

COUNCIL MEETING District Office – Council Chambers 6:00 P.M. March 27, 2023

Present:

Mayor Dave Heiberg Councillor Kelly Miller

Councillor Debbie Beattie Councillor James Cryderman Councillor Tashana Winnicky Councillor Travous Quibell Councillor Tina Jeffrey

Absent:

None

Staff:

Chief Administrative Officer, Mokles Rahman

Deputy Treasurer, Tonia Alexander Manager, Public Works, Gordon Davies

Administration, Andrea Martin

Other:

Youth Councillor Quentin Kenny

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. DEDICATION PAGE

3. DELEGATIONS

D1 - KPMG 2022 Audit Report - Micaela Roque, Partner (via MS Teams)

Micaela Roque presented an overview of the 2022 Audited Financial Statements and advised that the audit was "clean".

4. NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS

Mayor's Additions:

NB1 - Northeast Roundtable March 22, 2023

Councillor's Additions:

NB2 - Remuneration Committee Update - Councillor Winnicky

NB3 - BC Hydro Go Fund Meeting update - Councillor Beattle

NB4 - RCMP Year End Report

CAO's Additions:

None

5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA BY CONSENSUS

6. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

7. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

M1 REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES MARCH 13, 2023

RESOLUTION NO. 053 / 2023
M/S Councillors Jeffrey / Cryderman
THAT the minutes of the March 13, 2023, Regular Council Meeting be adopted.
CARRIED

- 8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES
- 9. PUBLIC HEARING
- 10. STAFF REPORTS

SR1 2022 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

RESOLUTION NO. 054 /2023 M/S Councillors Quibell / Miller

THAT Council accept the Draft Financial Statements of the District of Hudson's Hope as presented be approved as the 2022 Final Financial Statements, and

THAT the Mayor and CAO be authorized to sign the 2022 District of Hudson's Hope Financial Statements. **CARRIED**

SR2 ATV CAMPGROUND PHASE III – TENDER EVALUATION

RESOLUTION NO. 055 /2023 M/S Councillors Miller / Beattie

THAT Council accept the tender submitted by A.C.L. Construction LTD. for the construction of the ATV Camparound Phase-III, and

THAT Council approve awarding the ATV Campground Phase III contract to A.C.L. Construction LTD. and authorize the Mayor and CAO to sign the contract. **CARRIED**

SR3 RAINBOW CROSSWALK NEAR HUDSON'S HOPE SCHOOL

THAT Council direct administration to buy paint and supply to the Hudson's Hope School for the installation of the rainbow cross walk near the school. The source fund is O&M Public Works. OR

THAT Council direct administration to hire Yellowhead Pavement Marking Inc for the installation of the rainbow cross walk near the Hudson's Hope School. The source fund is O&M Public Works.

TABLED

The mentioned recommendations are tabled until staff can have a conversation with Miss Vicky Mee of Hudson's Hope School.

SR4 SOLAR ARRAY ANNUAL REPORT - 2022

RESOLUTION NO. 057/2023

M/S Councillors Jeffrey / Winnicky

THAT Council receive this report for information and discussion.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO. 058/2023

M/S Councillors Jeffrey / Beattie

THAT Council accept the proposed maintenance contract submitted by the Peace Energy Cooperative for a 2 years term as presented and authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to sign the contract.

CARRIED

Councillor Winnicky opposed

SR5 DIRECTOR OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES - APPOINTMENT

RESOLUTION NO. 059 /2023

M/S Councillors Beattie / Winnicky

THAT Council appoint Fred Burrows as an Officer of the District of Hudson's Hope as per Bylaw No. 903, 2019, and

THAT Council notify the Office of the Fire Commission that Fred Burrows is appointed to exercise the powers of a Local Assistant to the Fire Commissioner within the District of Hudson's Hope.

CARRIED

Discussion: Councillor Winnicky voiced concerns about fire response times for the new Fire Chief, Fred Burrows, as he does live at Moberly Lake. This would put undue stress and hardship on the volunteers in the department. Mokles responded by noting that Fred will commute to his current home at Cecil Lake on the weekends until suitable accommodations are found for him in Hudson's Hope. He will arrange his schedule with volunteers to accommodate this absence.

SR6 CHIEF ADMINISTRATION OFFICER - MONTHLY REPORT

The Chief Administrative Officer presented his report and added the latest news on the clarifier rental. While the clarifier is scheduled to mobilize by the supplier to the site on April 11, the consultant is still working with the two contractors (who will be installing the clarifier) to get quotes. Once the quotes are received, a staff report will be submitted by the CAO to the council for electronic votes.

SR7 DIRECTOR OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES - MONTHLY REPORT

Received for Information.

SR8 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - MONTHLY REPORT

Received for Information.

SR9 SPECIAL PROJECTS UPDATE - MONTHLY REPORT

Received for Information.

SR10 RECREATION - MONTHLY REPORT

Received for Information.

11. COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS

RESOLUTION NO. 060/2023

M/S Councillors Beattie / Cryderman

THAT the District of Hudson's Hope accept the Committee for Recreation Facilities - Terms of Reference.

CARRIED

12. BYLAWS

13. CORRESPONDENCE

C1 GROWING COMMUNITIES FUND - SIGNED FINAL

Mayor Heiberg mentioned that this grant funds utilization will be a budget discussion during the Committee of the Whole meeting on Wednesday, March 29, 2023.

C2 LGMA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Received for Information.

C3 NCLGA MEMBER NOTICE – NCLGA BYLAW REVIEW

Received for Information.

C4 UBCM – STRATEGIC PRIORITIES FUND APPLICATION – SIDEWALKS

Received for Information.

C5 UBCM - STRATEGIC PRIORITIES FUND APPLICATION – STREET REHABILITATION

Received for Information.

C6 NCLGA AGM & CONVENTION AGENDA

Mayor Heiberg requested councillors to communicate by Friday, March 31, 2023, with Andrea Martin, Office Assistant, if they are interested to attend the session.

C7 NCLGA NOTICE MEMBERSHIP FEE INCREASE

Received for Information.

C8 MS CANADA PROCLOMATION

Council directed staff to prepare the proclamation for MS Awareness Month for the Mayor to sign.

C9 DELAY - DECOMMISSION OF THE DURACK BROOK DAM

Received for Information.

C10 ELECTED OFFICIALS EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP

RESOLUTION NO. 061 /2023

M/S Councillors Quibell / Jeffrey

THAT the Council approve any Council members who wish to attend the Workshop as well as the Fire Chief, if he is available, and

THAT council let Andrea Martin, Office Assistant, know by Friday, March 31, 2023, if they are interested to attend the session. **CARRIED**

C11 REDUCING COMMUNITY CANCER RISKS FROM RADON

Received for Information.

C12 REQUEST FOR LETTER OF SUPPORT – RUSTIC PANTRY

RESOLUTION NO. 062/2023

M/S Councillors Quibell/ Jeffrey

THAT the District of Hudson's Hope provide a letter of support to the South Peace Mackenzie Trust on behalf of The Rustic Pantry Farm-To-Table Café.

CARRIED

C13 REQUEST FOR LETTER OF SUPPORT – DOUBLE H SADDLE CLUB

RESOLUTION NO. 063/2023

M/S Councillors Miller / Beattie

THAT the District of Hudson's Hope provide a letter of support to the Northern Development Initiative Trust on behalf of the Double H Saddle Club.

CARRIED

C14 LETTER RE: COMMUNITY HALL CELEBRATION

Direction to staff to reply to Lori Kelly that Council requires further details to support the request.

C15 CHETWYND JOB FAIR POSTER

Received for Information.

C16 BC SOCIETY OF PARK OPERATORS - THANK YOU

Received for Information.

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

15. OLD BUSINESS

16. NEW BUSINESS

NB1 NORTH EAST ROUNDTABLE MARCH 22, 2023

Mayor Heiberg updated the following:

Dale Morgan (MIRR) presented details regarding the Provincial Yahee (Blueberry First Nations) court decision.

The agreement was signed in January, 2023 and the details have only been released to the public a few weeks ago.

In the "eyes of the court" the Province failed to respect the terms of the Treaty 8 agreement.

Rather than appeal the court decision the Province moved forward to work together with Blueberry First Nations to address their concerns in a meaningful way.

The Province's goal is to complete similar agreements with the other Treaty 8 First Nations in the region.

A consensus document has been developed with input from all six Nations. Focus is on five key areas: wildlife management, restoration, land use planning, cumulative impacts, and honouring the treaty.

West Moberly TLE signing ceremony.

After over two decades of discussion and negotiations West Moberly First Nations have reached a Treaty Land Entitlement agreement with Canada.

The signing of the completion papers will be held in Hudson's Hope.

Hudson's Hope was home to the Beaver Band established in 1914 which was comprised of the Halfway and West Moberly First Nations.

Mayor and council have been included as invited guests to participate in this historical celebration.

Direction to staff: Staff is to send a letter to Dale Morgan to speak to the council in a Committee of the Whole meeting in May or June whenever convenient.

NB2 - REMUNERATION COMMITTEE UPDATE - COUNCILLOR WINNICKY

Councillor Winnicky provided an update that the committee reviewed several surrounding community policy metrics of similar size to Hudson's Hope and their goal is to hit an average.

NB3 BC HYDRO GO FUND - COUNCILLOR BEATTIE

Councillor Beattie updated that there were 8 applications to the fund and 4 were from Hudson's Hope.

Councillor Jeffrey requested staff to ask Erich Schmidt to provide the RCMP annual report to the council.

17. PUBLIC INQUIRIES

YOUTH COUNCILLOR QUENTIN KENNY - UPDATE

Quentin advised that the School Council St Patrick's day Hunt was a success and that the Council is working on an upcoming movie night in April.

18. IN-CAMERA SESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 64/2023

M/S Councillors Winnicky / Beattie

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

Community Charter Section 97 (1) (b):

- all minutes of Council meetings, other than a meeting or part of a meeting that is closed to the public
 - Closed Meeting Minutes March 13, 2023

Community Charter Section 90 (1) (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;
 - BC Hydro land payment
- Community Charter Section 90 (1) (g):
 - litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality Summer Road – Blocked Access – verbal update
- Community Charter Section 90 (1) (c):
 - (c) labour relations or other employee relations
 - Personnel 2 items

CARRIED

19. RISE AND REPORT

RESOLUTION NO. 65/23

M/S Councilors Winnicky/ Quibell

THAT Council accept the Change in Land Use Payment, and

THAT Council approve signing an agreement with BC Hydro reflecting the revised Change in Land Use Payment and prepare for the transfer of funds, and

THAT Council decision be released to the open agenda.

CARRIED

20. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Heiberg declared the meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm.

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| Conventions/Conferences/Holidays | |
| Commercial Water Rate Increase-annual budget Consideration ATV Campground – Naming / Memorial Plaque Council Remuneration Policy | 08/04/19 2022 2023 |

Certified Correct:

Andrea Martin, Administration

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