District of Maple Ridge

COUNCIL WORKSHOP

February 16, 2009

The Minutes of the Municipal Council Workshop held on February 16, 2009 at 10:30 a.m. in the Blaney Room of the Municipal Hall, 11995 Haney Place, Maple Ridge, British Columbia for the purpose of transacting regular Municipal business.

PRESENT

Elected Officials
Mayor E. Daykin
Councillor C. Ashlie
Councillor J. Dueck
Councillor A. Hogarth
Councillor L. King
Councillor C. Speirs

Appointed Staff
J. Rule, Chief Administrative Officer
M. Murray, General Manager of Community Development,
Parks and Recreation Services
P. Gill, General Manager Corporate and Financial Services
F. Quinn, General Manager Public Works and Development Services
J. Leeburn, Executive Director
A. Gaunt, Confidential Secretary

ABSENT
C. Marlo, Manager of Legislative Services
A. Gaunt, Confidential Secretary
G. Manson, Manager of Communications
S. Blue, Manager of Economic Development
A. Wood, Municipal Engineer

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1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved with the following addition:

4.5 Announcement from the Premier of British Columbia re: the RCMP
5.1 Albion Ferry - G. Mowatt
2. MINUTES

R/09-046
Minutes
February 2, 2009

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the Council Workshop Meeting of
February 2, 2009 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIE

Note: Mayor Daykin acknowledged the passing of RCMP Inspector Jim Wakely. He advised that the local RCMP detachment is working on putting together a memorial service for Inspector Wakely in Maple Ridge and details will be forthcoming.

3. PRESENTATIONS AT THE REQUEST OF COUNCIL

4. UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS

4.1 256th Street Sewer Extension Update

The Municipal Engineer gave a PowerPoint presentation providing an update on the status of the 256 Street sanitary sewer extension and outlining the next steps required to proceed with the project.

The Chief Administrative Officer provided information on the agreement between the District and the Provincial Government for the construction of a sanitary sewer extension that will accommodate the expansion of the two Provincial correctional institutions located in Maple Ridge.

R/09-047
256 Street Sewer
Extension Update

It was moved and seconded

That the update on the 256th Street Sewer Extension be received.

CARRIED

4.2 Economic Development Update
The Manager of Economic Development gave a PowerPoint presentation providing an update on the Economic Development Department, the services provided by the department and outlining the 2009 Work Plan.

4.3 LRSP Committee Meeting Update

Mayor Daykin reported on a Metro Vancouver Regional Planning Committee meeting. He advised that a report on Metro Vancouver’s Draft Regional Growth Strategy was presented at the meeting and advised on an “option” chosen by the Committee in the further development of the strategy. A copy of the draft Regional Growth Strategy will be provided to all members of Council.

The Director of Planning advised that she will ask for clarification from Metro Vancouver on the process to provide municipal input on the strategy.

4.4 LMLGA Resolutions

Resolutions for the Lower Mainland Local Government Association 2009 Annual General Meeting and Conference in May 2009 were discussed. The Corporate Officer advised on the timeline for the submission of resolutions.

Councillor Ashlie suggested that the Lower Mainland Local Government Association be encouraged to invite the British Columbia School Trustees Association to its upcoming events with the intent of building of a relationship between the two associations.

R/09-048
LMLGA Invitation To BC School Trustees Assoc

It was moved and seconded
That a letter be sent to the Lower Mainland Local Government Association (LMLGA) recommending that the LMLGA extend invitations to the British Columbia School Trustees Association Board of Directors to attend its annual convention.

CARRIED

4.5 Announcement from the Premier of British Columbia re: the RCMP

Mayor Daykin provided details of the announcement by Premier Gordon Campbell to dedicate significant monies toward an RCMP initiative to deal with the recent gang violence in British Columbia.
5. **CORRESPONDENCE**

5.1 **Albion Ferry - G. Mowatt**

Mayor Daykin referred to an e-mail dated February 11, 2009 from Mr. Graham Mowatt requesting a declaration of support from the District of Maple Ridge for the continuation of the Albion Ferry service and suggested that Council provide such a letter.

R/09-049
Albion Ferry Service

It was moved and seconded

That letters be sent to local MP Randy Kamp and to local MLAs Randy Hawes and Michael Sather supporting their efforts to pursue, along with Mr. Graham Mowatt, the continuation of the Albion Ferry in some form;

That the letters acknowledge Mr. Mowatt’s stated position that there will be no financial contribution required from the taxpayers of Maple Ridge; and further

That the letters also acknowledge the District of Maple Ridge’s past efforts to maintain the ferry service.

CARRIED

6. **BRIEFING ON OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST/QUESTIONS FROM COUNCIL** - Nil

7. **MATTERS DEEMED EXPEDIENT** - Nil

8. **ADJOURNMENT** - 12:15 p.m.

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E. Daykin, Mayor
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