

DISTRICT OF SOOKE

Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council
held in the Council Chamber
at 2225 Otter Point Road, Sooke, BC
on May 3, 2011 at 6:30 p.m.

COUNCIL PRESENT

Mayor Janet Evans
Councillor Sheila Beech
Councillor David Bennett
Councillor Bev Berger
Councillor Ron Dumont
Councillor Maja Tait

STAFF PRESENT

Evan Parliament, Chief Administrative Officer
Bonnie Sprinkling, Corporate Officer

ABSENT: Councillor Herb Haldane

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Evans called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED and seconded to approve the agenda as circulated.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC QUESTION AND COMMENT PERIOD

There were no questions or comments from the public.

REPORTS REQUIRING ACTION:

RA-1 Memorandum of Understanding – Capital Regional District

MOVED and seconded to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the Capital Regional District;
AND to authorize the Mayor and the Chief Administrative Officer to execute the Memorandum of Understanding.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RA-2 Liquor Primary Licence – Prestige Hotel

MOVED and seconded to recommend to the Liquor Licencing and Control Branch of British Columbia the issuance of the Liquor Primary Licence to Sooke Prestige Holdings Ltd. for the Yesaki Wine and Raw Bar located at 6929 West Coast Road.

Council of the District of Sooke comments on the prescribed considerations are as follows:

- a. Council followed an extensive public consultation process during the development application approval process for the Prestige Hotel. Council gave particular attention to concerns of noise, community impacts, operations and other matters. Council considered the location of the structure, traffic, the overall positive and negative impacts on the community of the various elements of the development including licenced premises, their location and the functions anticipated to be held at the hotel.
- b. Council notified adjacent land owners and licenced businesses in the vicinity of the hotel to gather their views and to provide comments and recommendations with respect to resident and business-owner views. Based on the comments received Council maintains its view that the hotel and related licenced area will occur in a responsible manner and will have minimal negative impact on adjacent uses and the community.
- c. The maximum person capacity of 30 persons inside and a proposed patio capacity is 20 persons with closing hours of midnight Monday – Thursday and Sunday and 1:00 am Friday and Saturday is acceptable.
- d. Council determined that community impacts would be positive. Council supports the location of licenced premises at the hotel, their hours of operation and the quiet adult venue for socializing.
- e. Council specifically considered the potential for noise impacts in the adjacent community. Council does not believe that noise generated by patrons will result in excessive noise or negative impacts in the community. Prestige Hotel has a reputation of responsible operation of their facilities throughout BC and Council that will require similar good business and community practices to be applied at this location.
- f. Council believes that if the application is approved, the impact is expected to be positive in that it will support the growth in tourism and offer a new social venue for residents.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 p.m.

CARRIED

Certified Correct:

Janet Evans
Mayor

Bonnie Sprinkling
Corporate Officer