

# MINUTES DISTRICT OF PORT HARDY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING TUESDAY DECEMBER 12, 2017 COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL HALL 7360 COLUMBIA STREET

PRESENT: Mayor Hank Bood, Councillors Pat Corbett-Labatt (via telephone), Dennis Dugas,

Rick Marcotte, Fred Robertson, John Tidbury and Leightan Wishart

ALSO PRESENT: Allison McCarrick, Chief Administrative Officer; Heather Nelson-Smith, Director of

Corporate Services; Adrian Maas, Director of Financial Services; Abbas

Farahbakhsh, Director of Operations

MEDIA: None

# MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: 1

### A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hank Bood called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

### B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

COW 2017-029 APPROVAL OF AGENDA AS PRESENTED

## Moved/Seconded/Carried

THAT the agenda for the Committee of the Whole meeting of December 12, 2017 be accepted as presented.

### C. DELEGATION

1. Jeremy Dunn, Executive Director, BC Salmon Farmers Association (BCSFA) re: Sustainability Progress Report.

Jeremey provided Council with a visual presentation titled 'Investment. Innovation. Certification. Salmon Aquaculture in BC'.

The presentation included:

- Aguaculture is expanding to meet world fish demand.
- BCSFA represents 52 organizations throughout the full value-chain of finfish aquaculture in BC.
- BCSFA represents seven companies operating ocean farms (112 sites).
- On average, 70 sites are operational at any one time. The others are fallow.
- Two lake-based farms.
- 20 land based sites.
- Salmon farms occupy less than .05% of BC's coast.

### Councillor Robertson arrived at 6:15pm

- Jobs paying about 30% more than medium income in BC.
- 6,600 jobs generated in BC.
- 20 economic and social partnerships with coastal First Nations.
- 78% of B.C.'s annual production of farm-raised salmon is harvested from areas covered by agreements with First Nations.
- 100% BCSFA member Chinook salmon farms are Certified Organic Chinook Salmon.
- 100% BCSFA member Atlantic salmon are GAA-BAP certified.
- 40% of active Atlantic salmon farms are certified to the Aquaculture Stewardship Council (ASC) salmon standard. Goal of 100% by 2020.
- Monterey Bay Aquarium Seafood Watch ranks B.C. Atlantics as "Good Alternative".

- More that 200 million in industry investment over last three years.
- \$1.5 million to fund competitive research programs between 2015 and 2020 that address questions regarding the influence of farmed salmon on wild salmon.
- Local benefit through donations to over 350 organizations and charities, \$600,000 in cash donations and 23,000 pounds of salmon.

# **D. NEW BUSINESS**

COW 2017-030 ADJOURNMENT No new business

# **E. ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED THAT the Committee of the Whole adjourn.	Time: 6:31 pm
CORRECT	APPROVED
Original signed by:	
DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES	MAYOR