

## THE VILLAGE OF PORT CLEMENTS

### BYLAW NO. 379

#### A bylaw of the Village of Port Clements to Amend the Official Community Plan No. 140, 1984

**WHEREAS** the Village of Port Clements is concerned about the effects of climate change on the community and has signed onto the BC Climate Action Charter;

**AND WHEREAS** in 2008 the Province of BC enacted Bill 27, the Local Government (Green Communities) Statutes Act requiring local governments to incorporate greenhouse gas emission reduction targets, policies and action plans into their official community plans by May 31, 2010;

**AND WHEREAS** section 877(3) of the Local Government Act requires official community plans to include targets for the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and policies and actions proposed with respect to achieving those targets;

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Council of the Village of Port Clements in open meeting assembled enact as follows:

1. This bylaw may be cited as Bylaw No 379, A Bylaw to Amend the Village of Port Clements Official Community Plan:
2. The Village of Port Clements Action Plan for the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions is as follows:
  - i) Create an anti-idle policy to encourage idling vehicles to shut off their engines around Municipal buildings and encourage business owners in the Village to ban idling vehicles around their buildings.
  - ii) Plant trees throughout the community using grant funding.
  - iii) Reduce the number of Municipal buildings by building multi-purpose buildings and retrofit other Municipal buildings for energy efficiency.
  - iv) Upgrade water and waste water treatments.
  - v) Utilize technology by emailing co-workers rather than printing documents in an action to reduce the amount of paper being used.
  - vi) Use recycled paper if printing is a necessity.
  - vii) Ban bottled water from Municipal buildings and make water coolers available.
  - viii) Use ceramic cups and dishes, and reusable silverware whenever possible.
  - ix) Implement a "lights off" policy to ensure that all users and employees in Municipal buildings turn the light, heat and any other electronics off in rooms that they are not in.
  - x) Encourage car-pooling to work for Municipal employees and meetings.

3. The Village of Port Clements goals for the future greenhouse gas reduction are as follows:
- i) Upgrade filing system to reduce amount of paper.
  - ii) Purchase laptops for each Council member for paperless agendas.
  - iii) Teleconferencing and videoconferencing to reduce greenhouse gas from vehicles.
  - iv) Create new building policies with energy efficiency aims at reducing greenhouse gases.
  - v) Ensure that all contractors and suppliers working on behalf of the Village comply with all Municipal, Provincial, and Federal standards in regards to the environment.
4. The Village of Port Clements roles for the residential and commercial zones are as follows:
- i) Assist residents and businesses through the use of grants to upgrade homes and buildings for energy efficiency.
  - ii) Encourage installing low flow toilets within residential and commercial buildings.
  - iii) Install water metres on all properties to monitor water consumption.
  - iv) Work with the Skeena Queen Charlotte Regional District to encourage recycling, reducing landfill usage.
  - v) Encourage residential energy assessments in conjunction with BC Hydro.

READ A FIRST TIME THIS 19TH DAY OF APRIL, 2010.

PUBLIC HEARING HELD THIS 3rd DAY OF May, 2010

READ A SECOND TIME THIS 3rd DAY OF May, 2010.

READ A THIRD TIME THIS 3rd DAY OF May, 2010.

ADOPTED THIS 17th DAY OF May, 2010.



CORY DELVES  
MAYOR



HEATHER NELSON-SMITH  
CLERK/TREASURER