

**SUMMER VILLAGE OF POPLAR BAY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2011 at 10:00 am
SUMMER VILLAGES OFFICE COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

MINUTES

Present:

Council: Kevin Davies, Mayor; Deb McDaniel, Deputy Mayor; Pat Sloan, Councillor

Administration: Sylvia Roy, CAO

Call to Order

Mayor Davies called the Meeting to Order at 10:06 am.

Approval of Agenda:

Res. #11-14

Moved by Councillor Sloan to adopt the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

Approval of Minutes from Previous Meetings:

Res. #11-15

Moved by Councillor Sloan to approve the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of January 14, 2011 as presented.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

At 10:06 am Council welcomed Mr. Jim Frederickson. Mr. Frederickson is requesting that one of five proposed lots be separated from the large area identified as Part of Lot 3, Block 4, Plan 072-1021 (SE 32-46-1 W5). The lots would be approximately 73 metres by 25 meters in size. Council indicated that Administration will make provisions for the appropriate bylaw and public hearing tasks. Mr. Frederickson thanked Council and Administration and departed from Council Chambers at 10:12 am.

BYLAWS AND POLICIES

Bylaw #226, Wastewater Bylaw

Res. #11-16

Moved by Deputy Mayor McDaniel to give first reading to Bylaw #226, the Wastewater Bylaw, as amended.

CARRIED

COUNCIL BUSINESS

Recreation Area Project

Council requested that Administration ensure that the trail/ picnic table project for Municipal Reserves 6 & 7 is completed in time for the Annual Information Meeting.

Public Works Projects

Big Bin

Administration presented information on a curb-side pickup for items as an alternative to the big bin weekend. The advantage to the curb pickup is that it does not require the organization and high volume of volunteers and ongoing supervision that is required by the big bin weekends. Council directed Administration to contact the waste company to recruit them for 2011 waste disposal.

Weed Control Act

Council discussed the recent amendments to the *Weed Control Act*, including the requirement for appointment of a municipal inspector. Concerns were raised that while the *Act* requires the appointment of an inspector, there is no mention of any qualifications, experience or education that the appointed individual must have, even though the *Act* empowers them with a great deal of authority. Council directed Administration to draft a letter to The Honorable Jack Hayden, Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development, outlining concerns regarding the need for, and qualifications of, an appointed inspector.

Himalayan Balsam Removal

Council discussed the need for a coordinated approach to the removal of all prohibited noxious weeds, as well as the need for consistent messaging and education surrounding the removal of these weeds, including the Himalayan Balsam. Council is supportive of educating and communicating residence with respect to the proper removal and disposal of these weeds.

Pigeon Lake Watershed Association/ Water Import Project

Council reviewed emails from Poplar Bay residents Mr. Reg Roberts and Mr. Michael Dawyd questioning the necessity of a local wastewater collection line in Poplar Bay, when water importation would have a more positive impact on the lake.

A response will be drafted and provided to the residents that a local wastewater collection system is necessary infrastructure for any municipality, and that Council has supported the water import project in principle. Council believes that both of these items are parallel to each other, rather than opposing solutions.

2011 Census

Administration will be posting 2011 Census information on the website and, time permitting, in upcoming newsletters.

Financial Reports

Res. #11-17

Moved by Deputy Mayor McDaniel that the increase in Pigeon Lake Protective Services rates be accrued as a 2010 expense.

CARRIED

MSI Operating Grant

Res. #11-18

Moved by Mayor Davies to apply the MSI Operating grant funding towards the Shared Administration project.

CARRIED

2011 Budget

Res. #11-19

Moved by Mayor Davies to adopt the 2011 Poplar Bay budget as presented.

CARRIED

Adjournment:

Res. #11-20

Moved by Mayor Davies to adjourn the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

CARRIED

SIGNED ORIGINAL ON FILE

**Kevin Davies, Mayor
Summer Village of Poplar Bay**

**Sylvia Roy, C.A.O.
Summer Village of Poplar Bay**