



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
District Office – Council Chambers
6:00 P.M.
October 12, 2021

Present: Mayor Dave Heiberg
Councillor Pat Markin
Councillor Travous Quibell
Councillor Leigh Summer

Absent: Councillor Mattias Gibbs (*with notice*)
Councillor Kelly Miller (*with notice*)
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.

2. DELEGATIONS

D1 NEDRA FORRESTER RE NEW WATER TREATMENT PLANT

Note: The Delegation was delayed and presented at 6:50 pm, therefore this item appears later on the Agenda.

3. NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS

Mayor's Additions:	CR1	Libraries – Funding
	CR2	Cemeteries - Funding
	CR3	Health Care Scholarships Committee
	CR4	North Peace Rural Roads Task Force
	CR5	Minister of Citizen Services – Visit to the Peace River Regional District
Councillor's Additions:	None	
CAO Additions:	NB1	Water Treatment Plant - Update

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA BY CONSENSUS

5. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

M1 REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES

RESOLUTION NO. 090/21

M/S Councillors Quibell / Markin

THAT the minutes of the September 13, 2021 Regular Council Meeting be adopted as amended to replace Councillor Paice with the correct Councillor name for Item M1 – Regular Council Minutes.

CARRIED

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

8. PUBLIC HEARING

9. STAFF REPORTS

**SR1 CULVERT INSTALLATION - BERYL PRAIRIE SUBDIVISION
– PROPOSAL EVALUATION AND AWARD**

RESOLUTION NO. 091/21

M/S Councillors Summer / Markin

THAT Council receive the report entitled "Culvert Installation – Beryl Prairie Subdivision – Proposal Evaluation and Award" for information and discussion.

CARRIED

**SR2 ARENA DOORS AND WATER HEATER REPLACEMENT
– QUOTATIONS EVALUATION AND AWARD**

RESOLUTION NO. 092/21

M/S Councillors Quibell / Summer

THAT Council accept and approve the quotation received from All West Glass for the replacement of three (3) Double Doors between the lobby and the Ice Rink and the office door at the Arena; and

THAT Council accept and approve the quotation received from North Pro for the replacement of (two) 2 gas Water Heaters with two (2) On Demand Water Heaters and a Storage Tank at the Arena.

CARRIED

SR3 ARENA CONCESSION OPERATOR CONTRACT

RESOLUTION NO. 093/21

M/S Councillors Quibell / Markin

THAT Council award the 2021 – 2022 Arena Concession Operator job to Maureen Graham; and

THAT Council authorize the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer to sign the agreement.

CARRIED

SR4 HOUSING NEEDS REPORT IMPLEMENTATION FRAMEWORK

RESOLUTION NO. 094/21

M/S Councillors Summer / Quibell

THAT the report entitled Housing Needs Report Implementation Framework, which is a joint project with the Peace River Regional District, be received for information and discussion.

CARRIED

SR5 BUILDING ENVELOPE ASSESSMENT – HUDSON'S HOPE LIBRARY

RESOLUTION NO. 095/21

M/S Councillors Markin / Quibell

THAT the report entitled Building Envelope Assessment be received for information and discussion; and

THAT this item be included on the Agenda for the Strategic Planning session scheduled for November 2021.

CARRIED

SR6 RADIO REPLACEMENT CHANGE

RESOLUTION NO. 096/21

M/S Councillors Summer / Quibell

THAT Council accept and approve the purchase of the new style as a deviation from the previous radio replacement plan.

CARRIED

SR7 NORTH PEACE AIRPORT SOCIETY - APPOINTMENTS

RESOLUTION NO. 097/21

M/S Councillors Quibell / Summer

THAT the District of Hudson's Hope Council appoint Mayor Dave Heiberg as a Voting Member Representative for the North Peace Airport Society until December 15, 2022 or as otherwise amended by resolution of Council; and

THAT the District of Hudson's Hope Council appoint Councillor Mattias Gibbs as the alternate Voting Member Representative for the North Peace Airport Society until December 15, 2022 or as otherwise amended by resolution of Council.

CARRIED

SR8 AGRICULTURAL LAND COMMISSION APPLICATION #62170 – BC HYDRO ROAD DEDICATION – HIGHWAY 29 REALIGNMENT

Received for information.

SR9 CAMPGROUND – 2021 YEAR END REPORT

RESOLUTION NO. 098/21

M/S Councillors Quibell / Summer

THAT Staff prepare an updated Internet Campground Reservation Policy to reflect cancellation fees that are more favourable to customers and would help reduce complaints that are time consuming for Staff; and further that Staff update the maximum number of allowed additional units per site.

CARRIED

SR10 VISITOR CENTRE – 2021 YEAR END REPORT

Received for information.

10. COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS

11. BYLAWS

12. CORRESPONDENCE

**C1 MINISTRY OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY DEVELOPMENT
– CHILDCARE BC NEW SPACES FUND**

Received for information.

**C2 NORTH CENTRAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
– ADVOCACY SUMMARY REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2021**

Received for information.

**C3 NORTH CENTRAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
– HEALTH CARE SURVEY REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2021**

Received for information.

C4 HUDSON'S HOPE PUBLIC LIBRARY – BUILDING ITEMS

Direction to Staff

The Corporate Officer to organize a Special Meeting of Council prior to the District's Strategic Planning session scheduled for November for the sole purpose of discussing the Library building envelope with the Director and Board members of the Hudson's Hope Library.

Note: The Delegation scheduled for October 12, 2021 appeared and presented at 6:50

D1 DELEGATION - NEDRA FORRESTER RE NEW WATER TREATMENT PLANT

Nedra Forrester read a letter to Council regarding concerns of various residents who live in the vicinity of the Water Treatment Plant, citing the odour issue, possible safety concerns and the almost certain negative impact on their property values. She also noted that residents were asked to report concerns directly to the CAO and to the Consultant, however the residents feel there has been a lack of communication on how and when the problem was being resolved.

The Mayor advised that he maintains very close contact with the CAO regarding these concerns and noted that there are a number of issues that were not initially known,

The CAO provided an overview of the technical problems faced during commissioning stage, noting that there has been a reduction in overnight calls, that backwashing used to take place twice per day, but now takes place once per day. He also noted that backwashing was supposed to be automated, but was not; a request has been made to the Contractor asking why this was not done. BC Hydro is to provide a report that is being prepared by Associated Engineering as of October 13, 2021 and the membrane autopsy report has also been submitted to the consultant.

RESOLUTION NO. 099/21

M/S Councillors Quibell / Markin

THAT the Gallery be permitted to respond to the information provided by the Mayor and the CAO and to ask questions.

CARRIED

The CAO responded to various questions as follows: the level of hydrogen sulfide emissions and water quality both meet Health Canada Guidelines. In the case of the water, there are elevated levels of minerals and those that do not meet Health Canada Guidelines are filtered by the membrane which is designed for this purpose.

The Mayor responded to the question regarding when the District will know whether the water treatment plant issues can be fixed by advising that information from the two reports that the CAO was referring to will be shared with the residents. The Mayor also asked the residents to report their concerns directly to L&M Engineering.

The letter as read by Nedra Forrester and the list of names of concerned citizens are attached.

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

CR1 LIBRARIES - FUNDING

The Mayor advised that some of the Electoral Areas provide funding for municipal libraries based on number of users from their areas; this may be a source of funding for the Hudson's Hope Library.

CR2 CEMETERIES - FUNDING

The Mayor advised that some of the Electoral Areas provide funding to help with maintenance costs for municipal cemeteries and may be a source of funding for the cemetery in Hudson's Hope.

**CR3 HEALTH CARE SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA SELECT COMMITTEE
- PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT**

The Mayor is a member of this Committee and the Committee has 4 strands for scholarships; for example, one strand issues \$1,000 per student to 20 health care assistant students at Northern Lights College; and another strand provides \$2,500 for nursing students and another \$2,500 when they graduate on the condition that they work for Northern Health for 2 years. The program has been very successful as 11 nurses are expected to graduate soon.

CR4 NORTH PEACE RURAL ROADS TASK FORCE

The Mayor noted that the North Peace Rural Roads Coalition is comprised of the District of Hudson's Hope, the District of Taylor and Electoral Area B. An in-person meeting is scheduled for October 14, 2021, and a subsequent meeting will be held with the Ministry of Transportation and Highways on October 18, 2021.

**CR5 MINISTER OF CITIZENS SERVICES – VISIT TO THE PEACE RIVER
REGIONAL DISTRICT**

The Mayor advised that the Minister of Citizens' Services held meetings throughout the Peace River Regional District on the following topics: connectivity challenges, ambulance services, healthcare, recruitment of medical professionals, and the need for additional funding for remote areas with poor internet access and cell services.

14. OLD BUSINESS

15. NEW BUSINESS

NB1 WATER TREATMENT PLANT - UPDATE

The CAO provided the following update:

- currently the water treatment plant is operating at a reduced flow rate, and there is less fouling of the system with respect to the summer;
- the District's operators are currently operating the plant and are still being required to perform manual backwashes;
- the report on the source water investigation by BC Hydro is expected to be received October 13, 2021; and
- a review of the source water investigation results and the previously received membrane fouling results will be reviewed to determine the next steps for the water treatment plant.

16. PUBLIC INQUIRIES

17. NOTICE OF CLOSED MEETING

RESOLUTION NO. 100/21

M/S Councillors Quibell / Markin

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 – September 13, 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

18. RISE AND REPORT

19. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Heiberg declared the meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm.

DIARY

Conventions/Conferences/Holidays

Commercial Water Rate Increase-annual budget

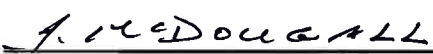
Consideration

Diaryized

08/04/19

Certified Correct:


Dave Heiberg, Mayor


Jeanette McDougall, Corporate Officer