



THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VERNON

A G E N D A

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MONDAY, MARCH 9, 2009
8:40 AM

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

A. THAT the Agenda for the March 9, 2009 Committee of the Whole meeting be adopted.

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

A. THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting of Council held February 23, 2009, and the Special Committee of the Whole meeting held on Friday, February 20, 2009, be adopted. (P. 3) (P. 8)

MINUTES

3. GENERAL MATTERS

STAFF INTRODUCTION

A. Fire Chief, Jeff Carlisle, re: Introduction of Mr. Brent Watson, Emergency Preparedness/Emergency Social Service Coordinator.

DELEGATION – DOWNTOWN CORE – DUMPSTER REMOVAL & TOUR BUS PARKING (8:40 AM) (P. 10)

B. Mr. Klaus Tribes, re:

- Removal of Garbage Dumpsters from the Downtown Core – Impact on Restaurants
- Location of Bus Tour Parking in the Downtown Core

i) Letter dated March 3, 2009 from Ms. Linda Topf, President, DVA, re: Recycling Services in Downtown Vernon. (P. 11)

ii) Email dated March 4, 2009, from Mr. Earl Hansen, Executive Director, Downtown Vernon Association, re: Recycling /Dumpster Removal (P. 12)

DELEGATION - VERNON & DISTRICT ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY LIVING (9:00 AM) (P. 13)

C. Mr. Klaus Linemayr, President, Vernon & District Assoc. of Community Living, re: SROW Dedication for Public Trail and Road Closure.

**PRESENTATION –
VERNON FIRE-RESCUE
SERVICE BUSINESS
PLAN (9:15 AM) (P. 14)**

D. Fire Chief Jeff Carlisle re: Vernon Fire-Rescue Service
Business Plan Presentation to Council

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**LEARNING GROUNDS
PROGRAM**

A. Council at its meeting held on December 8th, 2008, requested staff review the potential of a 'Learning Grounds Committee' and Terms of Reference for a report back to Council.

Memorandum dated February 27th, 2009 from Ms. Brooke Marshall, Environmental Planner, re: Learning Grounds Program. (P. 215)

5. NEW BUSINESS

6. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

7. COUNCIL INFORMATION UPDATES

8. G.V.S.C. / N.O.R.D. REGULAR MEETINGS

9. CLOSE OF MEETING

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VERNON

**MINUTES OF A COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
HELD MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23rd , 2009**

PRESENT: Mayor Wayne Lippert

Councillors: J. Gilroy, B. Spiers, M. O'Keefe,
S. Lee, B. Baumbrough, (P. Nicol, absent)

Staff: L. Gous, Chief Administrative Officer
M. Bailey, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
P. Bridal, Manager, Corporate Services
K. Bertles, Manager, Finance
R. Dickinson, Manager, Engineering Services
W. Ikesaka, Manager, Information Services
E. Stranks, Manager, Eng. Development Services
R. Owens, Deputy Fire Chief
L. Skolrood, Deputy Fire Chief

Others: Media

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Wayne Lippert called the meeting to order at 8:47 am.

AGENDA ADOPTION

Moved by Councillor Lee, seconded by Councillor Baumbrough:

THAT the Agenda for the February 23rd, 2009, Committee of the Whole meeting be amended as follows:

1. New Item 4.E – Impact of Tax and Fee Charges

AND FURTHER, be adopted as amended.

CARRIED.

**ADOPTION OF THE
MINUTES**

Moved by Councillor Gilroy, seconded by Councillor Baumbrough:

THAT the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting of Council held February 9th and Special meeting of February 4th, 2009, be adopted.

CARRIED.

GENERAL MATTERS

**DELEGATION – CBW
DEVELOPMENT
CORPORATION
(0510-23-01)**

Mr. John Tigchlaar, President, Captain Bailey Way Development Corporation regarding the 2008 Annual Report and Annual Consent Resolutions.

Moved by Councillor Baumbrough, seconded by Councillor O’Keefe:

THAT Council approves the following:

**SHAREHOLDERS RESOLUTIONS
OF
CAPTAIN BAILEY WAY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
(the “Company”)**

RESOLVED THAT:

1. The financial statements as approved by the directors for the Company’s last financial year be approved.
2. ***Lett, Agar & Co*** be appointed auditors for the Company for the financial year ending December 31, 2009 and the remuneration of the auditors be fixed by the directors.
3. All lawful contracts, acts, proceedings, appointments and payments, made by the directors of the Company during the last Annual Reference Period, and which have previously been disclosed to the shareholders, are approved, ratified and confirmed.
4. Consents to act as directors of the Company having been received from each of them, the following persons be elected as directors of the Company for the next Annual Reference Period or until their successors are elected or appointed.

John Blunt
John Tigchelaar
Pat Cochrane
Barry Jackson
Steve Bertram

5. The annual general meeting of the Company for the year 2008 will be deemed to have been held on the date of these resolutions and the date of these resolutions be confirmed as the Annual Reference Date for the Company.

Effective date: November 6, 2008

CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE – UXO PROJECT (0430-20)

Council, at its Committee of the Whole meeting held on February 9, 2009, heard a delegation from Mr. John Preston, Project Director – Vernon Area, Department of National Defence, regarding a Proposed New Unexploded Ordnance Project for the Vernon Area. Further to that presentation a letter of support was requested for the upcoming work that will be taking place.

Moved by Councillor O’Keefe, seconded by Councillor Gilroy:

THAT Council expresses its support to the efforts of the Department of National Defence (DND) to reduce the risk to the public, posed by Unexploded Explosive Ordnance (UXO), understanding that DND will be delivering a communication and education program targeted at school children, the construction industry and recreation groups to increase the overall awareness of the UXO issue in the Vernon Area.

CARRIED.

FIRE OVERTIME (1700-40)

Memo dated February 16, 2009, from Kevin Bertles, Manager, Finance, re: Fire Overtime.

Deputy Fire Chief, Rick Owens, advised that the overtime increase is partly attributed to sickness and vacation coverage, as staff has been required to fill these absences which usually results in overtime.

Moved by Councillor Lee, seconded by Councillor Spiers:

THAT Council receives the Analysis of the Costs for Fire Department Overtime for 2007 and 2008.

CARRIED.

ADDITIONAL BUDGET REQUESTS

Memo dated February 16, 2009, from Kevin Bertles, Manager, Finance, regarding Additional Budget Requests.

- **O’Keefe Ranch (1700-40;0230-37)**

Moved by Councillor Spiers, seconded by Councillor Lee:

THAT Council approves the additional budget funding for the O’Keefe Ranch in the amount of \$45,800 for 2009;

AND FURTHER, that all funds for the O’Keefe Ranch in the amount of \$214,378, plus the additional \$45,800 be funded from the RCMP reserves for 2009 only.

DEFEATED, with Councillors Baumbrough, Lee, Gilroy, O’Keefe and Mayor Lippert opposed.

Moved by Councillor O’Keefe, seconded by Councillor Gilroy:

THAT Council approves additional budget funding for the O’Keefe Ranch in the amount of \$45,800 for 2009 only;

AND FURTHER, that the additional funding be drawn from the RCMP reserves.

CARRIED.

• **GIS Contract Manager**

Moved by Councillor Baumbrough, seconded by Councillor O’Keefe:

THAT Council approves the additional funding in the amount of \$15,000 for the GIS Contract Manager position for 2009.

CARRIED.

Moved by Councillor Spiers, seconded by Councillor Baumbrough:

THAT Council approves the additional funding for the GIS Contract Manager Position for \$15,000 be drawn from the RCMP Reserves.

CARRIED.

BUDGET TIMELINE (1700-40)

Memo dated February 16, 2009, from Mr. Kevin Bertles, Manager, Finance, re: Budget Timeline.

Moved by Councillor O’Keefe, seconded by Councillor Gilroy:

THAT Council adopts the Budget Timeline as follows:

March 9, 2009 – Initial readings of the Financial Plan

March 23, 2009 – Statutory Public Input Session

April 14 – Adoption of the Financial Plan AND initial readings of the Rates Bylaw

April 27 – Adoption of the Rates Bylaw

May 15 – Mail of tax notices to the taxpayers

CARRIED.

TAX IMPACT TABLE (1700-40)

Mr. Bertles provided an overview of the Overall Impact of Tax and Fee Charges and advised that the average property will see an increase in taxes of \$47.74 for the Fire Integration.

Moved by Councillor Gilroy, seconded by Councillor Lee:

THAT Council approves an overall City of Vernon Tax increase of 1.99% for 2009.

CARRIED, with Councillor Spiers opposed.

NEW BUSINESS

**BANK OF CANADA –
VISIT TO VERNON –
SPECIAL COUNCIL
MEETING**

Email dated February 17, 2009, from Cheryl Rathod, CEA Regional Analysis – BC & Yukon, Bank of Canada, re: Presentation on the State of the Economy, Proposed Date, Friday Morning, March 6, 2009.

Moved by Councillor Gilroy, seconded by Councillor Baumbrough:

THAT Council approves a Special Committee of the Whole meeting to be held Friday, March 6, 2009, at 10:30 am until 11:30 am, in Council Chambers, to hear a delegation from the Bank of Canada regarding the State of the Economy.

CARRIED.

COUNCIL INFORMATION UPDATES

**SPECIAL COUNCIL
MEETING**

Councillor O’Keefe advised that at the Hesperia Development Corporation meeting it was discussed that they would like to bring forward a presentation to Council.

Moved by Councillor O’Keefe, seconded by Councillor Baumbrough:

THAT a Special Committee of the Whole meeting be scheduled for 9:00 am on March 6th, 2009, in order for the Hesperia Development Corporation to present to Council.

CARRIED.

CLOSE

Mayor Wayne Lippert closed the meeting at 9:40 am.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Mayor:

Corporate Officer:

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VERNON

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
HELD FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH, 2009**

PRESENT: Mayor Wayne Lippert

Councillors B. Baumbrough, S. Lee, B. Spiers, J. Gilroy,
M. O'Keefe , (P Nicol, absent)

Staff: M. Bailey, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
P. Bridal, Corporate Officer
K. Bertles, Manager, Finance

Guests: Mr. Colin Mayes, MP Okanagan-Shuswap
T. Martin, Constituency Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Wayne Lippert called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

Mayor Lippert welcomed Mr. Colin Mayes, MP Okanagan-Shuswap to the meeting.

AGENDA ADOPTION

Moved by Councillor Gilroy, seconded by Councillor Baumbrough:

THAT the Agenda for the February 20th, 2009 Special Committee of the Whole meeting be adopted.

CARRIED.

GENERAL MATTERS

• **ECONOMIC
ACTION PLAN**

Mr. Mayes advised that he is meeting with Councils throughout the Okanagan-Shuswap constituency to talk about the various programs and the challenges facing government, and the communities.

The following points were raised by Mr. Mayes and Council members:

- Infrastructure money is being distributed; approximately \$7 billion over the next 7 years.
- Support for public projects which include environmental incentives such as geothermal, energy efficiencies, water quality/conservation, etc.
- Suggested that the Hesperia Development may be a qualifying project.
- Preference to one time grants for capital investments.
- Government does not intend to compromise some of the environmental incentives.
- Big announcement was 28.5 million – two big projects, PV to Lansdowne (\$12.5million); Trans Canada 13 million; 11 km this side of Revelstoke; 4 lanes into Chase; sewage treatment in Armstrong; Otter road upgrades.
- Upgrading to recreation facilities favorable, however, challenge

for municipalities is to provide their share of the funding.

- Reviewing the threshold for short term borrowing for municipalities which is \$50 per capita, Suggestions that \$150.00 is more realistic and it would assist municipalities with their ability to borrow quicker, as required. Vernon can currently borrow approximately \$1.9 million and a change in the cap would raise that to about \$6 million.
- Highway 97 and Highway 6 upgrade plans were reviewed.
- Mr. Mayes advised that the District of Coldstream also has a road upgrade plan which the City may be interested in.
- Funding for trails available – trail network in the North Okanagan will be receiving substantial funds.
- Asphalt Overlay projects may be considered.
- Mr. Mayes has dealt with DND on the Cadets Facility, Effluent Spray, Sani-Dump Station (Clerke Road), Ball Parks and the Beer Gardens and will continue to work with the City on these issues. Ministry of Tourism may be supportive of the Sani-Dump initiative at Clerke Roads.
- Mr. Mayes indicated he would like to work closely with the City of Vernon on keeping their projects on line and offered assistance from his office.

CLOSE

Mayor Lippert closed the special meeting at 10:00 am.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Mayor:

Corporate Officer:

**MARCH 9, 2009
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
DELEGATION – 8:40 AM**

From: klaus tribes [mailto:ktribes@junction.net]
Sent: Thursday, February 26, 2009 1:49 PM
To: Patti Bridal
Subject: Re: appearing as a delegation to the "Committee of the whole"

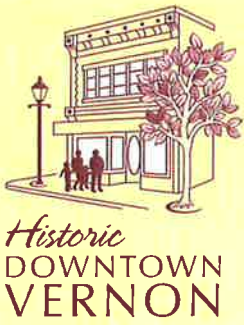
Dear Patti,

I would like appear before the "Committee of the whole" of the next council meeting. I am requesting about 15 minutes to address two subject matters.

1. The impending removal of the garbage dumpsters and the financial hardship it will cause to restaurants in the downtown
2. The location of Bus tour parking in the downtown.

Please advise as to the time I might be able to appear. I have no documentation to present.

Thank you, Klaus Tribes



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March 3, 2009

Mayor Wayne Lippert & Council
City of Vernon
3400 – 30th Street
Vernon, BC V1T 5E6

Dear Mayor Lippert and Council ,

The DVA Board of Directors met on Tuesday, March 3rd to discuss the status of a proposed Regional District of North Okanagan program to initiate commercial recycling services in Downtown Vernon.

The meeting was called subsequent to the DVA's having learned from the regional district's Chief Administrative Officer that the RDNO proposal will not be implemented. The RDNO Administrator also advised that the City of Vernon had been made aware of this decision and would likely be the more appropriate level of government to take such a service forward.

Following a review of this development, the DVA Board adopted the following resolution to be forward to the Vernon City Council for its review and consideration.

The DVA reconfirms its position on back alley clean-up and dumpster removal as outlined in its February 22, 2008 Board meeting.

In light of the lack of a viable, ready-to-roll commercial recycling service at this time, however, the DVA calls on the City of Vernon to postpone the introduction of the dumpster removal bylaw until it can tie-in with a universal, city-wide, commercial recycling program that includes cardboard.

The DVA offers its assistance in the planning of this city-wide recycling program.

Should there be any questions from the Council regarding the DVA's position regarding recycling, dumpster elimination or back alley clean-up, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Linda Topf,
President
DVA