

# 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, OCTOBER 18, 2011, AT NOON.

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Council Present:

Cress Farrow, Mayor  
Mark Bandstra, Councillor  
Jo Ann Groves, Councillor  
Charlie Northrup, Councillor  
Frank Wray, Councillor.

Staff Present:

Deborah Sargent, Chief Administrative Officer  
Susan Bassett, Director of Corporate Services  
Andrew Hillaby, Director of Recreation, Parks & Culture  
Rob Blackburn, Airport Manager  
Lindsay Blair, Recording Secretary.

Council Excused:

Lorne Benson, Councillor  
Norm Adomeit, Councillor

Staff Excused:

Leslie Ford, Director of Finance  
Mark Allen, Director of Development Services  
Keith Stecko, Fire Chief  
Wilf Taekema, Director of Works and Operations.

Guests:

Allan Stroet  
David Belford  
Joe Wong

Public Present:

Gordon Williams, Jr., Gordon Williams Sr., Colin Williams, and Rob Trampuh.

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Mayor Farrow called the meeting to order at (12:10)

Bandstra/

THAT the agenda be approved, including the following supplemental item:

2.3 Report DEV 11-102, dated October 17, 2011, from A. Walker, Planner, seeking direction from Council to approve amending Development Permit No. 11-02 for the property located at 3146 Highway 16 (Hoskins Ford).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

## 2. CORRESPONDENCE / REPORTS

The agenda was varied at this point in the meeting to bring forward item 2.3.

Councillor Groves declared a conflict and left Chambers at (12:15 p.m.).

2.3 APPLICATION TO AMEND DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NO. 11-02 FOR 3146  
HIGHWAY 16 (HOSKINS FORD)

Bandstra/

THAT Report DEV 11-102, dated October 17, 2011, from A. Walker, Planner, seeking direction from Council to approve amending Development Permit No. 11-02 for the property located at 3146 Highway 16, be received.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Wray/

THAT Development Permit No. 11-02 for the property located at 3146 Highway 16, be approved.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Councillor Groves returned to Chambers at (12:26 p.m.).

2.1 BVEDA QUARTERLY UPDATE

Wray/

THAT the report from A. Stroet, Economic Development Officer, Bulkley Valley Economic Development Association, presenting his quarterly update, be received.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Allan Stroet summarized his report and highlighted key initiatives. Council expressed concern about community awareness and relationship building with the business community. It was recommended that a communication plan be developed. Directors present were invited to comment on the progress of the BVEDA to date.

D. Sargent provided Council with an email from Paul Wellington providing the Director terms for BVEDA.

Northrup/

THAT a letter be sent to Harvey Tremblay thanking him for serving on the Board and asking him to consider letting his name stand for a further three year term.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

2.2 PROVINCIAL SMALL COMMUNITY RECREATION PROGRAM GRANT

Groves/

THAT Report P&R 11-18 dated October 13, 2011, from A. Hillaby, Director of Recreation, Parks, and Culture, seeking direction regarding the Provincial Small Community Recreation Program grant application to purchase and install indoor sports turf for the Civic Centre Arena, be received (6140-01).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Wray/

THAT Council authorizes the grant application to a maximum of \$350,000 and limiting the Town's share to 20%.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**3. OTHER BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS**

3.1 Watson's Landing

D. Sargent, Chief Administrative Officer, provided Council with a verbal update on Watson's Landing and the Airport Cistern project.

**4. ADJOURNMENT**

4.1 Northrup/

The meeting was adjourned at (1: 20 p.m.).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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Deborah Sargent  
Corporate Administrator/CAO

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Cress Farrow  
Mayor

**Certified a True and Correct Copy** of the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held Tuesday, October 18, 2011, at 12:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, 1027 Aldous Street, Smithers, B.C.

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Deborah Sargent  
Corporate Administrator/CAO