

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held in the Municipal Chambers on Wednesday, January 26, 2022, at 5:30 pm

Mayor S. Storey presided. Councillors present were C. LePoidevin, Councillor Watt-Senner and A. Fennema. Councillor J. Jenkinson joined by video conference.

Staff present were Chief Administrative Officer R. Holland and Economic Development Officer D. Christie.

Meeting Called to Order at 5:30 pm.

Agenda:

Mayor Storey called for a motion to adopt the agenda and the declaration of new business.

MOVED/SECONDED to adopt the agenda.

Resolution 01-26-022

Carried

Delegations & Guests:

None

Regular Council Minutes, November 24, 2021

MOVED/SECONDED that the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of January 12, 2022, be adopted as presented on this day and that such Minutes as read set out all the business before Council that day and fully and properly record all the resolutions and bylaws passed and adopted by Council at that meeting.

Resolution 01-26-023

Carried

Business arising from the Minutes:

None

Reports on Council Activities:

Councillor LePoidevin

None

Councillor Watt-Senner

None

Councillor Jenkinson

None

Councillor Fennema

She attended the Grad Transitions Day on January 18th. She was very impressed with the presentations.

Councillor Fennema noted she had ESS Training coming up.

Mayor Storey

Mayor Storey participated in the Resource Benefits Alliance In Camera meeting. Other activities included attending two days of NCLGA meetings, participating in the recent NDIT Regional Advisor Committee (RAC) meeting. She also attended a meeting at the Regional District Bulkley Nechako.

Mayor Storey commented on a recent discussion she had with Electoral Area D Director Mark Parker. Endako Mine has applied for an extension of their mining permit. Mayor Storey contacted Sherry Cochrane at Endako Mine. If the application is successful, the extension will allow Endako Mine to operate for an additional 15 years. The mayor has asked for more communication between the mine and the Village in the future.

MOVED/SECONDED to receive Councillor Reports.

Resolution 01-26-024

Carried

Accounts payable:

The accounting reports were presented.

MOVED/SECONDED to adopt Accounts Payable and payroll in the amount of \$1,636,298.07.

Resolution 01-26-025

Carried

Correspondence List:

MOVED/SECONDED to receive the correspondence list.

Resolution 01-26-026

Carried

Business from the CAO:

Village of Fraser Lake Student Bursary:

MOVED/SECONDED to support the Village of Fraser Lake Student Bursary of \$1,000.00 once again in the spring 2022.

Resolution 01-26-027

Recycling in Fraser Lake:

CAO Holland provided an update on recycling services in Fraser Lake. Solid waste management is the responsibility of the RDBN. This includes recycling. Janette Derksen is the head of this department. The RDBN has been negotiating with Recycle BC for the past two years to improve recycling services in both Fraser Lake and Houston, B.C. Unfortunately, Recycle BC has taken the position they will not be entering into any new contracts. Janette Derksen hopes that position is about to change. The limited variety of recyclable materials that are accepted at the Fraser Lake Recycle Depot was discussed. When negotiation with Recycle BC resume. The RDBN will work with Recycle BC and the Fraser Lake Recycle Depot to provide a greater variety of recycling opportunities.

Development Proposal:

CAO Holland presented a development proposal that was received from the owner of 130 Tunasa Crescent. The property owner has requested re zoning of the property to Commercial to facilitate use of the property as a Youth Drop-in Centre.

130 Tunasa Crescent is zoned R2 – Multi Family. The Village of Fraser Lake Zoning Bylaw 683, 2008 and Official Community Plan allow Home Occupation businesses in this zone.

Section 20 of the Community Care and Assisted Living Act allows childcare related activities in all zones. As such, the proposed use of the property is acceptable under the current zoning.

CAO Holland referred to the Official Community Plan that was updated in 2019. The OCP does not support the establishment of a commercial zoned property within the residential zone.

A discussion followed. Hours of operation are a concern.

CAO Holland advised the Good Neighbour Bylaw is in place in the event noise becomes a problem.

Council is happy to see the property owner taking steps to provide a new service to the community. The proposed uses can occur under the current zoning.

MOVED/SECONDED to deny the request to re zone 130 Tunasa Crescent.

Resolution 01-26-028

Carried

MOVED/SECONDED to receive the business from the Chief Administrative Officer.

Resolution 01-26-029

Staff Reports:

BC Hydro Community Re Greening Program:

MOVED/SECONDED to apply to the BC Hydro Community Re Greening Program for up to \$7,500.00 to purchase trees for our community.

Resolution 01-26-030

Carried

UBCM Community Emergency Preparedness Funding:

UBCM Community Emergency Preparedness Fund MOVED/SECONDED to apply for up to \$25,000.00 to construct dedicated pads for the EOC Generator Trailer by pouring concrete pads.

Resolution 01-26-031

Carried

NDIT Economic Development Capacity Building:

MOVED/SECONDED to apply to the Northern Development Initiative Trust for \$50,000.00 in support of Economic Development in the Village of Fraser Lake through the employment of our Economic Development Officer.

Resolution 01-26-032

Carried

NDIT Love Northern BC Program:

MOVED/SECONDED to apply to the Northern Development Initiative Trust for \$1,200.00 in support of our local businesses and the Love Fraser Lake program.

Resolution 01-26-033

Carried

MOVED/SECONDED to receive staff reports.

Resolution 01-26-034

Reading List:

MOVED/SECONDED to receive the reading list.

Resolution 01-26-035

Carried

Mayor Storey noted the "All are Welcome Here" campaign. She has received several correspondences on this initiative. The organizers are requesting use of the Village logo for the "All are Welcome Here!" poster, a rainbow sidewalk, and for the Village to fly the rainbow flag for the month of June, 2022.

A discussion followed.

CAO Holland noted, our flagpole lanyards would need to be modified to accommodate an additional flag. As for the rainbow sidewalk, typically the painting of the sidewalk is the responsibility of the school or group requesting the sidewalk.

MOVED/SECONDED to authorize use of the Village Logo on the "All are Welcome Here!" poster and painting of rainbow crosswalks in the school sidewalk crossing zones of FLESS and Mouse Mountain School.

Resolution 01-26-036

Carried

New Business:

Councillor LePoidevin asked about the road maintenance between Fields Store and the Coop Card Lock. He has asked for the snow to be pushed back to widen the road.

Councillor Fennema asked about the garbage truck. Is it running.

CAO Holland advised the garbage truck is not running. Parts have been ordered. Until then, our Public Works employees are manually collecting the garbage.

Councillor Jenkinson asked about Family Day.

CAO Holland advised an application has already been submitted for Family Day funding. Assuming Public Health Orders allow a Family Day event, the plan is to have a BBQ and make the Village's winter gear available to families on February 21st.

MOVED/SECONDED to receive new business.

Resolution 01-26-037

Bylaws:

None

Next Regular Meeting of Council:

February 9, 2022, at 5:30 pm

Adjournment:

MOVED/SECONDED that the January 26, 2022, Regular Meeting of

Council adjourn at 6:47 pm.

Resolution 01-26-038

Carried

Certified Correct:

Rodney J. Holland, Chief Administrative Officer

Rudrey Fermana Acting Mayor