

VILLAGE OF PORT ALICE  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**  
HELD WEDNESDAY, 25 May, 2011  
AT 7:00 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT:                   G. Neely                   Mayor  
  A. Bazinet               Councillor  
  B. Lloyd                 Councillor  
  D. Martynyk             Councillor  
  D. Vye                  Councillor

MEMBERS ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT:                   G. Lind                   Chief Administrative Officer  
  K. Gervais               Director of Operations  
  D. Rethmeier             Fire Chief  
  K. Jorgenson             Port Alice Fire Department  
  B. Thompson             Spectator

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Neely

**ADDITIONS/ DELETIONS to the Agenda:**

**241/11**

It was duly moved and seconded that the May 25, 2011 Agenda be adopted; and further that the following items be added/deleted:

**Additions:-**

**Communications:**

#8) U.B.C.M., dated 17 May, 2011 re-RCMP Contract Renewal Negotiations

**Reports:**

**Chief Financial Officer:**

#1) Final Financial Statements for Year End 2010;  
#2) Audit Results & Communications.

**Deletions:**

**Reports:**

**Director of Operations:**

#1) Community Centre Upgrades – Change Order;

CARRIED

**DELEGATIONS:**

**Don Rethmeier, Fire Chief, Port Alice Fire Department**

Fire Chief, Don Rethmeier presented Council with a letter (undated) reporting that the Village's Rescue Truck has been weighed. It has been determined that once the truck is loaded with personnel it will exceed its legal GVW limit. On Tuesday, May 24<sup>th</sup> the members transferred equipment from the rescue truck to fire truck #2. Fire Chief Rethmeier indicated that response time using truck #2 would be slow because of design. Chief Rethmeier informed Council that he has been researching the cost of Rescue Trucks and indicated that a Ford 550 cab and chassis would be the most practical and economical way to go. The box for

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the truck would either be built or purchased separately. Council asked Chief Rethmeier if he has investigated the costs of a used rescue truck. His response was yes, but used equipment is expensive. Fire Fighter Kris Jorgenson presented Council with the following quotes for a new rescue vehicle:

Ford F550 (from Hub)	\$57,211.00 (plus taxes)
Ford is preferred for maint. reasons	(box not included)
Ford F450 (Express Custom Trailer)	\$126,574.00 (plus taxes)
	(box included)
Ford F550 (Express Custom Trailer)	\$ 49,752.00 – no box (plus taxes)
Dodge 4500(Express Custom Trailer)	\$ 47,023.00 – no box (plus taxes)
Dodge 5500(Express Custom Trailer)	\$49,025.00 – no box (plus taxes)

Chief Rethmeier reminded Council that the Department will volunteer to do the painting at the fire hall. It was agreed that any funds remaining in the budget line item would be transferred to reserve for the rescue truck. Chief Rethmeier indicated that he has done some research with respect to borrowing funds through the Municipal Finance Authority. Interest on a \$20,000.00 loan is at prime less one (1%) percent.

Chief Rethmeier asked Council for their direction with respect to road rescue now that the rescue truck is not usable. Council asked how much research has been done on a used vehicle. Chief Rethmeier once again stated that they are not cheap and appear to be twenty years and older. Manufacturing time for a new Rescue Truck is 36 weeks.

**Fire Department – Rescue Truck**

**242/11**

It was duly moved and seconded that staff review finances; and further that Chief Rethmeier and fire fighter Jorgenson be invited back to the next Regular Council meeting.

CARRIED

**Fire Chief Don Rethmeier and Fire Fighter Kris Jorgenson left the meeting at 7:25 p.m.**

**MINUTES from Council and Committees of Council**

**243/11**

It was duly moved and seconded that the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting, held 11 May, 2011 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

**BUSINESS ARISING from Minutes and Meetings- Nil**

**MINUTES from Other Organizations - Nil**

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**Incoming Mail Log**

**244/11**

It was duly moved and seconded that the Incoming Mail Log for the period of 9 May, 2011 to 19 May, 2011 be received.

CARRIED

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**Jan Allen – Marina Project – Public Call for Referendum**

**245/11**

It was duly moved and seconded that the communications from Jan Allen, dated 17 May, 2011 be received; and further that Ms Allen be invited as a delegate, to attend the June 22<sup>nd</sup> Regular Council meeting as a representative of the people who are requesting another referendum for the public marina. The Council Meeting will be relocated to the Community Centre Gymnasium in anticipation of the number of people interested in this subject. CARRIED

**Jonathan Flintoft – Western Forest Products 2011 Visit with Council**

**246/11**

It was duly moved and seconded that the communications from Jonathan Flintoft, Western Forest Products, dated 16 May, 2011 be received; and further that Mr. Flintoft be asked to attend the next the Regular Council meeting of June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2011. CARRIED

**Village of Slocan – Springer Creek Forest Products**

**247/11**

It was duly moved and seconded that the communications from the Village of Slocan, dated 18 May, 2011 be received; and further that Mayor Neely send a sympathetic letter of compassion and offer any advice that may provide the Village of Slocan with some hope for their future. CARRIED

**U.B.C.M. Member Release 17 May, 2011**

**248/11**

It was duly moved and seconded that the Member Release from U.B.C.M., dated 17 May, 2011 be received; and further that Port Alice request a position on the RCMP Contract Management Committee given our recent experience with policing service issues. CARRIED

**Receipt of Miscellaneous Communications**

**249/11**

It was duly moved and seconded that the communications from

1. Jan Allen, dated 13 May, 2011, Marina Project, Call for Referendum;
  2. Ida Chong, Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development, dated 6 May, 2011, re Response to Mayor Neely's letter dated 17 March, 2011;
  3. Lorne Fisher, Mayor District of Kent, dated 18 May, 2011, re Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee (LMTAC) Discussion Paper;
- be received and filed. CARRIED

**REPORTS**

**Chief Financial Officer**

**BDO Final Financial Statements for the Year Ending 2010**

**250/11**

It was duly moved and seconded that the Final Audited Financial Statements for the year ending 2010 be accepted. CARRIED

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**BDO Final Audit Results & Communications for Fiscal Year End 2010**

**251/11**

It was duly moved and seconded that the Final Audit Results & Communications for fiscal year ending 2010 be accepted. CARRIED

**Director of Operations - Nil**

**BYLAWS – Nil**

**NEW BUSINESS - Nil**

**QUESTION PERIOD**

**Beth Thompson – No questions asked.**

**Adjournment - 8:00 p.m.**

**251/11**

It was duly moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn to In-Camera (therefore, closed to the public) to deal with the following matters as per section 90 of the Community Charter:

[g] litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality

Certified Correct \_\_\_\_\_  
Chief Administrative Officer

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Mayor

Confirmed this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.