

District of Maple Ridge

COUNCIL WORKSHOP

February 22, 2010

The Minutes of the Municipal Council Workshop held on February 22, 2010 at 9:30 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 M. Morden
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
C. Marlo, Manager of Legislative Services
A. Gaunt, Confidential Secretary
Other Staff as Required
D. Spence, Fire Chief and Director of Safety

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1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved with the addition of the following item:

4.4 Resolution to Union of British Columbia Municipalities ("UBCM")

2. MINUTES

R/2010-102
Minutes
February 15, 2010

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the Council Workshop Meeting of February 15, 2010 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

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

4. **UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS**

4.1 **Ambulance Response Times**

Staff report dated February 17, 2010 recommending that the letter outlining concerns with the emergency response ambulance capabilities in Maple Ridge be sent to the Minister of Health Services.

The Fire Chief reviewed the report.

R/2010-103

Ambulance

Response Times It was moved and seconded

That the Mayor be authorized to send the letter attached to the staff report dated February 17, 2010 concerning the lack of emergency ambulance capabilities in Maple Ridge.

CARRIED

4.2 **Request for Endorsement of letter from the Agricultural Advisory Committee to Metro Vancouver**

Report from Candace Gordon, Chair, Agricultural Advisory Committee recommending the endorsement of a letter from the Agricultural Advisory Committee to Metro Vancouver. *Deferred from the February 15, 2010 Council Workshop Meeting.*

R/2010-104

Endorsement of

Letter It was moved and seconded

That Council endorse the letter from the Agricultural Advisory Committee, dated February 8, 2010 as attached for forwarding to Metro Vancouver.

CARRIED

4.3 **Lower Mainland Local Government Association (“LMLGA”) Resolutions**

The Manager of Legislative Services advised that the deadline for resolutions to the Lower Mainland Local Government Association is March 26, 2010 and requested that Council members provide her with a list of resolutions they wish put forward.

Suggested topics for resolutions included:

- ambulance response times
- old covenants on properties
- long term leases

Councillor Speirs advised on an upcoming workshop to be held pertaining to Electoral Reform.

The Manager of Legislative Services addressed how resolutions are crafted and advised that all resolutions are brought before Council for discussion.

Mayor Daykin requested that additional items for the LMLGA be provided to the Manager of Legislative Services by the end of the week.

4.4 **Resolution to Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM)**

Councillor Hogarth advised on changes to the Provincial Building Code which resulted in allowing municipalities to require higher standards for accessible housing in multi-family projects. He expressed concern that these changes did not go far enough and asked whether further work could be done through Council or through the Maple Ridge Advisory Committee on Accessibility Issues.

The General Manager, Public Works and Development Services suggested that the Manager of Inspection Services present further information on the changes to the Building Code at an upcoming Workshop.

5. **CORRESPONDENCE** – Nil

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

7. ***MATTERS DEEMED EXPEDIENT***

8. ***ADJOURNMENT*** - 10:27 a.m.

E. Daykin, Mayor

Certified Correct

C. Marlo, Corporate Officer