



**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
June 10, 2019
6:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Present **Council: Mayor Dave Heiberg
Councillor Kelly Miller
Councillor Mattias Gibbs
Councillor Leigh Summer**

**Absent: Councillor Patricia Markin
Councillor Valerie Paice
Councillor Travous Quibell
Youth Councillor, Taylor Rowe**

**Staff: Interim CAO, Chris Cvik
Director of Public Works, Mokles Rahman
Corporate Officer, Tammy McKeown**

Other: 8 in gallery

1. **DELEGATIONS:**

D1 **William Lindsay- Hudson's Hope PSAs**

- Mr. Lindsay provided the history of the Peace River Internet Service (PRIS) and the Public Service Announcement (PSA) Program offered by them.
- It was stressed that there is a need for a dependable service in Hudson's Hope that the public can utilize.
- PRIS has informed Mr. Lindsay that the total administrative time required to send out the PSAs is approximately ½ hour per day; Mondays would take a bit longer due to the number of announcements received over from closing on Friday to opening on Monday. The administrative duties would be reviewing and forwarding announcements plus maintaining the mailout list.
- Losing this service could have a negative effect on the community; the CAO and Councillor Miller contacted PRIS and investigated what would be needed for the District to operate the program, shortly after the system went down.
- The Mayor voiced concern over staff capacity.
- [Staff to gather additional information regarding the operation of the program and bring it back to Council.](#)

D2 **Hudson's Hope Farmers' Market**

- Caitlin Vince provided an overview of last year's event.
- The Farmers' Market would like to provide a beer garden between the hours of 3pm and 8pm; would coincide with the District's Volunteer

Appreciation Event; will ensure that they have a safe ride program available.

- Staff to bring back recommendation for the event to the next meeting.

2. **CALL TO ORDER:**

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

3. **NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS:**

Mayors Additions: Electrical-Farmers Market

Councillors Additions:

CAO Additions:

4. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA AS AMENDED BY CONSENSUS:**

RESOLUTION NO. 175/19

M/S Councillors Gibbs/Miller

That

"The June 10, 2019 Regular Council Meeting Agenda be amended to bring Public Inquiries forward to the beginning of the meeting."

CARRIED

16. **PUBLIC INQUIRIES:**

Caitlin Vince- Hudson's Hope Farmer's Market:

- At the April 23rd, 2019 Regular Council Meeting a resolution was made to allow the Farmer's Market to use Beattie Park under the condition that no vendors use the District's electricity for free.
- Ms. Vince presented a calculation of the estimated power used by the Farmers' Market within the last two years; 2018-1.41kwh and 2017 8.55kwh.
- Ms. Vince requested, on the behalf of the Farmer's Market, that Council reconsider their resolution in regard to power usage.
- The Mayor acknowledged the efforts that Ms. Vince has put into operating the Farmer's Market; he explained that it was not about cost but rather the concern around safety, capacity and liability.
- The use of the park must be treated the same as any other District facility.
- Electrical capacity is a large concern, District staff needs to check the existing outlets and determine what their capacity is to ensure that they can be safely operated by the members of the Farmers' Market. This will also ensure fairness; need to consider future members of the market that may require power usage; there is also the safety concern around the possible tripping hazards presented by extension cords.
- Liability- the Farmers' Market does not hold any form of liability insurance which could create issues for them in the event of any form of accident; there is the possibility that the District may be able to include them under an associate membership, the cost for this coverage is approximately \$250 per year.
- As the Farmers' Market is not a formal association, they are unable to apply for the District's Grant in Aid; Staff will research the liability insurance and will bring information back to Ms. Vince.

- Until staff has had a chance to review the capacity at the park and to investigate the insurance, operation of the market will remain the same taking into consideration the payment for electrical use made by Ms. Vince.
- Staff to bring back options in regard to electrical usage; need to be diligent; Council is confident that a solution can be achieved.

Suzie Bach- Hudson's Hope Farmers' Market

- Speaking on behalf of the Sportsman Restaurant: The Farmers' Market is good for the town; it brings in people from all areas; is a Community Event.

A question was raised in regard to where the price for the power usage came from. The Mayor explained that Council had not provided direction to staff in regard to what the fee should be; it is more of a capacity issue than a cost issue; the District did not want to put people in harms way; will attempt to address the actual intent that Council had.

Fay Lavallee mentioned that the OCP is all about the people of the community; need to ensure that everyone is protected.

The Mayor stated that Council recognizes the value the Farmers' Market brings to the Community; would like to be able to determine capacity and then will leave it up the Farmers' Market to regulate the number of users. Once additional information is received from staff, Council will reconsider the issue of the supply of power.

5. **DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:**

6. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES:**

M1

May 27th, 2019 Regular Council Meeting

Correction: SR2 Project Manager- Water Well Project- should read 'the District intends to keep'.

RESOLUTION NO. 176/19

M/S Councillors Summer/Gibbs

That

"The minutes of the May 27th, 2019 Regular Council Meeting be adopted as amended."

CARRIED

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

BA1

C1 Urban Systems – Housing Needs Assessment Report for the North Peace

- Targeting application to be completed by Fall.
- CAO sent e-mail to Urban Systems; no concerns were brought forward.

BA2

C6 Proposal by River of the Peace Metis Society

- No additional information has been received.

8. **PUBLIC HEARING:**

9. **STAFF REPORTS:**

SR1

Land Decision Hudson's Hope Health Care & Housing Society Rpt #2

RESOLUTION NO. 177/19

M/S Councillors Miller/Gibbs

That

"Council authorize Administration to complete the sale of PID: 011-373-601; Lot 1 Section 13 Township 81 Range 26 West of 6th Meridian Peace River District Plan PGP17871 to the Hudson's Hope Health Care & Housing Society."

CARRIED

SR2 **Conference/Training Report- MATI course**
FOR INFORMATION

SR3 **Meeting Report-RSEC**
FOR INFORMATION

SR4 **Items Previously Released from Closed Meetings**

RESOLUTION NO. 178/19

M/S Councillors Gibbs/Summer

That

"Council receive this report for information."

CARRIED

9. **COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS:**

10. **BYLAWS:**

B1 **Property Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 908, 2019**

RESOLUTION NO. 179/19

M/S Councillors Summer/Miller

That

"Council adopt the District of Hudson's Hope Property Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 908, 2019."

CARRIED

11. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

C1 **14th Annual NEBC Coal & Energy Forum**

RESOLUTION NO. 180/19

M/S Councillors Gibbs/Miller

That

"Council authorize up to two Council members to attend the 14th Annual Northeast BC Coal & Energy Forum in Tumbler Ridge on September 11-12, 2019."

CARRIED

C2 **Invitation: Honourable Melanie Mark**

- The Mayor informed Council that the Northern Lights College will be able to graduate nurses from the Nursing Program; there are 32 spots available through Northern Lights. They are focusing on Local and First Nation's applicants.

FOR INFORMATION.

C3 **Community Health Planning for Wildfire Season**

FOR INFORMATION.

- C4 **Invitation Pouce Coupe Canada Day Parade**
FOR INFORMATION.

- C5 **BC Hydro Construction Bulletin**
 • Reminder of Open House being held on June 12, 2019 at the
 Community Hall.
FOR INFORMATION

- C6 **17th Annual BC Natural Resources Forum**
DIARIZE

13. **REPORTS BY MAYOR & COUNCIL ON MEETINGS AND LIAISON
RESPONSIBILITIES**

14. **OLD BUSINESS:**

15. **NEW BUSINESS:**

NB1 **Electrical usage at Farmers' Market**

- Areas of concern are capacity, safety and liability.
- The Mayor requested that staff investigate these areas of concern.
- The CAO stated that staff would get it completed as quickly as possible but could not guarantee that it would be completed prior to the next Regular Council Meeting.
- Councillor Summer discussed Councillor Quibell's written suggestions; cost would be minimal; Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter is what should be considered, would also allow a means of control through locking; would eliminate a large portion of the safety concerns.
- Staff will research and report back what is required in regard to obtain liability insurance.

RESOLUTION NO. 181/19

M/S Councillors Summer/Miller

That

"Council directs staff to investigate safety, liability and capacity parameters to enable the Farmers' Market to utilize the Beattie Park including the use of electricity."

CARRIED

- Caitlin Vince explained that, as discussed previously, there is very minimal usage of electricity; the only power used this year was for an electric amp by one of the local musicians.
- The Mayor explained again that the District must take into consideration potential future usage.
- Councillor Summer stated that if the power supply is up to Code then we should be fine with supplying power.

16. **PUBLIC INQUIRIES:**
Brought forward at the beginning of the meeting.

17. **IN-CAMERA SESSION:**

Notice of Closed Session

RESOLUTION NO. 182/19

M/S Councillors Gibbs/Miller

That

"Council recess to a Closed Meeting for the purpose of discussing the following item(s):

Agenda Item- Land Proposal. CC Section 90 (1) (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;

CARRIED

6:50 pm moved to in-camera meeting

18. **ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Heiberg declared the meeting adjourned at 7:28 pm.

DIARY

Conventions/Conferences/Holidays

*Beryl Prairie Septic Field
School Gymnasium agreement
Spruce Beetle Summit- revisit 2019
Agricultural Land Commission
Commercial Water Rate Increase-annual
budget consideration
17th Annual BC Natural Resources Forum*

Diarized

*07/25/16
02/26/18
11/05/18
28/01/19
08/04/19
06/10/19*

Certified Correct:

Chair/Mayor Dave Heiberg

Corporate Officer, Tammy McKeown