

District of Maple Ridge

COUNCIL WORKSHOP

May 17, 2010

The Minutes of the Municipal Council Workshop held on May 17, 2010 at 9:00 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 M. Morden
Councillor C. Speirs

Appointed Staff

J. Rule, Chief Administrative Officer
P. Gill, General Manager Corporate and Financial Services
F. Quinn, General Manager Public Works and Development Services
J. Leeburn, Executive Director
C. Marlo, Manager of Legislative Services
A. Gaunt, Confidential Secretary

Other Staff as Required

GUEST

Darrell Pilgrim, Director,
Caring Place

T. Thompson, Manager of Financial Planning
A. Wood, Municipal Engineer
S. Wheeler, Director of Community Services
B. McDonald, Director of Licences, Permits and Bylaws
D. Hall, Planner
S. Blue, Manager of Strategic Economic Initiatives
S. Del Monte, Manager of Corporate Communications

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1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved as circulated.

2. MINUTES

R/2010-281
Minutes
May 3, 2010

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the Council Workshop Meeting of May 3, 2010 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

3. **PRESENTATIONS AT THE REQUEST OF COUNCIL - Nil**

4. **UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS**

4.1 **Salvation Army Family Emergency Shelter Facility at Municipal Owned House**

Staff report dated May 11, 2010 recommending that the request by the Salvation Army for use of a municipal rental property for a one year family emergency shelter pilot project be approved and that a community grant to subsidize the rental cost of the municipal house be approved.

The Director of Community Services reviewed the report. She advised that the Salvation Army is aware that use of this house will be temporary.

The Director of the Caring Place advised on the need for such a pilot project in the community, the monitoring plan for the proposed facility and the length of time families may remain at the house.

R/2010-282

Use of Municipal
Rental Property

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report dated May 11, 2010 titled "Salvation Army Family Emergency Shelter Facility at Municipal Owned House" be forwarded to the May 25, 2010 Council Meeting.

CARRIED

4.2 **Capital Works Update**

The Municipal Engineer provided a presentation on upcoming major capital priorities for the Engineering Department and reported on the status of current projects.

The Fire Department Community Safety Officer provided an update on the renovations of Fire Hall No. 1.

4.3 **Tourism Update**

The Manager of Strategic Economic Initiatives gave a PowerPoint presentation providing an update on tourism in Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows.

R/2010-283
Tourism Update

It was moved and seconded

That, under the tourism sector of Strategic Economic Initiatives, the committee explore in cooperation with Parks and Leisure Services and the Agricultural Fair Society the possibility of an RV and campground facility within the fairground area in Albion and other options.

CARRIED

Councillor Ashlie - OPPOSED

4.4 Emergency Program Overview

Verbal report by the Manager of Legislative Services and the Emergency Program Coordinator

The Emergency Program Coordinator reviewed the history of emergency planning in Maple Ridge. He highlighted emergency events which have occurred and how these were dealt with.

The Manager of Legislative Services provided a PowerPoint presentation reviewing the principles of Emergency Response, the British Columbia Emergency Response Management Strategy and how the strategy is followed and the roles of the various groups involved. She outlined the roles of the Emergency Management Program and the Joint Municipal Emergency Program Management Committee and advised on the 2010 Work Plan for the Emergency Program.

4.5 Cat Licensing

Staff report dated April 28, 2010 providing information on the issue of mandatory municipal licensing of cats.

The Director of Licences, Permits and Bylaws reviewed the report.

Note: Mayor Daykin left the meeting at 10:48 a.m. Councillor King chaired in his absence.

The Director of Licences, Permits and Bylaws advised on the practice of micro-chipping animals. He also advised that the majority of complaint calls to the District are related to dogs rather than cats.

Note: Mayor Daykin returned at 10:53 a.m. and resumed as Chair.

R/2010-284
Cat Licensing

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report dated April 28, 2010 titled “Cat Licencing” be received for information.

CARRIED

Councillor Ashlie, Councillor Morden – OPPOSED

4.6 Information on the Existing BingoPlex Facility at 11887 224 Street

Staff report dated May 12, 2010 providing information on the consultation process required under the Gaming Act to allow placement of slot machines at the existing BingoPlex on 224 Street.

The Chief Administrative Officer reviewed the report

R/2010-285
BingoPlex Facility
11887 224 Street

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report dated May 12, 2010 titled “Information on the Existing BingoPlex Facility at 11887 224 Street” be received for information.

CARRIED

4.7 Proposed Bylaw Amendments to Support Urban Beekeeping

Staff report dated May 11, 2010 requesting staff direction to prepare bylaw amendments and guidelines to allow beekeeping in urban areas.

The Planner reviewed the report.

R/2010-286
Urban Beekeeping

It was moved and seconded

That direction be given to staff to further explore the development of zoning bylaw amendments for beekeeping in the urban area of Maple Ridge; and further

That this motion be forwarded to the May 25, 2010 Council meeting for consideration.

CARRIED

5. ***CORRESPONDENCE*** - Nil

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

7. ***MATTERS DEEMED EXPEDIENT*** - Nil

8. ***ADJOURNMENT*** - 11:45 a.m.

E. Daykin, Mayor

Certified Correct

C. Marlo, Corporate Officer