

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF MONTROSE

**REGULAR MEETING #15-07**

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Montrose held in the Council Chambers on May 07, 2007.

Present Mayor A. Benzer  
Councillor C. Cook  
Councillor R. Schmidt  
Councillor G. Parker  
Councillor G. Welsh  
CAO B. Teasdale  
Media – Trail Times  
Residents - 7

Absent Nil

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Benzer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**AGENDA**

Agenda The CAO advised Council of a late delegation to the agenda.

Moved by Councillor Schmidt  
Seconded by Councillor Welsh

That the agenda for Regular Meeting #15-07 be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

**DELEGATIONS**

Terness Ms. Grace Terness made a presentation to Council regarding the need to update the Village's Historical albums and records (50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations, the updating of Historical Album regarding past staff and events of the Village) and volunteered her services to complete those projects in November. The cost to the Village would be associated with the copying and developing of pictures, etc.

Ms. Terness also asked for additional compensation of 28 hours (21.5 hours previously worked plus an additional day; thereby requesting a total of 28 hours) to complete the previously agreed to archives records management agreement. Ms. Terness stated that if Council wasn't prepared to compensate her for the additional time requested, she would absorb the cost of doing the work.

A question and answer period followed the presentation. Council thanked Ms. Terness for her presentation.

Schneider Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Schneider made a presentation to Council regarding a development variance permit to allow a manufactured home at 820 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Brent Johnstone, Columbia River Homes, also supported the idea of manufactured homes in the Village.

A question and answer period followed the presentation. Council thanked Mr. Schneider for his presentation.

Como Mr. And Mrs. Como made a presentation to Council regarding a possible noise bylaw infraction by their neighbours. Ms. Como requested that the neighbours only use the hot tub prior to 10:00 p.m. as per Bylaw # 531 – Noise Regulation. Mr. Math-

ews also made a brief presentation that supported the views of Mr. and Mrs. Como.

A question and answer period followed the presentation. Council thanked Mr. And Ms. Como for their presentation.

### **MINUTES**

Meeting #13-07

Moved by Councillor Welsh  
Seconded by Councillor Parker

That the Minutes of Regular Meeting #13-07 of April 16, 2007, be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Moved by Councillor Schmidt  
Seconded by Councillor Cook

That the Consent Calendar including:

- (1) UBCM – Policy Updates regarding the Home Owners Grant and Police Tax,
- (2) Teck Cominco, First quarter results,
- (3) UBCM – Railway Safety Act Review,
- (4) UBCM – Highlights of the April Executive Meeting,
- (5) Columbia Institute Centre for Civic Governance – TILMA,
- (6) BC Ombudsman – Report on recent closed files,
- (7) Bylaw Enforcement Officer – April month-end report,
- (8) UBCM – Guide to opportunities for local governments, and
- (9) UBCM – In the house: Tax policy changes and tax exemption powers broadened.

be accepted as circulated.

CARRIED

### **MOTIONS & SUBMISSIONS**

Nil

### **REFERRALS FROM PRIOR MEETINGS**

Rezaie

An application on behalf of Mr. Morteza Rezaie for a Development Permit for Plan 2352, Lot 6, PID 011-039-141, 545 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

The CAO presented an updated site plan for the proposed development.

**DP2007-01**

Moved by Councillor Schmidt  
Seconded by Councillor Parker

That Council approve a development permit for Plan 2352, Lot 6 (545 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue) based on the site plan 07E85-01 Rev P2 from Redwood Engineering Ltd. and the following conditions:

- That no access be granted to any dwelling off of 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue,
- That access to any dwelling will not conflict with the Village's current walking path,
- That all storm drainage is to be collected and dispersed of on site, and
- That the development complies with all guidelines outlined in Section 4.5.4 of the OCP and all other municipal bylaws.

**1-15-07**

CARRIED

Air Cadets

An invitation form the 531 Royal Canadian Air Cadets Squadron to attend their 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Ceremonial Review and Banquet.

Council acknowledged that either the Mayor or Councilor Welsh will attend the festivities.

CiB Information package on participating in the Communities in Bloom competition.

Also, as requested by Council, a report from Ms. Ostlund was presented with recommendations on the Village participating in the Community in Blooms competition.

ACKNOWLEDGED

Council decided not to enter the Community in Blooms competition at this time, however, they would like the item to be placed on the agenda in November for consideration in 2008.

#### **REFERRALS FROM DELEGATIONS**

Terness Moved by Councillor Cook  
Seconded by Councillor Parker

That Council approve the additional 28 hours of compensation that Ms. Terness requested in respect to the records management of archive records and further, that Council accept the offer of Ms. Terness to update the Village's Historical albums and records on a voluntary basis.

**2-15-07** CARRIED

Ms. Terness confirmed that she would like to start the volunteer work in November 2007.

Councillor Cook left the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Schneider Moved by Councillor Parker  
Seconded by Councillor Schmidt

That Council acknowledge their intent to issue a development variance permit for the property located at 820 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue based on the presentation of Mr. Schneider, and further, that Council waive the application fee for the development variance permit submitted by Mr. Schneider.

**3-15-07** CARRIED

Council also directed staff to review the OCP, Zoning and Building Bylaws to standardize common definitions found in each as they relate to manufactured, modular and mobile homes.

Como Moved by Councillor Schmidt  
Seconded by Councillor Parker

That the CAO write a letter to the owners of the property in question stating that they appear to be in contravention of Section 3(1)(b) of the Village's noise bylaw.

**4-15-07** CARRIED

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Ministry of Community Services A letter from the Ministry of Community Services updating the Village's 2007 small Communities Grant allocation.

ACKNOWLEDGED

North Cowichan A letter from the Municipality of North Cowichan to the Honourable Linda Reed, Minister of Children and Family Development, disapproving of the recent funding cuts to child care programs.

ACKNOWLEDGED

Coop Education Centre A letter and accompanying grant application for the Cooperative Education Centre in Trail requesting a grant in the amount of ONE HUNDRED dollars (\$100.00).

ACKNOWLEDGED

- Chris Bowers A letter from Mr. Chris Bowers, Stop TILMA Coalition, requesting a special convention of the UBCM in respect to the BC/ Alberta Trade, Investment and Labour Mobility Agreement (TILMA).  
ACKNOWLEDGED
- City of Trail A letter from the City of Trail regarding their annual Silver City Days and accompanying celebrations.  
Council advised staff to inform the City of Trail of their intent to participate in the Bocce Tournament.
- Coop Education Centre A invitation from the Cooperative Education Centre to Mayor to attend their 2007 graduation ceremonies.  
ACKNOWLEDGED
- Rick Green A letter from Rick Green, owner of Trail McDonalds in Wal-Mart, inviting the Mayor to participate in McHappy Day 2007.  
Council acknowledged Councillor Welsh's intent to attend the festivity.
- Salmo A letter from the Village of Salmo regarding the purchasing of CAO services on an interim basis from mid-August to mid-September.  
ACKNOWLEDGED
- Inky Mark, MP A letter from Inky Mark, MP, regarding Bill C-417 – the Canadian Soldiers' and Peacekeepers' Memorial Wall Act.  
ACKNOWLEDGED
- Langley A letter from the City of Langley regarding a recent motion passed by the City supporting funding for the Fraser River Debris Trap initiative.  
ACKNOWLEDGED
- BV Citizen of Year A letter from the BV Citizen of the Year Committee thanking the Village on their donation of ONE HUNDRED dollars (\$100.00).  
ACKNOWLEDGED
- UBCM A letter from UBCM regarding a modernization strategy (a proposal to change how the BC Building Code is currently enforced).  
ACKNOWLEDGED
- REPORTS & MEMORANDA**
- Staff Report Deputy Clerk – Memorandum regarding actions taken in response to last Council Meeting.  
ACKNOWLEDGED  
Council advised staff to notify residents in the next newsletter that dumping of any yard and garden waste is prohibited.
- Summer Student CAO – Memorandum regarding the placement of a summer student for 2007.  
Moved by Councillor Welsh  
Seconded by Councillor Schmidt  
That Council approve the hiring of a summer student for approximately twelve (12) weeks, regardless of the Village receiving funding from the Canadian Summer Jobs Program.
- 5-15-07** CARRIED  
Council requested that staff look into hiring a student as soon as possible.
- MoT CAO – Draft letter to the Ministry of Transportation regarding the re-opening of 4<sup>th</sup> Street (south) from 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

Councillor Welsh added the notion that the closing 4<sup>th</sup> Street has not decreased access to Highway 3B but only to the access road should be mentioned in the letter.

Council directed the CAO to amend the draft letter to include the above-mentioned notion.

Moved by Councillor Parker  
Seconded by Councillor Welsh

That Council approve the amended draft letter and that it be sent to the Ministry of Transportation.

**6-15-07**

Horticulture

CARRIED

Ostlund – Memorandum with recommendations regarding the proposed highway frontage planting scheme from the Ministry of Transportation.

Council directed the CAO to pass this information on to the Ministry

ACKNOWLEDGED

**Financial Matters**

Accounts Payable  
#8380-8421

Moved by Councillor Schmidt  
Seconded by Councillor Parker

That the commitments and expenditures represented by the accounts payable listed below be authorized and that the payment in the amount of ONE-HUNDRED, SEVENTEEN THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED and SIXTY-EIGHT dollars and SEVENTY-SIX cents be approved:

Cheques #8380-8421 and payroll direct deposits \$117,868.76

**7-15-07**

CARRIED

**BYLAWS**

#650

Councillor Schmidt requested that the Financial Plan be amended to reinstate the community development parcel tax of TEN dollars (\$10.00) as was present in previous draft budgets.

A debate followed, where it was decided among Council to amend the Montrose Financial Plan 2007-2011 by reinstating the above mentioned development parcel tax.

Moved by Councillor Parker  
Seconded by Councillor Welsh

That Bylaw #650, cited as the Montrose Financial Plan 2007-2011, having been reconsidered and having met all prerequisites for final adoption, be now finally adopted, sealed and signed by the Mayor and the Clerk.

**8-15-07**

#655

CARRIED

The CAO advised that the Property Tax Rate would be amended to reflect the reinstatement of the Community Development Parcel Tax of TEN dollars (\$10.00) as per the above request of Council.

Moved by Councillor Schmidt  
Seconded by Councillor Welsh

That Bylaw #655, cited as the 2007 Property Tax Rate Bylaw having been reconsidered and having met all prerequisites for final adoption, be now finally adopted, sealed and signed by the Mayor and the Clerk.

**9-15-07**

#656

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Welsh

Seconded by Councillor Parker

That Bylaw #656, cited as the Dog Control Amendment Bylaw be now introduced and read a first time.

**10-15-07**

CARRIED

#656

Moved by Councillor Welsh

Seconded by Councillor Schmidt

That Bylaw #656, cited as the Dog Control Amendment Bylaw be now read a second and third time.

**11-15-07**

CARRIED

**POLICIES**

#0670

Moved by Councillor Parker

Seconded by Councillor Welsh

That Policy #0670, cited as the Tree Hazard Management Policy, be confirmed unchanged.

**12-15-07**

CARRIED

#1791

Moved by Councillor Welsh

Seconded by Councillor Parker

That Policy #1791, cited as the Office Purchasing Policy, be confirmed unchanged.

**13-15-07**

CARRIED

#1850

Moved by Councillor Welsh

Seconded by Councillor Parker

That Policy #1850, cited as the Grants and Donations Policy, be confirmed unchanged.

**14-15-07**

CARRIED

#2240

Moved by Councillor Parker

Seconded by Councillor Welsh

That Policy #2240, cited as the Small Contract Policy, be confirmed unchanged.

**15-15-07**

CARRIED

#2540

Moved by Councillor Welsh

Seconded by Councillor Parker

That Policy #2540, cited as the Employee Service Recognition Policy, be confirmed unchanged.

**16-15-07**

CARRIED

#6300

Moved by Councillor Welsh

Seconded by Councillor Parker

That Policy #6300, cited as the Tree Pruning Policy, be confirmed unchanged.

**17-15-07**

CARRIED

**MEMBER REPORTS & INQUIRIES**

Councillor Schmidt

Committee Report

Chamber of Commerce – Hiring a new Executive Director.

Trail Youth Justice – Meeting scheduled tomorrow night.

Member Inquiry

1. Possible adoption of a consent calendar procedure for Council, and
2. A proposal for the Village to promote a community wide weeding event for the boulevards along Highway 3B.

- Councillor Parker      Committee Report  
 Parks Report – Sand area of tot lot play areas needs weeding.  
Member Inquiry  
 1. Milky Water Problem,  
 2. Need to amend the Water Restriction Bylaw, and  
 3. Community Justice Society proposal to Councillor Schmidt re-  
 garding clean up from recent bear activity.
- Councillor Welsh      Committee Report  
 None.  
Member Inquiry  
 1. AKBLG Meeting,  
 2. Possibility of the Maple Leaf Band participating in the 2007  
 Montrose Parade,  
 Moved by Councillor Schmidt  
 Seconded by Councillor Parker  
 That the Village grant the requested honorarium of SEVENTY-  
 FIVE dollars (\$75.00) to the Maple Leaf Band for their participa-  
 tion in the 2007 Montrose Parade.
- 18-15-07**      CARRIED  
 3. Look into a suitable design for new entrance signs,  
 4. Possible nominations for the citizen of the year for the next  
 meeting, and  
 5. Possible spraying of ballpark outfield and Montrose Park for  
 continuous weed problems.
- Mayor Benzer      Committee Report  
 Publicity and Public Relations – A written report on recent activi-  
 ties including:  
 1. Antenna Trail head progress report,  
 2. Recent health services show at Cominco Arena,  
 3. Recent AKBLG meeting in Kimberly,  
 4. Columbia River Forum,  
 5. Recent Oscar’s Dance,  
 6. Spirit of BC,  
 7. Proposed Trial Boundary Expansion, and  
 8. BC Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics BC.  
Member Inquiry  
 No Report.
- CAO      No Report.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Councillor Parker moved adjournment at 9:25 p.m.

I hereby certify the preceding to be a true and correct account of the Regular Meeting #15-07 of Council held on May 07, 2007.

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 Mayor

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 Corporate Officer