

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING February 10, 2020 6:00 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Present:

Mayor Dave Heiberg

Councillor Mattias Gibbs Councillor Pat Markin Councillor Kelly Miller Councillor Travous Quibell Councillor Leigh Summer

Absent:

Councillor Valerie Paice (with notice)

Youth Councillor Brenna Rice (with notice)

Staff:

CAO, Chris Cvik

Corporate Officer, Jeanette McDougall Director of Public Works, Mokles Rahman

Manager Public Works, Mark Sture

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

C2 HUDSON'S HOPE NEW HORIZONS SENIORS SOCIETY

RESOLUTION NO. 025/20

M/S Councillors Summer / Miller

"That the order of the Council Agenda for February 10, 2020 be varied to move Item C2 – Hudson's Hope New Horizons Seniors Society to after Item D1 – Hudson's Hope New Horizons Seniors Society delegation."

CARRIED

2. DELEGATIONS

D1 HUDSON'S HOPE NEW HORIZONS SENIORS SOCIETY

Elaine Ferguson and Fay Lavallee advised that the Hudson's Hope New Horizons Society cannot convert from a charity to a non-profit and also requested whether the building lease agreement held with the District could be amended to reflect the name of the new organization which is the "The Older Folks Club".

Fay Lavallee also inquired whether a new sign could be installed at the cemeteries as the existing sign is small and hard to see.

C2 HUDSON'S HOPE NEW HORIZONS SENIORS SOCIETY

RESOLUTION NO. 026/20

M/S Councillors Summer / Miller

"That Council authorize Staff to determine whether the new The Older Folks Club can replace the Hudson's Hope New Horizons Seniors Society on the lease that the Hudson's Hope New Horizons Seniors Society currently holds with the District."

CARRIED

3. NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS

Mayor's Additions: None Councillor's Additions: None

CAO Additions:

Add:

C11 - Tennis / Pickleball

Remove: SR1 – Purchase of District Owned Properties Remove: B1 – Bylaw No. 912, 2020 Beckman Road

- 4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA BY CONSENSUS
- 5. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST
- 6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES
 - M1 JANUARY 27, 2020 REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES

RESOLUTION NO. 027/20

M/S Councillors Quibell / Gibbs

"That the minutes of the January 27, 2020 Regular Council Meeting be adopted as presented."

CARRIED

7. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

Item C1: Hudson's Hope Hall Society Councillor Quibell advised that a meeting was held with the Hudson's Hope Community Hall Society, the Hudson's Hope Community Club (operation of the kitchen), the Lion's Club and the CAO; the Lion's Club is now awaiting feedback on which responsibilities that the Club may assume for the maintenance of the Hall.

- 8. PUBLIC HEARING
- 9. STAFF REPORTS
 - SR2 OPEN SPACE MAINTENANCE

RESOLUTION NO. 028/20

M/S Councillors Summer / Markin

"That Council receive the attached report for information and discussion."

CARRIED

10. COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS

11. BYLAWS

B1 BYLAW NO. 914, 2020 – REVITALIZATION TAX EXEMPTION - LUCAS SUBDIVISION

- A discussion ensued as follows:
 - ➤ The Mayor provided an overview of the purpose of the Revitalization Tax Exemption issue and noted that certain taxes, eg School taxes, would not be exempt if the Bylaw is adopted; he also noted that the District does not have the option of reducing the price of the lots.
 - ➤ Councillor Markin obtained feedback from approximately 7 residents and reported as follows: very against this tax exemption; did not think that BC Hydro should be included and BC Hydro should not be in the housing market; divisive, discriminatory; do property taxpayers who would not benefit from this tax exemption have to pick up the slack; upset that money spent to hire a realtor could be better used elsewhere; and that this tax exemption would not provide sufficient incentive for the lots to sell and that demand cannot be manufactured.

RESOLUTION NO. 029/20 M/S Councillors Quibell / Miller

- That District of Hudson's Hope Revitalization Tax Exemption Bylaw -Lucas Subdivision Bylaw No. 914, 2020 be read a first time as recommended in the report dated December 18, 2019, from the CAO regarding a Revitalization Tax Exemption Program for the Lucas Subdivision.
- 2. That Bylaw No. 914, 2020 be read a second time.
- 3. That Bylaw No. 914, 2020 be read a third time.
- 4. And that Public Notice of Council's intention to implement a tax exemption bylaw for the Lucas Subdivision be undertaken in accordance with Sections 227 and 94 of the Community Charter.

CARRIED

Opposed: Councillors Markin and Summer

12. CORRESPONDENCE

C1 RETAIL CANNABIS SALES

RESOLUTION NO. 030/20

M/S Councillors Markin / Quibell

THAT Staff respond to D. Lepine's request regarding Cannabis Retail Sales in Hudson's Hope and a) explain the history associated with the District's Zoning Bylaw; and b) outline the process required for a request for a zoning bylaw amendment."

CARRIED

C3 DOUBLE H SADDLE CLUB - LETTER OF SUPPORT

RESOLUTION NO. 031/20

M/S Councillors Quibell / Gibbs

THAT the District of Hudson's Hope provide a letter of support for the Double H Saddle Club's grant application for Northern Development Initiative Trust's Community Halls and Recreation Facilities grant.

CARRIED

C4 GRANT WRITER

Received for discussion in conjunction with Item C10 – PRRD 2020 Economic Development Budget. Council supported a contribution of up to \$5,000.

C5 CARIBOU RECOVERY INITIATIVE

The Mayor provided an update.

C6 PEACE RIVER LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION DINNER MEETING

RESOLUTION NO. 032/20

M/S Councillors Quibell / Gibbs

THAT the District of Hudson's Hope authorize any Council member to attend the Peace River Local Government Association Dinner Meeting being held in Tumbler Ridge on March 26, 2020.

CARRIED

C7 CANLIN ENERGY CORPORATION - DORMANT SITE PROGRAM Received for Information.

C8 PEST MANAGEMENT PLAN

Received for Information.

C9 NORTHERN DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE TRUST

- FABULOUS FESTIVALS AND EVENTS GRANT

Received for Information.

C10 PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT 2020 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BUDGET

Note: this item was discussed in conjunction with Item C4 – Grant Writer.

C11 TENNIS / PICKLEBALL COURTS

RESOLUTION NO. 033/20

M/S Councillors Quibell / Gibbs

THAT Staff advise Kelly Newsholme that her proposal regarding upgrades to the tennis / pickleball courts will be considered during the 2020 budget deliberations. CARRIED

- 13. REPORTS BY MAYOR & COUNCIL ON MEETINGS AND LIAISON RESPONSIBILITIES
- 14. OLD BUSINESS
- 15. NEW BUSINESS
- 16. PUBLIC INQUIRIES
- 17. NOTICE OF CLOSED MEETING
- 18. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Heiberg declared the meeting adjourned at 7:09 pm.

DIARY

Conventions/Conferences/Holidays
Commercial Water Rate Increase-annual budget
Consideration

08/04/19

Diarized

Certified Correct:

Dave Heiberg, Mayor

Jeanette McDougall, Corporate Officer