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**REPORT TO ELECTORAL AREA SERVICES COMMITTEE
MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, 02 JUNE 2010**

SUBJECT: FIRE COMMISSIONS BYLAW – PORT RENFREW

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to request that the Board adopt Bylaw No. 3707 to amend Schedule “C” to Bylaw 3654 to reflect that the Port Renfrew fire commission has the responsibility only for fire and emergency response services. Bylaw No. 3707 is cited as “Fire Protection and Emergency Response Service Commissions Bylaw, 2010, Amendment Bylaw No. 1, 2010”.

BACKGROUND

On Wednesday, April 14, 2010 the Board adopted Bylaw No. 3654 cited as “Fire Protection and Emergency Response Service Commissions and Related Local Services Bylaw, 2010”. The purpose of Bylaw No. 3654 was to consolidate the Juan de Fuca Electoral Area Fire Protection and Emergency Response Commissions into one bylaw for the following reasons:

- Centralizes a number of bylaws, plus amendments, into one document
- Provides uniformity and consistency to the wording of the bylaw
- Eliminates the gaps and irrelevancies that occur in multiple bylaws
- Reduces the effort and time required to amend the bylaw

Bylaw No. 3654 provided that the Port Renfrew Local Services Commission would be responsible for fire protection as well as solid waste removal and community use facilities. At the request of the Juan de Fuca Electoral Area Director, Bylaw No. 3707 amends bylaw No. 3654 to establish responsibility only for fire for the Port Renfrew Fire Protection and Emergency Response Service Commission. Having responsibility for only one local service will reduce the burden and clarify the role of the commission members.

ALTERNATIVES

1. That Bylaw No. 3707 cited as “Fire Protection and Emergency Response Service Commissions Bylaw, 2010, Amendment Bylaw No. 1, 2010” be introduced and read a first time, read a second time, read a third time and adopted.
2. That Bylaw No. 3654 not be amended thereby leaving the Port Renfrew Commission combined responsibility for fire, solid waste removal and community use facilities as set out in the existing bylaw. .

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications.

SUMMARY

The Board adopted a consolidated Juan de Fuca Electoral Area Fire Protection and Emergency Response Commissions bylaw on April 14, 2010. The Port Renfrew Commission was charged with responsibility for fire protection as well as solid waste removal and community use facilities. At the request of the Juan de Fuca Electoral Area Director, Bylaw No. 3707 amends bylaw No. 3654 to establish responsibility for fire only for the Port Renfrew Fire Protection and Emergency Response Service Commission. Having responsibility for only one local service will reduce the burden and clarify the role of the commission members.

RECOMMENDATION

That Bylaw No. 3707 cited as “Fire Protection and Emergency Response Service Commissions Bylaw, 2010, Amendment Bylaw No. 1, 2010” be introduced and read a first time, read a second time, read a third time and adopted.

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