



From the Mayor's Chair

A monthly report from the Office of the Mayor June 2011



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OUR COMMUNITY AT WORK CITY OF TERRACE COMMUNITY FOREST

The City of Terrace established a Community Forest back in 2004 as part of a long-term solution to promote management of the area's forest resources. The definition of a community forest is "any operation managed by a local government, community group, First Nation or community-held corporation for the benefit of the entire community."

We've certainly had some lean years with this operation, but the past year has seen a substantial increase in logging activities in our license areas which will result in some increased revenue for our corporation in 2011.

The City of Terrace Community Forest is set up as an arms-length municipal corporation consisting of a board of community representatives that establish operational policy and guidance. This policy was formed based on the input received from public consultation. The current directors are John Nestor, Don Colburn, Roger Harris, Dave Menzies, and Thomas Dimitrov.

Income from our community forest would go first toward the basic community forest operations, and then if any additional surplus were available, the funds would be used for community projects that benefit a wide range of interests.

Here's how our community forest benefits the City of Terrace:



- Supporting the local economy by hiring and buying supplies locally
- Diversifying the local economy by making small volumes of wood fibre available to new and existing niche markets, such as small-scale, value-added manufacturers and artisans
- Maintaining and enhancing local recreational opportunities
- Educational opportunities for elementary through post-secondary courses
- Practicing alternative environmentally friendly and innovative harvesting techniques
- Providing a source of income to support local community initiatives

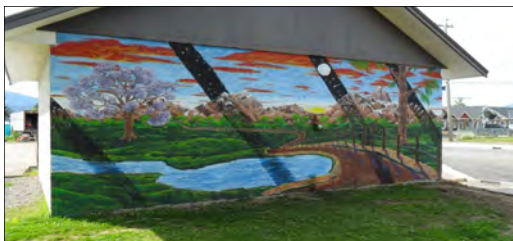
Our community forest is well positioned to bring jobs, opportunities, and revenue to the City of Terrace. There are opportunities in forestry with bio-energy industries, the Wood First policy that the City of Terrace adopted for municipal building construction, the emerging lumber markets overseas, and the potential for the West Fraser sawmill in Terrace to be re-opened this summer.

For more information, please call Kim Haworth, General Manager, Terrace Community Forest.

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A NEW MURAL IN THE CITY OF TERRACE



New mural in George Little Park, Terrace

The City of Terrace Youth Advisory Committee was very pleased to organize a Mural contest late last year. The idea was to beautify the public washroom building in George Little Park. The winner of the contest, Matthew Daratha, completed his mural over a three week period this spring. I was joined by members of the Youth Advisory Committee and our City liaison to the group, Kim MacDougall along with Matthew on June 27th to officially reveal this beautiful piece of art.



TERRACE IN MOTION

Terrace City Council passed the following resolutions during our two sessions in June on the 13th and 27th. City Council meeting minutes are available at www.terrace.ca.

- Council supported the concept of a camp out / hunger strike to raise awareness of youth homelessness in the community, provided the event is held in a safe location and that administration determine the most appropriate venue.
- A development permit was issued to Big Dreams Inc. for renovation works on the exterior and interior of an existing commercial property (Dairy Queen) at 4643 Park Avenue. This permit included a variance to allow an existing, non-conforming roof sign to remain in place.
- A development permit was issued to the Terrace Child Development Centre for the addition of a covered entryway with disabled access to an existing commercial building.
- A development permit was issued for the property located at 2406 Pear Street to increase the maximum allowable size of an accessory building to 60% of the floor area of the principal building.
- That Mayor Pernarowski be nominated to sit on the Executive of the Union of BC Municipalities as a Director-at-Large.
- That the following individuals be appointed to serve on the Housing Committee for a two-year term: Marianne Brorup-Weston, Stacey Tyers, Don Russell, Deidre Quinlan, and Keith Goodwin.
- Council approved a change to the Terrace Economic Development Authority Bylaw to reduce the members -at-large from 9 members to 7.
- Council received the final summary report on the Zero Waste Challenge Pilot Project for information.
- That the City of Terrace provide a letter of support for the Provincial ban on the cosmetic use of pesticides.
- That the 2010 Annual Report be received as presented.
- That the Official Community Plan be amended at third reading and that a bylaw be adopted to repeal and replace the Official Community Plan.

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REMINDER

I WILL NOT BE PUBLISHING MY NEWSLETTER DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS OF JULY AND AUGUST



MAYOR'S SCHEDULE FOR JUNE 2011

June 1 - Youth Advisory Committee meeting, McDaniel Room, Sportsplex

June 2 - My Mountain Coop meeting with Darryl Tucker, Cafenara Coffee Shop

June 3 - Terrace & District Chamber of Commerce Luncheon with BC Hydro

June 3 - BC Hydro meeting with VP Greg Reimer, Terrace City Council and Kitimat Stikine Regional District Directors, Regional District boardroom

June 4 - BC Hydro Community Celebration, BC Hydro's office on Keith

June 13 - Terrace Community Foundation meeting, City Hall

June 13 - Regular Council meeting, City Hall Council Chambers

June 14 - Terrace Community Forest meeting, City Hall Training Room

June 16 - Meeting with Denise Henning, President, Northwest Community College, NWCC President's office

June 17 - Northern Development Initiative Trust Regional Advisory Committee meeting, Teleconference

June 18 - Multi-Cultural Health Fair, Skeena Mall Community Room

June 22 - Meeting with Minister Blair Leckstrom, Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure and Ministry staff

June 23 - Caledonia Senior Secondary School Awards Ceremony, REM Lee Theatre

June 25 - National Aboriginal Days, Spirit Square, George Little Park

June 27 - Committee of the Whole meeting, UNBC teleconference room

June 27 - Regular Council meeting, City Hall Council Chambers

June 29 - Happy Gang Centre Lift Official Opening, Happy Gang Centre

