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THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF PORT COQUITLAM

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE

MINUTES

A meeting of the Environmental Protection Committee was held in the City Administrator's Office on Thursday, December 3, 1987 at 4:45 p.m..

Personnel in Attendance:

Alderman M.D. Gates, Chairman Alderman M. Wright, P. Eng., Co-Chairman T.M. Chong, P. Eng., Deputy City Engineer

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Recommended:

That the minutes of the meeting of the Environmental Protection Committee held on Thursday, October 8, 1987 be taken as read and adopted.

Carried

ITEM 1: ENFORCEMENT OF SMOKING REGULATIONS BYLAW NO. 2277

The Committee reviewed the memo forwarded by the Chief Bylaw Enforcement Officer on this subject. Alderman Wright stated that if deliberate enforcement action is not taken then there is very little meaning to passing this Bylaw. T. Chong stated that from a practical point of view the Committee might wish to prepare an information bulletin and distribute same to the proprietors/operators of establishments affected and give the people an opportunity to take the necessary actions to conform with the Bylaw prior to taking strict enforcement action. The Committee directed T. Chong to prepare such a bulletin as soon as possible and include the discussions on enforcement as a Council-in-Committee item in the new year.

ITEM II: CLEAN-UP OF COQUITLAM RIVER

T. Chong advised the Committee members that the Terms of Reference for the Consultant's Study to be commissioned by the Provincial Ministry of Environment has not been drafted yet. A copy of the Reeve Park Developmental Study has been forwarded to Mr. Bonham to assist him in the selection of the new dyke alignment. The Committee recommended that a more aggressive approach be taken with the Ministry of Environment on this matter. This would include soliciting input from the City Engineer and Parks & Recreation Director prior to a further meeting with Mr. Bonham.

ITEM III: BURNING AT INDIAN RESERVE

The Committee was advised that both Alderman Gates and T. Chong have visited the Reserve to assess the burning operations. While the burning is limited now to stumps and trees from construction sites and the process is much better controlled than previously, the resultant smoke and possible leaching problems are still a concern to the Committee. The Committee recognized the special status of the Indian Band and that everything possible has been done to persuade them to cease this burning operation. However, it is apparent that no provincial or federal legislature is available to prevent this burning from taking place near the committee of the c

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ITEM IV: FISH AWARENESS SYMBOLS

T. Chong advised the Committee that he has recently contacted the local Scout Master, Mr. Doug Stanbrook, and the Federal Fisheries Representative on this program, Mr. Caverhill. The status of this program is in limbo pending the new replacement for the Federal Fisheries Community Advisor to read into his new job. It is likely that these symbols will be painted adjacent to catch basins during the Spring of 1988.

ITEM V: NEW BUSINESS

None.

The Meeting Adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

T.M. Chong, P. Eng., Deputy City Engineer/ Operations Manager

Alderman M.D. Gates, Committee Chairman

Minutes not read and adopted by the Committee until certified correct by the Cormittee Chairman's signature.

cc Mayor and Aldermen City Administrator City Clerk City Engineer

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THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF PORT COQUITLAM

MEMO

TO: Tony Chong

DATE:

:: November 20, 1987

Deputy City Engineer Operations Manager

SUBJECT: No Smoking Bylaw #2277

FRCM: R.G. Criggie

Chief Licence Inspector Bylaw Enforcement Officer

This memorandum is written in response to your committee's query of November 2, 1987 about enforcement of the above captioned Bylaw.

It is this departments understanding that enforcement of the provisions of the No Smoking Bylaw were to be carried out through moral persuasion and by local merchants. No budgetary allocations were made fore enforcement of this Bylaw during the current year. Should your committee feel that itsienforcement should receive priority during the coming year, please advise the writer and the City Clerk, Mr. R.A. Freeman so that additional staff can be budgeted for.

R.G. Criggie

c.c. - Alderman Mike Gates Alderman Mike Wright, P. Eng. R.A. Freeman, City Clerk

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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Ron Criggie Chief Bylaw Enforcement Officer

November 2, 1987

FROM:

T.M. Chong, P. Eng., Deputy City Engineer/Operations Manager

SUBJECT: Enforcement of Smoking Regulation Bylaw

At the last meeting of the Environmental Protection Committee, the question of whether or not any plans have been made to enforce the recently adopted Bylaw to regulate smoking in the City was raised.

I have been asked by the Committee members to refer this question to you for a response. Would you be kind enough to provide your thoughts on this matter at your earliest convenience?

Our next meeting will probably be scheduled for the beginning of November.

> T.M. Chong, Deputy City Engineer/ Operations Manager

cc Alderman M. Gates Alderman M. Wright, P. Eng. City Administrator

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January 27, 1987

Mr. B. Kirk City Administrator City of Port Coquitlam 2272 McAllister Port Coguitlam, B.C. **V3C 2A8**

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Dear Mr. Kirk:

The British Columbia Conservation Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation and enhancement of fish and wildlife habitats throughout the province. We are currently assisting the Provincial Ministry of Environment and Parks and the Public Involvement Program of the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada to establish a storm drain marking program in the Lower Fraser Valley.

This program entails painting a yellow fish symbol baside storm drains that discharge into fish-bearing waters. The attached print illustrates the symbol which is 12" long and is applied using yellow traffic-line paint and a template. A major feature of the program is that the marking will be done by public volunteer groups such as Boy Scouts, Girl Guides, Fish and Game Clubs, other community service groups, and individuals. Local schools, particularly those already involved in the Salmonids in The Classroom curriculum, will also have the opportunity to participate. The marking crews will be equipped with reflective safety vests and all crews involving children will have one or more adult supervisors. This extensive involvement of the public will hopefully increase their awareness of the importance of local streams to salmon and trout and develop a sense of committment to maintaining the water quality of those streams.

in conjunction with the actual marking volunteers will also distribute brochures to local residences to inform the occupants as to meaning of the fish symbol beside storm drains. Hopefully, this will lead to a reduction in the incidence of materials such as motor oil, antifreeze, pesticides, detergents and other substances toxic to fish being disposed of down storm drains.

The program has already received endorsement by the Municipalities of Surrey and Langley, and we are anxious to expand the program north of the Freser River. We are therefore requesting approval and endorsement from the City of Port Coquitiam to conduct a storm drain marking program within the city boundaries. We would appreciate if such approval could take the form of a motion of support from the mayor and council, followed by written authorization. We would appreciate your advising us of the procedures to follow to obtain such approval.

We have prepared £9.172 minute voice dubbed slide show that explains the program and relates it to the important economic and social roles that the fisheries resource plays in British Columbia. We would be pleased to present the show to council and/or other local government officials who may wish further clarification of the purpose of the storm drain marking program.

To get the program rolling we are hoping to obtain approval from local governments on the north side of the Fraser River by the end of February. Your early response would assist us in achieving that goal. If you have any questions concerning the program or suggestions as to how we might speed up the approval process please contact our project biologist, Mr. Tony Barnard, at 594-6752 or 584-8822. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

BRITISH COLUMBIA CONSERVATION FOUNDATION

Robert Moody Executive Director

cc: Mr. Gery Teccogna, Community Advisor, DFO Mr. Peter Caverhill, Fisheries Biologist, MOEP

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