

## TOWN OF PORT MCNEILL

**Minutes** of the regular meeting of the Harbour Commission held on January 5, 2010 at 1594 Beach Drive. Called to order at 6:33 pm

**Present:** K. Menzies, B. Jackman, K. Schwalm, J. Furney, Councillor G. Wickstrom, Harbour Manager H. Binner, recording secretary K. Cessford.

**Apologies:** C. Stewart

### 1. MINUTES:

Minutes of the Harbour Commission meeting December 1, 2009  
 001/2010 - Moved, seconded and CARRIED that the December 1, 2009 minutes be accepted as read Minutes

### 2. CORRESPONDENCE & INFORMATION:

- a) Harbour Financials – Municipal and Federal revenue and expenses for the period ending November 30, 2009 were distributed for discussion. H. Binner fielded questions.
- b) Rate comparison – copies of Schedule “F” to Bylaws No. 558.4, 2008 and No. 558.5, 2009 were distributed, along with a draft for rate changes from H. Binner. Discussion ensued.

### 3. BUSINESS ARISING & UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a) Discussions arising from the rate discussion were:
  - live aboard boaters
  - independent hydro meters vs. annual hydro rate
  - moorage reservations
- b) H. Binner asked the members to consider taking on the Harbour Authority Association delegate responsibility as she will be stepping down.
- c) H. Binner supplied an update on the status of the Harbour dredging.

### 4. REPORTS:

#### **Council Member’s Report**

Councillor G. Wickstrom advised the members that the Town Of Port McNeill submitted a letter of intent for funding through Community Futures Development Corporation and Westcap, for the amphitheatre/shower facility. If approved, a solid proposal must be submitted before the end of January, 2010. She advised that Small Craft Harbours will fund approximately \$40,000 towards a washroom/laundry building, and they (SCH) have paid \$14,000 to supply the independent electrical outlet for the tugboats.

Councillor G. Wickstrom asked B. Jackman how the new breakwater extension has effected his docks – he responded that undulations are high but not violent.

**Commission Member's Report**

C. Stewart – not in attendance.

K. Menzies – Reiterated that he is not happy with Council's request for D. Ramsey to step down. He also asked that the Harbour Commission attend the next Council meeting as delegates to discuss their concerns.

B. McCormick – Nothing to report.

K. Schwalm – Brought up some concerns about the accuracy and accessibility of some items on the Harbour link in the Town of Port McNeill Website. Councillor G. Wickstrom asked her to supply a list that can be reviewed and addressed as necessary. Also encouraged the use of the 2010 Forest Capital on Harbour sites.

James – Asked about the letter sent to Council in respect to D. Ramsey. Councillor G. Wickstrom advised that it will be discussed at the next Council meeting. J. Furney also recommended to his fellow members that one of them step forward to attend the HAABC meetings. B. McCormick and K. Schwalm asked for more clarification on the meetings.

B. Jackman – Showed a copy of the Western Mariner which contains an article on Port McNeill. Also showed a double-sided brochure developed by Steve Jackman, highlighting the Harbour and Town facilities available to boaters. B. Jackman also recommended the boat launch be 1<sup>st</sup> priority when the municipal side of dredging begins.

**5. NEW BUSINESS:**

a) Election of Chair and Vice-Chair:

Chair - J. Furney.

Vice-Chair - K. Menzies.

**6. RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL: None**

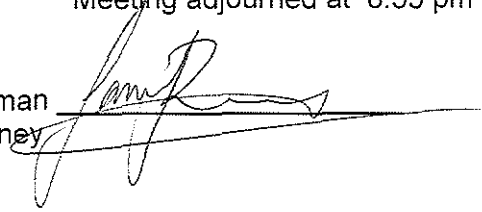
**7. NEXT MEETING:**

The next meeting will be held on February 9, 2010 at 6:30 pm.

**8. ADJOURNMENT:**

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm

Chairman  
J. Furney



Recording Secretary  
K. Cessford

