



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
District Office – Council Chambers
6:00 P.M.
October 25, 2021

Present: Mayor Dave Heiberg
Councillor Pat Markin
Councillor Kelly Miller
Councillor Valerie Paice
Councillor Travous Quibell
Councillor Leigh Summer

Absent: Councillor Mattias Gibbs (*with notice*)

Staff: Acting Chief Administrative Officer, Ruhul Amin
Corporate Officer, Jeanette McDougall
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

3. NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS

Mayor's Additions: CR2 Community Engagement Committee
CR3 Rural Roads Task Force
CR4 Broadband Internet & Mobility Committee
CR5 Chiefs and Mayors Meeting
CR6 Electoral Boundaries Commission

Councillor's Additions: CR1 Hudson's Hope Historical Society (Councillor Miller)

Acting CAO Additions: OB1 Water Treatment Plant - Update

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA BY CONSENSUS

5. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

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6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

M1 REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES

RESOLUTION NO. 101/21

M/S Councillors Markin / Paice

THAT the minutes of the October 25, 2021 Regular Council Meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

8. PUBLIC HEARING

9. STAFF REPORTS

SR1 POOL – 2021 YEAR END REPORT

Received for Information.

The Mayor requested that the following items be brought forward to the Strategic Planning session being held November 13, 2021: reservation system and Pool fees.

SR2 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER MONTHLY REPORT – OCTOBER 2021

Received for Information.

SR3 PUBLIC WORKS MONTHLY REPORT – OCTOBER 2021

Received for Information.

SR4 PROTECTIVE SERVICES MONTHLY REPORT – OCTOBER 2021

Received for Information.

SR5 SPECIAL PROJECTS MONTHLY REPORT – OCTOBER 2021

Received for Information.

SR6 RECREATION & SPECIAL EVENTS COORDINATOR MONTHLY REPORT – OCTOBER 2021

Received for Information.

10. COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS

11. BYLAWS

12. CORRESPONDENCE

C1 NORTH CENTRAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION – 2022 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & CONVENTION

Received for information.

C2 INVESTING IN CANADA INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM: GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE – ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY PROGRAM

Received for information.

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

CR1 HUDSON'S HOPE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Councillor Miller provided an update as follows: the Society recently lost their Curator and has now received several good applications for this position.

CR2 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The Mayor advised that this Committee is comprised of himself, Councillor Miller, the Chief Administrative Officer, and Darren Thompson, BC Hydro. The purpose of this Committee is to discuss Operational issues, however the agenda has been dominated by issues pertaining to Site C activities over the last few years. The Mayor noted that BC Hydro did not advise that their contact, Nancy Pepper, Community and Social Mitigation Manager, Site C had left the position and was replaced with Alex Grey, Senior Environmental Coordinator Site C Clean Energy Project. Key community issues that were discussed included the following: residents concerns regarding the Water Treatment Plant, eg hydrogen sulfide; operational issues; issues pertaining to the berm / road realignment, including dust, noise, debris, sloughing behind the Library and the shadow population impact on rental housing. Councillor Miller added that air quality monitoring pertaining to the town site, specifically the Health Centre, was also discussed.

CR3 RURAL ROADS TASK FORCE

The Mayor advised that a dinner meeting was recently held in Fort St. John and was comprised of members from the municipalities of Hudson's Hope, Taylor and PRRD Area B, with industry sector representatives from the Oil & Gas sector, forestry, agriculture and trucking. A discussion took place regarding setting priorities for 2022, A follow-up meeting was held in Fort St. John with the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure. The new Regional Manager, Darrell Gunn, was introduced to the Rural Roads Task Force members which shared their strategic objectives for 2022. The meeting was very positive.

CR4 BROADBAND INTERNET & MOBILITY COMMITTEE

The Mayor advised that this Committee, which is comprised of all the Peace River Regional District Directors; met on October 20, 2021 and noted that the following was covered:

- Concurrence Policy for Telecommunication Facilities on Private Land, noting that Industry Canada regulates towers on private land;
- Engagement Opportunities;
- Service Function Establishment; and
- the PRRD Connectivity Strategy Adoption and Workplan.

CR5 FIRST NATIONS CHIEFS & MAYORS MEETING

The Mayor advised that Chiefs and Mayors from the Peace Region met with the key objective of developing trust and respect. Topics discussed included Truth & Reconciliation and the recent decision regarding the Blueberry River First Nation's treaty rights.

CR6 ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES COMMISSION

The Mayor advised that after every two general elections, the provincial Electoral Boundaries Commission appoints a three-person, independent, non-partisan commission with the purpose of proposing changes to electoral areas to ensure that each MLA represents a similar number of people. This Commission will be in effect after the General Municipal Election in October 2022, and there is a concern in the Peace River Region that there will be an attempt to amalgamate both the North Peace and South Peace Regions as the NDP government has removed the protection clause. Council feedback may be sought on any recommendations put forward by the Electoral Boundaries Commission.

14. OLD BUSINESS

OB1 WATER TREATMENT PLANT - UPDATE

The Acting CAO provided the following update:

- The reports from Industria on the membrane autopsy and the BC Hydro / Associated Engineering report on the water analysis have been provided to L&M Engineering for review.
- An H2S monitor was installed last week and reporting will be on a weekly basis, ie every Friday.

15. NEW BUSINESS

16. PUBLIC INQUIRIES

- There is a complaint about dust on Clark Avenue; the Mayor asked for complaints to be directed to the Mayor's Office.
- A question was asked regarding connecting to the municipal water line; the Mayor referred to Staff.
- There was a question regarding an update on the firewood donation issue; the Acting CAO advised that hauling mulching from Dinosaur Lake was not included in the contract.

17. NOTICE OF CLOSED MEETING

RESOLUTION NO. 102/21

M/S Councillors Quibell / Summer

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 – October 12, 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

RESOLUTION NO. 103/21

M/S Councillors Summer / Miller

THAT the following resolution be released into the Open Meeting of October 25 2021:

RESOLUTION NO. IC039/21

M/S Councillors Quibell / Summer

THAT Council approve an option for the sale of the District-owned Lucas Subdivision properties at a) a 25% discount from the current sale prices; and b) a 25% discount from the current sale prices with a 20 year amortization option with the District's interest to be registered on the Certificate of Title for each sold property.

CARRIED

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19. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Heiberg declared the meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

DIARY

Conventions/Conferences/Holidays

*Commercial Water Rate Increase-annual budget
Consideration*

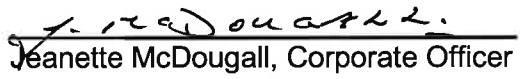
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Certified Correct:


Dave Heiberg, Mayor

Acting Mayor.


Jeanette McDougall, Corporate Officer