



**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 13, 2014
7:00 P.M.
MUNICIPAL HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Present: Council: Mayor: Gwen Johansson
Councillor: Kelly Miller
Councillor: Dave Heiberg
Councillor: Travous Quibell
Councillor: Richard Brown
Councillor: Nicole Gilliss

Staff: CAO: Tom Matus
Deputy Clerk: Laurel Grimm
Director of Public Works: Mike Carter
Director of Protective Services: Robert Norton

Other: 3 in gallery

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. with Mayor Gwen Johansson presiding.

2. NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Johansson included Health and Water Data Collection under Reports by Mayor and Council.

Councillor Brown included a report on the Industrial Land Committee under Reports by Mayor and Council.

Tom Matus, CAO, would like to defer Bylaws 821, 832 and 833 until the next Council meeting to be held January 27, 2014.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA BY CONSENSUS:

The January 13, 2014 Regular Council meeting agenda was adopted by consensus.

4. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

NONE

5. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES:** **0550-01**

January 6, 2014 Council Meeting

RESOLUTION NO. 004

M/S Councillors Quibell/Miller

THAT:

"The minutes of the January 6, 2014 Council Meeting be adopted as amended."

CARRIED

6. **BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES:** **0390-01**

BA1 SR1 – Cumulative Environmental, Community Health Effects on Multiple Natural Resource Developments in Northern BC

Mayor Johansson was unable to attend the event.

BA2 BA1- LED Sign Installation at the Hudson's Hope School **1770-01**

Councillor Heiberg has been in discussions with the Principal at School District No. 60

BA3 DIARY – Co-op correspondence Re: Card Lock **6660-01**

Staff to get the Industrial Land Committee further information on required specifications for proposed card lock. An informal report will be submitted by the committee at the January 27, 2014 Council Meeting.

BA4 CR1 – Site "C" **6660-20**

Discussion on lagoon monitoring, and importance of protection. Currently in the process of acquiring ground data.

BA5 DIARY – Premiers BC Natural Gas Forum Jan 22-23 **0390-01**

RESOLUTION NO. 005

M/S Councillors Gilliss/Brown

THAT:

"Council authorize travel and accommodation expenses for one member to attend the Premier's BC Natural Gas Forum from January 22-23, 2014."

CARRIED

7. **STAFF REPORTS:** **0340-50**

SR1 Trademark Use Policy

RESOLUTION NO. 006

M/S Councillors Gilliss/Miller

That:

"Council adopt the trademark use policy."

CARRIED

SR2 LGMA 2014 Spring Conferences 2810-01

RESOLUTION NO. 007

M/S Councillors Heiberg/Gilliss

That:

"That Council approve the expenditure for the CAO to attend both the 2014 LGMA CAO Forum and the NCLGMA Spring Conferences to be held in Vancouver and Prince George, respectively, at an estimated cost of \$3,500.00 against the 2014 budget."

CARRIED

SR3 Snow Removal on Stowe Road 5400-11

The specified road was not built by the District of Hudson's Hope and furthermore was not built to municipal standards. Therefore, the District is not responsible for snow removal on Stowe Road.

SR4 Local Government Management Internship Program 2770-01

RESOLUTION NO. 008

M/S Councillors Gilliss/Heiberg

That:

"The Council approves the expenditure contribution of \$15,000.00 to the Local Government Management Internship Program delivered by Northern Development Initiative Trust.

WHEREAS local governments can make application to receive a \$35,000.00 grant from the applicable Northern Development Regional development account to host an intern under the Local Government Management Internship Program;

AND WHEREAS local governments wishing to host an intern are expected to show their commitment to the vision and goals of the Local Government Management Internship Program by committing sufficient financial and staffing resources to host an intern and by providing training and exposure opportunities for an intern;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the District of Hudson's Hope Council support the application to host a Local Government Management Intern."

CARRIED

- 8. BYLAWS:**
Deferred to January 27, 2014 Regular Council Meeting.

9. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

C1 **Evelyn Edinger: Letter to Council and Response** 2300-01
Mayor Johansson will respond to Evelyn Edinger.

C2 **City of Fort St. John: 10th Annual High on Ice Festival 2014** 0400-50
FOR INFORMATION

C3 **Coleman Mercereau: Weight Room at BCH Apartments** 6660-20
x-ref 6440-01
Council would like to see a public weight room/fitness facility built in Hudson's Hope. BC Hydro was proposing the possibility of a weight room in the BC Hydro apartments that would only be utilized by BC Hydro employees. Council is in discussion with Industry to see if there is a partnership opportunity and a business opportunity for a local resident.

RESOLUTION NO. 009

M/S Councillors Heiberg/Gilliss

That:

"That Council waive regular procedure to allow a member of the public to speak on this topic."

CARRIED

Sean Meleschuk – BC Hydro

- Old BC Hydro apartment development plans had included a weight room facility
- New plans do not have a weight room
- BC Hydro is very interested in supporting local business. Is their intent to financially support a local business owner and assist financially rather than building and maintaining the facility themselves.
- Believes this is a win/win for the community and a local business owner.
- Speaking with other industry to look at possible other sources of income
- High number of vacant buildings; looking to utilize one of the already standing buildings rather than build new.
- A few persons of interest have been identified who are looking at running the facility
- This item to be presented at the next Medical Services Working Group Meeting on January 28, 2014.

C4 **BC Women's Institute: Response Re: Donation Request** 1770-01
FOR INFORMATION

C5 **Coleman Mercereau: 3 on 3 Hockey Tournament** 0810-20

RESOLUTION NO. 010

M/S Councillors Heiberg/Miller

That:

"Council authorize a beer garden to be held at the Hudson's Hope Arena by the Gentleman's Hockey League for the annual 3 on 3 Hockey Tournament on February 22, 2014."

CARRIED

Council supports this event.

- C6 **Ministry of Community, Sports and Cultural Development: Second Phase of Local Government Elections Reform** 0400-20
FOR INFORMATION
- C7 **City of Dawson Creek: Regional Coalition** 0400-50
CAO to gather further information on the Fair Share Agreement with a summary to be presented to Council.
- RESOLUTION NO. 011**
- M/S Councillors Quibell/Gilliss
That:
"To authorize travel and expenses for all members of Council and the CAO to attend the Regional Coalition in Taylor on January 30, 2014."
- CARRIED**
- C8 **NCLGA: Resolution Submission Deadline** 0400-01
Staff to draft the following resolutions to be submitted to the NCLGA:
1. BC Ambulance to move to the paramedic model as utilized in other provinces.
 2. BC Ambulance hourly wage to be increased.
 3. Northern Incentive incorporated throughout the unions. As Unions are province wide there is little to no incentive for union employees to work in the North when equal positions are available in rural areas.
- C9 **Talisman Energy Inc. Reports** 6660-20
FOR INFORMATION
- C10 **Ministry of Community Sports and Cultural Development: Expense Limits Discussion Paper** 0400-20
Referred to budget.
- C11 **Greta Goddard: Fit for Life** 8100-01
Staff to look into where original funding for this came from.
- C12 **Hudson's Hope Playschool: Financial Assistance Grant Report** 1850-01
FOR INFORMATION
- C13 **Double "H" Saddle Club: Financial Assistance Grant Report** 1850-01
FOR INFORMATION
- C14 **Steve & Grace: Public Works Thank You** 0220-01
FOR INFORMATION

10. **REPORTS BY MAYOR & COUNCIL ON MEETINGS AND LIAISONS RESPONSIBILITIES:** **0390-01**

CR1 **Councillor Miller: Cumulative Environmental, Community Health Effects of Multiple Natural Resource Development in Northern BC**

Will be holding another meeting in Fort Saint John in 6 months due to high attendance.

6750-01

CR2 **Councillor Gilliss: North Peace Economic Development Commission (NPEDC)**

- Held their pre-meeting with all the Chief Administrative Officers to do an overview of the Northern Development Initiative Trust.
- Strategic Planning Sessions
- Hudson's Hope has resources through the NPEDC.
- Would like to see someone at the office take on the role of NPEDC Officer. Implement a Business Association, etc. out of our offices.

CR3 **Councillor Brown: Industrial Land Committee**

0360-01

Update on Industrial Land Committee site selection.

CR4 **Mayor Johansson: Northern Health Update**

0400-80

There have been numerous complaints regarding lack of x-ray technicians and lab technicians at the Health Center. Fort St. John will supply some much needed help on the following days:

January 15, 2014 – Lab Assistant

January 22, 2014 – Lab Assistant

January 15, 2014 – Lab Technician

Will now be advertising a full time position. One person of interested will be graduating in March and could be a possible candidate.

CR5

Mayor Johansson: Data Collection for Water

5280-14

- Groundwater data collection
- Beryl Prairie wells that have had concerns in the past have now been registered.
- There will be a sufficient amount of water testing coming soon around and in Hudson's Hope.
- Would like to see a member of Hudson's Hope sitting on the committee as we are so highly affected and covered in their research.

11. **OLD BUSINESS:**
NONE.

12. **NEW BUSINESS:**
NONE

13. **PUBLIC INQUIRIES:**

6660-20

PI1 **Sean Meleschuk: Weight Room/Fitness Facility**

Would like to see Council encourage local interest

PI2 **Britta Studer: Hudson's Hope Carwash**

6440-01

- Developer who has applied to build the carwash on Canyon Drive
- Plans to start construction this spring
- Having some difficulties acquiring contractors due to remoteness of area

- Originally planned to develop the upstairs into office spaces but due to lack of parking will not be developing this in phase 1.
- Reasonable response heard back from the community on wants and needs
- If business is sufficient an automatic wash will be installed

PI3 Christopher Fequet: Local Government trip to Victoria

Travelled to Victoria as a part of a Local Government/Political group. Got to experience mock meetings, resolutions, local government processes.

RESOLUTION NO. 012

M/S Councillors Quibell/Miller

THAT:

"That this Regular Meeting recess to go in-camera pursuant to section 90 1 (a) (c) (e) of the Community Charter." (8:26 p.m.)

CARRIED

ARISE AND REPORT:

L & T Ventures Agreement

RESOLUTION NO. 013

M/S Councillors Gilliss/Brown

That:

"To approve the expenditure for a legal draft of an agreement between L&T Ventures and the District of Hudson's Hope for land for services."

CARRIED

DIARY

Conventions/Conferences/Holidays

NCLGA AGM & Convention May 7-9, 2014
Premier's BC Natural Gas Forum Jan. 22-23
Co-Op Correspondence Re: Card Lock

Diarized Last Review/Action

10/28/13

10/28/13

11/12/13

14. ADJOURNMENT:

RESOLUTION NO. 014

M/S Councillors Quibell/Heiberg

THAT:

"The Regular Council Meeting for January 13, 2014 be adjourned" (9:59 p.m.)

CARRIED

Certified Correct:


~~Minute Taker~~ Chair


Chair ~~Minute taker~~