

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING District Office – Council Chambers October 10, 2023, 6:00 P.M.

Present: Mayor Travous Quibell

Councillor Kelly Miller
Councillor Debbie Beattie
Councillor James Cryderman
Councillor KK Charlesworth
Councillor Tina Jeffrey

Absent: Councillor Tashana Winnicky (with notice)

Staff: Interim Chief Administrative Officer, Chris Cvik

Chief Administrative Officer, Crystal Brown Director of Protective Services, Fred Burrows

Corporate Officer, Andrea Martin

Other: There were four (4) community members in the gallery.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:38 pm with Mayor Quibell presiding.

2. DEDICATION PAGE

3. **DELEGATIONS**

D1 HH HEALTH CARE & HOUSING SOCIETY - LAND TRANSFER AGREEMENT

Jeanette McDougall presented a brief outline of what the Society wants to change in the current Purchase and Sale agreement between the Society and the District of Hudson's Hope. The Society is requesting to remove s. 6.2 (a) and (b) of the Purchase and Sale Agreement.

- 6.2 Right of Repurchase The District retains the option to legally repurchase the Property in accordance with the Option to Purchase attached as Schedule B to this Agreement (the "Option") which may be exercised by the District if:
 - (a) the Purchaser has not obtained a building permit for the Property and commenced construction of a housing development in compliance with the District's by-laws applicable to the Property (the "Development") by December 31st, 2024;

(b) the Purchaser has not obtained an occupancy permit for the Development by December 31st, 2025; or

4. NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS

Mayor's List: NB1 UBCM 2023 Report

NB5 Verbal Update from PRRD

NB7 HH Health Care & Housing Society - Delegation

Councillors Additions: NB2 Councillor Winnicky UBCM 2023 Report

NB4 Councillor Beattie UBCM 2023 Verbal Update

NB6 Councillor Beattie Verbal Update from Leadership Table

CAO's Additions: NB3 Authorization to Attend Leaders Table in Fort St. John

5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA BY CONSENSUS

6. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Councillor Beattie declared a conflict of interest for NB7 - HH Health Care & Housing Society - Delegation.

7. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

M1 REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES SEPTEMBER 11, 2023

RESOLUTION NO. 168 / 2023

M/S Councillors Jeffrey / Winnicky

THAT the minutes of the September 11, 2023, Regular Council Meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Councillor Jeffrey requested that the YMCA Child Care Letter of Support be sent to School District 60.

9. PUBLIC HEARING

10. STAFF REPORTS

SR1 RFD - APPOINTMENTS: CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER & APPROVING OFFICER

RESOLUTION NO. 169 / 2023

M/S Councillors Beattie / Jeffrey

THAT Council appoint Crystal Brown to the position of Chief Administrative Officer for the District of Hudson's Hope in accordance with section 147 of the Community Charter, effective October 10, 2023, and

THAT Council appoint Crystal Brown to the position of Chief Financial Officer for the District of Hudson's Hope in accordance with Section 149 of the Community Charter, effective October 10, 2023, and

THAT Council appoint Crystal Brown to the position of Approving Officer for the District of Hudson's Hope in accordance with Section 77 of the Land Titles Act, effective October 10, 2023.

CARRIED

SR2 RFD - HUDSON'S HOPE CHILDCARE LETTER OF SUPPORT

RESOLUTION NO. 170 / 2023

M/S Councillors Jeffrey / Beattie

THAT Council direct administration to send a Letter of Support for the YMCA to apply on the new community spaces grant, and

THAT Administration attach the list of daycare requirements for Hudson's Hope and with the Letter of Support submission.

CARRIED

SR3 RFD - ARENA CONCESSION OPERATOR CONTRACT

RESOLUTION NO. 171 / 2023

M/S Councillors Miller / Cryderman

THAT Council award the Arena Concession Operator a two-year Contract for the 2023 – 2024 and 2024 – 2025 season to Diania Harris, and

THAT Council authorize the Interim CAO or designate to sign the contract. **CARRIED**

SR4 RFD - RELOCATE WATER SUPPLY VALVES AND JUNCTION BOX TO THE TOP OF THE BERM

RESOLUTION NO. 172 / 2023

M/S Councillors Cryderman / Jeffrey

THAT Council receive this report for information and discussion, and

THAT Council grant authorization to proceed with Big League Utilities for the relocation of the water supply valves and junction box up to the top of the Berm at a cost of \$2487.39, and

THAT Council grant authorization to administration to proceed with Epscan for electrical work required for the winterization and valve relocation activity at the water treatment plant for \$22,020.60.

CARRIED

11. COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS

12. BYLAWS

13. CORRESPONDENCE

C1 E-MAIL FROM THE HONOURABLE MITZI DEAN, MINISTER OF CHILDREN & FAMILY DEVELOPMENT

Received for Information

C2 BC HYDRO COMMUNITY RECEPTION INVITATION

RESOLUTION NO. 173 / 2023

M/S Councillors Jeffrey / Charlesworth

THAT Council authorize Councillor Beattie to attend the BC Hydro Community Reception. **CARRIED**

C4 YOUTH PARLIAMENT

RESOLUTION NO. 174 / 2023

M/S Councillors Charlesworth / Cryderman

THAT Council direct staff to send this letter to the school and send it out as Public Service Announcement.

CARRIED

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

15. OLD BUSINESS

16. NEW BUSINESS

NB1 MAYOR QUIBELL - UBCM 2023 REPORT

Received for Information

NB2 COUNCILLOR WINNICKY - UBCM 2023 REPORT

Received for Information

NB3 AUTHORIZATION TO ATTEND LEADER'S TABLE IN FORT ST JOHN

RESOLUTION NO. 175 / 2023

M/S Councillors Cryderman / Jeffrey

THAT Council authorize Councillor Beattie to attend the Leader's Table in Fort St. John. **CARRIED**

NB4 COUNCILLOR BEATTIE - UBCM 2023 UPDATE

While attending UBCM, Councillor Beattie attended several informative events including:

- <u>Decriminalization and Public Use</u> where it was voiced that small communities are being left out of the support and treatment to help reduce the harms of drug misuse and improve public awareness.
- <u>Local Outdoor Recreations Initiative</u> Councillor Beattie believes Hudson's Hope would benefit from being on the Outdoor Recreation Council of BC as many of our community neighbors are currently on this council.
- <u>BC Non-Profit Housing Association</u> When applying through this association it is important to acquire the land from the municipality first, landscaping and property taxes are not included.
- <u>Rural Economic Diversification and Infrastructure Program</u> there are some large grants available for this program.

NB5 MAYOR QUIBELL - PRRD VERBAL UPDATE

Mayor Quibell informed Council that the upcoming *Emergency Management Act* is going to impact all communities in BC in a significant way. The *Act* is a proactive approach to emergency management with an emphasis on risk reduction for people and communities. The Peace River Regional District (PRRD) is requesting an extension of the deadline of December 31, 2023, to allow for more engagement.

Mayor Quibell updated Council that the PRRD has become the process to update their Zoning and Building Bylaws to ensure that they align with provincial legislation, and reflect current needs.

The PRRD is looking for the Regional Board to identify community events for the PRRD to participate in within the Region in 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 176 / 2023

M/S Councillors Cryderman / Miller

THAT Council authorize staff to create a list of Hudson's Hope local community events and any milestone celebrations for 2024.

CARRIED

NB6 COUNCILLOR BEATTIE - LEADERS TABLE VERBAL UPDATE

Councillor Beattie informed Council that the Leaders Table consists of the PRRD, First Nations, and Municipal leaders coming together to build good working relationships. There were several presentations on:

- History of Treaty 8.
- BC Wildfire Service different training and seminars that they are working on.
- Mammoth Forestry FireSafe
- Erin Price sheep grazing to minimize known fire hazard areas.

NB7 HH HEALTH CARE & HOUSING SOCIETY - LAND TRANSFER AGREEMENT

Councillor Beattie declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting at 7:17 pm.

Jeanette reiterated that the inclusion of s. 6.2 (a) and (b) in the Purchase and Sale Agreement would impede efforts to obtain a mortgage or any grant funding to start the construction part of the project. The Society is requesting the removal of the provisions.

RESOLUTION NO. 177 / 2023

M/S Councillors Jeffrey / Miller

THAT Council direct staff to amend the draft Purchase and Sale Agreement to remove s. 6.2 (a) and (b).

CARRIED

Councillor Beattie returned to the meeting at 7:19 pm.

16. PUBLIC INQUIRIES

PI1 WENONAH ROSENBERGER - NON PROFIT GROUPS

Ms. Rosenberger wanted to let council know that if Hudson's Hope non-profit groups were to join a Chamber of Commerce, they can access many resources.

PI2 DENNIS BEATTIE - CO-OP FUEL STATION

Mr. Beattie voiced concerns that if the only gas station in Hudson's Hope was to become inoperable the community would be in trouble. Mr. Beattie wanted to know how discussions were going with a Co-op Fuel center in Hudson's Hope. Mayor Quibell said the district toured a site with prospective buyers and that it was back in their hands to make a decision.

17. IN-CAMERA SESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 178 / 2023

M/S Councillors Cryderman / Beattie

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

- Community Charter Section 90 (1) (k):
 - (k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service (Water Treatment Plant) 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;

CARRIED

18. RISE AND REPORT

19. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Travous Quibell declared the meeting adjourned 7:53 pm.

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

Certified Correct:

Fravous Quibett, Mayor

Andrea Martin, Corporate Officer