



Town of Qualicum Beach

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
ARROWSMITH WATER SERVICE (AWS) MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
HELD ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 9, 2009 1:30 pm
AT THE CITY OF PARKSVILLE COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Present:	Councillor Marc Lefebvre, Chair	City of Parksville
	Fred Manson	City of Parksville
	Gary O'Rourke	City of Parksville
	Mike Squire	City of Parksville
	Councillor Barry Avis	Town of Qualicum Beach
	Mark Brown	Town of Qualicum Beach
	Bob Weir	Town of Qualicum Beach
	Director Joe Stanhope	Regional District of Nanaimo
	Director George Holme	Regional District of Nanaimo
	Carol Mason	Regional District of Nanaimo
	John Finnie	Regional District of Nanaimo
	Wayne Moorman	Regional District of Nanaimo
	Amanda Haywood	Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

M. Lefebvre called the meeting to order.

MINUTES

MOVED B. Avis, SECONDED J. Stanhope, that the minutes from the meeting of the Arrowsmith Water Services Management Committee held January 31, 2008, be adopted.

CARRIED

2008 OPERATIONS UPDATE

M. Squire gave an update on water levels and the Arrowsmith Dam. He noted they are not anticipating any problems with snow packs and water levels.

MOVED J. Stanhope, SECONDED B. Avis that the 2008 Operations Update be received as presented.

CARRIED

2009 PROPOSED BUDGET

MOVED B. Avis, SECONDED J. Stanhope that staff be directed to clarify criteria and definitions in the agreement; capital planning vs. capital works.

CARRIED

MOVED J. Stanhope, SECONDED B. Avis that the Arrowsmith Water Service Management Committee recommend the Joint Ventures adopt the Provisional Year 2009 Budget shown on Table 1, dated November 3, 2008.

CARRIED

CAPITAL PLANNING PROCESS UPDATE

MOVED J. Stanhope, SECONDED B. Avis that the AWS Management Committee receive the staff report on the award of the RFQ for the AWS Englishman River Water Intake, Treatment Facilities and Supply Mains Phase 1 Project (Conceptual Planning, Budgeting & Scheduling) to the firms Associated Engineering (BC) Ltd., Dayton & Knight Ltd., and Kerr Wood Leidal Associates Ltd.

CARRIED

ADDITIONAL POWERS JOIN VENTURE REGULATIONS

J. Finnie informed committee that this was for information only. M. Brown noted the current agreement expires in 2010 and the "where as" clause should refer to the Local Government Act (LGA).

BC CONSERVATION FOUNDATION ACTIVITIES

J. Finnie informed the committee they were trying to arrange a meeting with the BC Conservation Foundation on a staff level. He will report back to committee after this meeting has taken place. John also noted the committee was not likely in a position for supplying funding but a partnership or participating with them on some projects could be an option.

OTHER BUSINESS

M. Brown thanked the Engineers on the ARQ and RFQ. Well done.

J. Stanhope wants to make senior levels of Government aware of what the committee is doing and get it known and out there for any available funding opportunities. He would like a letter done up to advise the MLA and the MP. It was agreed it would be a good idea to get the information about the committee out there.

MOVED J. Stanhope, SECONDED B. Avis that a letter be sent by January 27, 2009 to the MLA and MP from the Arrowsmith Water Service (AWS) Committee to be signed by the politicians.

CARRIED

F. Manson suggested the media should be invited to the meetings.

M. Lefebvre agreed the press should be in attendance as well as the MLA and MP so the committee can give them a presentation about what the committee is all about.

B. Weir, C. Mason, J. Finnie, M. Lefebvre wished G. O'Rourke congratulations and the best of luck. G. O'Rourke thanked the Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 2:33 PM.

NEXT MEETING

To be announced.

M. Lefebvre, Chairperson