

TOWN OF SMITHERS

Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of Council held in Council Chambers, 1027 Aldous Street, Smithers, B.C., on Tuesday, May 26, 2009, at 6:35 p.m.

Council Present:

Cress Farrow, Mayor
Norm Adomeit, Councillor
Mark Bandstra, Councillor
Lorne Benson, Councillor
Jo Ann Groves, Councillor
Charlie Northrup, Councillor
Frank Wray, Councillor.

Staff Present:

Deborah Sargent, Chief Administrative Officer
Susan Bassett, Director of Corporate Services
Mark Allen, Director of Development Services
Alison Walker, Planner
Jan McKay, Recording Secretary.

Staff Excused:

Leslie Ford, Director of Finance
Andrew Hillaby, Director of Recreation, Parks and Culture
Keith Stecko, Fire Chief
Kelly Zacharias, Airport Manager/Deputy Fire Chief
Wilf Taekema, Director of Works and Operations.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Farrow called the meeting to order (6:35 p.m).

2. **CORRESPONDENCE/REPORTS**

Discussion:

The review of the Draft 1 OCP began at Page 98.

Section 15.2 Objectives and Policies

15.2.1 Strengthen and Diversify the Economic Base

Policy 1:

Groves/

THAT the words "update of the 1998 Community Economic Development Strategy by the Economic Development Committee" be replaced by "Boomtown to Sustainable Town report".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Policy 2:

Groves/

THAT the words "trade shows and other promotional activities" be deleted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Policy 3:

Bandstra/

THAT the words "ensure" be replaced by "support".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Policy 5:

Northrup/

THAT the words "not exceed 30,000 square feet and proposals must" be deleted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Policy 6:

Bandstra/
THAT Policy 6 be deleted in its entirety.

OPPOSED: COUNCILLOR BENSON.

CARRIED.

Policy 7:

Northrup/

THAT the words "support home-based business as per the Zoning Bylaw" replace the existing policy.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Policy 9:

Benson/

THAT Policy 9 be replaced by "Support resort development".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Policy 13:

Benson/

THAT the words "and tourist attraction" be deleted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

15.2.2 The Downtown Core

Policy 1:

This parking issue will be addressed at a Committee of the Whole meeting, along with the Downtown Charrette recommendations.

Policy 2:

Bandstra/

THAT ~~Policy 4~~ **Policy 2** be deleted in its entirety.

OPPOSED: COUNCILLOR BENSON.

CARRIED.

Policy 3:

Northrup/

THAT Policy 3 be deleted in its entirety.

OPPOSED: COUNCILLORS GROVES AND WRAY.

CARRIED.

Policy 4:

Northrup/

THAT Policy 4 be deleted in its entirety.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

15.2.3 Industrial

Policy 1:

Adomeit/
THAT staff reword the policy with reference to the Airport Land Use Plan.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Policy 2:
Bandstra/
THAT the last sentence be removed.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Policy 5:
Bandstra/
THAT "with vegetation and distance" be deleted.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. **OTHER BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS**

None.

4. **NEXT MEETING**

The next OCP Review Committee of the Whole meeting will be held June 2, 2009, following the brief Special (Open) Meeting of Council which takes place at 6:00 p.m. Discussion will begin at Page 102 "16. Governance".

5. **ADJOURNMENT**

Adomeit/
THAT the meeting be adjourned (7:18 p.m.).
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Certified Correct:

Cress Farrow
Mayor

Deborah Sargent
Corporate Administrator/CAO

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