

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING November 23, 2020 6:00 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Present:

Mayor Dave Heiberg

Councillor Mattias Gibbs Councillor Pat Markin Councillor Kelly Miller Councillor Valerie Paice

Absent:

Councillor Travous Quibell (with notice)

Councillor Leigh Summer

Staff:

Chief Administrative Officer, Mokles Rahman

Corporate Officer, Jeanette McDougall

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. DELEGATIONS

The Housing Needs Assessment presentation by Urban Matters has been rescheduled to December 14, 2020.

3. NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS

Mayor's Additions:

NB1 Speed Reader Boards

NB2 Nurse Recruitment, Northern Health NB3 Council Remuneration Policy - Revision

Councillor's Additions:

CAO Additions:

OB1 Christmas Parade

- 4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA BY CONSENSUS AS AMENDED
- 5. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST
- 6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES
 - M1 NOVEMBER 9, 2020 REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES

RESOLUTION NO. 196/20

M/S Councillors Paice / Miller

THAT the minutes of the November 9, 2020 Regular Council Meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

- 7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES
- 8. PUBLIC HEARING
- 9. STAFF REPORTS

SR1 COVID FRIENDLY 2021 WINTER CARNIVAL

MAIN MOTION

M/S Councillors Gibbs / Paice

THAT Council supports a Winter Festival Community Bingo event in lieu of the traditional annual winter festival.

AMENDMENT TO THE MAIN MOTION

THAT Council directs the Special Events Coordinator to further develop the proposed Community Bingo event and outline the prizes; and

THAT the Special Events Coordinator prepare a report for the Council meeting being held December 14 2020.

MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED

The question was called on the Main Motion and it now reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 197/20

M/S Councillors Gibbs / Miller

THAT Council directs the Special Events Coordinator to further develop the proposed Community Bingo event and outline the prizes; and

THAT the Special Events Coordinator prepare a report for the Council meeting being held December 14, 2020.

CARRIED

SR2 2021 COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

RESOLUTION NO. 198/20

M/S Councillors Miller / Gibbs

THAT Council adopt the schedule for Regular Council Meetings to be held during 2021 with the addition of UBCM 2021 and NCLGA 2021 dates. **CARRIED**

SR3 ACTING MAYOR SCHEDULE 2021

RESOLUTION NO. 199/20

M/S Councillors Paice / Gibbs

THAT Council approve the Acting Mayor Schedule for 2021.

CARRIED

SR4 CHRISTMAS / NEW YEAR'S EVE 2020 - OFFICE HOURS

RESOLUTION NO. 200/20

M/S Councillors Gibbs / Paice

THAT Council authorizes the District of Hudson's Hope Office and Public Works to close at noon on Thursday, December 24, 2020 and Thursday, December 31, 2020. **CARRIED**

SR5 CHRISTMAS PARTY 2020 - ALTERNATIVES

RESOLUTION NO. 201/20

M/S Councillors Paice / Miller

THAT Council waive the Appreciation & Recognition Policy No 163/16 that covers the annual Christmas Party in light of health-related risks and restrictions due to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

THAT Council consider alternatives for employee recognition for 2020 in lieu of holding a Christmas Party.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO. 202/20

M/S Councillors Paice / Miller

THAT Council approve the following in lieu of the annual Christmas Party: that a cheque in the amount of \$60.00 be issued to each staff member currently employed by the District.

CARRIED

SR6 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER - MONTHLY REPORT

Received for Information.

SR7 CORPORATE OFFICER - MONTHLY REPORT

Received for Information.

SR8 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS - MONTHLY REPORT

Received for Information.

SR8 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS - MONTHLY REPORT

Received for Information.

10. COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS

11. BYLAWS

12. CORRESPONDENCE

C1 COVID-19 SAFE RE-START GRANT - ELIGIBLE CRITERIA / COSTS Direction to Staff: that this item be considered during budget discussions.

C2 BC NATURAL RESOURCES FORUM 2021

Received for Information.

C3 VETERAN'S NEWS

Received for Information.

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

14. OLD BUSINESS

OB1 CHRISTMAS LIGHT-UP PARADE

The Chief Administrative Officer advised that the Christmas Light-Up Parade needs to be cancelled in light of the new COVID-19 restrictions and safety concerns.

RESOLUTION NO. 204/20

M/S Councillors Miller / Paice

THAT Council approve the cancellation of the annual Christmas Light-Up Parade due to the new COVD-19 restrictions and safety concerns.

CARRIED

15. NEW BUSINESS

NB1 SPEED READER BOARDS - UPDATE

The Mayor advised that Speed Reader Boards will be installed in the School zone in the near future.

NB2 NORTHERN HEALTH – NURSE RECRUITMENT

The Mayor advised that Northern Health is re-advertising for a nurse and that there is interest from outside the Province.

NB3 COUNCIL REMUNERATION POLICY

RESOLUTION NO. 203/20

M/S Councillors Gibbs / Paice

THAT Council approve a temporary revision to the Council Remuneration Policy to allow Council members to claim meeting expenses for participation in Councilapproved Committees that would normally be held out of town, but that are currently being held virtually due to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

THAT the revision to the Council Remuneration Policy 177/14 be effective as of November 23, 2020 and remain in effect until COVID-19 restrictions are lifted such that in-person meetings resume.

CARRIED

16. PUBLIC INQUIRIES

17. NOTICE OF CLOSED MEETING

RESOLUTION NO. 203/20

M/S Councillors Markin / Gibbs

THAT Council move to a Closed Meeting for the purpose of discussing the following items:

Community Charter Section 97 (1) (b):

- (b) all minutes of Council meetings, other than a meeting or part of a meeting that is closed to the public
 - Closed Meeting Minutes November 9, 2020

Community Charter Section 90 (1) (c):

(c) labour or other employee relations

➤ 2021 Exempt Employee Wage Increase Report

CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO. 204/20

M/S Councillors Miller / Gibbs

THAT Council approve the release of the following in-camera resolutions into the Open Meeting:

ICSR1 ANIMAL CONTROL CONTRACT - REPORT #5

RESOLUTION NO. ICO44/20

M/S Councillors Miller / Gibbs

THAT Council approve a three-year contract with Richard Mason for the provision of Animal Control Services effective February 1, 2021; and

THAT Council authorize the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer to sign the agreement on behalf of the District; and

THAT Council approve the release of the above resolutions into the Open Council Meeting.

CARRIED

18. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Heiberg declared the meeting adjourned at 6:58 pm.

DIARY	Diarized
Conventions/Conferences/Holidays	
Commercial Water Rate Increase-annual budget	
Consideration	08/04/19
Pool Year End Report 2020	04/01/20

Certified Correct:

Dave Heiberg, Mayor

Jeanette McDougall, Corporate Officer