

# Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held June 27, 2018 In the Municipal Hall in Open Forum

Those in Attendance:

**Mayor Lindstrom** 

Councillor Reyden Councillor Lepoidevin Councillor Storey

Staff:

Rodney J. Holland, Chief Administrative Officer

Dave Christie, Economic Development Officer

Public:

Rory McKenzie- Director of Environmental Services RDBN

Jeanette Dirksen - Deputy Director Environmental Services RDBN

Klaus Posselt – Tahtsa Timber

Henry Steurer Janet Colbourne

Mayor Lindstrom called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm and welcomed those in attendance.

## Agenda:

Resolution 06-27-196 M/S Councillor Storey/ Councillor Lepoidevin "Motion to adopt the agenda"

Carried

# **Delegation:**

Jeanette Dirksen and Rory McKenzie of the Regional District Bulkley Nechako Environmental Services provided an update on the Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP) review. This delegation forms part of the Public Consultation stage of the SWMP review. A power point presentation was provided.

All Regional Districts in the province are required by the Ministry of Environment to have a Solid Waste Management Plan. The review is a comprehensive study of solid waste management within the RDBN and will result in the development of an updated SWMP for the next 10 years. The new SWMP will also provide a visionary outlook for solid waste management out 10 to 30 years. The plan focuses on a philosophical hierarchy of Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Recover and Residual Management. In each of those activities, the review looks at collection, recycling, waste reduction, disposal, finance and education components.

The Ministry of Environment sets the targets for these plans. The current targets include recovery of 75 percent of the materials that are covered by Extended Producer Recovery(EPR) program. A second target is to recover 75 percent of organic waste from BC's population. The recover of organic waste is a new goal. The overall goal of the review process is to reduce per capita solid waste to 355 kg/year.

The RDBN hired consultants to assist with the SWMP Review. First steps included a review of existing Solid Waste Facilities. They identified gaps and issues within our system. The consultant's report was presented to the RDBN Board on May 24, 2018. The report was approved and the process moved to Public Consultation. The hope is to submit the final report to the Ministry by the end of August 2018.

During this process, the RDBN established a Regional Solid Waste Advisory Committee. The committee is composed of 25 people representing First Nations, Waste Management, CAO's, CFO's and Environmental Services. They are taking the plan, the options and the gaps and providing feedback and input into the draft plan.

In terms of square kilometers, the RDBN is the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest Regional District in the province. The RDBN population is just over 38,000; based on the 2016 census. This number does not include First Nations populations as that was not included in the 2016 census. Much of RDBN is rural. They way we collect and manage garbage will be different than in a large urban centre.

In the existing RDBN Waste Management system, there are 5 different categories; waste prevention, waste generation, collections, diversion and disposal.

Waste prevention = backyard composting, buying and selling of used goods, recycling, ReUse Shed

Waste Generation – Households, Businesses, Construction & Demolition, Industrial and Institutional

Collection = Municipal curbside collection, Commercial hauling and self haul to the transfer station

Diversion = diverting materials from transfer stations and landfills. Examples include recycling and composting of organics and Extended Producer Responsibilities.

Disposal.

Jeanette Dirksen noted Fraser Lake has curbside garbage pickup but not curbside recycling. Recycle BC does not fund curbside recycling pick up in communities with a population under 5,000, so, that funding is not currently available to Fraser Lake.

Jeanette Dirksen reviewed the trends of waste disposal in the RDBN. In the RDBN, waste disposal is in the average of 600 kg/capita/year. The provincial average is lower at around 480 kg/capita/year. Generally, in regions where Recycling is a vibrant industry, a lower kg/capita disposal rate is experienced. It should be noted; those areas are subsidized through Recycle BC.

Jeanette Dirksen reviewed the composition of the garbage typically found in the RDBN. This composition model was determined by taking apart garbage bags and categorizing the contents. Our garbage consists of a wide variety of materials; many of them recyclable. The most significant component is "Organics" at 38 percent. These are typically food/vegetable waste that could be diverted from landfills and into composting operations.

Through the initial phases of this study, the RDBN has identified several key issues. There are no programs aimed at reducing the generation of food waste, there is limited access to recycling, there are opportunities to expand organics diversion, there may be opportunities to divert waste wood and other Construction waste, there is no framework for participation in the Extended Producers Recovery (EPR) program, there is limited public education and/or education for House Hold Waste. Additional staff is required to better support opportunities for waste diversion from the landfills.

A number of strategies have been developed to address the identified concerns:

Strategy 1: Increase Reduction and Reuse

Strategy 2: Expand Access to Residential Recycling

Strategy 3: Increase ICI (Industrial, Commercial, Institutional) Sector Recycling

Strategy 4: Increase Organics Diversion

Strategy 5: Increase Construction & Demolition Waste Diversion

Strategy 6: Support expansion of the Extended Producers Recovery (EPR) programs

Strategy 7: Support Hazardous Household Waste Diversion

Strategy 8: Support Recycling and Diversion of Agricultural Plastics

Strategy 9: Expand Regional Education and Behavior Change Programs

Jeannette Dirksen noted our Regional District is doing well in comparison to other RD's in the north. However, in comparison to larger areas in the south of the province, we are doing less well. Much of that is due to limited access to recycling.

Regardless, there are significant opportunities to divert materials from our landfills. Simply removing organics would reduce our waste stream by 38 percent. To advance that goal, the RDBN is looking for ways to improve backyard composting, developing an organics diversion strategy and implementing the processing infrastructure needed to process all organics collected in the region.

Ms. Dirksen explained there is a regional concern around limited opportunities to recycle and divert agricultural plastics. The RDBN would like to encourage an alternate management of plastics used for hay bales and other agricultural purposes; rather than having them go to the landfill. Diversion strategies are already active in Alberta and Saskatchewan.

Recycle BC programs (funding) do not apply to municipalities with a population less than 5000. In the RDBN, all the municipalities, except Smithers, fall under that population requirement. Smithers does have a contract with Recycle BC. The RDBN would like to lobby the Provincial Government to obtain support for Recycle BC Depots in smaller communities or at least at each of the RDBN Transfer Stations.

Rory McKenzie presented on residual management. Residuals are the materials already at the landfill. Within the region, the Disposal Facilities operate under an Operational Certificate. In 2016, the Ministry of Environment came out with a new set of criteria or rules. The goal is to ensure Disposal Facility operations meet those criteria. A study has been conducted to confirm compliance and conformance with 2016 guidelines. This has involved hiring engineers to study each site. Bringing landfills up to the 2016 criteria is the current pursuit.

The RDBN is also working at updating supporting policies and bylaws. The consultants involved in the SWMP will present the RDBN Board with options to issues such as tipping fees, etc. Disposal Facilities are expensive to operate. Currently, only 5% of RDBN Disposal Facility revenue comes from tipping fees. The main source of revenue comes from property taxes. Other Regional Districts average 20 to 30 percent of their cost recovery revenue from tipping fees.

In the next 10 years, the focus will be to support recycling and removal of organics. Once the SWMP is approved, the RDBN will maintain its' Advisory Committee but on a smaller scale. The committee meet several times a year to remain active in the process to assess new information.

The Solid Waste Management Plan Review is in the public consultation phase. Flyers have gone out to the public seeking comment. The hope is to have the review process completed by the end of August 2018.

Rory McKenzie invited questions.

A question was asked from the gallery about how the Village gets a contract with Recycle BC.

Rory McKenzie stated the RDBN will be submitting a "Letter of Intent" to Recycle BC. That will open the door for further discussion around where Recycle Depots will be located and who will manage these facilities.

Mayor Lindstrom suggested a public meeting be scheduled at some point as the public is interested in these issues.

Councillor Storey noted Fraser Lake has a food share program that diverts organics from the waste stream.

Rory McKenzie commended this initiative and stated if the RD had a Waste Diversion Coordinator, he or she would be working directly with the Food Share Program with the goal of trying to institute the program across the Regional District. The Federal and Provincial Governments are working on reducing food waste and trying to find ways to feed people. According to information from other sources, in the lower mainland, for every 4 bags of groceries purchased, one bag is thrown away as waste. Mr. McKenzie doesn't feel the ratio of food waste is the same in the North.

A discussion followed.

Mayor Lindstrom thanked Ms. Dirksen and Mr. McKenzie for their presentation.

CAO Holland introduced Klaus Posselt of Tahtsa Timber. CAO Holland and EDO Dave Christie attended the BC Community Forest Conference in Burns Lake this past May. During the Conference, there were several field trips. Those outings highlighted the innovative work being done in the Burns Lake Community Forest and the Chinook Community Forest. Since the Mayor and Council are the Community Forest Board, CAO Holland felt it important to introduce Mr. Posselt and to discuss the innovations that are occurring to salvage and maximize the use of low grade fibre. Tahtsa timber has developed a niche in the market by specializing in the recovery and use of blow down trees.

Klaus Posselt is the owner/operator of Tahtsa Timber. This company employs 170 people through logging, hauling and Kant Mill operations.

Mr. Posselt reports significant experience working with Community Forests. He began with the Burns Lake Community Forest in 2003; the first Community Forest in the Province. Tahtsa Timber has also worked with four different First Nations in the development and operation of their Community Forests. In each case, there were unique challenges. However, in each case, Tahtsa Timber helped overcome those challenges. Those Community Forests have been successful in generating positive revenues for the communities involved.

When the Mountain Pine Beetle (MPB) epidemic occurred, Mr. Posselt focused on maximizing the salvage of what became considered waste wood. As time went on, much of the MPB effected wood began to blow down. Nobody else was working on improving the way we harvest and market these blow down trees. In Mr. Posselt's words, he pioneered the method of recovering this wood. He also found new markets in China for this material.

Mr. Posselt explained his operations compliment the work of the major mills. Tahtsa Timber salvages the wood that has been going to waste. They are not set up to mill green wood, so, that fibre goes to the major mills such as the Fraser Lake Sawmill. In utilizing the low-grade fiber, Tahtsa timber has been one of the major suppliers of chips to the pellet plants in Houston, B.C. and Burns Lake, B.C. In their work in Community Forests, they remain aware of the importance of retaining live trees in the stand to support the mid term cut. This selective cut is done using Timber Harvesters. He noted using a Harvester does have a higher cost because it is more labour intensive. However, it also creates more employment in the bush.

Mr. Posselt advises Tahtsa Timber would like to provide a complete array of logging services should the Fraser Lake Community Forest decide to go that way. He encourages local management. He feels the more local the company, the greater the motivation to operate smarter. He feels Burns Lake and Fraser Lake are interlinked. People from Fraser Lake work in Burns Lake at Babine Forest products and Pinnacle pellet. People from Burns Lake work at the Fraser Lake Sawmill. Logs from Burns Lake are trucked to Fraser Lake to feed the Fraser Lake

Sawmill and vice versa. Within their operations, Tahtsa Timber has worked to reduce inefficiencies through timber trades. That prevents hauling wood long distances when there is wood available in the local area. Tahtsa Timber would like to provide advice on how and where other forest based operations occur such as planting. Mr. Posselt has made inquiries about the inventory of our Community Forest. We have significant amounts of both green and dead blow down material. Tahtsa Timber is well experienced and equipped to undertake this sort of logging to maximize the use of the fiber and to protect the remaining, standing stock for the mid term cut.

CAO Holland asked what would happen to the deadfall pine if it is not harvested. Mr. Posselt advised if a fire goes through those areas where there is a lot of deadfall will burn hotter and kill all the live trees. If the area is harvested, using conventional methods, the deadfall is typically piled and burned. Otherwise, it simply rots. Tahtsa Timber's approach is to make the best utilization of the fibre available. That includes sorting for peelers, saw logs, Kant logs, pulp and pellet plant wood.

### Minutes:

Resolution 06-27-197 M/S Councillor Storey/Councillor Reyden "Motion to adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on June 13, 2018"

Carried

Resolution 06-27-198 M/S Councillor Storey/Councillor Lepoidevin "Motion to adopt the minutes of the In-Camera Meeting held on June 13, 2018"

Carried

# **Business Arising from the Minutes:**

Councillor Storey asked for an edit on page 2 of the Minutes, third sentence from the end of the third paragraph. She would like it to read "they are on the front lines every day. They listen to the community and hear what the community wants"

Resolution 06-27-199 M/S Councillor Storey/Councillor Lepoidevin "Motion to receive Business Arising"

Carried

### **Business from the Previous Meeting:**

None

## **Council Reports:**

Councillor Storey participated in the BC Rural Health Network call. All medical clinics like ours are supposed to be run by a community board. She felt the call supplied interesting

information. The goals of the BC Rural Health Network are to include sharing successful strategies to address rural healthcare concerns and to advocate for policy changes that provide all rural residents with attachment to a healthcare practitioner. The Minister of Health assistant was on the call. She was quite interactive. There was some good stuff that came out of the phone call that could help our community soon.

Councillor Storey went to the Senior's Summit in Prince George. It was great.

Councillor Storey attended the National Indigenous Day celebration in Nadleh on June  $21^{\text{st}}$ . Councillor Storey felt they did a great job on organizing the events and the food.

Councillor Storey attended the RCMP Scholarship Golf Tournament. The RCMP introduced the new Constable and said good bye to Lance Kim who will be transferring this fall.

Councillor Storey attended a meeting at the Legion. Unfortunately, the Legion is struggling. They need community support. She suggested if there was something we could do for the legion, we should. She noted the pancake breakfast is held at the legion and is usually a good fundraiser for them. Councillor Storey would like to consider a fundraiser for the Legion.

Resolution 06-27-200 M/S Councillor Lepoidevin/Councillor Storey "Motion to receive Councillor Reports"

Carried

# **Accounts Payable:**

Resolution 06-27-201 M/S Councillor Reyden/Councillor Lepoidevin "Motion to adopt accounts payable and payroll in the amount of \$96,112.70"

Carried

Councillor Reyden asked for more information about Cheque #27370 to Bater Electric for \$3788.88.

CAO Holland advised this was to rebuild four electric aerator motors at an average of \$978.00 per motor.

# **Correspondence List:**

Resolution 06-27-202 M/S Councillor Lepoidevin/Councillor Reyden "Motion to receive the correspondence list"

Carried

#### **CAO Reports:**

Good Neighbour Bylaw 788, 2018 Compliance Letters:

This year Council adopted the Good Neighbour Bylaw 788, 2018. Administration and Bylaw identified several properties to action this bylaw. Previous complaints had been received on both locations. The purpose of this report is to demonstrate to Council how these circumstances are being dealt with. Administration and the Bylaw Officer had a face to face conversation with the Occupant of one residence and the owner of the second. We explained our concerns. We took photographs. We explained the process that would be followed and then followed up those direct conversations with a letter that reiterated our earlier conversation and provided a timeline for cleaning up the property. The photographs of the concerning objects and/or conditions were included with the correspondence. A copy of the Good Neighbour Bylaw 788, 2018 was also included.

Bylaw Officer Joe Pacheco has since been monitoring the progress and providing encouraging feedback on the steps being taken by the property owners to bring their properties into compliance.

Councillor Storey voiced her concern for the privacy of both property owners. She would have preferred Administration would not have placed names and addresses in the Council package. She agrees its good for Council to see these activities but she feels this will upset people in the community. She's glad to see our Bylaw Officer is acting to clean up our community and that the Village is providing encouragement and support to property owners cleaning up their properties.

CAO Holland advised not all compliance letters will come to Council. He agreed privacy issues should be considered in the future.

Nechako Lakes District Soccer – Grant in Aid application:

Two local girls are playing on the Nechako Lakes District U13 Select Soccer team. The team is going to Provincials. The applicant is asking for a grant in aid to assist with travel and accommodation costs to attend the provincial competition for the two local girls. The Grant in Aid fund has \$783.40 is remaining for 2018.

Resolution 06-27-203 M/S Councillor Reyden/Councillor Lepoidevin

"Motion to award the applicate \$100.00 grant in aid to offset the travel costs of our two local players from Fraser Lake to attend provincials in Kamloops"

Carried

4<sup>th</sup> Sewer Lagoon – Rural Dividend Fund opportunity

The Rural Dividend Fund recently opened for another intake. EDO Dave Christie attended the BC Economic Development Conference. While at the conference, EDO Christie had the

opportunity to speak with the Rural Dividend Fund people. They felt his project would qualify under the Individual applicant funding stream. This could provide 80 per cent funding for this capital project. Administration is requesting support for an application to the Rural Dividend Fund. An application under the single applicant funding stream would be a community driven project with the potential for economic development through potential partnerships. Partnerships could include the RDBN, Industry or the First Nations.

Resolution 06-27-204 M/S Councillor Storey/Councillor Reyden

"Motion to apply to the Rural Dividend under the single applicant funding stream for \$50,000.00 or 80 percent of the 4<sup>th</sup> Sewer Lagoon plan development as a community driven project that will strongly support potential economic development through potential partnerships with Industry, the Regional District Bulkley Nechako and local First Nations Communities in the management of wastewater"

Carried

# Mass Notification System:

CAO Holland introduced Council to the Mass Notification System that was recently implemented in Smithers, B.C. They system improves a municipality's ability to notify the public of emergencies, public safety issues, service disruptions, community events and to conduct surveys. The proposed system allows the user to broadcast a notification system wide or to narrow the notification to a specified area such as only within the Village of Fraser Lake. Persons receiving these notifications must subscribe to the service. They can receive notification via internet or cellular device. The notification can be a one-time notification or the system will continue attempts to notify the recipient at regular intervals until notification is acknowledged. The RDBN has proposed implementing this system across the RDBN. If all municipalities were to share the annual cost equally, the annual cost would be \$2,700.00 for Fraser Lake. The RDBN has requested an indication of whether the municipality is supportive of this initiative.

A brief discussion followed.

Council is interested in this initiative and would like more information as it becomes available.

#### Cannabis:

The UBCM news release that was disseminated earlier today was brought to Council's attention. The Senate has voted to pass Bill C-45 which will legalize marihuana at the beginning of October 2018. CAO Holland suggested it would be timely to discussion Council's expectations around where Cannabis Retail can be located, should there be buffer zones

around the schools or other public places and should there be some regulation around public use. The municipality will be responsible for regulating retail, cultivation and public use. In many cases, municipalities have sent out surveys to gauge public expectation on these issues.

Councillor Storey feels many other municipalities have already addressed these issues. She feels we should look to see what they have done and learn from their work.

CAO Holland stated he would prefer to see marihuana treated like liquor versus tobacco. Retail of liquor is restricted to specific zoning. Commercial production of liquor is not addressed in our current zoning and Public use of liquor is regulated by Provincial Statute and restricted to specific settings. Would those same guidelines or regulations be appropriate for cannabis? Councillor Lepoidevin agreed this is a more complex issue. In Fraser Lake, you see people smoking tobacco in public but you shouldn't see someone walking down the street with a bottle of beer. In the Vancouver area, however, public consumption of marihuana seems to be everywhere. You can smell it everywhere you walk.

CAO Holland stated this is an important time to speak with friends, family and neighbours. The goal is to mirror the community's expectations. There will be a smaller group who have very strong thoughts on this subject, however, the goal should be to reflect the expectations of the overall population. Any bylaws adopted for Fraser Lake must fit with the character and wishes of the community. CAO Holland advised it is very difficult to control the actions of the individual but the Village can regulate the actions of retailers or persons wishing to commercially cultivate marihuana. Where should these activities occur? Does Council want to keep those commercial activities out of the residential zone? Will the use of marihuana be condoned in our parks or our arena?

A discussion followed.

Mayor Lindstrom would like to see Cannabis sold in Government Liquor Stores or near the liquor store.

Columbaria:

CAO Holland presented the design of the Columbaria for consideration by Council.

Council was happy with the design.

**SOFI Report:** 

CAO Holland presented the 2017 Village of Fraser Lake SOFI report (Statement of Financial Information). The SOFI Report is a legislatively mandated report that lists any supplier or service provider with whom the Village has spent \$25,000.00 or more in 2017, the remuneration of Mayor and Council and remuneration of staff members who have made more than \$75,000.00 in 2017. This report accompanies the Village of Fraser Lake Consolidated Financial Statements that were produced by KPMG following our annual audit. Upon adoption by Council, this report is forwarded to the Ministry and posted on our Village website.

Resolution 06-27-205 M/S Councillor Lepoidevin/Councillor Storey

"Motion to adopt the 2017 Village of Fraser Lake Statement of Financial Information
Report as presented on June 27, 2018"

Carried

Resolution 06-27-206 M/S Councillor Storey/Councillor Lepoidevin "Motion to receive the CAO Reports"

Carried

## **Staff Report:**

Economic Development Officer Dave Christie initiated discussion and review of the Village of Fraser Lake Business Licence Bylaw 744, 2016. There are currently three levels of Business License: a full year, a half year and a Vendor Licence. Feedback has been received from the business community. EDO Christie would like to review what other communities are doing to differentiate between small businesses versus large businesses. He would also like to consider exemptions for young people mowing lawns or conducting a small home-based business.

Councillor Storey stated she overheard a complaint from a vendor at the Community Market. They've asked why they should buy a licence when they only sell at the market a few times a year. Councillor Storey feels that is something that should be looked at.

CAO Holland advised there is a full year Business Licence at \$75.00 and half year licence for \$37.50. The vendor licence allows a vendor to conduct business in the Village up to 14 times in one year. That licence is \$21.00. The Village of Fraser Lake does not keep a single penny of this revenue. It is provided to the Chamber of Commerce in support of local business. CAO Holland felt the bigger question involves the need for exceptions to the requirement for a business licence. Should a young person who is babysitting the neighbour's child have a business licence or should the neighbourhood youth who mows the lawn of one or two neighbour's have a business licence?

EDO Christie added, how do we address a couple of young people who have in effect created a business. Their intention is to cut some lawns and make a few bucks?

Councillor Storey stated there is a difference between the neighbourhood boy cutting the neighbour's yard versus someone advertising and starting a business; regardless of whether they are 14 years old.

Councillor Reyden felt maybe a \$10.00 youth licence would be appropriate.

A discussion followed.

EDO Christie will conduct some research and bring the matter back to Council following summer break.

Mouse Mountain Days Update:

EDO Dave Christie provided an update on the Mouse Mountain Days program planning. There will be two new events this year; canoe races and a boat parade of lights.

Councillor Lepoidevin asked if there was any way to keep the White Swan campground open over Saturday night.

EDO Dave Christie advised the grassy area alongside the CN Rail fence will be open for camping on Saturday night. This will provide enough distance from the fireworks to meet safety requirements and to avoid damage to recreational vehicles that would result from flying sparks and larger debris from the fireworks.

Resolution 06-27-207 M/S Councillor Lepoidevin/Councillor Reyden "Motion to receive staff reports"

## Reading List:

Resolution 06-27-208 M/S Councillor Storey/Councillor Reyden "Motion to receive the Reading List"

Carried

# **New Business:**

Councillor Storey asked to discuss the UBCM Meeting Requests for Premier John Horgan and Minister Selina Robinson.

For Minister Robinson she would like to discuss Senior's Housing.

For Premier Horgan, she would like to discuss the Resource Benefits Alliance and aging infrastructure. She would like to give him an update on Fraser Lake and what is rural.

Councillor Reyden would like these discussions to include the impacts of the proposed reductions to the AAC on our local industry. It is important to be fair to local mills. When trees are in our area, they should be milled locally. He's sympathetic to the mills in the Cariboo but he doesn't want to see our logs being trucked down to Quesnel and Williams Lake to keep their

mills going. At the same time, they are cutting back with the depletion of bug wood. And they are shipping raw logs offshore. That wood should be coming to local mills.

Councillor Storey stated she'd received a concern about liability insurance at White Swan Park. Councillor Storey says the concern relates to the need for liability insurance while using the park area for an event. If you're just doing a birthday party or having a family event, do you really need that. What's happening in other municipalities. Do we really need that for birthday parties? Are we doing that for Family reunions if they are just using the BBQ gazebo.

Mayor Lindstrom noted Council just passed the Park Lease policy.

CAO Holland stated the Village does not charge for birthday parties. When a family or group is organizing for a bigger event such as a family reunion, we do expect them to obtain insurance. We don't charge anything for use of the facility. Obtaining the liability insurance will cost an event organizer \$50,00 to \$75.00 for a weekend. The requirements set out in the new policy is to ensure these events cover the costs associated with the event and that they are not imposed on the Village. Other communities charge for rental of facilities. They also require applicants to produce proof of insurance.

Councillor Storey stated when she was the Recreation Director in Vanderhoof, when she organized an event, no additional insurance was required.

CAO Holland advised, with the private events being discussed, there will be no staff persons on site. These are not Village sponsored events, so, the Village should not take on the liability for any mishaps that may take place during such a gathering.

Councillor Storey stated she simply wanted Council to be aware she'd already received the first complaint. She stated she always takes out liability insurance for the July 1<sup>st</sup> ball tournament.

EDO Dave Christie stated he has first hand knowledge of the practices in Prince George. They require proof of insurance to rent any of their facilities for non-public events.

Councillor Storey asked about the Tree Planters camped over by the skateboard park. She was concerned about available room for campers with the up coming ball tournament. She was of the understanding they were to have gone by Tuesday.

CAO Holland agreed, they were to be gone by June 27<sup>th</sup>. Unsuccessful efforts have been made to contact the company owner to determine their plans. They came to town when they were evacuated due to the forest fires. With the fires under control, there is no reason they can't return to the bush.

Councillor Storey noted the Mouse Mountain Elementary School Grade 3 students where out with the folks from Nechako White Sturgeon Society. They were painting fish symbols beside the storm drains in town. Councillor Storey has posted photographs on Heck Ya Fraser Lake.

Councillor Storey states she's received a lot of complaints about White Swan Park Drive, the tennis courts and the ball fields and how we are going to lose them soon if we don't maintain them. She would like to look for grants and have them considered during the 2019 budget discussions.

Councillor Storey asked about the Recreation Program. She realizes we were not able to find a Recreation Coordinator this year. She is concerned people will be upset there is no recreation program this year. Councillor Storey would like to hire someone local to conduct hikes or other recreational programing for the summer.

CAO Holland explained the Village advertised for 5 weeks on our website, the Village Facebook Page, in the Omineca Express and on Indeed.ca. No suitable candidates were identified. Administration has no candidates for part time employment as a Recreation Director.

A discussion followed. It was noted there are several activities occurring or scheduled for the Village. Youth soccer, the British Soccer Camp, Pickle ball, Indoor roller hockey, two mine tours and the walk & roll program for seniors.

Councillor Storey asked if we could have ball hockey on Wednesday evenings?

EDO Dave Christie noted he'd proposed having drop in floor hockey. He is waiting until after the soccer and Lacrosse seasons because right now there is something going on every night. In July, EDO Christie will coordinate use of the arena with pickle ball for floor hockey.

Councillor Storey would like to see two hikes a month, drop in floor hockey and maybe a pickle ball tournament.

Administration noted there are no known candidates. CAO Holland advised if there are candidates in the community who would be interested in work as a Recreation Director, please send them to the Village Office.

Councillor Lepoidevin suggested when we post the job again we need to consider approaching some of the local parents who would be good candidates for this role to encourage them to apply.

Councillor Storey asked about the Victim Services Contract? She asked about the status of this contract relative to the Village.

CAO Holland advised the Village took on the role of Administrator in 2003 when the Victim Service program first came to the Fraser Lake Detachment. Recently, the criteria for the contractor has changed dramatically. The Victim Service Contractor is now required to manage the program and the employee and to provide the service to the community should the Victim Service position become vacant. The Village does not have the capacity to carry out the

modified role of contractor. In discussions with the Province, it was agreed it would be appropriate to seek a new contractor.

The Ministry of Public Safety has sent the contract out for tender. In the meantime, the Village continues to act as financial administrator for the program. Once a new contractor is identified, we will relinquish our administrative role in the program. It will then be the responsibility of the new contractor to manage the overall program; including staffing, training, performance management and appraisal and service provision.

CAO Holland advised the Village has advertised the Notice of Disposition as required under the Community Charter for the proposed sale of Lot 12, Southside Subdivision. There have been no public inquiries or response to the two advertisements. Although Council previously accepted the "Offer to Purchase", CAO Holland recommends Council consider adopting the Offer to Purchase following the advertisement period.

Resolution 06-27-209 M/S Councillor Storey/Councillor Lepoidevin

"Motion to accept the Offer to Purchase for Lot 12, Southside Subdivision from Tyson
Radley of Radley Contracting Inc for \$31,000.00"

Carried

Resolution 06-27-210 M/S Councillor Lepoidevin/Councillor Storey "Motion to Receive New Business"

Carried

**Bylaws:** 

None

**Next Meeting of Council:** 

July 11, 2018 at 5:30 pm

Adjourn:

Resolution 06-27-211 M Councillor Lepoidevin "Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:02 pm"

Carried

**Certified Correct** 

Dwayne Lindstrom,

Mayor

Rodney J Holland,

**Chief Administrative Officer** 

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