



October 8, 2009

Council Meeting Brief for October 6, 2009

PROCLAMATIONS

Veterans Week, November 5 to 11, 2009

Council proclaimed November 5 to 11, 2009 as Veterans Week in the District of Squamish and for citizens to join in the observation of 2 minute wave of silence and calls upon all citizens to join in this sacred observance, honouring our Canadian men and women who serve and those who have sacrificed their lives so that others may live a peaceful co-existence.

Grant in Aid Requests

Council approved the Grant in Aid to BC Whippet Racing Club to cover the costs of renting municipal owned facilities in the amount of \$3,528 for the International Whippet Racing event on August 27–29, 2010.

Council approved the Grant in Aid to Dr. E. Murakami Centre for Lyme, to cover the costs of renting municipal owned facilities in the amount of \$627.11 for a public awareness and information session on October 3, 2009.

NOTICE OF MOTION

In the spirit of fostering transparency and open government, Council ensure that Squamish Sustainability Corporation (SSC) board meetings are open to the public and responsible to the same rules as outlined in the Community Charter while Council comprises the entire makeup of the SSC board.

Response to Garibaldi at Squamish Water Licence Referral

The proposed Garibaldi at Squamish Four Seasons Resort and Development has applied to the Ministry of Environment for a water licence that would allow the project to extract water from two tributaries to the Brohm River. Staff recommends not supporting a water licence at this time given the number of uncertainties around the water supply issues associated with the development. The District's response is a comment on the information which has been provided with the water licence application and staff's understanding of that information at this point in time. It should not be construed as either opposition to or support for the development.

Council approved the report from the Community Development Department

Skyline Drive Retaining Wall Contract

Council authorized the District to enter into a contract with L&A Equipment Ltd. to perform the Skyline Drive retaining wall construction in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by R.F. Binnie & Associates Ltd. for the amount of \$78,148.00 plus GST.

Kingswood Pedestrian Overpass

Council authorized the District to enter into a contract with Tyam Construction Ltd. to the Kingswood

Pedestrian Overpass in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by ISL Engineering for the amount of \$632,355.39 plus GST.

Council approved that the 2009 Budget consideration for the Kingswood Overpass be increased from \$500,000 to \$750,000 to complete this project.

Transit Infrastructure Improvements

Council awarded construction of bus shelters to West Coast Weather Barriers at a price not to exceed \$54,598 plus GST.

Operations Budget 2009

Council augmented the 2009 Operations Department Street Cleaning (sweeper) budget by \$23,000 from Council contingency funds, and the Drainage budget by \$25,000 from MIA account (\$15,000) and Fleet Administration (\$10,000).

Development Variance Permit No. 56 (Waterfront Landing)

Waterfront Landing is a 1,500 unit mixed residential/commercial neighbourhood. The Development Variance Permit is to vary the Subdivision and Development Control Bylaw road and street lighting standards. Council approved Development Permit No. 56.

District of Squamish Hires New Deputy Fire Chief

The District of Squamish is pleased to announce that Mike Adams has joined Squamish Fire Rescue as Deputy Fire Chief.

Mr. Adams brings twenty years of fire service to the District of Squamish, most recently as Assistant Fire Chief, Operations and Logistics, for the District of North Vancouver. In his last position Adams helped manage the daily operations of five fire stations staffed by 25 career firefighters, and was Incident Commander at many large-scale emergencies. He is also accomplished in Emergency Management.

"Mike's skills and passion for the well being of the Squamish community makes Mike a perfect fit with our dedicated team of fire rescue professionals," said Fire Chief Ray Saurette. "His enthusiasm for progressive fire service delivery will be a great asset to the department as we strive to provide the highest possible standard of emergency service."

Mr. Adams and his family have resided in Squamish for over eight years and have been active members of the community. He will begin his role as Deputy Fire Chief on November 2, 2009.

District of Squamish Fire Rescue is made up of two fire stations, five full-time career firefighters and more than 60 volunteers proudly protecting 16,000 people living in a primarily residential area of 40 square miles.



Backyard Burning - October 17 - 25, 2009



The District of Squamish's fall burn week for disposal of dry garden debris is from Saturday, October 17 to Sunday, October 25. During this period residents can burn their garden debris by purchasing a \$10.00 burning permit at Squamish Fire Rescue (cash or checks only please) located at 40439 Tantalus Road. Office hours are weekdays 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 to 4:30 p.m. The fire should remain under one metre in diameter and be supervised by an adult at all times.

Official Community Plan Open House Forums

Your Community, Your Say.....



The District of Squamish invites you to participate in the discussion of the draft Official Community Plan that was given First Reading by Council in July 2009.

Open House Forums

Wednesday October 14 and Thursday October 15, 2009 from
5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Sea-to-Sky Hotel Ballroom

40330 Tantalus Way, Garibaldi Estates

A short introduction will begin at 6:00 p.m. followed by a discussion forum to begin at 6:30 p.m. on the contents of the
Official Community Plan.

[Click here to view the draft Official Community Plan](#)

Residents and community organizations are invited to make presentations to Squamish Council on their thoughts on the content and policy directions of the draft policies. Presentations will be limited to a maximum of 3 minutes to enable

Council to hear from as many participants as possible during each forum.

Advanced sign-up is available by contacting the Planning Department at 604-815-5002 or planning@squamish.ca

Help us complete a plan that reflects your aspirations for your community
Squamish ~ Outdoor Recreation Capital of Canada

Local Businesses Step Up to Complete Adventure Centre Sidewalk Project



The District of Squamish would like to thank some local businesses who helped complete the Squamish Adventure Centre sidewalk project by extending the sidewalk from the new “Cultural Journey” information kiosk to the Adventure Centre. Bob Fast of Cardinal Concrete came forward and offered to complete the project as a contribution to the community when it was identified that the sidewalk would stop at the new “Cultural Journey” information kiosk.

The sidewalk project extended the sidewalk from the new “Cultural Journey” information kiosk to the existing sidewalk at the Squamish Adventure Centre. Cardinal Concrete spearheaded the \$16,000 project and received support from Summit Concrete Specialties Ltd and Coast Valley Contracting.

To read more [click here](#)

Winter Games 2010 - Recreation Program Survey



We are hoping to get an idea of the demand for children and youth programs during the Spring School Break. Please complete the survey and let us know what you would like to see available at [Brennan Park Recreation Centre during the Olympics.](#)

GamesTown 2010

We Can Do It!

We have 30 days before the GamesTown 2010 Viewers' Choice Awards Poll opens and voting begins to pick who is going to win GamesTown 2010.

Every community has an equal chance to win, no matter how large or how small! The top 2 communities in each of the 5 categories will move into a final round.

Squamish falls in the 10,001 - 25,000 population category. We are competing with 16 other communities in our population category.

We can do it, but we need your help to win! It is easy to do, click here to log on to [gamestown2010 squamish](#) and upload pictures, stories and videos.

Ideas include:

Events and Festivals attended over the summer such as Loggers Sports, SERF, Mountain Climbing, Test of Metal, etc.

Active Summer Vacation Video or Photos
Sports Leagues - 2010 Spirit!
Clubs - Boys and Girls Scouts

We can do it and we can win, if we all post one photo, video or story.

We Are GamesTown 2010

We Are GamesTown 2010 Let's Prove It!

Help Squamish
become GamesTown 2010!

Our community could win \$100,000
towards improving a local sport or
healthy living facility!

It's easy!

Just go online and tell your story.

How does Squamish
support healthy living and the spirit
of the 2010 Winter Games?

Post stories, photos and videos at:
www.gamestown2010.ca



It starts with your story.

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