

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
SAANICH MUNICIPAL HALL, 770 VERNON AVENUE  
**MONDAY, JANUARY 10, 2005 AT 7:30 P.M.**

Present: **Chair:** Mayor Leonard  
**Council:** Councillors Brownoff, Cubberley, Gillespie, Ngai, Pickup, Wade and Wergeland  
**Staff:** Tim Wood, Municipal Administrator; Chris Nation, Municipal Solicitor; Russ Fuoco, Director of Planning; Colin Doyle, Director of Engineering; Carrie M. MacPhee, Municipal Clerk; and Shirley Leggett, Senior Committee Clerk.

Minutes **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**MOVED by Councillor Wade and Seconded by Councillor Pickup: "That the Minutes of the Council and Committee of the Whole Meetings held December 13, 2004, and the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held December 7, 2004, be adopted."**

**CARRIED**

No. 1 **881 CANTERBURY ROAD.**  
Canterbury Road Final Reading of the "Zoning Bylaw, 2003, Amendment Bylaw, 2004, No. 8623" and approval of Development Variance Permit No. DVP2004-00021.  
Bylaw 8623

**MOVED by Councillor Pickup and Seconded by Councillor Gillespie: "That Bylaw No. 8623 be adopted by Council and the Seal of the Corporation be attached thereto."**

**CARRIED**

**MOVED by Councillor Wade and Seconded by Councillor Wergeland: "That Council approve and issue Development Variance Permit No. DVP2004-00021 on Lot 9, Block 9, Section 64, Victoria District, Plan 1178 (881 Canterbury Road)."**

**CARRIED**

No. 2 **DEVELOPMENT RESERVE FUND EXPENDITURE BYLAW**  
ADM40 Final Reading of the "Development Reserve Fund Expenditure Bylaw 2004, No. 8626". To authorize expenditures totaling \$1,514,000 from the Development Reserve Fund.  
Bylaw 8626

**MOVED by Councillor Wergeland and Seconded by Councillor Wade: "That Bylaw No. 8626 be adopted by Council and the Seal of the Corporation be attached thereto."**

**CARRIED**

No. 3  
EPW65 XRef:  
Haro Rd  
Bylaw 8619

**SEWER ENTERPRISE BOUNDARY EXTENSION BYLAW – 4071 HARO ROAD.**

First Three Readings of the “Sewer Enterprise Boundary Extension Bylaw, 2005, No. 8619”. To include 4071 Haro Road in the Sewer Enterprise Boundary.

**MOVED by Councillor Ngai and Seconded by Councillor Wergeland:**  
**“That Bylaw No. 8619 be introduced and read.”**

**CARRIED**

**MOVED by Councillor Ngai and Seconded by Councillor Wergeland:**  
**“That Bylaw No. 8619 be read a second time.”**

**CARRIED**

**MOVED by Councillor Ngai and Seconded by Councillor Wergeland:**  
**“That Bylaw No. 8619 be now passed.”**

**CARRIED**

No. 4  
ADM40  
Bylaw 8627

**BUILDING AND PLUMBING BYLAW.**

First Three Readings of the “Building and Plumbing Bylaw, 2005, No. 8627”. To include Municipal Insurance Association (MIA) recommendations and consolidate Bylaw 7188.

**MOVED by Councillor Gillespie and Seconded by Councillor Wade:**  
**“That Bylaw No. 8627 be introduced and read.”**

**CARRIED**

**MOVED by Councillor Gillespie and Seconded by Councillor Wade:**  
**“That Bylaw No. 8627 be read a second time.”**

**CARRIED**

**MOVED by Councillor Gillespie and Seconded by Councillor Wade:**  
**“That Bylaw No. 8627 be now passed.”**

**CARRIED**

Resolutions

**RESOLUTIONS FOR ADOPTION**

No. 5  
PQS100  
SCP Expansion

**SAANICH COMMONWEALTH PLACE DRYLAND EXPANSION PHASES I AND II.**

Joint report of the Directors of Purchasing and Parks and Recreation dated December 31, 2004 recommending Tenders C-02, C-07, C-08, C-13 and C-16 for the Saanich Commonwealth Place (SCP) Dryland Expansion Phases I and II be awarded as outlined.

**MOVED by Councillor Pickup and Seconded by Councillor Gillespie:**  
**“That:**

- 1. Tender C-02 Parking and Paving from SCP Dryland Expansion Phase I be awarded to Capital Excavating Limited in the amount of \$157,321.00;**
- 2. Tender C-07 Finish Carpentry and Architectural Millwork be awarded to Cutting Edge Woodwork Ltd. in the amount of \$58,288.25;**

- 3. **Tender C-08 Exterior Insulation, Vapour Barrier and Acrylic Stucco be awarded to Brytar contracting Ltd. in the amount of 61,535.70;**
- 4. **Tender C-13 Aluminum Windows, Entrances and Glazing be awarded to Clearlite Glass (BC) Ltd. in the amount of \$99,970.10; and**
- 5. **Tender C-16 Metal Stud Systems, GWB, Acoustic Ceilings be awarded to Talcore Walls & Ceiling Ltd. in the amount of \$176,336.00.”**

**CARRIED**

Recommendations **RECOMMENDATIONS**

*From the Significant Tree Committee Meeting held November 25, 2004.*

No. 6  
Iris Avenue  
Tree Removal

**1020 IRIS AVENUE – REQUEST TO REMOVE SIGNIFICANT TREES TAG #61 (BLACK HAWTHORNE) AND TAG #62 (PYRAMIDAL CEDAR)**

Memorandum from the Significant Tree Committee held November 25, 2004 pertaining to a request to remove significant trees from property at 1020 Iris Avenue.

**MOVED by Councillor Pickup and Seconded by Councillor Gillespie: “That the Black Hawthorne located on private property at 1020 Iris Avenue (Significant Tree Tag #61) be removed from Schedule B of Tree Preservation Bylaw No. 7632.”**

**CARRIED**

**MOVED by Councillor Pickup and Seconded by Councillor Gillespie: “That the Pyramidal Cedar located on private property at 1020 Iris Avenue (Significant Tree Tag #62) be removed from Schedule B of Tree Preservation Bylaw No. 7632.”**

**CARRIED**

Adjournment

On a motion from Councillor Pickup, the meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

The Meeting reconvened at 9:26 p.m.

*From the Committee of the Whole Meeting held January 10, 2005.*

No. 7  
Gorge Rd. West  
Development  
Variance Permit

**76 GORGE ROAD WEST – DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT – PRAXIS ARCHITECTS INC.**

**MOVED by Councillor Ngai and Seconded by Councillor Wade: “That Council approve and issue Development Variance Permit No. DVP2004-00025 on Lot 2, Sections 11, Victoria District, Plan 6492 (76 Gorge Road West).”**

**CARRIED**

No. 8  
Burnside Rd West  
Application to  
subdivide in the  
ALR

**1552 AND 1568 BURNSIDE ROAD WEST – AGRICULTURAL LAND RESERVE (SUBDIVISION) – P.J. & B.L. SAEEBRECHT AND C. HAINES AND F. OSTER.**

**MOVED by Councillor Ngai and Seconded by Councillor Brownoff: “That Council forward the application to subdivide Lot A, Section 9, Esquimalt District, and Section 13, Lake District, Plan 22988 and Lot 1, Section 9, Esquimalt District, and Section 13, Lake District, Plan 16105 (1552 and 1568 Burnside Road West) within the Agricultural Land Reserve to the Agricultural Land Commission with a recommendation for approval.”**

**CARRIED**

No. 9  
Sparton Road  
Remedial Action  
Order

**5307 SPARTON ROAD – REMEDIAL ACTION ORDER.**

**MOVED by Councillor Ngai and Seconded by Councillor Gillespie: “That:**

1. Council hereby directs Oldfield Service Garage Limited (herein called “the owner of the lands”) to remove or relocate the shed encroaching into the side yard setback of the lands described as Lot 3, Plan 5526, Section 72, having a street address of 5307 Sparton Road (herein called the “lands”) within sixty (60) days from the date on which notice of this order is served upon the owner of the lands. If the owner elects to relocate the shed, it shall be sited to comply with the setback requirements of the Saanich Zoning Bylaw No. 8200;
2. If the owner of the lands fails to comply with the requirements of Section 1, the Municipality may through its employees, agents, or contractors, enter upon the lands and carry out the work described in Section 1 at the expense of the owner pursuant to Section 17 of the *Community Charter*; and
3. The Municipal Clerk shall give notice in writing to the owner of the lands contemplated under this order at least 30 days prior to the action being taken.”

**CARRIED**

No. 10  
PKA35  
Land Management  
Agreement

**SWAN LAKE/CHRISTMAS HILL NATURE SANCTUARY LAND MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT.**

**MOVED by Councillor Pickup and Seconded by Councillor Gillespie: “That Council approve the Swan Lake/Christmas Hill Land Management Agreement for the period January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2009 as outlined in the report of the Municipal Solicitor dated December 17, 2004.”**

**CARRIED**

In Camera Motion

**MOVED by Councillor Wade and Seconded by Councillor Ngai: “That the following Council meeting be closed to the public as the subject matter being considered relates to the proposed acquisition and disposition of land and/or improvements and to personal information about an identifiable individual who holds a position as an employee of the District.”**

**CARRIED**

Adjournment      On a motion from Councillor Ngai, the meeting adjourned at 9:26 p.m.

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MAYOR

I hereby certify these Minutes are accurate.

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MUNICIPAL CLERK

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
 HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
 SAANICH MUNICIPAL HALL, 770 VERNON AVENUE  
MONDAY, JANUARY 10, 2005 AT 7:37 P.M.

Present: **Chair:** Councillor Gillespie  
**Council:** Mayor Leonard and Councillors Brownoff, Cubberley, Ngai, Pickup, Wade and Wergeland  
**Staff:** Tim Wood, Municipal Administrator; Chris Nation, Municipal Solicitor; Russ Fuoco, Director of Planning; Colin Doyle, Director of Engineering; Carrie M. MacPhee, Municipal Clerk; and Shirley Leggett, Senior Committee Clerk.

Gorge Road West  
 Development  
 Permit

**76 GORGE ROAD WEST – DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT – PRAXIS ARCHITECTS INC.**

Report of the Director of Planning dated December 8, 2004 recommending Development Variance Permit DVP2004-00025 be approved.

Mr. M. Levin, Praxis Architects Inc., applicant, stated:

- The application for their development was approved in 2003 for a mixed use development which includes twelve apartment units on the upper three floors and 600 square feet of commercial space on the ground floor.
- They are requesting a variance to the Zoning Bylaw to allow both residential space and commercial space on the ground floor; this will provide more flexibility and make it more attractive to potential tenants.

Ms. L. Bray, 334-40 Gorge Road West, stated:

- She has lived in her present location for the past two years and during that time there have been a number of traffic accidents because of the heavy volume of traffic; there is also a lot of noise and gas fumes from the vehicles.
- She would like to know where the location of the window will be for the proposed commercial space and how large each of the condominium units will be.
- Gorge Road has a number of potholes and she would like to know when they will be repaired.
- She does not support a commercial space on the ground floor.

Mr. P. Gerrard, president, Gorge Tillicum Community Association, stated:

- The Association fully supports the application for a Development Variance Permit; it is a minor variance.
- It is a great location for an infill project.

In response to questions and comments, Mr. Levin stated:

- The window in the commercial space will face Gorge Road West.
- Each of the condominium units will be approximately 650 to 724 square feet in size with one bedroom and a den.
- The commercial space will have a separate street-front entrance.

**MOTION: MOVED by Councillor Pickup and Seconded by Councillor Cubberley: “That it be recommended that Council approve and issue Development Variance Permit No. DVP2004-00025 on Lot 2, Sections 11, Victoria District, Plan 6492 (76 Gorge Road West).”**

**CARRIED**

Burnside Rd West  
Application to  
subdivide in the  
ALR

**1552 AND 1568 BURNSIDE ROAD WEST – AGRICULTURAL LAND RESERVE (SUBDIVISION) – P.J. & B.L. SAEEBRECHT AND C. HAINES AND F. OSTER.**

Report of the Director of Planning dated November 29, 2004 recommending Council forward the application to subdivide within the ALR to the Agricultural Land Commission with a recommendation for approval.

Mr. P. Saebebrecht, owner and applicant, 1568 Burnside Road West, stated:

- The next door neighbour at 1552 Burnside Road West operates an organic farm and is interested in purchasing additional property in order to increase the size of the farm.
- He and his wife have kept horses on their property for many years and have decided that it is time to discontinue that practice.

In response to a question from Council, the Director of Planning stated:

- The ALR boundaries of two lots are being adjusted; proposed Lot 1 will still have a portion of it that remains in the ALR and proposed Lot 2 will have a portion of it that is outside the ALR.

**MOTION:**

**MOVED by Councillor Pickup and Seconded by Councillor Brownoff: "That it be recommended that Council forward the application to subdivide Lot A, Section 9, Esquimalt District, and Section 13, Lake District, Plan 22988 and Lot 1, Section 9, Esquimalt District, and Section 13, Lake District, Plan 16105 (1552 and 1568 Burnside Road West) within the Agricultural Land Reserve to the Agricultural Land Commission with a recommendation for approval."**

**CARRIED**

ADM40  
Bylaw 8624

**CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE PROPERTY BYLAW.**

Report of the Municipal Solicitor dated December 20, 2004 recommending Council adopt Controlled Substance Property Bylaw No. 8624.

Mr. R. Warden, president, North Quadra Land Use Protection Association, stated:

- The Association supports Saanich in developing a tool to provide a safe environment for renters of properties within Saanich.
- Under proposed Section 15(a) (Tenancies): *Every owner within 24 hours must deliver written notice to the Municipality.....*What happens if the owner discovers a contravention of the bylaw Friday evening? The time period needs to be more defined.
- What are the guidelines and process that will be followed once Saanich is notified of a contravention to the bylaw?
- It would be a good idea for Saanich to create some kind of informational brochure that outlines rental guidelines and make them available to the public.

Ms. V. Sanders, 3326 Richmond Road, stated:

- She is a landlord and has been renting out houses for the past 14 years.
- The intent of the proposed bylaw is good although she thinks the proposed penalties for those who operate marijuana grow operations or drug labs are minimal while the fees that property owners will be faced with are punitive.
- She had a situation with a grow operation in one of her rental properties and even after inspecting the house it was very difficult to determine for sure that there was a grow operation; even experienced landlords can be fooled

by professional drug operators.

- If the penalties to landlords are too high it will discourage many property owners from renting their homes.

Mr. P. Gerrard, president, Gorge Tillicum Community Association, stated:

- Grow operations and drug labs bring the criminal element into neighbourhoods.
- He applauds the proposed bylaw and hopes that the intent of it is strong enough to catch irresponsible landlords; many of them knowingly re-rent their properties out to drug operators and in some cases the house is totally destroyed.
- Under proposed Section 30 (Discontinuance of Service): *The Municipality may discontinue providing water service....* Grow operations use huge amounts of electricity and also cut into power lines; he would like to know why other services would not be discontinued as well.
- He thinks the proposed bylaw is a proactive step to take and that it will be very useful.

Mr. A. Kemp, CEO, Rental Owners and Managers Association of BC (ROMA BC), stated:

- They do not condone the conduct of illegal activities in rental properties however, situations occur where landlords are duped by professional criminals even after exercising due diligence.
- The proposed bylaw penalizes the landlords and not the criminals; the costs of bylaw enforcement for a property owner to rehabilitate their dwelling could be thousands of dollars when all of the necessary permits and inspections are factored in.
- The proposed fees will not dissuade criminals but it will dissuade responsible owners from investing in rental property and providing homes for renters.
- It would be preferable to take a proactive approach and he is willing to work with staff and the Police Department and provide educational seminars to every landlord in Saanich.

Mr. K. Whitcroft, 1044 Inverness Road, stated:

- He thinks the proposed rehabilitation fees are excessive and that they will discourage homeowners from reporting a grow operation or drug lab to the Police.

Responding to questions and comments, Inspector J. Charlton, Saanich Police Department, stated:

- There are three parts to crime prevention: eradication of a problem, education and enforcement.
- Education is a very important component of crime prevention and the Police Department would be interested in any form of partnership with ROMA for educational purposes.
- Controlled substance enforcement takes a lot of staff time and is very expensive; there are many safety concerns associated with the Police Officers and the public.
- Some grow operations are hydroponic and require large amounts of water; that is the reason why water service is discontinued by Saanich; the electricity required for drug operations is discontinued by BC Hydro company and the Police Department has a working relationship with them.
- The proposed bylaw will place some responsibility on those responsible or

associated with clandestine labs.

- Some of the monetary costs that the Police Department incurs and that are non-recoverable through other means are covered under the proposed bylaw.
- He supports the proposed bylaw and believes it is a good start.
- He thinks the idea of providing the public with an informational brochure would be helpful to homeowners who wish to rent out their homes.

Responding to questions from Council, the Municipal Solicitor stated:

- The special safety inspection fee of \$2,500 with an architect or professional engineer is required in cases where there have been some illegal alterations to a dwelling.
- The owner also has the option of hiring their own architect to carry out the inspection with the fee negotiated by them; the \$2,500 is a default fee.

Mayor Leonard stated:

- The proposed bylaw will ensure that the dwelling cannot be rented out again until the rehabilitation work has been completed.
- It may also deter the irresponsible property owners from knowingly renting their homes for drug operations.

**MOTION:**

**MOVED by Mayor Leonard and Seconded by Councillor Wade: “That:**

- 1. It be recommended that Council adopt Controlled Substance Property Bylaw No. 8624;**
- 2. Prior to presenting Bylaw No. 8624 to Council, the Municipal Solicitor consider whether any revisions should be made; and**
- 3. Staff circulate a report to Council after the bylaw has been in effect for one year, advising whether the bylaw has been working as intended.”**

Councillor Pickup stated:

- She supports the principle of the proposed bylaw but would like assurance that there will be some kind of follow-up report done to advise if the bylaw is effective.
- It is a good first step to take and she thinks that it would be useful to produce a brochure.
- She encourages the Municipality to take Mr. Kemp up on his offer to work with the Police and landlords on the education component.

Councillor Cubberley stated:

- He supports the proposed bylaw and agrees that Saanich should work with Mr. Kemp on educating landlords.
- There are many impassive landlords who are only concerned with the monetary aspect and are not interested in dealing with people or the physical property.
- There needs to be stiff penalties for the people who operate drug operations and for those landlords who continually rent to them.

Councillor Brownoff stated:

- The proposed bylaw is a good way to ensure that property owners are held responsible for the clean up of their properties after a drug operation has been discovered.

- It would be a good idea to develop some kind of an education process for landlords.

Councillor Wergeland stated:

- He supports the proposed bylaw.
- He thinks it would be a good idea to send copies of it to neighbouring municipalities.

Councillor Ngai stated:

- She would like staff to review the fees; landlords who comply with the Bylaw could incur up to \$3500 in inspection fees before they can re-rent.
- We do not want to deter responsible landlords from renting their properties because of the proposed fees they could be faced with.
- Perhaps the amount of the fees could be modified in some way to protect responsible landlords but at the same time deter those landlords whose dwellings are repeatedly used for the production of illegal drugs.

Councillor Gillespie stated:

- He thinks it is a good first step to take; educating the landlords is also a good idea.

**The Motion was then PUT and CARRIED**

Sparton Road  
Remedial Action  
Order

**5307 SPARTON ROAD – REMEDIAL ACTION ORDER.**

Report of the Manager of Inspection Services dated November 8, 2004 recommending Council adopt the Remedial Action Order requiring the owner to remove or relocate, within sixty days, the shed encroaching into the side yard setback.

**MOTION:**

**MOVED by Councillor Pickup and Seconded by Mayor Leonard: “That it be recommended that Council pass the following resolution imposing remedial action requirements:**

1. **Council hereby directs Oldfield Service Garage Limited (herein called “the owner of the lands”) to remove or relocate the shed encroaching into the side yard setback of the lands described as Lot 3, Plan 5526, Section 72, having a street address of 5307 Sparton Road (herein called “the lands”) within sixty (60) days from the date on which notice of this order is served upon the owner of the lands. If the owner elects to relocate the shed, it shall be sited to comply with the setback requirements of the Saanich Zoning Bylaw No. 8200;**
2. **If the owner of the lands fails to comply with the requirements of Section 1, the Municipality may through its employees, agents, or contractors, enter upon the lands and carry out the work described in Section 1 at the expense of the owner pursuant to Section 17 of the *Community Charter*; and**
3. **The Municipal Clerk shall give notice in writing to the owner of the lands contemplated under this order at least 30 days prior to the action being taken.”**

**CARRIED**

PKA35  
Land Management  
Agreement

**SWAN LAKE/CHRISTMAS HILL NATURE SANCTUARY LAND MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT.**

Report of the Municipal Solicitor dated December 17, 2004 recommending Council approve the Land Management Agreement with Swan Lake Christmas Hill Nature Sanctuary Society as outlined.

Mr. R. Warden, president, North Quadra Land Use Protection Association, stated:

- The Association supports the Land Management Agreement and encourages Council to acquire the farm land located at the north end of Rainbow Street as indicated on Schedule "A" of the Agreement.

**MOTION:**

**MOVED by Councillor Ngai and Seconded by Councillor Wergeland: "That it be recommended that Council approve the Swan Lake/Christmas Hill Land Management Agreement for the period January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2009 as outlined in the report of the Municipal Solicitor dated December 17, 2004."**

**CARRIED**

PLD55  
Connector Bike  
Route

**LOCAL AREA PLAN AMENDMENT TO DESIGNATE A LOCAL CONNECTOR BIKE ROUTE FROM UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA TO WICKLOW STREET AND THE CITY OF VICTORIA.**

Report of the Manager of Community Planning dated December 10, 2004 making recommendations regarding Council endorsing the Local Connector Bike Route from the University of Victoria to Wicklow Street and the City of Victoria boundary as outlined.

The Director of Planning stated:

- The No. 1 Recommendation in the December 10, 2004 report should be amended to read: *That the Local Connector Bike Route from the University of Victoria to Wicklow Street and the City of Victoria boundary be endorsed.*

Councillor Cubberley stated:

- When this request initially came forward to the Bicycle Advisory Committee from the UVic Bicycle Users Group about three years ago it appeared to be a simple matter; it meant signing an existing route which was in use by UVic students.
- It actually ended up being very complicated and involved many meetings to solve a number of issues; hopefully any objections to it being signed as a local connector route have been dealt with.

Ms. V. Sanders, president, Quadra Cedar Hill Community Association, stated:

- The Association is happy to see that the bicycle route is going to be formally designated and congratulates everyone who was involved.

Mr. K. Whitcroft, 1044 Inverness Road, stated:

- Designated bike routes are essential because it is our alternative transportation mode; we need to make roads narrower so people get out of their cars and use bike lanes.
- Portions of the route along Derby Road to Salisbury Road are uphill; he thinks more people will use Camrose Crescent to Maplewood Road because it is more level; there may be safety issues because Maplewood Road is very narrow between Camrose Crescent and Derby Road.
- Bike lanes are good but if there was an actual separation between the road

and the bike lane then more people would likely use them because they would feel safer.

**MOTION:                   MOVED by Councillor Cubberley and Seconded by Councillor Pickup:  
“That a Public Hearing be called.”**

**CARRIED**

ADM135  
Public School  
Funding

**SCHOOL FACILITIES AND PUBLIC EDUCATION IN THE SAANICH SCHOOL DISTRICT.**

Report from Councillor Pickup dated January 5, 2005 recommending Council endorse again the concept of partnership with School Districts 61 and 63 to maximize community use of facilities and playing fields through joint use agreements, and support them in asking the Provincial Government to review its current inadequate funding formula with attention to increasing funding.

Councillor Pickup stated:

- Saanich Municipality and School Districts 61 and 63 have a history of partnerships and they should be proud of that.
- The current provincial funding formula is not adequate to sustain a good quality K-12 public school system for students in Saanich and across the province particularly in a time of declining enrollments.
- Both School Districts support the proposed recommendations in her report.

Mr. R. Warden, president, North Quadra Land Use Protection Association, stated:

- Cutbacks to the schools affect not only the students but members of the community as well; if there are no janitors at the schools then it means activities like floor hockey and soccer are cancelled.
- The Association encourages both the use of schools and joint use agreements.

Mr. P. Gerrard, president, Gorge Tillicum Community Association, stated:

- The joint use agreements with the new Colquitz School and the seniors centre at Cordova Bay School are turning out to be very successful.
- Hampton School has been closed but it should not be allowed to sit unused.

Ms. V. Sanders, president, Quadra Cedar Hill Community Association, stated:

- The Association endorses the concept of continuing to partner with School Districts 61 and 63.

**MOTION:                   MOVED by Councillor Pickup and Seconded by Councillor Cubberley:  
“That Council:**

- 1. Endorse the concept of partnerships with School Districts 61 and 63 to maximize community use of facilities and playing fields through joint use agreements; and**
- 2. Support School Districts 61 and 63 in asking the Provincial Government to review its current inadequate funding formula with attention to increasing funding.”**

Councillor Cubberley stated:

- There is no doubt that Saanich has had some very successful partnerships with both School District 61 and 63.
- He thinks it is the right time and makes sense to ask the Provincial

Government to review its funding formula and to allocate surplus monies to education.

Councillor Ngai stated:

- Parks and Recreation staff are constantly looking for opportunities to partner with School Districts 61 and 63.
- It would be a good idea to let recreation staff know that their efforts are appreciated.

Councillor Wergeland stated:

- He fully supports the recommendation to continue to partner with both School Districts.
- Over the last few months Council has requested that the Province spend more money on education, health, social assistance and affordable housing; Council has not discussed where the Province is going to get the money from to support all of these programs.

Councillor Pickup stated:

- It is a fact that there is less per-pupil funding for K-12 education than in 1991; costs relating to teachers and CUPE salaries, heating, and maintenance have all increased.
- The K-12 system is being starved and it will likely lead to a lower quality of education.

**The Motion was then PUT and CARRIED**

Adjournment

On a motion from Councillor Wade, the meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

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CHAIR

I hereby certify these Minutes are accurate.

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MUNICIPAL CLERK