

Anmore Regular Council Meeting  
August 12, 2014

**Prior to the Regular Council Meeting there was a Special (Closed) Council Meeting - August 12. It was explained as follows:**

**“Pursuant to section 127 of the Community Charter, a Special Council Meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, August 12, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.**

**Please be advised that the second item of business on the agenda will be a resolution to close this meeting to the public.**

**The purpose of the meeting is for council to discuss matters pursuant to sections 90(1)(b), (c) and (j) of the Community Charter. Reference to those sections is as follows.**

**Section 90(1)(b) as it relates to personal information about an identifiable individual who is being considered for a municipal award or honour, or who has offered to provide a gift to the municipality on condition of anonymity;**

**Section 90(1)(c) as it relates to labour relations or other employee relations;  
and**

**Section 90(1)(j) as it relates to information that is prohibited, or information that if it were presented in a document would be prohibited, from disclosure under section 21 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.”**

The Anmore Regular Council Meeting on August 12, 2014 was held in Spirit Park. All Council members, CAO Tim Harris, Manager of Corporate Services Christine Milloy, Manager of Public Works Kevin Dicken, children, and members of the general public were in attendance. The agenda was approved.

Mayor Heather Anderson then presented flowers on behalf of Council to Anmore Elementary School principal Andrea McComb who is moving to Blakeburn Elementary School in September. Mayor Anderson thanked the principal for allowing the Village to use the elementary school facilities when Council decided to decommission the Village Hall. Ms. McComb said that she is pleased to have served in a small community like Anmore. Coming from a similar place on Vancouver Island she said she felt quite at home.



Mayor Anderson then staged a photo op with Ms. McComb, the other Council members, and a small group of children.



**Adults in the photo, from left to right, are Councillor McEwen, Councillor Green, Principal Andrea McComb, Mayor Anderson, Councillor Palmer-Isaak, and Councillor Anne-Marie Thiele.**

Under item 5, Adoption of the Minutes, the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held July 29, 2014 were adopted. In Business arising from the Minutes, Councillor Green inquired about the public consultation on the Green Gym grant. Mayor Anderson indicated that there is a very tight schedule for Council in September.

Under item 8 Correspondence, a May 29 2014 letter from Basia Ruta, Auditor General for Local Government, British Columbia, was attached for public information. This letter announced a planned Performance Audit for the Village of Anmore on 'Managing the Inherent Risks of Limited Human Resources within Small Local Governments'. The lines of enquiry during the planning phase will be presented to Council in September. This will help to determine the final scope of the audit and the criteria for the examination phase.

Two other local governments will also be subject to such an audit. These include the Villages of Port Edwards and Greenwood, both with populations around 600 people. Council had very little discussion about this issue and Mayor Anderson quickly moved on to the next piece of correspondence.

Editors Note: In Public Question Period at the end of the Council Meeting, a resident expressed curiosity about how items of correspondence are placed on the Regular Council Meeting Agenda. She was surprised that the letter from the Local Government Auditor General was dated May 29, 2014. The Anmore Procedural By-law requires that correspondence directed to Mayor and Council be placed on the Agenda if it is received by noon on Thursday prior to the next Council meeting. The Agenda for the August 12, 2014 meeting was not available on Friday as normally is the case for a Council meeting held the following Tuesday.

In response to the resident's query, the Manager of Corporate Services, Christine Milloy, indicated that staff normally vets the correspondence and this letter had subsequently become the subject of an in-camera meeting of Council. She said that Council had subsequently voted to release this May 29 2014 letter from the Local Government Auditor General for public information at the August 12, 2014 Regular Council Meeting. A subsequent request for a copy of this motion to Ms Milloy was denied because the motion was made in-camera.

Item 8(b) was a copy of a letter from Mayor Deb Walters the City of Pitt Meadows to the BC Ministers of (i) Community, Sport and Cultural Development; (ii) Justice and the Attorney General; and (iii) Natural Gas Development and Responsible Housing. It deals with the proposed Unified Building Code affect on Local Governments Provision of Public Safety. Council decided to send a letter of support for Ms. Walter's letter to the three Ministers and to have staff prepare a report on the implications of the new building code for the Village for consideration by Council.

Under item 8(c) Council agreed to have the Village of Anmore proclaim September as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month.

Finally, under Item 8(d) Council decided to send a letter to Premier Christy Clark in support for the City of Coquitlam, and Mayor Richard Stewart in particular, in their efforts to create the Coquitlam Health Campus to realize their vision for the Riverview lands to create a place of caring and supportive mental wellness and health services.

Under item 11 (a) Kevin Dicken, Anmore Manager of Public Works, discussed the need for Council to authorize \$15,000 asap to repair a retaining wall on Kinsey Drive in Pinnacle Ridge. He indicated that he had negotiated a 50% cost-sharing agreement with the developer and was further negotiating with the engineers who approved the construction.



**A retaining wall on Kinsey Drive in Pinnacle Ridge needs to be replaced by the Village for \$20,000.**

Mr. Dicken also indicated that \$5000 had been used in the preliminary assessment of all of the other retaining walls in Pinnacle Ridge. Councillor McEwen asked if there was any insurance coverage. Mr. Harris said that a time lag precluded an insurance claim. Council reluctantly agreed to authorize the repairs on Kinsey Drive.

Under Item 12, Mayor's Report, Mayor Anderson reported that there was no quorum for a recent Sasamat Volunteer Fire Department trustees meeting. She

also thanked staff for their efforts in establishing the new waste management regime in Anmore.

Under item 13, Councillors' Reports, Councillor Isaak reported that Ma Murray Day celebrations will be held on September 7, 2014. Councillor Thiele asked when the feedback from the Official Community Plan Public Hearing would be available for Council members to consider. Christine Milloy, Manager of Corporate Services, said that the report would not be available until the Agenda for the September 9, 2014 meeting. Councillor Thiele was hoping to get it earlier in order to properly review it.

The Chief Administrative Officer, Tim Harris, reported that he will be talking to BC Hydro, RCMP representatives, and the SVFD Fire Chief about Emergency Vehicle access. On BC Day Buntzen Lake traffic was backed-up to Thomson Road. He and Councillor Thiele will also be talking to the school administrators about traffic solutions around the schools.

The next Anmore Regular Council Meeting will be held on September 9, 2014. Mayor Anderson adjourned the meeting at 7:52 pm.