

**Village of Valemount  
Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting**

**Date:** May 26, 2009  
**Time:** 7:00 PM  
**Place:** Council Chambers

**Those Present:** Mayor Smith  
Councillor Capstick  
Councillor Piper  
Councillor Roe

**Regrets:** Councillor Tchir

**Others:** D.B. Fleming, Chief Administrative Officer  
Sandy Salt, Deputy Director of Corporate Services  
Silvio Gislimberti, Economic Development Officer

Media (2)  
General Public (18)

1. **Call to Order** Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM
2. **Adjourn for the Public Hearing** Mayor Smith adjourned the Regular Council meeting for the Public Hearing for "Valemount Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 636, 2009 (Seniors Housing)" and "Valemount Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 637, 2009 (Seniors Housing)".
3. **Recall Meeting to Order** Mayor Smith recalled the meeting to order at 7:06 PM
4. **Adoption of Minutes**
  - a) **Regular Council Meeting, May 12, 2009** **Res # 259/09**  
MOVED BY Councillor Roe  
SECONDED BY Councillor Piper  
THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held May 12, 2009 be adopted as printed and circulated.  

CARRIED.
5. **Business Arising from the Minutes**
  - a) **Sherral Shaw Re: The Gathering Tree Patio Expansion** Mayor Smith asked Ms. Shaw if she had any further comments. Ms. Shaw responded no further comments.  
  
Mayor Smith recited sections of the Community Futures Development Corporation generic Business Plan in regards to Ms. Shaw's reference to Community Futures being a sponsor in The Gathering Tree venture.

Councillor Piper referenced the mention of plans for a future gift shop at the May 12, 2009 Regular Council meeting, and pointed out that if additional space is added then additional parking will be required. Councillor Piper also wanted to note that by adding an additional seating capacity, there would be additional utility charges for Water, Sewer and Garbage Collection.

Discussions ensued.

**Res # 260/09**

MOVED BY Councillor Roe

SECONDED BY Councillor Capstick

THAT the presentation material and verbal discussions regarding The Gathering Tree Patio Expansion be received.

CARRIED.

**Res # 261/09**

MOVED BY Councillor Roe

SECONDED BY Councillor Piper

THAT the Village require **one (1)** parking space by way of **cash-in-lieu** (value \$1,500.00) to permit a patio seating expansion by The Gathering Tree restaurant.

CARRIED.

Councillor Roe referenced Res # 238/09 and inquired on the status of the report from staff on the Valemount Community Hall rental fee structure and dates already booked for 2009 regarding the First Baptist Church of Valemount Looking for New Location. The Deputy Director of Corporate Services responded that this is still in progress compiling the data and will have something forthcoming for Council.

The Deputy Director of Corporate Services read aloud comments on behalf of Councillor Tchir as follows; "When I extended thanks to Dennis Martens for trimming and cleaning the spruce trees at the Cemetery, I didn't realize there were others involved, at this time I would like to thank Jean Dennis, Marie Birkbeck, Patricia Thoni, Shirley Taylor, Jean and Terri Lynn Froescul. If I have missed anyone else – Thank you."

**6. Petitions & Delegations**

**a) Valemount and Area Chamber of Commerce Re: Downtown Revitalization**

Mayor Smith welcomed Mr. Shawn Alain.

Mr. Alain commented on concerns the Valemount and Area Chamber of Commerce has in regards to The Gathering Tree and the changes being done to lanes since the original plans. The Chief Administrative Officer responded that there have been no new changes and the plans remain the same.

Mr. Alain invited other Valemount and Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Members forward to speak.

Mr. Maurice Hill came forward expressing he is grateful for the funding the Village has acquired for the Downtown Revitalization but is concerned that the back lanes aren't 40 ton capable, and that parking is desperately needed. He provided Council with copies of a letter from the Valemount and Area Chamber of Commerce Executive and membership expressing these concerns in greater detail. The Chief Administrative Officer responded that the lanes would be more durable and dust free than they have been in the past. The Chief Administrative Officer pointed out that the Village has no money; it has Grants or Tax Payers Dollars.

Mr. Alain came forward again and questioned the amount of \$1,500.00 per parking stall. The Chief Administrative Officer responded that the \$1,500.00 per parking stall has been verified by costs of previous business owners.

Mr. Alain reported that the Valemount and Area Chamber of Commerce would like to request a meeting with Council.

**Res # 262/09**

MOVED BY Councillor Roe

SECONDED BY Councillor Piper

THAT the verbal and written presentations from Mr. Shawn Alain and Mr. Maurice Hill of the Valemount and Area Chamber of Commerce regarding Downtown Revitalization be received.

CARRIED.

Mr. Nigel Hooke of Valemount Home Hardware came forward and reported that the lane behind his store is a foot lower than it used to be and can't access his parking lot. The Chief Administrative Officer responded that there is still more work to be done with asphalt grinding applied. Mr. Hooke requested a letter of clarification from the Village.

**Res # 263/09**

MOVED BY Councillor Piper

SECONDED BY Councillor Roe

THAT a friendly amendment to Res #262/09 be made to include Nigel Hook, Valemount Home Hardware Business Owner.

CARRIED.

**7. Correspondence**

- a) **Garth Wiggill,  
District Manager  
Headwaters Forest  
District Re:  
Valemount Fuel  
Management Project**

**Res # 264/09**

MOVED BY Councillor Piper

SECONDED BY Councillor Capstick

THAT the correspondence from Garth Wiggill, District Manager – Headwaters Forest District regarding Valemount Fuel Management Project be received for information purposes.

CARRIED.

b) **Union of British Columbia Municipalities Re: 2008 Resolutions**      **Res # 265/09**  
MOVED BY Councillor Piper  
SECONDED BY Councillor Capstick  
THAT the letter from Union of British Columbia Municipalities regarding 2008 Resolutions be received for information purposes.  
  
CARRIED.

c) **Provincial Health Services Authority Re: Networking Opportunity with PHSA Board and Stakeholders**      **Res # 266/09**  
MOVED BY Councillor Piper  
SECONDED BY Councillor Capstick  
THAT the letter from Provincial Health Services Authority regarding Networking Opportunity with PHSA Board and Stakeholders be received for information purposes.  
  
CARRIED.

d) **Union of British Columbia Municipalities Re: 2009 UBCM Convention – Tuesday Forums**      **Res # 267/09**  
MOVED BY Councillor Capstick  
SECONDED BY Councillor Roe  
THAT the letter from Union of British Columbia Municipalities regarding 2009 UBCM Convention – Tuesday Forums, be received; AND THAT staff be directed to engage and peruse this.  
  
CARRIED.

**Res # 268/09**  
MOVED BY Councillor Piper  
SECONDED BY Councillor Roe  
THAT a friendly amendment to Res # 267/09 be made to include the topic of, small communities ability to come up with their own share of funding to meet the obligations of Grants, be raised under the Topic Area of Other for the 2009 UBCM Convention – Tuesday Forums.  
  
CARRIED.

e) **Valemountain Days Committee Re: In-Kind-Donations**      **Res # 269/09**  
MOVED BY Councillor Capstick  
SECONDED BY Councillor Roe  
THAT the letter from Valemountain Days Committee regarding In-Kind-Donations be received for consideration.  
  
CARRIED.

**Res # 270/09**  
MOVED BY Councillor Roe  
SECONDED BY Councillor Piper  
THAT the In-Kind-Donations as outlined in the letter from Valemountain Days Committee be granted.  
  
CARRIED.

8. **Bylaws**

Councillor Roe removed herself from the meeting at this point citing a conflict of interest.

a) **Valemount Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 636, 2009 (Seniors Housing), (3<sup>rd</sup> Reading)**      **Res # 271/09**  
MOVED BY Councillor Piper  
SECONDED BY Councillor Capstick  
THAT Bylaw No. 636, 2009 cited as "Valemount Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 636, 2009" be given 3<sup>rd</sup> reading.  

CARRIED.

b) **Valemount Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 637, 2009 (Seniors Housing), (3<sup>rd</sup> Reading)**      **Res # 272/09**  
MOVED BY Councillor Piper  
SECONDED BY Councillor Capstick  
THAT Bylaw No. 637, 2009 cited as "Valemount Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 637, 2009" be given 3<sup>rd</sup> reading.  

CARRIED.

Councillor Roe returned to the meeting.

c) **Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 640, 2009 (Flavelle), (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)**      **Res # 273/09**  
MOVED BY Councillor Piper  
SECONDED BY Councillor Capstick  
THAT Bylaw No. 640, 2009 cited as "Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 640, 2009 (Flavelle)" be given 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> readings.  

CARRIED.

**Res # 274/09**  
MOVED BY Councillor Piper  
SECONDED BY Councillor Roe  
THAT a Public Hearing for "Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 640, 2009 (Flavelle)" be scheduled for June 23, 2009.  

CARRIED.

9. **General Correspondence**      **Res # 275/09**  
MOVED BY Councillor Piper  
SECONDED BY Councillor Roe  
THAT the General Correspondence be received for consideration.  

CARRIED.

10. **Reports**  
a) **Michelle Sulkye Re: Recreational Infrastructure Canada Program**      **Res # 276/09**  
MOVED BY Councillor Piper  
SECONDED BY Councillor Roe  
THAT the report from Michelle Sulkye regarding Recreational Infrastructure Canada Program, be received; AND THAT the Village of Valemount apply for the Western Economic Diversification Recreational Infrastructure Canada Program to fund the repair of the Valemount Community Hall (with construction beginning early in 2010), and that the Village of Valemount commit approximately \$35,000.00 of their 2010 budget towards this project.  

CARRIED.

b) **Chief Administrative Officer Re: John Grogan Issues – May 2009** **Res # 277/09**  
MOVED BY Councillor Roe  
SECONDED BY Councillor Capstick  
THAT the report from the Chief Administrative Officer regarding John Grogan Issues – May 2009 be received for information purposes.

CARRIED.

c) **Chief Administrative Officer Re: Development Variance Permit – Flavelle; DVP #01-2009** **Res # 278/09**  
MOVED BY Councillor Piper  
SECONDED BY Councillor Capstick  
THAT the report from the Chief Administrative Officer regarding Development Variance Permit – Flavelle; DVP #01-2009, be received; AND THAT Council will consider this Development Variance Permit application at Council's June 23, 2009 Regular Council meeting.

CARRIED.

## 11. New Business

Councillor Capstick reported on attending his first Tourism Valemount Meeting earlier today. Councillor Capstick inquired if the Chief Administrative Officer has scheduled a tour for Council with the Public Works Superintendent yet. The Chief Administrative Officer responded that he would arrange one at the earliest convenience for all involved.

The Deputy Director of Corporate Services read aloud the following comments on behalf of Councillor Tchir:

- Thank you for the trees that will be planted throughout the Village.
- Would it be possible to have a few more picnic tables placed outside the Visitor Information Centre?
- In response to the cross walk sign on Highway 5 and 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue – we are waiting for Rick Blixrud, District Manager of Transportation to respond.
- Congratulations Valemount Secondary School Mountain Bike Club for hosting the Provincial Championships – nothing but positive comments – a job well done!

Councillor Roe reported on attending the BC High School Mountain Bike Provincial Championships Criterium Races in Valemount on Friday evening, May 22, 2009.

**Res # 279/09**  
MOVED BY Councillor Roe  
SECONDED BY Councillor Piper  
THAT a letter of congratulations be sent to Mr. Les Van Der Roest of the Valemount Secondary School Mountain Bike Club for successfully hosting the BC High School Mountain Bike Provincial Championships this year in Valemount.

CARRIED.

Councillor Piper reported on poking her head out of the door while at work to watch the BC High School Mountain Bike Provincial Championships Criterium Races in Valemount on Friday evening, May 22, 2009.

The Deputy Director of Corporate Services presented Council with two late items.

**Res # 280/09**

MOVED BY Councillor Piper

SECONDED BY Councillor Capstick

THAT the letter from Ms. Rashmi Narayan regarding Bylaw Enforcement and Downtown Revitalization be received for information purposes.

CARRIED.

**Res # 281/09**

MOVED BY Councillor Piper

SECONDED BY Councillor Roe

THAT the verbal request from Mr. Dan Lawless of the Valemount Children's Activity Society regarding Request For Use of Ten Community Hall Tables on Saturday, May 30, 2009 for a Toy Sale Fund Raiser, be received; AND THAT this request be granted.

CARRIED.

The Chief Administrative Officer presented Council with an additional late item.

**Res # 282/09**

MOVED BY Councillor Piper

SECONDED BY Councillor Roe

THAT Council agree to partner with Stuart and Theresa Tait (property owners) to create three additional off street parking spaces at 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue (for a combined total of 6 off street parking spaces including existing parking at Country Wide Sales and Service, AND FURTHER THAT the new parking facility be signed with "Public Parking Courtesy of Stuart and Theresa Tait and the Village of Valemount" or like wording.

CARRIED.

It was noted that the above agreement to partner will involve the Village paving a 12' X 50' strip in concert with the property owners paving a 12' X 50' strip (total of 24' X 50') for "Public Parking" purposes (maximum time limit for parking: 2 hours).

Mayor Smith reported on two letters received from the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George regarding 2009 Operating Grants for the Valemount Public Library and the Valemount Entertainment Society. He reported on Mayor For a Day Niam Karas yesterday. Mayor Smith reported on

attending the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George Board meeting in Prince George on Thursday, May 21, 2009.

The Economic Development Officer provided Council with a verbal update regarding Downtown Revitalization. He reported that Thursday, May 21, 2009 was the Tender Process Deadline and that the Engineers received four Tender Packages on behalf of the Village of Valemount. The Economic Development Officer pointed out that currently the Downtown Revitalization project is now short almost \$300,000.00.

**Res # 283/09**

MOVED BY Councillor Piper  
SECONDED BY Councillor Capstick  
THAT Village Council award the contract for Downtown Revitalization and Water Main Upgrading (for Cedar Street and 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue) to the low bidder BA Dawson subject to final contract detail negotiation and confirmation.

CARRIED.

**12. In Camera Meeting**

**Res # 284/09**

MOVED BY Councillor Piper  
SECONDED BY Councillor Roe  
THAT the Regular Council meeting be closed to the public to permit consideration of two additional agenda items as In Camera items pursuant to Section 90.1 of the Community Charter and that members of the public be excluded from the In Camera session of Council.

CARRIED.

**13. Adjournment**

MOVED BY Councillor Piper  
That the Regular Council meeting held May 26, 2009 be adjourned.

CARRIED.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 PM.

ADOPTED BY COUNCIL  
AT A REGULAR MEETING  
HELD ON \_\_\_\_\_  
RESOLUTION NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

CERTIFIED CORRECT

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Mayor

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Chief Administrative Officer