

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION OF VANCOUVER ISLAND AND COASTAL COMMUNITIES EXECUTIVE HELD VIA TELECONFERENCE WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 2014

IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor Larry Cross, Sidney, President

Councillor Cindy Solda, Port Alberni, First Vice-President Councillor Barbara Price, Comox, Second Vice-President

Director Mary Marcotte, Cowichan Valley RD, EA Representative

Councillor Jessie Hemphill, Port Hardy, Director at Large Councillor Claire Moglove, Campbell River, Director at Large Councillor Andrew Mostad, Lantzville, Director at Large

Chair Joe Stanhope, Nanaimo RD, Past President

STAFF ATTENDANCE: Glen Brown, General Manager of Victoria Operations, UBCM

GUESTS: Gary MacIsaac, UBCM Executive Director

Jerry Berry, FortisBC

Ray Hebden, Hebden Engineering

President Cross called the meeting to order at 10:30 am and welcomed Executive members and Glen Brown.

AGENDA

On a motion the agenda be adopted was

CARRIED

MINUTES

On motion, the minutes of the April 10, 13, and 23 meetings be adopted and the April 11-13, 2014 AGM & Convention minutes be received was

REPORTS

Update on AVICC staffing and AVICC/UBCM Support Contract

Gary MacIsaac joined the meeting via teleconference. He was pleased to advise Executive that Iris Hesketh-Boles was expected to return as planned in September and that the past year had raised to the forefront some issues with respect to AVICC's expectations and requirements for support. He further noted that the UBCM and AVICC's 5 year agreement for services to provide services to support AVICC is coming to an end at the end of December 2014 and that the service provided to the Association over the past 2-3 years has been consuming staff time at a level greater than the 60% time allocated within the current agreement and prior to entering into a further agreement, that the allocation of time must be aligned with AVICC's requirements. The majority of the support under the agreement has been provided by an Executive Coordinator who has accessed assistance from UBCM finance staff, resolutions coordinator, and policy analysts from time to time. There has been the

increased demand for policy support that is typically beyond the skills of an Executive Coordinator whose strengths usually are more focussed on the responsibilities related to the administration and event planning. Policy support is typically very specialized and is quite technical in nature. There was agreement that UBCM would prepare a discussion paper for Executive consideration this fall to enable informed decision-making.

Update on Recent Activities

President Cross provided a brief update on activities he has been involved in on behalf of AVICC with special attention to the report from the UBCM Select Committee on BC Ferries that is expected to be distributed later in the summer noting the partnership with AVICC.

On motion, that AVICC support the direction UBCM has taken with respect to dealing with the BC Ferries file was

FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATION

Financials to May 31, 2014

On motion, that the May 31, 2014 interim financial statements be received was

CARRIED

Dues Status Report

On motion, that the May 31, 2014 interim financial statements be received was

CARRIED

Appointment of Auditor for 2014

On motion, that KPMG be appointed as auditors for 2014 was

CARRIED

CONVENTION

2015 AVICC AGM & Convention Planning

On motion, that the report be received was

CARRIED

Suggestions for keynotes included Iona Campagnola and Tania Winchester. Second Vice-President Price agreed to contact Ms. Campagnola and Director Hemphill agreed to contact Tania Winchester to see if they were available and interested, and expected honorarium and other associated costs.

Planning for the Area Association Luncheon at the UBCM Convention

On motion, that the proposed short program be approved was

CARRIED

2014 AVICC AGM & Convention Delegate Feedback

On motion, that the report be received and feedback provided in relation to improving program content and making sessions more interactive be incorporated into the coming year's planning was CARRIED

POLICY

2014 AVICC Late Resolutions referred to Executive and Resolution Disposition Summary

On motion, that LR 1 – Water Pricing Principles with proposed amendment as shown in bold below, LR2 – Federal Government Support, LR3 - Provincial Energy Efficiency Incentive Programs, LR5 – CSA Certified Standard for Recreational and Sport Helmets, LR6 Provincial Woodstove Program and OF1 – Some Food for Thought be endorsed and forwarded to UBCM by the June 30 deadline was CARRIED

LR1 - WATER PRICING PRINCIPLES - Sunshine Coast RD

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM encourage the Province to ensure local government water purveyors are not subjected to increased **water licensing** costs for the operation of their water systems.

Update from the AVICC CAO Natural Gas Working Group

Attention was drawn to the May 15, 2014 letter from District of Saanich advising that an AVICC policy advisory group comprised of 7 CAO's has been established. Jerry Berry provided an update on the work being done by the Working Group.

On motion, that the report be received and a letter be sent to FortisBC requesting an update on the impacts of the BCUC phase in of common rates and the status of dealing with major industrial gas customers with respect to operating fees was

CARRIED

Solid Waste Management

Past President Stanhope noted that Comox Valley Regional District has taken the lead in initiating a fall workshop on this topic. Regional District AVICC members should expect an invitation to participate soon.

Home Heating Oil Tanks

On motion, that the report provided by Ethan Krindle be received and this item be brought back for regular updates was

CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATION

- (a) May 15, 2014 Paul Murray, District of Saanich
 Re: Formation of AVICC CAO Working Group on Natural Gas
- (b) April 11, 2014 UBCM President Rona Martin
 Re: Watershed Protection on Private Managed Forest Lands
- (c) April 7, 2014 City of Campbell River Re: City of Duncan's Resolution on Social Policy Framework
- (d) April 1, 2014 Minister Thomson, Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations Re: Public Discussions on area-based forest management
- (e) March 26, 2014 Office of the Prime Minister Re: Passenger rail services on Vancouver Island

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On motion, that the meeting be adjourned at approximately 2:30 pm was CARR			
ADJOURNMENT			
9 am – 10 am, September 10, 2014 Via Teleconference			
NEXT MEETING			
On motion, that the correspondence be received was			CARRIED
(g)	February 26, 2014 – Mayor John Douglas, City Re: BC Ferris Service Reductions	of Port Alberni	
(f)	February 27, 2014 – Mayor John MacDonald, Re: Provincial Emergency Notification System		

UBCM Staff

President