

# VILLAGE OF ANMORE

## SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on Tuesday, December 4, 2012  
at Anmore Elementary School (Library), 30 Elementary Road, Anmore, BC

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### **ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT**

Mayor Heather Anderson  
Councillor Tracy Green  
Councillor John McEwen  
Councillor Kerri Palmer Isaak  
Councillor Ann-Marie Thiele

### **STAFF PRESENT**

Tim Harris, Chief Administrative Officer and Manager of Public Works  
Christine Milloy, Manager of Corporate Services

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

### **2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

R197/2012                      "THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED."

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### **3. NEW BUSINESS**

#### **(a) Village Hall – Municipal Building**

Council discussed the state of the village hall building and invited members of the public to raise comments or questions regarding this matter. Highlights are noted as follows:

- A resident questioned why the hall had not been maintained throughout the years, and Mayor Anderson replied that there has been a rodent problem in the hall for a number of years, but has recently increased partly due to the age of the hall. She added that regular maintenance, including monthly visits from pest control, is in place: the roof had been replaced 10 to 12 years ago, damaged gutters have been replaced and leaf guards added, there was a building addition in 2006, and four years ago the front office also had some work done.

**3. NEW BUSINESS (CONTINUED)**

**(a) Village Hall – Municipal Building (Continued)**

- A resident stated that the hall was given to us for free and that it has served us for the past 25 years, and suggested to bulldoze the hall, but to keep the stained glass window and perhaps the back addition.
- A resident stated that the foundation cannot be saved as there is no drainage around it, and added that a new building on the same site would mean having to excavate, seal it, and provide better drainage, which would be very costly.
- A resident questioned if there was a plan for the rodent issue in the hall right now, and Tim Harris replied that pest control is continuing, ensuring that holes are all patched, and this will be done until a decision has been made.
- A resident stated that no more money should be put into the village hall.
- Councillor McEwen stated that a decision should be made, and advised that his thought is to tear down the current hall and build a new one on the same site as the site already has services, parking lot and a septic field.
- A resident stated that a modular building should be temporary only and raised concerns about a temporary building that is aesthetically pleasing for Anmore, and added that he believes completely renovating the existing hall would be the quickest and less costly of all options.
- A resident stated that a proper Village Hall started from scratch should be the option to take, because if you frame it in on the existing footprint there would be more problems in the future.
- Councillor Green stated that Anmore needs a proper functioning administrative office, and added that there are ways to make a modular building fit the 'look' of Anmore.
- A resident noted that when renovating a new building, all codes will have to be brought up-to-date, which would be even more costly.

Mayor Anderson advised that council decided, at a previous Regular Council Meeting, that option 3 – Rent a modular building (36 x 60) for two years - would be the best way to proceed.

**3. NEW BUSINESS (CONTINUED)**

**(a) Village Hall – Municipal Building (Continued)**

Council directed staff to:

- Research funding projections for the next 2 to 3 years based on current reserves, showing the alternative between incorporating developer funding already in place and funding excluding the developer funding.
- Review available grant funding options, including a community centre.
- Provide rough estimates of the cost of constructing a new building.
- Arrange for an independent building assessment, to see whether it is viable to renovate the hall and bring the cost assessment to the December 11, 2012 meeting.

**4. ADJOURNMENT**

R198/2012 It was MOVED and SECONDED:

**“THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED.”**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

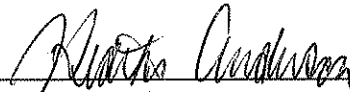
The Regular Council Meeting concluded at 8:35 p.m.

Certified Correct:

Approved:



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Christine Milloy  
Manager of Corporate Services



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Heather Anderson  
Mayor