

Corporation of the District of Maple Ridge

COUNCIL WORKSHOP

March 12, 2007

The Minutes of the Municipal Council Workshop held on March 12, 2007 at 10:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Hall, 11995 Haney Place, Maple Ridge, British Columbia for the purpose of transacting regular Municipal business.

PRESENT

Elected Officials

Mayor G. Robson
Councillor E. Daykin
Councillor J. Dueck
Councillor A. Hogarth
Councillor L. King
Councillor C. Speirs
Councillor K. Stewart

Appointed Staff

J. Rule, Chief Administrative Officer
M. Murray, General Manager of Community Development, Parks and Recreation Services
J. Bastaja, Acting 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
J. Pickering, Director of Planning
C. Carter, Manager of Community Planning

Note: These Minutes are also posted on the Municipal Web Site at www.mapleridge.org

1. ***ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA***

The agenda was adopted with the addition of the following items:

- 4.4 Update on the Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee
- 4.5 Update on Flooding in the Maple Ridge Area
- 4.6 Update on TransLink

2. ***MINUTES***

R/07-127
Minutes
March 5, 2007

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the Council Workshop Meeting of March 5, 2007 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

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

3.1 **Port Amalgamation Transition Committee**

- **Allen Domaas, President & CEO, Fraser River Port Authority; Lori Lindahl, Vice President, Corporate Services, Vancouver Port Authority; Duncan Wilson, Manager Government Relations, Vancouver Port Authority**

Allen Domaas, President and Chief Executive Officer gave a power point presentation providing information on the status of the amalgamation planning process involving the three port authorities. He acknowledged municipal concerns regarding having only one municipal representative and advised that the Canada Marine Act permits only one representative. If the Act is reviewed by the Federal Government, there would be an opportunity for local government to lobby for change.

3.2 **BC Transmission Corporation, Haney Substation Landscaping Update**

- **Leslie Wood (Community Relations Specialist), Stuart Connacher (Asset Program Contracts Manager)**

Leslie Wood, Community Relations, BC Transmission Corporation put forward a power point presentation which addressed issues raised at the February 12, 2007 Council workshop meeting. She stated that another presentation addressing the costs of pole relocation, as well as the costs for the screening at the 216th Street and Dewdney Trunk Road substation, will be brought forward in April.

Council indicated that landscape design number one is its preference for the Haney Substation.

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

4.1 **Suburban Residential and Estate Suburban Residential Land Use Designation**

Staff report dated March 8, 2007 recommended that the report entitled "Suburban Residential and Estate Suburban Residential Land Use Designation" providing an overview of Official Community Plan policies and regulations pertaining to land use designation and zone as specified be received for information.

The Director of Planning and the Manager of Community Planning reviewed details of the staff report. The Director of Planning advised that the goal of the report was to stimulate discussion to determine if any additional information would be required.

Council discussed growth patterns outside the urban boundaries.

R/07-128

Land Use
Designation

It was moved and seconded

That the report entitled “Suburban Residential and Estate Residential Land Use Designation” be received for information.

CARRIED

ACTION REQUIRED

Staff is to provide a map indicating sewage systems, the location of the Agricultural Land Reserve and possibly indicating the green zone to allow for a better understanding as to how the community could develop.

Note: The meeting recessed at 12:27 p.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

4.2 Agricultural Advisory Committee Report

Staff report dated March 7, 2007 recommending that Councillors King and Stewart be appointed as Council representatives to the Agricultural Advisory Committee.

R/07-129

Agricultural
Advisory
Committee

It was moved and seconded

That Councillors King and Stewart be appointed as Council representatives to the Agricultural Advisory Committee.

CARRIED

4.3 Union of British Columbia Municipalities Resolution

Maple Ridge Social Planning Committee referral to Council requesting consideration of a resolution from the Social Planning and Research Council of BC for sustained financial support for community social planning in BC.

R/07-130

Financial Support For SPARC It was moved and seconded

That a resolution from the Social Planning and Research Council of BC for sustained financial support for community social planning in BC be submitted to the Lower Mainland Local Government Association for consideration for forwarding to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities.

CARRIED

4.4 Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee Update

Councillor Stewart advised that the Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee (“LMTAC”) requested that municipal representatives ask their Councils to send in recommendations indicating their support for the Tsawwassen First Nations agreement. He noted that the Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee will be supporting the agreement, however, items which are inconsistent with LMTAC recommendations would be noted.

R/07-131

LMTAC Update It was moved and seconded

That the Lower Mainland Treaty Advisory Committee (“LMTAC”) position for the general support of the Tsawwassen First Nations treaty be supported, noting the areas and expressing concern where the treaty is inconsistent with the LMTAC principles.

CARRIED

4.5 Flooding in the Maple Ridge Area

The Chief Administrative Officer gave an update on the flood situation in the Maple Ridge area and the work done through the Emergency Operation Centre.

The General Manager, Public Works and Development Services advised that municipal staff have been planning for a possible freshet event and a number of steps have been taken to date in preparation.

ACTION REQUIRED

Thank You letters on behalf of Council are to be sent out to all Emergency Operation Centre volunteers.

4.6 **TransLink Update**

Mayor Robson gave an update on TransLink and reported that he would provide further information when it becomes available.

5. ***CORRESPONDENCE***

5.1 **Union of British Columbia Municipalities, Renewed Fisheries Act**

Letter dated February 23, 2007 from Mayor Sharon Hartwell, Chair, Community Economic Development Committee, Union of British Columbia Municipalities providing information on the renewed Fisheries Act and requesting members provide comments or concerns to the Committee.

R/07-132

Renewed Fisheries Act It was moved and seconded

That the letter from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities dated February 23, 2007 regarding the renewed Fisheries Act be received and that no further action be taken.

CARRIED

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

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

8. ***ADJOURNMENT*** - 12:32 p.m.

G. Robson, Mayor

Certified Correct

C. Marlo, Corporate Officer