

# COUNCIL MEETING District Office – Council Chambers 7:04 P.M. February 13, 2023

Present:

Mayor Dave Heiberg (left at 9:10 pm)

Councillor Debbie Beattie Councillor James Cryderman Councillor Tashana Winnicky

Councillor Kelly Miller Councillor Tina Jeffrey

Absent:

Councillor Travous Quibell (with notice)

Staff:

Chief Administrative Officer, Mokles Rahman

Corporate Officer, Jeanette McDougall (left at 7:15 PM)

Director, Public Works & Engineering, Ruhul Amin

Director, Protective Services, Brad Milton

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm with Mayor Heiberg presiding.

- 2. DEDICATION PAGE
- 3. **DELEGATIONS**
- 4. NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS

Mayor's Additions: CM1: Mayor Heiberg - Medical Services Committee

CM2: Mayor Heiberg - Dawson Creek New Hospital CM3: Mayor Heiberg - Metis Nation of British Columbia

Councillor's Additions: CM4: Councillor Winnicky - Recreation Committee Report

CM5: Councillor Beattie - Go Fund Committee

OB 1: Councillor Jeffrey - Electrical vehicle charging station

CAOs Additions:

OB 2: Council Remuneration Committee update

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

RESOLUTION NO. 026/2023

M/S Councillors Beattie/ Miller

THAT the minutes of the January 23, 2023, Public Hearing Meeting be adopted. CARRIED

M2 REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES - JANUARY 23, 2023

RESOLUTION NO. 027/2023

M/S Councillors Winnicky/ Jeffrey

THAT the minutes of the January 23, 2023, Regular Council Meeting be adopted. CARRIED

M3 SPECIAL COUNCIL MINUTES – JANUARY 26, 2023

RESOLUTION NO. 028/2023

M/S Councillors Cryderman/ Jeffrey

THAT the minutes of the January 26, 2023, Special Council Meeting be adopted. CARRIED

- 8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES
- 9. PUBLIC HEARING
- 10. STAFF REPORTS
  - SR1 WATER TREATMENT PLANT UPDATE

RESOLUTION NO. 029/2023

M/S Councillors Beattie/Miller

THAT Council receive this report for information and discussion.

CARRIED

SR2 DISTRICT OFFICE FLOORING PROJECTS

**RESOLUTION NO. 030/2023** 

M/S Councillors Winnicky/Miller

THAT Council accept the quotation received from Karlin Enterprises for the District Office Main Floor (Area 1) Replacement Project.

**THAT** Council accept the quotation received from Karlin Enterprises for the District Office Reception, Stairs and Basement Lobby Floor (Area 2) Replacement Project.

THAT Council approve awarding the above two projects contracts to Karlin Enterprises and authorize the Mayor and CAO to sign the contract.

CARRIED

# SR3 LOCAL GOVERNMENT INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING GRANT PROGRAM

### RESOLUTION NO. 031/2023

M/S Councillors Jeffrey/Winnicky

THAT Council approve the application for the BC Local Government Infrastructure Planning Grant Program in support of the continuing development of the District's Asset Management Program - Underground Infrastructure Condition Assessment. CARRIED

- 11. COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS
- 12. BYLAWS
- 13. CORRESPONDENCE
  - FRIENDS OF HUDSON'S HOPE BC HYDRO GO FUND LETTER OF C1 SUPPORT (This item was approved by council through an electronic vote on February 8, 2023)

### RESOLUTION NO. 032/2023

THAT Council send a Letter of Support for the BC Hydro Go Fund on behalf of the Friends of Hudson's Hope. CARRIED

HOPE FOR HEALTH - BC HYDRO GO FUND - LETTER OF SUPPORT (This item C2 was approved by council through an electronic vote on February 8, 2023)

### RESOLUTION NO. 033/2023

THAT Council send a Letter of Support for the BC Hydro Go Fund on behalf of the Hope for Health Society. CARRIED

PEACE VALLEY FOLK FEST 2023 - SPONSORSHIP REQUEST C3

### RESOLUTION NO. 034/2023

M/S Councillors Cryderman/ Winnicky

THAT Council directed administration to bring this item during the 2023 budget deliberation.

CARRIED

PEACE VALLEY FOLK FEST - LETTER OF SUPPORT C4

### RESOLUTION NO. 035/2023

M/S Councillors Beattie/Miller

THAT Council write a letter of support for the Peace Valley Folk Festival for funding from South Peace Mackenzie Trust.

CARRIED

### C5 AUTOMOTIVE MECHANIC REPAIR FACILITY – LETTER OF SUPPORT

### RESOLUTION NO. 036/2023

M/S Councillors Jeffrey/Winnicky

**THAT** Council write a letter of support for the LifeCycle Mechanical for funding from South Peace Mackenzie Trust.

### **CARRIED**

Councillor Jeffrey asked whether the proposed Mechanical Repair Facility is a permitted use. CAO confirmed that it is a permitted use but the applicant has to meet all the requirements of the Building Permit.

### C6 BC HYDRO RE HUDSON'S HOPE PROPERTIES ACQUIRED FOR SITE C

Received for information.

# C7 HUDSON'S HOPE ELEMENTARY & SECONDARY SCHOOL – GAY/STRAIGHT ALLIANCE

### RESOLUTION NO. 037/2023

M/S Councillors Winnicky/Miller

THAT Council direct administration to report back with costs on how the painting of the rainbow sidewalk near the school can be accomplished.

CARRIED

### C8 ICBC ROADS SAFETY & COMMUNITY COORDINATOR – NORTHERN BC

Received for information.

### C9 COMMUNITY EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS FUND

Received for information.

### C10 FREEDOM OF INFORMATION & PROTECTION OF PRIVACY AMENDMENT ACT

Received for information.

### C11 SHAW - NEW FIBRE OPTIC CABLE - CHETWYND TO FORT ST JOHN

### RESOLUTION NO. 038/2023

M/S Councillors Beattie/Cryderman

THAT Council direct administration to invite SHAW communication to present the New Fibre Optic Cable project to the council under delegate of the Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED.

### C12 NORTHERN HEALTH NEW RELEASES - TOXIC DRUGS

Received for information.

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

### CM1 MEDICAL SERVICES COMMITTEE - MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor met with the medical staff at the Hudson's Hope clinic regarding establishing a Medical Services Committee.

The purpose of such a committee would be to meet regularly with medical and ambulance staff to discuss concerns and issues affecting our community.

There appears to be considerable interest and the intent is to form a committee in the near future.

# CM2 DAWSON CREEK NEW HOSPITAL - MAYOR'S REPORT

The mayor has been appointed by the PRRD to participate in a hospital working group.

The purpose is to provide input from a small community perspective.

No meetings have been held so far. The Mayor will update Council as the process unfolds.

# CM3 METIS NATION OF BRITISH COLUMBIA - MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor was invited to attend an information meeting regarding the four lots purchased by the Métis Nation in Lucas Subdivision.

The purpose of the meeting was for the community planners representing the Métis Nation to gather information from their membership as to their needs.

It was a very informative, productive discussion.

This is the first step in the design stage of the planning process.

It was stressed by the Métis leadership that this was a priority project which they hope to start in the near future.

# CM4 RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT - COUNCILLOR WINNICKY

Councillor Winnicky provided an update on the Recreation Committee.

The previous committee has collected information and steps for the new Community Hall Building. The scope of work was identified and approved by Council, but there is room for additional discussion to ensure no missing components. A presentation to key stakeholders, including the Library and New Horizons representative, is recommended. The Request for Proposal document has been developed.

For the Outdoor Swimming Pool, Council was updated on the current state. The current liner is falling apart more each year and is past its life span. The concrete has spalled beneath the liner and needs repair. The current budget is \$375,000 from 2022 for the repair of liner and replacement of concrete. The committee suggests

closing down the pool earlier in the year to complete this project, which allows the pool to be open for the majority of the year.

### CM5 GO FUND COMMITTEE - COUNCILLOR BEATTIE

Councillor Beattie provided an update on the GO Fund meeting she attended on January 24, 2023. They encourage all members to put in applications from their communities. Jordan Barrett is going to meet in Chetwynd and Dawson Creek with various applicants on February 9<sup>th</sup>. We have approved 2 of the applicants, one for the Fort St. John & Area Senior's Care Foundation, and the other for the Salvation Army for \$10,000.00 each. Looking at previous applications, there have only been 2 from Hudson's Hope, both of which were for the library. Each applicant can only apply 3 times. The intake deadlines are February 10<sup>th</sup>, May 12<sup>th</sup>, August 11<sup>th</sup>, October 21<sup>st</sup>.

### 15. OLD BUSINESS

### OB1 Electrical Vehicle Charging Station

Councillor Jeffrey provided an update on the Electrical Vehicle charging station initiated by BC Hydro. BCH representative and Councillor Jeffrey met to discuss proposed sites and review the pros and cons of many other sites. The pros and cons were inclusive of both parties' interests. Councillor expected to hear back from Alec Tsang in early January and reached out when she did not. She reached out again in mid January, BCH confirmed they had resourcing challenges and they are going to look back at it again and reconnect soon.

### **OB2** Council Remuneration Committee

The Chief Administrative Officer updated the status of the Council remuneration committee. The administration issued an Expression of Interest on November 18 and received one application within the deadline of December 5, 2022. Again, the Expression of Interest was posted on January 24. No application was received within the deadline of January 7, 2023. On February 12, 2023 staff received an interest from the 2<sup>nd</sup> candidate. Based on the verbal update by the CAO, the council considered the following resolution:

### RESOLUTION NO. 039/2023

M/S Councillors Cryderman/Winnicky

**THAT** Council appoint Marjorie Blythe and Julie Romine to the Council Remuneration and Expense Allowance Committee. **CARRIED** 

### 16. NEW BUSINESS

### 17. PUBLIC INQUIRIES

In response to an enquiry from a member of the public the Chief Administrative Officer mentioned that the Official Community Plan (Bylaw #822/2013) and amendments are available on the District website at: https://hudsonshope.ca/bylaws

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### 18. IN-CAMERA SESSION

### RESOLUTION NO. 040/2023

M/S Councillors

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

Community Charter Section 90 (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 23, 2023
- Community Charter Section 90 (1) (c):
  - (c) labour relations or other employee relations
    - Protective Services Coordinator Business Case
- Community Charter Section 90 (1) (g):
  - (g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality
    - ➢ Summer Road Blocked Access Report #2

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
  - Strategic Plan 2023 2026

### CARRIED

### 19. RISE AND REPORT

RESOLUTION NO. 041/2023

M/S Councillors Jeffrey/ Beattie

THAT Council approve the 2023 -2026 Strategic Plan for the District of Hudson's Hope; and

THAT Council direct administration to post the approved Strategic Plan on the District web site, facebook page and issue a PSA.

CARRIED

### 20. ADJOURNMENT

Acting Mayor Miller declared the meeting adjourned at 10:35 pm.

Conventions/Conferences/Holidays

Commercial Water Rate Increase-annual budget
Consideration
ATV Campground – Naming / Memorial Plaque

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