

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING District Office - Council Chambers 6:00 P.M. September 13, 2021

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)

Staff:

Chief Administrative Officer, Mokles Rahman

Corporate Officer, Jeanette McDougall Director, Public Works, Ruhul Amin Director, Protective Services, Brad Milton

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

RESOLUTION NO. 090/21

M/S Councillors Summer / Gibbs

THAT Council approve varying the order of the Agenda to bring Item 8 - Public Hearings to the first order of business.

CARRIED

2. PUBLIC HEARING - PROPOSED ZONING AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 924, 2021 -**CANNABIS RETAIL STORES**

Note: Public Hearing Minutes are attached.

3. DELEGATIONS

4. NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS

Mayor's Additions:

CR1 Strategic Planning

Councillor's Additions:

Community Hall - Councillor Gibbs NB1

NB2 Gates - Councillor Summer

CAO Additions:

Water Treatment Plant NB3 **Arena Operations** NB4

NB5 Asphalt Repair

Garden of the Peace Cemetery NB6

- 5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA BY CONSENSUS
- 6. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST
- 7. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

M1 REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES

RESOLUTION NO. 091/21
M/S Councillors Miller / Quibell
THAT the minutes of the August 23, 2021 Regular Council Meeting be adopted as presented.
CARRIED

8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

In response to a question from Council, the CAO advised that the East Entrance Sign was in the process of being built off-site and is to be installed on-site this week.

9. PUBLIC HEARING

Note: Agenda varied to move this item to the first order of business.

10. STAFF REPORTS

SR1 CULVERT INSTALLATION AND DITCH REPAIR - PROPOSAL EVALUATION AND AWARD

RESOLUTION NO. 092/21
M/S Councillors Markin / Miller
THAT the Culvert Installation and Ditch Repair Report be received for discussion.
CARRIED

The CAO provided the rationale for selecting Omar Kirkeeng, who will supply labour and equipment for the culvert installation and ditch repair and also provided an explanation for the reduction in the project's scope. The District will buy the culvert directly from the supplier.

SR2 STATUTORY HOLIDAY RE TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION – SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

RESOLUTION NO. 093/21
M/S Councillors Quibell / Markin

THAT the District observe the new federal Statutory Holiday (National Day for Truth and Reconciliation) on September 30th for every calendar year starting in 2021. **CARRIED**

11. COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS

12. BYLAWS

B1 BYLAW NO. 924, 2021 – ZONING AMENDMENT RE CANNABIS

RESOLUTION NO. 094/21

M/S Councillors Quibell / Markin

THAT Council approve the Third Reading of Bylaw No. 924, 2021 - A Bylaw to Amend Zoning Bylaw 823, 2013 to include cannabis retail stores as a permitted use in Zones C1: Town Centre Commercial and C2 Zone: Service Commercial; and

THAT Council adopt Bylaw No. 924, 2021 - A Bylaw to Amend Zoning Bylaw 823, 2013 to include cannabis retail stores as a permitted use in Zones C1: Town Centre Commercial and C2 Zone: Service Commercial.

CARRIED

13. CORRESPONDENCE

C1 MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE – LETTER OF SUPPORT RE PINE PASS PROJECTS

RESOLUTION NO. 095/21

M/S Councillors Summer / Gibbs

THAT Staff draft a letter of support for the BC Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure's grant application to the federal Disaster Mitigation & Adaptation Fund for Pine Pass Bridge projects.

CARRIED

C2 LIFECYCLE EVENTS – LETTER OF SUPPORT RE FAIRS, FESTIVALS AND EVENTS RECOVERY FUND, BC MINISTRY OF TOURISM, ARTS CULTURE AND SPORT

RESOLUTION NO. 096/21

M/S Councillors Miller / Markin

THAT Staff draft a letter of support for LifeCycle Events' application for the Fairs, Festivals and Events Recovery Fund for the Peace Valley Folk Fest planned to be held in the summer of 2022 on the condition that no financial contribution from the District is required.

CARRIED

- C3 LETTER FROM S. METZGER RE POOL OPERATION 2021 Received for Information.
- C4 LETTER FROM N. FORRESTER RE POOL 2021 Received for Information.

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

CR1 STRATEGIC PLANNING

The Mayor advised that the annual Strategic Planning Workshop is scheduled for Saturday, November 13, 2021.

15. OLD BUSINESS

16. NEW BUSINESS

B1 COMMUNITY HALL - SELECT COMMITTEE

The Mayor appointed a Select Committee for the purpose of determining whether to replace or repair the Community Hall. Committee members will be as follows; Councillor Quibell, Chair; Councillor Gibbs, Vice-Chair, Councillor Markin, Councillor Summer, and some members of the Public will also be asked to sit on the Committee. This item will be added to the agenda for the upcoming Strategic Planning meeting.

B2 BC HYDRO SITE C – GATES AREA

Councillor Summer stated that the area from Hudson's Hope down to the "Gates" could be a recreation area with a boat launch; the Mayor will raise the issue at a Board Meeting at the Peace River Regional District.

B3 WATER TREATMENT PLANT - UPDATE

The CAO provided an update on the Water Treatment Plant, as follows:

- Membrane autopsy: preliminary results have been provided; 1st stage fouling is from biofouling and silica build-ups; currently waiting to receive the full report.
- The source water investigation by BC Hydro's consultant is underway and results are expected by October 9, 2021.

B4 ARENA OPERATIONS

The CAO provided an update on the Arena opening as follows:

- Targeting the first week of October 2021 to open the Arena for public use; and
- Progress on the ice-making is good.

B5 ASPHALT REPAIR

The CAO provided an update on asphalt repairs as follows:

- 17 locations have been selected:
- The contract has been awarded to Dynastar Blacktop, Fort St. John. DGS Astro Paving and Knelsen Sand & Gravel also submitted quotes; and
- Work expected to start soon.

B6 GARDEN OF THE PEACE CEMETERY

The CAO provided an update on the Garden of the Peace Cemetery as follows:

- There is an approved Operating Budget for the construction of a concrete flatform around the columbarium;
- A quotation was submitted by a local contractor; and
- Work is expected to start soon.

17. PUBLIC INQUIRIES

- One member of the public requested that printed copies of the agenda be available.
- In response to a question regarding the liner in the Pool, the Mayor advised that this item will be discussed during the upcoming Strategic Planning meeting.

18. NOTICE OF CLOSED MEETING

RESOLUTION NO. 089/21

M/S Councillors Paice / Quibell

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 August 23, 2021

Community Charter Section 90 (1) (k):

- (k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the Council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public
 - Lucas Subdivision

CARRIED

19. RISE AND REPORT

20. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Heiberg declared the meeting adjourned at 7:36 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

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PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED ZONING AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 924, 2021 CANNABIS RETAIL STORES

September 13, 2021 6:00 pm

Community Hall 10310 Kyllo Street Hudson's Hope, BC

The Mayor called the Public Hearing to order at 6:01 pm and read the Opening Statement regarding the proposed Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 924, 2021. The intent of the proposed Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 924, 2021 is to add Cannabis Retail Stores as a permitted use in Zone C1: Town Centre Commercial and Zone C2: Service Commercial.

Verbal submissions:

 Angie Watson, 10820 Carter Street, Hudson's Hope, BC, stated that she was in support of the proposed Zoning Amendment Bylaw No 924, 2021 – Cannabis Retail Stores as these businesses would add to the District's tax base and provide employment in the community.

Written submissions:

 One written submission was received from Steve Metzger which is in favour of the proposed bylaw; the written submission is attached.

The Mayor adjourned the Public Hearing at 6:08 pm.

Jeanette McDougall

From: StevenGrace <essngeeom@gmail.com>

Sent: September 13, 2021 3:52 PM

To: Jeanette McDougall **Subject:** Zoning Meeting

I am in support of rezoning to support the establishment of a Cannabis shop in Hudson's hope.

I am traveling across Canada at the moment, and I see Cannabis stores in many small towns across our country. They are a good option for small communities for new businesses, as they bring people into town who probably spend money at other businesses also.

I believe the location on Fredette Street is just about the best one could choose for Hudson's Hope. It is off the main Highway, and it is not near the school.

A legal Cannabis shop in Hudson's hope helps to fight against the Cannabis black market which still exists. My reading of news stories since Cannabis has been legalized in Canada indicates that there have been zero to very few problems with Cannabis shops being established in small towns across our country, and I believe the same would be true for Hudson's hope.

Our Town needs a new businesses. They not only provide connections to other businesses when people come to shop, but they also provide revenue to the district for business permits and other fees and taxes.

Steve Metzger 4400 Powell Road 250-783-0790

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