

13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS (CONTINUED)

(b) Anmore Renewable Energy Foundation

Councillor McEwen put forth the following Motion.

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

“WHEREAS WESTERN ECONOMIC DIVERSIFICATION CANADA HAS ADVISED THE VILLAGE THAT IT IS SEEKING A LEGAL OPINION ON THE VILLAGE’S POSSIBLE LIABILITY FOR THE DEBTS OF THE FOUNDATION AND INDICATED THAT IT WILL FORWARD THAT OPINION TO THE VILLAGE ONCE IT IS RECEIVED;

AND WHEREAS IT WOULD NOT BE IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE VILLAGE TO INVESTIGATE OR INQUIRE INTO THE ANMORE RENEWABLE ENERGY FOUNDATION UNTIL AFTER THE POTENTIAL DISPUTE WITH WESTERN DIVERSIFICATION IS RESOLVED OR CONCLUDED;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE MOTION TO CREATE A SELECT COMMITTEE BE DEFERRED UNTIL AFTER A RESPONSE IS OBTAINED FROM WESTERN DIVERSIFICATION AND THAT UPON RECEIPT, STAFF REVIEW THE RESPONSE RECEIVED AND REPORT BACK TO COUNCIL AT A FUTURE CLOSED MEETING.”

CARRIED

Councillor Piamonte opposed

Councillor Sedergreen opposed

14. NEW BUSINESS

(a) 2010 Eligible School Site Proposal – School District 43

Michael Rosen presented his report dated July 5th, 2010.

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

“THAT THE REPORT FROM MICHAEL ROSEN DATED JUNE 28TH, 2010 TITLED 2010 ELIGIBLE SCHOOL SITE PROPOSAL – SCHOOL DISTRICT 43 BE RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**WESTERN ECONOMIC DIVERSIFICATION CANADA
MEDIA CONTACT**

Journalist: Gary McKenna

Media Outlet: Tri City News

Telephone Number: 604-525-6397 gmckenna@tricitynews.com

Date and time of contact: October 22, 2009 1:30pm am

Request: Reporter is publishing a story quoting the Mayor of Anmore about a dispute over \$20K that is in default on the Anmore Renewable Energy Foundation project. The department has been in negotiations with the Foundation to resolve the issue, however, will shortly place the project in default (see background for additional details).

Recommended WD response:

CMC will email the following response to the reporter:

Q1 What details can you provide about the status of the project

A1 In January 2007, WD approved a contribution of \$120,000, or 55% of the \$220,000 in project costs to the Anmore Renewable Energy Foundation to conduct a feasibility study. The project did not develop as planned and total project costs were significantly lower than planned.

Q2 Is there a dispute over \$20,000?

A2 Anmore Renewable Energy Foundation received a lump sum payment at the beginning of the project in 2007. The nature of the work changed and the project ultimately came in close to \$80,000 under budget. The net result was that WD overpaid the proponent by \$20,855.

Q3 Will the project be proceeding?

A3 WD remains committed to finalizing this project and determining a fair and equitable method by which the Foundation can repay the amounts owing the Government of Canada.

Background

In January 2007 WD approved a non-repayable contribution of \$120,000, or 55% of the \$220,000 in project costs to the Anmore Renewable Energy Foundation to conduct a feasibility study. The project did not develop as planned and total project costs were close to \$80,000 lower than planned.

Complications arose as total government funding is limited to 90% of total project costs and the Province of BC disbursed their \$75,000 contribution fully at the start of the project. The net result was that WD had overpaid the proponent by \$20,855 and was not in a position to pay a claim submitted by the Foundation for \$4,584. The file is set to close on Nov 1, 2009 at which point we would place the project in to default and start the standard collection process.

Deadline: asap

**PARTIAL RELEASE OF IN-CAMERA COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON SEPTEMBER 10TH, 2009**

At the In-Camera Council Meeting held on September 10th, 2009, the Council of the Village of Anmore adopted a resolution dissolving the "Anmore Renewable Energy Foundation".

At that Meeting, Mayor Hal Weinberg resigned his position as Chair of the Foundation and Councillors McEwen and Palmer-Isaak resigned as Trustees.

During this In-Camera Meeting, Council received a presentation from Mr. Guy Heywood, Renaissance Power Corporation. Mr. Heywood advised that the Anmore Renewable Energy Foundation effort is now concluded and the Foundation will have an outstanding payable balance of \$20,000.00 once all business transactions have been completed.

Council adopted a resolution requesting the assistance of James Moore, MP Port Moody – Westwood - Port Coquitlam to contact the Western Diversification on behalf of the Village of Anmore to request Western Diversification to assume any outstanding balances of the Anmore Renewable Energy Foundation.