**

46/15 It was duly moved and seconded that the January 16, 2015 support letter from MP Duncan re: Connecting Canadians Application be received and filed. **CARRIED**

47/15 It was duly moved and seconded that the 2014 Third Quarter Report for the Port Alice RCMP Detachment be received and filed. **CARRIED**

48/15 It was duly moved and seconded that the Village send a letter to the 50th Reunion Association approving their January 30th requests for the free use of Rooms 102/103, the banner poles at the entrance to the community and the shower facilities at the Arena, when the Arena is open. **CARRIED**

49/15 It was duly moved and seconded that the February 2, 2015 request from 50th Reunion Association regarding use of Village facilities be received and filed. **CARRIED**

50/15 It was duly moved and seconded that the Village send a letter to Island Health in support for the Port Alice Health Forum's request for increased physician coverage for Port Alice.
CARRIED Councillor Chase Abstained due to conflict of interest

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51/15 It was duly moved and seconded that the January 5, 2015 letter from Port Alice Health Forum be received and filed. **CARRIED**

52/15 It was duly moved and seconded that the Village endorse the reappointment of Dave Nelson to the Community Forest Board of Directors for a further two-year term. **CARRIED**

53/15 It was duly moved and seconded that the December 9, 2014 email from Dave Nelson regarding Community Forest Board Term Renewal be received and filed. **CARRIED**

REPORTS:

54/15 It was duly moved and seconded that the Mayor's Report for January 2014 be received and filed. **CARRIED**

55/15 It was duly moved and seconded that Tanya Spafford be appointed to the RDMW's Trail Marketing Committee. **CARRIED**

56/15 It was duly moved and seconded that the Chief Administrative Officer be approved to attend the Municipal Insurance Association Risk Management Conference April 16th and 17th, to be funded by the MIA Risk Management Grant Program. **CARRIED**

57/15 It was duly moved and seconded that the Emergency Coordinator Contract with Kevin Cameron be extended to April 30th, 2015 ;
And that the contract opportunity be locally advertised. **CARRIED**

58/15 It was duly moved and seconded that the CAO's Regular Report dated February 6, 2014 be received and filed. **CARRIED**

59/15 It was duly moved and seconded that the report regarding Proposed Groundwater Protection Guidelines be received and filed. **CARRIED**

The following motions of Council were passed in the February 11th, 2015 In-Camera Meeting of Council:

Motion # 36/15

It was duly moved and seconded that the Village conditionally accept the proposal from Abernethy Contracting for the wastewater treatment plant retrofit as described in the February 5th Abernethy proposal 'Port Alice Wastewater Moving Bed Biological Reactor (MBBR) Treatment Plant Upgrade', including the concrete pad for the clarifier, back up blower and meter pump and new blowers at a cost of \$536,307 plus tax, subject to funding and subject to the approval of the Ministry of Environment. **CARRIED**

Councillor Martin Opposed

Motion # 37/15

It was duly moved and seconded that the Village conditionally accept the proposal from Abernethy Contracting for the supply and installation of sludge dewatering equipment at a

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cost of \$166,590 plus tax, subject to funding and subject to the approval of the Ministry of Environment.

CARRIED

Councillor Martin Opposed

Motion # 38/15

It was duly moved and seconded that the Village apply for a Build Canada Grant in the amount of \$780,000 to fund the Port Alice Sewage Treatment Plant Upgrade;

AND THAT the \$260,000 Village Contribution be made from the existing Sewer Surplus.

CARRIED

Councillor Martin Opposed

60/15 It was duly moved and seconded that the February 6th Report regarding the Sewage Treatment Plant Retrofit Contract Award and Funding Application be received and filed.
CARRIED

61/15 It was duly moved and seconded that the January 2015 Accounts Payable Listing be received and filed.
CARRIED

62/15 It was duly moved and seconded that the January 2015 Summary of Revenue and Expenses be received and filed.
CARRIED

63/15 It was duly moved and seconded that the Fire Chief's Report for December 2014 be received and filed.
CARRIED

QUESTION PERIOD

Fire Chief Don Rethmeier advised the Council that Neucel Pulp Mill may not have an active fire department once the six-month shut down goes into effect, scheduled to begin later this month. Dave Pridham of the BC Ministry of Environment contacted the Fire Department to discuss the existing mutual aid agreement between the Village and Neucel. Don suggested that there is an expectation that the Village Volunteer Fire Department take on responsibility for emergency response at the mill site during the shut-down and voiced his concern that the Department is not adequately trained or resourced to undertake this.

ADJOURNMENT – Motion to adjourn at 8:00 p.m.

Certified Correct


Chief Administrative Officer


Mayor

Confirmed this 25th day of February, 2015