

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING March 11, 2019 6:00 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Present Council: Mayor Dave Heiberg

Councillor Kelly Miller
Councillor Valerie Paice
Councillor Patricia Markin
Councillor Leigh Summer
Youth Councillor, Taylor Rowe

**Absent: Councillor Mattias Gibbs** 

**Councillor Travous Quibell** 

Staff: Interim CAO, Chris Cvik

**Director of Protective Services, Robert Norton** 

Manager of Public Works, Mark Sture

Recreation and Special Events, Kaitlyn Atkinson

Deputy Treasurer, Rhonda Eastman Corporate Officer, Tammy McKeown

Other:

# 1. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Dave Heiberg presiding.

## 2. **DELEGATIONS:**

## D1 Corporal Brendan Harkness- RCMP update

Corporal Harkness provided an explanation of the 2018 Policing Report.

7400-01

- Highlights different crime types; property crime offences include everything from vehicle break-ins to persons refusing to leave another person's property; other crimes against persons include any assaults that are not considered to be a domestic assault.
- Property crimes are the largest issue in Hudson's Hope; industry attracts the criminal element from other areas.
- o Bylaw reports are not high in numbers and are typically livestock on roads, dogs on the loose or dog bites; RCMP has no jurisdiction here to deal with Bylaw issues; important that Council knows that these could create a liability issue, best to be deal with them in a proactive manner as it would assist in reducing the number of infractions.
- Traffic enforcement is a main focus of the RCMP, our officers are always out on the highway. There were over 600 violations last year. The school zone is a main concern.

- The RCMP also tries to maintain a good Youth outreach program.
- Corporal Harkness discussed the RCMP-BC Elected Officials Guide he had provided to the Mayor and Council.
- Corporal Harkness provided an update on the Annual Performance Plan, a plan that sets out the detachment's priorities based on the RCMP and community priorities. The focus this year is on mental health, work/life balance and policing needs of the community. Requesting Council's suggestions on five areas:
  - Property Crime- RCMP will be doing rural patrols and performing intelligence processes. It is believed that these crimes are being committed by persons from outside the community. Focus will be on crime prevention such as providing advice regarding environmental design (e.g. snow not being cleared when people are away for long periods of time.)
  - Traffic- the speed watch program will be resurrected; speed enforcement will continue in the areas identified as problematic.
  - Youth- RCMP will be involved in different activities, such as the bike rodeo and pancake breakfast, at the school to provide awareness to the youth.
  - Accountability and Good guidance- Corporal Harkness will hold himself accountable to his staff and the community, he will provide reports quarterly at Council meetings and will hold quarterly meetings with his staff.
  - Mental health- as this is a small three officer detachment, when one officer is away the other two are on 24-hour call with no ability to reset which can be mentally exhausting. Corporal Harkness is putting together an incentive to host yoga classes for Emergency Services to assist in reducing stress.
- Council requested RCMP input for the traffic management plan being created. Discussion was had regarding a warning device, such as flashing lights or signage, to better notify people coming into town of the school zone. Ministry of Transportation would be the one to approach; possibly set up a joint project with the RCMP and the District to be implemented into the traffic management plan.

# 3. NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS:

**Mayors Additions:** 

**Councillors Additions:** 

- CM1- Councillor Miller-Peace River Regional District Meeting
   CAO Additions:
- 4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA AS AMENDED BY CONSENSUS:
- 5. **DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:**
- 6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:
- M1 February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Regular Council Meeting

RESOLUTION NO.057/19

M/S Councillors Miller/Summer

That

"The minutes of the February 25th, 2019 Regular Council Meeting be adopted as presented."

CARRIED

## 7. **BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES:**

## BA1 CM2 Industry Committee Report

0360-01 6850-00

 Interim CAO informed Council that in discussions with the engineers it was determined that the cost for the preliminary design work would be between \$15,000 and \$17,000. A report outlining this information will be brought forward to the next meeting. Natural Gas installation as well as the installation of highspeed internet had not been included in the previous scope of work.

RESOLUTION NO.058/19

M/S Councillors Summer/Marking

That

"Staff is to amend the scope of work for the Light Industrial Park to include the installation of the natural gas line and the installation of high-speed internet."

CARRIED

# BA1 D1- Beckman Road Access

6660-20

Update to be provided at the in-camera meeting.

# 8. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

# 9. **STAFF REPORTS:**

# SR1 2019 Operations Budget Discussion

1715-00

 Amounts for the transfer from reserves may change, once the Deputy Treasurer receives the final information from the auditors but overall the Operations and Maintenance Budget will remain the same.

RESOLUTION NO.059/19

M/S Councillors Paice/Miller

That

"Council receive the attached Operations Budget for information."
CARRIED

# SR2 Discontinuation of Credit Cards for Municipal Payments

1790-00

 Discussion regarding the options presented. Pool and Arena do not accept credit cards currently. Campground reservations are set up to accept credit cards on-line or by PayPal through a third-party provider.

RESOLUTION NO.060/19 M/S Councillors Miller/Paice That "Council no longer accept credit cards for municipal payments."
CARRIED

# SR3 Library Associate Member Program

2240-01 0230-20

RESOLUTION NO.061/19

M/S Councillors Paice/Markin

That

"Council approve the amended Service Provider Agreement between the District of Hudson's Hope and the Hudson's Hope Public Library dated January 28, 2019."
CARRIED

## SR4 Winter Carnival Event Report

8100-01

FOR INFORMATION

## SR5 Special Events Easter Update 2019

8100-01

Discussion regarding, if more than one group requested the event, who would be involved in determining who would be awarded the event. FOR INFORMATION

# SR6 Annual Inspection of Water System

5300-00

RESOLUTION NO.062/19

5280-14

M/S Councillors Miller/Markin

That

"Council receive this report for information."
CARRIED

## SR7 Spring and Fall Clean-up costs

5360-01

- The District only provides a spring clean-up
- Discussion about possibly targeting properties and setting up an agreement prior to the District Spring clean-up program.
- Public Service Announcement to be sent out stipulating what is included in the large item pick-up per the District Policy.

RESOLUTION NO.063/19

M/S Councillors Paice/Summer

That

"Council receive this report for information."

CARRIED

## SR8 Financial Assistance Grant Applications

1850-01

Discussion regarding grant in aid amount; amend the policy to reduce the amount allotted as the library and the museum are no longer included in these applications. Amount used to include a contingency amount for applications that were received later in the year; Corporate Officer explained that any grant in aid amounts that are received late are not being accepted. Discussion regarding including an unallocated amount for other requests for funding that may be received during the year.

RESOLUTION NO.064/19

M/S Councillors Markin/Miller

That

"Council approves the following Financial Assistance Grants for 2019:

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| Association | Gran | t approval   |

| Double H Saddle Club               | \$3,505.20 -to pay for renovations at  |  |
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|                                    | the arena and to hire grad class to    |  |
|                                    | dismantle the bleachers. In Kind-      |  |
|                                    | tables, chairs, transport of porta-    |  |
|                                    | potties, snow plowing to access arena  |  |
|                                    | and parking lot, mowing of the         |  |
|                                    | ditches, weed spraying, and purchase   |  |
|                                    | and installation of caution Horse and  |  |
|                                    | rider crossing signs.                  |  |
| Fall Fair Society                  | In Kind- tables, chairs, flat deck     |  |
|                                    | trailer, printing.                     |  |
| Friends of Hudson's Hope           | Municipal taxes- approx. \$3835.05     |  |
| Northern Rockies Karate-Do Society | \$1,000 to purchase equipment for      |  |
|                                    | Hudson's Hope Dojo.                    |  |
| Hudson's Hope Soccer               | In Kind- tables, garbage cans,         |  |
|                                    | approx. \$225 to cover Special Event   |  |
|                                    | <u>insurance</u>                       |  |
| Bullhead Mountain Curling Club     |  |  |
| Hope 4 Health                      | In Kind- safety cones, use of office   |  |
|                                    | equipment, transport of porta-         |  |
|                                    | potties, sandwich board, assistance of |  |
|                                    | Special Events Coordinator, use of     |  |
|                                    | hot-chocolate back pack,               |  |
|                                    | media/publicity support                |  |
| Hudson's Hope Parent Advisory      | \$2,500 to be used for the Honor Roll  |  |
| Committee                          | program                                |  |
| Hudson's Hope Health Care          | \$17,000 to assist with window         |  |
|                                    | replacement"                           |  |

## CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO.065/19

M/S Councillors Markin/Miller

That

"Staff to research new funding model for grant in aid and bring back to Council prior to the 2020 application period."

CARRIED

 Discussion regarding whether to dispose of tent or to set it up in one location for the entire season. Staff to inform interested groups of decision once it has been finalized.

RESOLUTION NO.066/19

M/S Councillors Paice/Summer

That

"Staff to bring report back to Council outlining the financial implications, including liability insurance, of setting the tent up in one location for the entire season."

CARRIED

SR9 Recreation Committee Recommendations

RESOLUTION NO.067/19 M/S Councillors Paice/Summer 0360-01 0540-20

7710-01

## That

"The first recommendation is tabled until all Council Recreation Committee members are in attendance." CARRIED

Concern voiced in regard to the accuracy of information presented in the report.

RESOLUTION NO.068/19

M/S Councillors Paice/Summer

That

"The second recommendation be taken back to the Recreation Committee for further consultation"

CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO.069/19

M/S Councillors Paice/Markin

That

"The third recommendation be tabled and moved to the upcoming in-camera meeting."

CARRIED

### 10. **COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS:**

### CM1 **Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes**

0360-01 0540-20

- Minutes should be presented to Chair of Committee to ensure accuracy prior to being brought forward to Council. Minutes that have not been adopted should be watermarked to identify them as draft minutes.
- FOR INFORMATION

#### 11. **BYLAWS:**

### B1 Officer Bylaw No, 903, 2019

3900-20

RESOLUTION NO.070/19

M/S Councillors Paice/Miller

"Council adopt the 'District of Hudson's Hope Officer Bylaw 903, 2019'." CARRIED

### B2 Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 904, 2019

3900-02

Request to table this item to allow the Recreation and Special Events Coordinator time to implement additional changes.

RESOLUTION NO.071/19

M/S Councillors Summer/Markin

That

"Council table the 'District of Hudson's Hope Fees and Charges Bylaw 904, 2019' until the March 25th, 2019 Regular Council Meeting." CARRIED

### **CORRESPONDENCE:** 12.

### C1 Double H Saddle Club -request for letter of support

0230-20

RESOLUTION NO.072/19

CR1

0400-50

|     | M/S Councillors Miller/Markin That "Council provide a letter of support for the Double H Saddle Club's application to the Co-op Community Spaces Grant for assistance to build a roof over the outdoor bleachers at the rodeo grounds." CARRIED   |                    |
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| C2  | <b>Notification letter from TransCanada</b> FOR INFORMATION   | 6660-20            |
| C3  | <ul> <li>Letter from Dan Harrison</li> <li>The Director of Protective Services provided an update on this item.</li> <li>The District has no legal jurisdiction regarding enforcement of prevention of cruelty to animals. The SPCA and the RCMP are the only agencies with authority to enforce the laws under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act (PCA Act). The complainant has contacted both of these Agencies. The Director of Protective Services confirmed that the complaints had been received by these agencies.</li> </ul> | 0220-01            |
| C4  | Advisory Letter from Conservation FOR INFORMATION   | 0220-01<br>6130-20 |
| C5  | Site C Construction Bulletin FOR INFORMATION  | 6660-20            |
| C6  | Fort St. John Land and Resource Management Update Project RESOLUTION NO.073/19 M/S Councillors Miller/Paice That "Council provide a submission to BC Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development supporting The City of Fort St John's response." CARRIED   | 0400-20            |
| C7  | Chetwynd Communications Society- request for Letter of Support RESOLUTION NO.074/19 M/S Councillors Miller/Summer That "Council submit a letter of support to the CRTC, to add a rebroadcasting transmitter in the District of Hudson's Hope, on behalf of the Chetwynd Communications Society." CARRIED  | 4710-01            |
| C8  | Centennial Tree Planting Campaign FOR INFORMATION   | 0320-00            |
| 13. | REPORTS BY MAYOR & COUNCIL ON MEETINGS AND LIAISON RESPONSIBILITIES   |                    |

**Councillor Miller- Peace River Regional District Meeting** 

- Boat Launch: In response to the closures of the Charlie Lake boat launch, PRRD is requesting that all the member communities review the condition of the boat launches that belong to them to ensure that they are up to provincial maintenance standards. A possible late resolution may go forward requesting an investment to repair and maintain boat launches in the North.
- NCLGA resolution: request to have the UBCM conventions held exclusively in Vancouver due to the costs associated to holding it in Whistler and Victoria are prohibitive to smaller local governments.
- Grant in Aid: several Recreational Trails Grants-in-Aid were given at this meeting. This may be something the District should be looking at applying for.
- There are opportunities available to partner with other members of PRRD regarding funding opportunities.
- 14. OLD BUSINESS:
- 15. NEW BUSINESS:
- 16. PUBLIC INQUIRIES:
- 17. IN-CAMERA SESSION:

RESOLUTION NO.075/19 M/S Councillors Summer/Markin That

0560-00

"Council recess to a Closed Meeting for the purpose of discussing the following item(s): Agenda Item – Property Disposition (CC Section 90 (1) (e))

Human Rights Complaint (CC Section 90(1) (g))

Request from BC Hydro (CC Section 90(1) (j)).

- (e) the 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;
- (g)litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality;
- (j) information that is prohibited, or information that if it were presented in a document would be prohibited, from disclosure under section 21 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act:

Section 21 (1) The head of a public body must refuse to disclose to an applicant information

(b) that is supplied, implicitly or explicitly, in confidence, and (c) the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to harm significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the negotiating position of the third party."

CARRIED

7:49pm moved to in-camera meeting

# 18. **ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Heiberg declared the meeting adjourned at 8:50pm

| DIARY                              | Diarized |
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| Conventions/Conferences/Holidays   |          |
| Beryl Prairie Septic Field         | 07/25/16 |
| School Gymnasium agreement         | 02/26/18 |
| Budget items                       | 07/09/18 |
| Spruce Beetle Summit- revisit 2019 | 11/05/18 |
| Agricultural Land Commission       | 28/01/19 |

Certified Correct:

Chair/Mayor Dave Heiberg

Corporate Officer, Tammy McKeown