## THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF PORT COQUITLAM

### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE

#### MINUTES

A meeting of the Environmental Protection Committee was held in the Third Floor Committee Room, 2580 Shaughnessy Street, Port Coquitlam, on Wednesday, Arril 11, 1990 at 5:05 p.m.

In attendance were:

Alderman M. R. Wright, Chairman Alderman J. Keryluk, Co-Chairman G. Voncina, Operations Manager D.G. Riecken, Acting City Engineer B. Bennett (Partly)

## ITEM I: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

That the Minutes of the Environmental Protection Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, March 20, 1990, be considered read and adopted.

#### Carried

# ITEM II: BIRCHLAND SCHOOL ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT

Lynn Wells and Patty Phillips were not able to attend the meeting. The Committee suggested that the class may wish to assist with the annual Pitch-In Campaign, participate in the May Day Parade, assist the City in advertising the upcoming multi-material curbside recycling program once Council has decided how to proceed, or sponsor a contest to develop a City recycling logo. These suggestions will be forwarded to the two teachers.

## ITEM III: ANIMAL CONTROL/HEALTH BYLAW

Barry Bennett was in attendance to reiterate his concern that the raccoon being kept by his neighbors, the Wagners, was left in a cage too small for it for extended periods of time, that it was unsanitary, odorous, and not a suitable domestic pet. He also expressed his concerns that the SPCA, Simon Fraser Health Unit, and the City were doing nothing about the situation.

The Committee suggested that once a report has been received from a Veterinarian on the health of the animal, that Council would be asked to support an order being sent to the Wagners to build a suitable cage and locate it away from their property line.

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### ITEM IV: RECYCLING

The Operations Manager presented an overview of his investigations into the costs and mechanics of curbside collection of recyclables. Much of the information presented was based on actual experience of the City of Vancouver who are doing their own collection in one area of that City.

The Committee requested that a detailed report be prepared to accompany the tabulation of comparative costs for two options for presentation to Council, In-Committee, at the April 23, 1990 meeting.

### ITEM V: OPEN BURNING

The Committee reviewed correspondence from Donna Petrie and Wayne Flood complaining about burning of land clearing wastes. The Acting City Engineer was directed to respond to their letter pointing out Council's efforts in the past to minimize open burning, the problems of finding a viable alternative to disposal of land clearing wastes and expressing sympathy for their problems.

# ITEM VI: MARINE TRANSPORTING OF OIL

The Committee reviewed correspondence from Bob Bossin, Dr. David Suzuki, and Dr. Andrew Thompson asking that Council urge the Honorable Lucien Bouchard to undertake a full environmental assessment on the marine transporting of oil from the Port of Vancouver. The Committee agreed that this should be studied and recommended that a report be submitted to Council recommending that such a study be called for.

## ITEM VII: OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee received the following information:

- a) UBCM Newsletter This has been placed in the Aldermen's Room for information.
- b) Correspondence from Inter Chem to the Honorable John Reynolds re a proposed Municipal solid waste processing plant.
- c) Correspondence from the Surrey Siting Task Force re locating a site for disposal of 4,000 cubic metres of low level radioactive wastes currently stored at two industrial sites in Surrey.

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The Meeting Adjourned at 6:40 P.M.

D.G. Riecken, P. Eng. Acting City Engineer

Alderman M.R. Wright Committee Chairman

DGR:gc

NOTE:

Minutes not read and adopted by the Committee until certified correct by the Committee Chairman's signature.

CC: Mayor and Aldermen City Administrator