

Corporation of the District of Maple Ridge

COUNCIL WORKSHOP

March 14, 2005

The Minutes of the Municipal Council Workshop held on March 14, 2005 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 K. Morse
Councillor E. Daykin
Councillor J. Dueck
Councillor C. Gordon
Councillor J. Harris
Councillor F. Isaac
Councillor C. Speirs

Appointed Staff

J. Rule, Chief Administrative Officer
T. Fryer, Municipal Clerk
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, Confidential Secretary
Other Staff as Required
J. Pickering, Director of Planning
J. Sorba, Director of Finance

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1. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

The agenda was approved as circulated.

2. **MINUTES**

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MOVED by Councillor Dueck
SECONDED by Councillor Isaac

**That the minutes of the Council Workshop Meeting of
February 28, 2005 be adopted as circulated.**

CARRIED

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

4. ***UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS***

4.1 **Smart Growth on the Ground**

The Director of Planning advised that a presentation of the concept plan is planned for Committee of the Whole on April 4, 2005. If so directed by Council the report would then proceed to the Council meeting of April 12 for approval in principle and for direction to staff to begin the implementation phase.

Council discussed the advisability of discussing the plan at a Council Workshop prior to forwarding it to Committee of the Whole.

ACTION REQUIRED

The Smart Growth on the Ground Concept Plan is to be presented at a Council Workshop prior to presentation at a Committee of the Whole meeting.

4.2 **Maple Ridge Sewer Rate Amending Bylaw No. 6298-2005**

Discussion of a staff report dated March 7, 2005 recommending that Bylaw No. 6298-2005 be given three readings.

The Director of Finance reviewed the report and displayed graphs comparing the long term impacts of retaining the increase at 4% or moving to a 6% increase. At 4% taxpayers would face significant increases in the future. He spoke of an initiative to introduce a pay per flow system but suggested this would be better addressed at a later date by the Municipal Engineer.

4.3 **Clock Lifecycle Repair**

Staff report dated March 9, 2005 recommending that the firm of Landmark Clocks International be contracted to complete repairs of the Town clock.

The General Manager Public Works and Development Services reviewed the report.

Council discussed the possibility of moving the clock to a more visible location in the Downtown Core.

It was the consensus of Council to forward the report to the March 22, 2005 Council Meeting for consideration.

ACTION REQUIRED

Staff is to proceed with regular maintenance items on the Town Clock including the replacement of the Venetian blinds and repainting as required.

Staff is to prepare a report providing information on the possible relocation of the Town Clock.

The staff report dated March 9, 2005 is to be included on the March 22, 2005 Council Agenda.

5. ***CORRESPONDENCE*** - Nil

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

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

8. ***ADJOURNMENT*** - 9:35 a.m.

K. Morse, Mayor

Certified Correct

T. Fryer, Municipal Clerk