

## **Parksville Council Resolution Supports People of Ukraine**

At a special council meeting on March 2, Parksville Council approved a resolution in support of the people of Ukraine. In the meeting, Mayor Ed Mayne said the following:

"We have seen the images of hardship coming from Ukraine and we are all saddened and disturbed about the aggressive Russian invasion into Ukraine. Many of us are feeling helpless as to what we can do. I am proposing Council approve a resolution today which I believe will represent our residents who are feeling the same way.

We stand in support and in solidarity with the people of Ukraine. This invasion by Russia is illegal and unwarranted and we wish to support the Ukrainian families living in Parksville and our region who have ties to Ukraine."

## **Council Resolution**

Whereas the Federation of Russia has invaded the country of Ukraine, an unjustified attack on their people.

And whereas Canada and many other countries are standing behind Ukraine and providing support, the City of Parksville wishes to show its full support of the strictest sanctions possible on Russia by the Government of Canada to achieve a peaceful settlement.

And whereas the City of Parksville will send a letter of support to St Mary the Protectress Ukrainian Church and the Parksville Civic and Technology Centre will be lit in the colours of Ukraine.

This resolution will be provided to St Mary the Protectress Ukrainian Orthodox Church and along with a letter will show the City's support of their candlelight vigil to be held on March 4. The lights on the Parksville Civic and Technology Centre will remain in blue and yellow in a display of support through March and as long as it is necessary. A copy of this letter and resolution will be sent to the Prime Minister of Canada, Premier of British Columbia, Gord Johns, MP, Adam Walker, MLA, the Union of BC Municipalities and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

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