

REPORT ON THE JUNE 22, 2010 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Regular Council Meeting convened at 7:05 pm, with all members of council present. Two items were added to the agenda—to schedule an in-camera meeting June 29, and to discuss the Anmore Renewable Energy Foundation. With no comments from the public regarding the agenda, the meeting moved forward to the adoption of the minutes of the June 8 meeting.

There was background information provided to explain the letter from a resident expressing concern about the renaming of the Dr. Hal Weinberg Scholarship. The motion previously made by the Finance Committee to change the name of the Dr. Hal Weinberg Scholarship to the Village of Anmore Scholarship was rescinded during the last Finance Committee meeting. The scholarship reverts to the original name, the Dr. Hal Weinberg Scholarship. Eleven applications were submitted this year; the deadline was extended for fairness reasons, as the original deadline was not posted publicly. Both Mayor Anderson and Councillor Palmer Isaak will be involved in the selection process. The successful candidate will be chosen using a points system that was implemented a few years ago, and the award will be presented July 13. A clarification was requested regarding the correct name of the committee referenced in item 7 (a). Following the discussions, the minutes of the June 8 were accepted and adopted.

An Annual General Meeting must be held no later than June 30 of each year. Our new auditor, Mr. Bill Cox, BDO Canada LLP, presented the financials to Mayor and Council. Mr. Cox explained he works with 25 municipalities, and for Anmore, the financials have been prepared in accordance with a new local government format; some information differs from the last year's statements, as the information has been adjusted to follow the new format. He pointed out that the accumulated surplus shown on the Statement of Financial position "is not money in the bank", but he did indicate the net financial assets have shown improvement over last year. The Auditors' Report was received by Council at 7:25 pm.

A review of the goals and objectives from 2009 was discussed. The Village has completed the task of the Capital Assets Management System, and the system will be maintained. A discussion followed regarding a deletion of items from the original 2009 task and objectives list. It was agreed the items would be added back, with a notation as to the status of the items. The 2009 goals and objectives were received as amended and adopted.

Up next were the goals and objectives for 2010. It was noted that Bylaw 494-2010 was recently adopted (reducing greenhouse gas emissions). As part of the "going green initiative", radio-read water meters are to be installed in the Village. This will not only free up staff time, but will reduce vehicle emissions, as the task will be completed quicker. An extra goal, to set up a working group to work in conjunction with the City of Port Moody to investigate recreation and library services with Port Moody was put forth. A query from a resident regarding the 2009 objective to review the Village's Pesticide Control Bylaw by the Family Focus Environment Committee was discussed. As bylaws are policy items, the focus group will do background work, then present their findings to Council to prepare a bylaw. The 2010 goals and objectives were adopted.

Next, the 2011 goals and objectives were discussed. It was agreed the taskforce for recreation and library services would be added to this list. Wheelchair accessible bus stops and bus shelters were also added to the 2011 list to ensure the item is followed up. The motion to adopt was carried unanimously.

All tabled items were lifted from the table in order to allow discussion of these items. A report from Ms. Cobb, Manager of Corporate Services related to policies for Council meetings and public question period indicated many municipalities hold their public question period after the Council meeting has concluded. No minutes are kept, but staff would take note of items that require follow-up. As well, questions relate only to items on the current agenda, and there are time limit restrictions. If our Council wishes to make changes to our existing format, the Council Procedures Bylaw must be amended. As the existing bylaw has not been reviewed for 6 years, the consensus around the table was to look into it further.

The second item, the rezoning application from the West family, was recapped. Mr. Rosen asked how Council wanted to deal with the matter regarding subdivision for a relative. Three options had previously been offered by Mr. Rosen, and any option would require readings and a public hearing. He also cautioned Council not to discuss any information contained in the confidential letter from the Ombudsman. Ms. West spoke briefly about the way this matter transpired.

The options, if Council wants to accommodate the West proposal are as follows (from report dated February 17, 2010):

- 1) Amend Section 408 of the Zoning Bylaw by decreasing the minimum parcel size of the parent parcel for subdivisions pursuant to Section 946 from 2 acres to 1.62 acres for all properties within the Village;
- 2) Amend Section 408 of the Zoning Bylaw by decreasing the minimum parcel size of the parent parcel for subdivisions pursuant to Section 946 from 2 acres to 1.85 for all properties within the Village; or
- 3) Amend Section 408 of the zoning Bylaw by decreasing the minimum parcel size of the parent parcel for subdivisions pursuant to Section 946 from 2 acres to 1.85 for the West property only.

Mayor Anderson would like to see that any decision made would also be applicable to all property owners, not just the Wests. She is uncomfortable with decisions applying to one person only, and preferred Option 2 for fairness to all. Councillor Palmer Isaak felt there should be a way to rectify the West problem, but wants to look at Option 3. Councillor Sedergreen would be comfortable with either Option 2 or 3. Both Councillors Piamonte and McEwen prefer Option 2, but were okay with Option 3.

Option 2 was agreed on.

Due to a possible conflict of interest, Mayor Anderson left the meeting at 8:20 pm in order that the third item, the Lock Subdivision, parkland dedication options be discussed. Mr. Rosen reiterated the matter related to the parkland package only, not the road network, which was the responsibility of the Approving Officer, not Council. Councillor Piamonte took over for Mayor Anderson for this discussion.

During a previous Council meeting, this item was deferred until all Councillors could take a walk on the property. There were concerns regarding Mossom Creek and a large tributary, as well as the lay of the land, and accessibility. All Councillors have since visited the site. The discussions June 22 centered on what the developer is required to do versus what the developer has proposed to do. As well, it was brought up that a decision by Council with respect to parkland dedication choice would ultimately affect other matters related to this property, but Council would not have a say in these other matters as it would fall to the responsibility of the Approving Officer. Any environmental assessment would be done after the parkland dedication. Several members of the public spoke strongly about proceeding cautiously on this matter. Other members of the public thought Option 3 was the best choice. Mr. Rosen recommended the parkland/cash in lieu proposal Option 1. Mr. Lock, the developer also spoke. He indicated Village staff, developers and consultants, and the approving officer have worked together as a team. He is only required to pay 5% of the land value. He requested a decision, as his application has been outstanding for a considerable length of time. The motion for Option 1 resulted in a tie vote, and therefore failed. Mayor Anderson returned to Chambers at 9:08 pm.

Councillor Piamonte reported he is still working on matters related to the Emergency Preparedness Working Group. Mayor Anderson commented on the great turnout for the Spirit Park cleanup. She attended a Mayors' Meeting with TransLink, and advised there is a meeting on Wednesday, June 30 at Coquitlam City Hall. The Minister of Transport is to be there to discuss the Evergreen line. Councillor Palmer Isaak also spoke of the success of the Spirit Park cleanup. She said there is a Youth In Action dinner this Sunday, and reminded all of the upcoming Canada Day celebrations. She also requested an item be added to the agenda for the next in-camera meeting related to Section 91B of the Community Charter.

The final lift of Phase 2 of East Road will be completed in the next couple of weeks. Mr. Carley requested the July 8 Finance meeting be rescheduled as Tim Harris is not available. A motion to receive all correspondence circulated and filed in the Village hall was carried. Councillor Piamonte asked for an update for the next Council meeting related to correspondence from a resident regarding the Uplands pump station.

There will be a special Council meeting on June 29 regarding matters on Ravenswood. Playground equipment purchased for \$25,000 in November 8 remains in storage. It was originally intended to be for a park at Hummingbird and Robin Way, but was put on hold. It was decided to refer to the Parks Committee to discuss a new location for this equipment.

The new East Road watermain tender has been completed. Mr. Coupland advises the lowest bidder can commence work after the July long weekend to install 300 meters of watermain. It was agreed to award the East Road watermain contract to Pedre Contractors Ltd. for \$148,000 plus HST.

There will be an in-camera meeting on June 29 at 6:00 pm regarding legal and staffing matters, as well as the new item presented by Councillor Palmer Isaak.

Councillor Sedergeen provided a handout of a prepared motion. In it, he recommended a select committee be created related to the Anmore Renewable Energy Foundation. Mayor Anderson felt this is a very complex and controversial issue, and the Foundation is separate from the Village of Anmore. Mayor Anderson wanted to table the motion, as she wanted proper background information to be provided to her, in advance. As well, points were raised regarding both Councillors McEwen and Palmer Isaak not being allowed to speak to any matters related to the AREF. Heated discussions continued, with input from members of the public. As order could not be restored, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made. The meeting concluded at 9:45 pm, before the public question period, and with no vote on the matter on the table.