



City of Prince Rupert

MINUTES

For the **PUBLIC HEARING** held on April 13, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 424 - 3rd Avenue West, Prince Rupert, B.C.

PRESENT: Mayor L. Brain
Councillor B. Mirau
Councillor B. Cunningham
Councillor W. Niesh
Councillor G. Randhawa
Councillor J. Thorkelson
Councillor N. Kinney

STAFF: R. Long, City Manager
C. Bomben, Chief Financial Officer
R. Mandryk, Corporate Administrator
Z. Krekic, City Planner

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the Public Hearing of April 13, 2015 to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor read the Statement of Chair on the Procedures for the Public Hearing.

2. BYLAWS

(a) **ZONING AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 3367, 2015 (1620 PRINCE RUPERT BLVD).**

Reports and Correspondence regarding the Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 3367, 2015.

Mayor invited the City Planner, Zeno Krekic, to present to Council.

a) **City Planner's Report of April 7, 2015.**

Mr. Krekic, City Planner, presented to Council his report and recommendations.

b) **There has been no correspondence as of April 8, 2015.**

Two comments came in after the report was produced.

c) Public asked to provide comments.

The Mayor called first time for any speakers to come forward to speak to the rezoning issue.

James Horne, Cam McIntyre, and Christina Last came forward on behalf of the School District with concerns surrounding the proposed development and the Kanata School property which is the only property that the School District has freehold use of and ability to sell.

The speakers urged Council to turn down this application as they felt it may result in an adverse effect on their property and ability to potentially be rezoned and sold as residential property.

The speakers informed Council that there was an interested party to purchase the Kanata School property.

The Mayor called for anyone else to speak.

Mr. David McWalter, Agent for the applicant; Mr. Wayne Carson, CEO Quickload; Mr. Don Silversides, Legal Counsel; and, Mr. Mike Scott, former MP, Owner of the Canadian Freightways property came before Council.

The four representatives suggested that the rezoning process is really just a 'housekeeping' procedure as the M1 currently allows use for freight containers & trucks but does not allow for ship container classification for what they need use of the property for.

In response to the School District's concerns, this is a daytime weekday operation, no operations at night, no long term intention of changing this. The speaker did inform Council that some lighting would need to be installed.

The Canadian Freightways property nearby is zoned as M2 already.

The speaker informed Council that they were the interested buyer that the School District was earlier referencing.

This rezoning does not adversely affect the property's value. This is a relatively benign use of the property.

Quickload has tried to grow the business over the past decade. Relocation of the property has resulted in an exhaustive search. They feel it could be a good home for their business.

The properties located beside are M2 and the property across the street is zoned M3. Quickload representatives pride themselves on being a good corporate citizen. They will work within the City's nuisance and noise bylaws, and with any concerns the neighbours might have. Daylight is a requirement for the business for carrying on business safely.

The Mayor called for other speakers.

Kevin Stunder, Summit Aurora, former owner of the local bowling alley. As a resident of the City he supports the rezoning application for this location. He believes that this brings certainty of the future for neighbours and other business for their planning going forward.

The Mayor asked for other speakers.

Called a second time.

Called a third time.

3. ADJOURN PUBLIC HEARING

MOVED by Councillor Kinney and seconded by Councillor Cunningham that the Public Hearing be adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

CARRIED

Confirmed:

These meeting Minutes were adopted by Council. To view signed original, visit City Hall Administration or contact via phone 250-627-0934 or email Cityhall@princerupert.ca

MAYOR

Certified Correct:

CORPORATE ADMINISTRATOR