

COUNCIL MEETING
District Office – Council Chambers
6:00 P.M.
February 14, 2022

Present: Mayor Dave Heiberg
Councillor Mattias Gibbs
Councillor Kelly Miller
Councillor Valerie Paice
Councillor Pat Markin
Councillor Travous Quibell

Absent: Councillor Leigh Summer (*without notice*)

Staff: Chief Administrative Officer, Mokles Rahman
Corporate Officer, Jeanette McDougall
Director, Public Works and Engineering, Ruhul Amin
Director, Protective Services, Brad Milton
Recreation Officer, Kelsey Shewfelt

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS

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| Mayor's Additions: | NB2 | Trucks – Osborne Street and Canyon Drive |
| | NB3 | 2021 Census Results |
| Councillor's Additions: | CM1 | Northeast Regional Advisory Committee – Councillor Markin |
| | NB1 | Seasonal Term - Parks – Councillor Paice |
| CAOs Additions: | None | |

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA BY CONSENSUS

4. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Councillor Gibbs declared a conflict of interest pertaining to Item SR2 – Pre-Budget Approval re Rehabilitation – Gaylor and Thompson Avenues and Kruger Street.

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

M1 REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES – FEBRUARY 14, 2022

RESOLUTION NO. 028/22

M/S Councillors Miller / Paice

THAT the minutes of the February 14, 2022 Regular Council Meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

7. PUBLIC HEARING

8. STAFF REPORTS

SR1 ARENA COVID SAFETY PLAN – RE-ACTIVATION

RESOLUTION NO. 029/22

M/S Councillors Markin / Miller

THAT Council approve the updated COVID-19 Safety Plan for the Arena and direct Administration to re-activate the Arena COVID-19 Safety Plan.

CARRIED

Councillor Gibbs and Councillor Quibell voted in opposition.

Councillor Gibbs recused from the meeting at 6:10 pm.

**SR2 PRE-BUDGET APPROVAL RE REHABILITATION
– GAYLOR AND THOMPSON AVENUES AND KRUGER STREET**

RESOLUTION NO. 030/22

M/S Councillors Quibell / Markin

THAT Council approve a pre-budget amount of \$300,000.00 plus GST for the Rehabilitation of Gaylor Avenue, Thompson Avenue and Kruger Street.

CARRIED

Councillor Gibbs rejoined the meeting at 6:15 pm.

SR3 SWIMMING POOL – CURRENT STATE

MAIN MOTION

THAT Council pre-approve a Capital Budget of \$375,000 plus taxes for the replacement of the Pool liner and membrane, including repairs to the concrete underneath and replacement of the gutters.

AMENDMENT TO THE MAIN MOTION

M/S Councillors Miller / Gibbs

THAT Council pre-approve the allocation of \$25,000 from the 2022 Operating Budget for Pool repairs in preparation for the 2022 season and

pre-approve a Capital Budget of \$375,000 plus taxes for the replacement of the Pool liner and membrane, including repairs to the concrete underneath and replacement of the gutters.

MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED

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

RESOLUTION NO. 031/22

M/S Councillors Miller / Gibbs

THAT Council pre-approve the allocation of \$25,000 from the 2022 Operating Budget for Pool repairs in preparation for the 2022 season and pre-approve a Capital Budget of \$375,000 plus taxes for the replacement of the Pool liner and membrane, including repairs to the concrete underneath and replacement of the gutters.

CARRIED

The CAO noted that replacement of the pool liner and membrane, including repairs to the concrete underneath and replacement of the gutters, will be an 8 – 12 week projection and may be scheduled for after the Pool closes in early September.

SR4 ICIP GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE – ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (EQ) SUB-STREAM PROGRAM – KENDRICK LIFT STATION

RESOLUTION NO. 032/22

M/S Councillors Summer / Miller

THAT Council approve a grant application for the ICIP Green Infrastructure – Environmental Quality (EQ) Sub-Stream Program for upgrades to the Kendrick Lift Station; and

THAT Council approve that the District take responsibility for all ineligible project costs and cost overruns; and

THAT Council approve \$25,000 for proceeding with a detailed geotechnical investigation and a detailed design of the project. The source of funds will be from General Reserves and will be returned to the General Reserves fund if the grant is approved.

CARRIED

SR5 MEMORIAL BENCH – OPTIONS AND POLICY

RESOLUTION NO. 033/22

M/S Councillors Miller / Paice

THAT Council approve Option 2, Barco Sterling Benches as the District of Hudson's Hope Memorial bench option.

CARRIED

**SR6 LOCAL GOVERNMENT GENERAL ELECTION 2022 APPOINTMENTS
- CHIEF ELECTION OFFICER & DEPUTY CHIEF ELECTION OFFICER**

RESOLUTION NO. 034/22

M/S Councillors Paice / Gibbs

THAT Council appoint Jeanette McDougall as the Chief Election Officer for the 2022 General Local Government Election; and

THAT Council appoint Andrea Martin as the Deputy Chief Election Officer for the 2022 General Local Government Election.

CARRIED

9. COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS

CM1 NORTHEAST REGIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- NORTHERN BUS TRANSPORTATION

Councillor Markin provided an overview of the Northeast Regional Advisory Committee – Northern Bus Transportation and noted the following: the Lion's Club was commended for the bus service that they provide for Hudson's Hope and noted that Chetwynd and Tumbler Ridge have bus services; project costs generally are increasing due to supply chain issues and anticipates that this will impact costs for a

new Community Hall; and had a discussion with Cantex and they may be able to provide some services with respect to building a new Community Hall and if so, would hire locally.

10. BYLAWS

B1 TRAFFIC BYLAW NO. 925, 2022

RESOLUTION NO. 035/22

M/S Councillors Gibbs / Markin

THAT the District of Hudson's Hope Traffic Bylaw No. 925, 2022 be read a first time as prepared by L&M Engineering with input from Council, residents, and other stakeholders; and

THAT Bylaw No. 925, 2022 be read a second time; and

THAT Bylaw No. 925, 2022 be read a third time; and

THAT Bylaw No. 925, 2022 be adopted.

CARRIED

11. CORRESPONDENCE

- C1 BC HYDRO REPRESENTATIVE, SITE C - DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY**
Received for Information.

C2 JAMIESON WOODS – REQUEST FOR SIGNAGE

RESOLUTION NO. 036/22

M/S Councillors Paice / Markin

THAT Staff issue a reminder to the Public that the walking trails in Jamieson Woods should not be used as an ATV trail and vice-versa, and that this communication be issued through the District's normal communication channels, eg. PSA, District website, Bulletin Boards, and the monthly Bulletin issue.

CARRIED

Staff to check the District's Trail Policy and review whether the trail signs at Jamieson need upgrading.

C3 PROCLAMATION – EPILEPSY AWARENESS

The Mayor proclaimed March 26, 2022 as International PURPLE DAY for Epilepsy Awareness.

**C4 NORTH CENTRAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
– BOARD HIGHLIGHTS**

Received for information.

C5 VILLAGE OF MCBRIDE – OLD GROWTH FORESTS

Received for information.

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

13. OLD BUSINESS

14. NEW BUSINESS

NB1 PARKS – OPENING EARLIER IN THE SEASON

Councillor Paice inquired whether the Parks could open on May 1st each year instead of the May long weekend as there are many industry workers who park on residential properties due to the shortage of accommodation. The CAO advised this would be difficult for the following reasons: 1) summer Staff are hired as of 1st Monday of May because they need the time to prepare the parks / campgrounds for opening on the May long weekend; 2) a number of the summer staff are at university and are not available until May; and 3) there is often snow in April, which prevents being able to do the required preparations.

The Mayor asked Councillor Paice to gather more information, eg the number of industry workers who would benefit from an earlier opening.

NB2 TRUCK TRAFFIC – OSBORNE STREET AND CANYON DRIVE

The Mayor addressed a residential complaint about truck traffic on Osborne Street; requested that Cantex ensure their trucks drive by the Post Office instead of using Osborne Street and will follow up with Flat Iron and BC Hydro.

NB3 CENSUS RESULTS

The Mayor advised that the 2021 census results indicate that the population of Hudson's Hope is 841, which is a significant reduction from the 2016 census results of 1,015. This is of concern as certain government funding is based on population size, eg the Peace River Agreement.

RESOLUTION NO. 037/22

M/S Councillors Quibell / Paice

THAT Administration direct Chris Cvik, Special Projects, to research options to verify the validity of the 2021 census results vis a vis the 2016 census results and report to Council.

CARRIED

15. PUBLIC INQUIRIES

16. NOTICE OF CLOSED MEETING

RESOLUTION NO. 038/22

M/S Councillors Gibbs / Miller

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 – January 24, 2022

- **Community Charter Section 90 (1) (c):**

- (c) labour relations or other employee relations

- Letter of Complaint re Requirement for Masks

- **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 Council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in Public

- Library – Service and Lease Agreements
- Water Treatment Plant - Update

CARRIED

17. RISE AND REPORT

18. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Heiberg declared the meeting adjourned at 8:21 pm.

DIARY


Conventions/Conferences/Holidays

Commercial Water Rate Increase-annual budget
Consideration


Diarized

08/04/19

Certified Correct:



Dave Heiberg, Mayor



Jeanette McDougall, Corporate Officer