

District of Metchosin

Minutes (Declassified on October 13, 2010 to non-confidential)
Closed Portion of the Special Council Meeting
October 13, 2010 at 1:00 P.M.
Council Chamber
Metchosin Municipal Hall

Present: Mayor Ranns in the Chair; Councillors Mitchell, Milne and Tremblay.

Also present was J. Martignago, Chief Administrative Officer, S. Hurst, Planner, L. Urlacher, Deputy Clerk, Darren Hird, TELUS, Annette Richards, TELUS, Jim Larsen, Industry Canada and Kem Luther, resident.

Regrets: Councillor Gramigna

The meeting was called to order at 1:01 p.m.

1. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved.

2. Reports

a) Proposed Radiocommunication Tower

A discussion ensued involving questions, concerns and comments from district staff, TELUS representatives, Industry Canada and members of Council regarding the willingness to entertain alternate site options.

The following points were identified by Council:

- Lack of Land-Use Authority Consultation with the District as to siting issues
 - It was noted that there was no community appetite for siting on or around the municipal grounds both in the past and present.
 - Council clarified that there are municipally owned lands to be considered.
 - The District referenced the *Communications Antennae Location and Communication Policy* and provided an explanation as to the intent of the document meeting the needs of the community.
 - Presented map of areas for suitable locations
- The following requirements were identified by TELUS to provide cell service to Metchosin area:
 - Accessibility for power and servicing
 - Finding a willing landlord
 - Topography in relation to existing signals
 - Consultation with TELUS Engineers regarding parameters

Industry Canada clarified the following:

- Defined land use concurrence - mutually agreed upon location
- Mediation Process - when at an impasse, look for a home grown solution

After discussion TELUS stated that they will notify the District as to a decision to consider alternative sites. It was agreed that District Staff will provide potential areas for TELUS to analyze and that future meetings and or information exchanges would take place to facilitate the consideration of alternate sites locations.

3. Release of Closed Portion Minutes

Moved and Seconded by Councillors Mitchell and Tremblay that the minutes of the closed portion held on October 13, 2010 relating to negotiations between the municipality, the federal government and a third party be declassified from confidential to non-confidential.

Carried

4. Adjournment

The closed portion of the meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Carried

Certified Correct

Mayor

Corporate Officer