

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held January 13, 2016
In the Municipal Hall in Open Forum**

Those in Attendance: Mayor Lindstrom
Councillor Reyden
Councillor LePoidevin
Councillor Jantz
Councillor Storey

Staff Rod Holland Chief Administrative Officer

Public Garry Watson

Mayor Lindstrom called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm and welcomed those in attendance. Mayor Lindstrom passed out a paper referring to Good Governance habits as proposed by George Cuff. Mayor Lindstrom advised George Cuff is considered to be an expert on Municipal Governance. He's written several books and regularly presents on the subject.

Agenda:

Resolution 01-13-03 M/S Councillor Jantz/ Councillor Reyden
"That the agenda be adopted as presented"

"Carried"

Delegations:

None

Minutes:

Resolution 01-13-04 M/S Councillor Reyden / Councillor Lepoidevin
"That the minutes of the regular meeting held December 9th, 2015 and the minutes of the Special meeting held December 14, 2015 be adopted as presented"

"Carried"

Business Arising from the Minutes:

None

Council Reports:

Councillor LePoidevin
Councillor Lepoidevin had nothing to Report

Councillor Storey

Councillor Storey attended the Economic Development Building Blocks workshop this past Saturday; January 9th. Councillor Storey felt the presentation was good and she was happy the workshop identified several economic development activities that could be pursued for the community.

Councillor Storey also reports she's tried to register for the LGLA Community Leadership forum in Richmond, B.C. February 3 – 5th. The workshop is full but she is on a waiting list.

Councillor Reyden

Councillor Reyden attended the Economic Development Building Blocks workshop this past Saturday. He also felt the presentation was well done.

Councillor Reyden apologized for not being at the Special meeting on January 12th for budget discussions. Councillor Reyden was away on business.

Councillor Jantz

Councillor Jantz attended the Economic Development Building Blocks workshop. Councillor Jantz commented he was pleased to see the people who were there present.

Councillor Jantz attended the Autumn Services Meeting last week.

Councillor Jantz thought the Budget Meeting last night was a good start.

Councillor Jantz will be attending the AME Round up in a week and a half. The Regional District has asked Councillor Jantz to transport material for the booth at the Round up if he decides to drive, so, he has yet to make the decision of whether to drive or not.

Mayor Lindstrom

While attending the most recent Regional District meeting Mayor Lindstrom had further conversation about the Mineral Round up delegate ticket. He was told the Regional District had 2 or 3 extra passes so they were trying to give them away. The RD will send one of the extra tickets to Smithers for their use. The Mayor was asked to hold on to the pass that had been given to Fraser Lake.

The Mayor met with M.P. Nathan Cullen yesterday. Minister Cullen was touching base to determine what we need from the Federal Government. The Mayor spoke with Minister Cullen about access to Infrastructure Funding and Summer Canada Works funds for summer labour. Minister Cullen was receptive to our enquiries. He advised he would be making a circuit in his constituency in the near future so we should formalize our requests by developing a list for Minister Cullen. Mayor Lindstrom commented how Minister Cullen has a strong voice in Parliament and he's a great guy to have in our corner.

Councillor Jantz added that after last night's meeting he had the opportunity to speak with a friend in Vancouver by phone. Councillor Jantz was told Premier Christie Clark commented on Fraser Lake being in dire straits and needing help. Premier Clark was commenting on the news about Endako Mine and our community

Councillor Storey added Minister Cullen had dropped by Autumn Services and met with staff. Councillor Storey reported Minister Cullen was appraised of some of their challenges. Autumn Services was recently turned down on a grant from New Horizons. Minister Cullen tried to phone the folks at New Horizons to see if there was anything that could be done for Autumn Services. There was no answer.

Councillor Storey also noted a 50/50 draw was run at the West Fraser Christmas Dinner. West Fraser gave Autumn Services the 50% profit from the draw. The Community Dance held on December 23rd saw about 300 people in attendance. The event was well organized and Councillor Storey made note of the good work of our Recreation Director, Amber Carter and Public Works Staff, Zion Cruz and Cameron Campbell.

Resolution 01-13-05 M/S Councillor LePoidevin / Councillor Jantz
"Motion to receive the council report."

"Carried"

Accounts Payable:

Resolution 01-13-06 M/S Councillor Reyden/ Councillor Jantz
"Motion to adopt the accounts payables in the amount of \$75,878.96 and payroll in the amount of \$99,786.20 "

"Carried"

Correspondence List:

Resolution 01-13-07 M/S Councillor Reyden/ Councillor Storey
"Motion to approve the correspondence list"

"Carried"

Business from the CAO:

Community Forest update:

CAO Holland provided Council with an update on the Community Forest application process. CAO Holland advised Council a land base proposal was submitted to the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resources, Vanderhoof, B.C. on November 20, 2015. This land base was identified during the helicopter flight that was undertaken by West Fraser's Professional Forester, Jaret Van Der Giessen and CAO Holland. The previously proposed area lacked an adequate inventory of mature timber. The new proposal contained a significant amount of standing mature timber plus reasonably mature secondary growth. Jaret Van Der Giessen felt the land base held enough timber to meet our short term and mid-term allocations of 110,000 m3 over the first 5 – 7 years and 14,500 m3 through the mid-term. On December 23, 2015 correspondence was received from the FLNRO advising the proposed area for the Fraser Lake Community Forest appears to be acceptable. Because this new area is significantly different from what was announced to the community earlier in the process, we have an obligation to "inform" the community and the First Nations Communities of Stellat'en and Nadleh Wut'en. A covering letter will be required when our application is submitted to demonstrate that our community and local first nations are aware of the new CF area.

Building Inspection Services:

In the past the Village of Fraser Lake has contracted with the Regional District Bulkley Nechako to provide Building Inspection Services. It is believed to be impractical to have an employee on staff for these services. With the new Building Act, Building Inspectors will be required to hold mandatory certifications that will be both time consuming and costly. The costs for this service

are based on a 5 year average. This coming year, that equates to \$16,672.00. The RDBN is requesting a 5 year contract, versus an annual contract.

Resolution 01-13-08 M/S Councillor Reyden / Councillor Storey

“Motion to renew the building inspection contract for 5 years with the Regional District Bulkley Nechako”

“Carried”

Strategic Wildfire Management Planning:

In October, Mayor Lindstrom and CAO Holland attended a Wildfire Management workshop in Burns Lake, B.C. With global warming, the annual fire season is expected to start earlier in the year, last later into the fall and result in more severe fire events. During the course of this workshop, Community Leaders were encouraged to develop a Strategic Wildfire Management Plan. This involves mapping and planning to reduce combustible fuels and prune trees to a 2 meter height to a radius of 2 km from the community. UBCM has a Wildfire Management Prevention Initiative that will provide funding to communities that do not already have a Community Wildfire Prevention Plan. Our community does not have such a plan. UBCM funding is up to \$10,000.00 for plan development. Fire Chief James Cochran will be the lead on this initiative. He has already begun some of the planning work to address grass fire hazards in and around the community.

Resolution 01-13-09 M/S Councillor Storey/Councillor Lepoidevin

“Motion to apply for funding through the UBCM Strategic Wildfire Prevention Initiative”

“Carried”

White Swan Park Playground equipment:

TransCanada Pipelines and Success by 6 have offered to fund the purchase of playground equipment for White Swan Park. CAO Holland provided Council with the layout of the proposed equipment. The equipment is valued at \$33,000.00. TransCanada Pipeline have agreed to partner with Success by 6 in the purchase of the equipment with TransCanada paying \$29,000.00 and Success by 6 contributing \$4,000.00. This equipment has been ordered to take advantage of 2015 pricing. The Village will be responsible for site preparation and footings for the equipment. Our contribution is estimated at \$1,700.00.

Grant in Aid application:

A Grant in Aid application has been received from the Fraser Lake Volunteer Fire Department. The 2015 Emergency Services Christmas party was hosted by our Fire Department and held at the Recreation Center. They are requesting a grant in aid equivalent to the cost of rental or \$325.00.

Resolution 01-13-10 M/S Councillor Lepoidevin/Councillor Storey

Motion to provide a grant in aid in the amount of \$325.00 to the Fraser Lake Fire Department for the rental of the Recreational Complex second floor the evening of the Emergency Services party”

“Carried”

Resolution 01-13-11 M/S Councillor LePoidevin / Councillor Jantz

“Motion to receive the CAO Report”

“Carried”

Staff Reports:

None

Reading List:

Resolution 01-13-12 M/S Councillor Lepoidevin/ Councillor Jantz
"Motion to receive the Reading List"

"Carried"

New Business:

Deputy Mayor Appointment

With reference to the Village of Fraser Lake Procedure Bylaw 586,2002, the Council shall appoint one of its members to be the acting mayor and such Acting Mayor has, during the absence or illness or other disability of the Mayor, all the powers and is subject to the same rules as the Mayor.

A discussion amongst Council followed. It was agreed, the appointment of Deputy Mayor would be rotated through Council with each member of Council holding the role for 6 consecutive months before the role is passed on to the next member of Council. Council noted there are three years remaining in the current term and that this rotation should continue through to the end of that term. The order of progression was agreed as follows:

Councillor Lepoidevin from January 13, 2016 to July 12, 2016
Councillor Storey from July 13, 2016 to January 12, 2017
Councillor Reyden from January 13, 2017 to July 12, 2017
Councillor Jantz from July 13, 2017 to January 12, 2018
Councillor Lepoidevin from January 13, 2018 to July 12, 2018
Councillor Storey from July 13, 2018 to January 12, 2019
Councillor Reyden from January 13, 2019 to July 12, 2019
Councillor Jantz from July 13, 2019 to end of current term

It was also noted that members of Council have obligations to attend meetings and conferences and to participate on committees. To meet the requirements of the Council Indemnification Bylaw 772, 2015 Council reviewed and amended existing Council appointments and identified those activities that were deemed to be beneficial to the Community or development of the Council member and to which allowances and benefits are extended.

COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS AS OF JANUARY 13, 2016

Mayor Lindstrom

OBAC

COFI

Northern Gateway Community Advisory Board

Regional District Bulkley Nechako Director

Resource Benefits Alliance Representative

NDIT PG Regional Advisory Committee representative

Community Forest

Community Foundation Endowment Society

Councillor Jantz

Regional District of the Bulkley Nechako Alternate
Fraser Lake & District Senior Citizens Society Representative
Chamber of Commerce Representative
Communities to Improve Primary Health Care Committee Representative
New Gold Community Advisory Committee
Fraser Lake Sawmill liaison
Community Forest

Councillor Reyden

Library Representative
Historical Society Representative
T.V. Society Representative
Waterfront Committee Chair
NDIT PG Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) Alternate

Councillor Lepoidevin

Fire Department Liaison
Municipal Emergency Preparedness
PG Treaty Advisory Committee (TAC) Representative
MEP Representative
Library Alternate
BC Economic Development Association Alternate

Councillor Storey

Resource Benefits Alliance Alternate
Recreation Liaison
Northern Health Representative
PG Treaty Advisory Committee (TAC) Alternate
Mine Advisory Liaison

Resolution 01-13-13 M/S Councillor Jantz/Councillor Storey
"Move to approve the appointments of Deputy Mayor and the updated Councillor appointments for 2016"

"Carried"

Resolution 01-13-14 M/S Councillor Storey/Councillor Lepoidevin
"Motion to approve new business"

"Carried"

Bylaws:

Business Licence Bylaw 774, 2016

Council was provided with a proposed updated Business Licence Bylaw and an associated policy. A discussion followed. Council felt the proposed bylaw was good. They have asked Administration to amend the proposed policy to direct all Business Licence revenues from the Village to the Chamber of Commerce to ensure they have adequate operating capital and are able to appropriately support local business.

Resolution 01-13-15 M/S Councillor Jantz/ Councillor Lepoidevin

“Move the first three readings of Bylaw 774, 2016 Business Licence Bylaw”

“Carried”

In Camera:

As per section 90(1)(e) of the Community Charter which says a part of a Council Meeting may be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered relates to acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality.

Resolution 01-13-16 M/S Councillor Jantz/Councillor Storey

“Motion to move meeting in camera under Section 90(1)(e) of the Community Charter”

“Carried”

Resolution 01-13-21 M/S Councillor Reyden/Councillor Jantz

“Motion to return to Regular Meeting of Council at 8:14 pm”

“Carried”

Councillor Jantz noted his personal schedule was in conflict with the scheduled Budget Meeting on January 22, 2016. Councillor Jantz proposed the Budget Meeting be rescheduled for Monday January 18, 2016 at 5:30 pm. Council agreed.

Resolution 01-13-22 M/S Reyden/Councillor Lepoidevin

“Motion to reschedule the Budget Meetings previously scheduled for Friday January 22, 2016 to January 18, 2016 from 5:30-7:30 pm”

“Carried”

Next Meeting of Council

Resolution 01-13-23 Councillor LePoidevin / Councillor Reyden

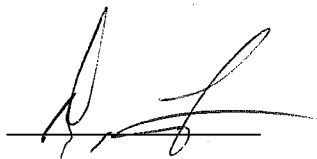
“That the next Regular Meeting of Council be held on January 27, 2016 at 5:30 pm”

“Carried”


Resolution 01-13-24 Councillor Lepoidevin
"Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 pm"

"Carried"

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Dwayne Lindstrom
Mayor

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Rodney J. Holland
Chief Administrative Officer