



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
District Office – Council Chambers
April 29, 2024, 6:00 pm

Present: Mayor Travous Quibell
Councillor Debbie Beattie
Councillor Greta Goddard
Councillor KK Charlesworth
Councillor Tashana Winnicky
Youth Councillor Taylor Sanderson

Absent: Councillor James Cryderman
Councillor Tina Jeffrey

Staff: Chief Administrative Officer, Crystal Brown
Corporate Officer, Andrea Martin
Deputy Treasurer, Tonia Alexander
Director of Protective Services, Fred Burrows
Deputy Fire Chief, Allan Graham

Other: There were five community members in the gallery.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Quibell called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

2. DEDICATION PAGE

Mayor Quibell thanked Staff for preparing the Dedication Page in memory of 'Josh' Joslin who was a former member of Council for the District of Hudson's Hope from 1999 to 2005. Josh was also a foundational member of the community and will be dearly missed by all.

3. DELEGATIONS

D1 Jordan Kealy, MLA Candidate Conservative Party of BC - Verbal update on matters that are affecting the region.

Council received a delegation from Mr. Kealy as a candidate for the Conservative Party of BC for Peace River North. Topics included history of the Conservative Party, the reason he got into politics, and his position on the affordability, Carbon Tax, fiscal responsibility, health care, decriminalization of drugs, and crime.

D2 KPMG – 2023 Audited Financial Statements and Audit Findings Report.

Council received a delegation from Micaela Roque KPMG Partner regarding the audit for the year ending December 31, 2023. Topics included Auditors report, consolidated financial statements, findings report, Asset Retirement Obligation standard, and the impact the water treatment plant had the time needed to perform the audit, and the impact to the District's capital assets. KPMG is issuing a clean audit opinion on the financial statements in accordance with the Canadian Public Sector Accounting Standards and they did not identify any significant controls that kept them from providing their opinion.

4. NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS

5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA BY CONSENSUS

6. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- Mayor Quibell declared a conflict of interest with SR4 Financial Assistance Grants 2024, due to being a voting member on the Hudson's Hope Lions Club and Hudson's Hope Radio Amateur Club.
- Councillor Beattie declared a conflict of interest with SR4 Financial Assistance Grants 2024, due to be a voting member on the Hudson's Hope Health Care & Housing Society and Hudson's Hope Rodeo Society.
- Councillor Goddard declared a conflict of interest with SR4 Financial Assistance Grants 2024, due to be a voting member on the Hope for Health Society.

7. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

9. PUBLIC HEARING

10. STAFF REPORTS

SR1 DRAFT 2023 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

RESOLUTION NO. 244/2024

M/S Councillors Beattie/Goddard

That Council receives the report titled "Draft 2023 Financial Statements" dated April 29, 2024; further, that Council approves the Draft 2023 Financial Statements, as presented by KPMG, as the final Financial Statements for the year ending December 31, 2023, effective April 29, 2024; and further that the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to sign the 2023 District of Hudson's Hope Financial Statements.

CARRIED

SR2 FIRE RESPONSE FOR CAMERON LAKE CAMPGROUND

RESOLUTION NO. 245/2024

M/S Councillors Winnicky/Beattie

That Council receives the report titled "Fire Response for Cameron Lake Campground" dated April 26, 2024; further, that Council authorizes the District of Hudson's Fire Department to respond to reported fires at the Cameron Lake Campground to ensure public safety, property conservation, and protect the environment; and further, that Council authorizes the Fire Department to respond to roadside fires up to Cameron Lake and do our utmost to reduce or eliminate the spread of wildfire during these types of incidents

CARRIED

SR3 FINANCIAL GRANT-IN-AID REQUESTS

RESOLUTION NO. 246/2024

M/S Councillors Winnicky/Goddard

That Council receives the report titled "Financial Grant-in-Aid Requests – 2024" dated April 29, 2024, for discussion.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO. 247/2024

M/S Councillors Winnicky/Beattie

That Council authorizes a grant in the amount of \$8,000, payable from the 2024 Financial Grant-in-Aid allocation, to be issued to the Double H Saddle Club for various Rodeo Ground upgrades based on the requirement that they can secure the remaining amount of \$7000; further Council requests that Double H Saddle Club provide a detailed report with invoices and receipts for all work done on projects in relation to this application upon their completion.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO. 248/2024

M/S Councillors Beattie/Charlesworth

That Council authorizes a grant in the amount of \$2,500, payable from the 2024 Financial Grant-in-Aid allocation, to be issued to the House of Hope Community Church; further Council request that House of Hope Community Church provide a detailed report with invoices and receipts for all funds used in relation to this application upon the event completion.

AMENDMENT

RESOLUTION NO. 249/2024

M/S Councillors Goddard/Charlesworth

That Council amends the motion to reduce the amount of \$2,500 to \$1,500.

CARRIED

**MOTION AS AMENDED
RESOLUTION NO. 248/2024**

M/S Councillors Beattie/Charlesworth

That Council authorizes a grant in the amount of \$1,500, payable from the 2024 Financial Grant-in-Aid allocation, to be issued to the House of Hope Community Church; further Council request that House of Hope Community Church provide a detailed report with invoices and receipts for all funds used in relation to this application upon the event completion.

CARRIED

OPPOSED: Councillor Winnicky

Councillor Beattie declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting at 7:15 pm.

RESOLUTION NO. 250/2024

M/S Councillors Winnicky/Charlesworth

That Council authorizes a grant in the amount of \$2,000, payable from the 2024 Financial Grant-in-Aid allocation, to be issued to the Hudson's Hope Rodeo Society; further, that Council requests that Hudson's Hope Rodeo Society provide a detailed report with invoices and receipts for all funds used in relation to this application upon the event completion; and further again, that Council informs the Hudson's Hope Rodeo Society that future Grant-In-Aid requests are to be for capital expenditures improve the grounds.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO. 251/2024

M/S Councillors Charlesworth/ Goddard

That Council authorizes a grant in the amount of \$5,000, payable from the 2024 Financial Grant-in-Aid allocation, to be issued to the Hudson's Hope Health Care and Housing Society for the required maintenance to the exterior of the facility; further Council requests that Hudson's Hope Health Care Society provide a detailed report with invoices and receipts for all funds used in relation to this application upon the event completion.

CARRIED

OPPOSED: Councillor Winnicky

Councillor Beattie returned to the meeting at 7:23 pm.

Mayor Quibell declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting at 7:23 pm. Acting

Mayor Winnicky took over as Presiding Member.

RESOLUTION NO. 252/2024

M/S Councillors Beattie/Charlesworth

That Council authorizes a grant in the amount of \$10,000, payable from the 2024 Financial Grant-in-Aid allocation, to be issued to the Hudson's Hope Lions Club for the Lions Kitchen Trailer Project; further Council requests that Hudson's Hope Lions Club to provide a detailed report with invoices and receipts for all funds used in relation to this project upon completion.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO. 253/2024

M/S Councillors Charlesworth/Beattie

That Council authorizes a grant in the amount of \$1,000, payable from the 2024 Financial Grant-in-Aid allocation, to be issued to the Hudson's Hope Radio Amateur Club for the Signal Hill Revitalization Project; further Council requests that Hudson's Hope Radio Amateur Club provide a detailed report with invoices and receipts for all funds used in relation to this application upon the event completion.

CARRIED

Mayor Quibell returned to the meeting at 7:30 pm and took over as Presiding Member.

RESOLUTION NO. 254/2024

M/S Councillors Winnicky/Charlesworth

That Council authorizes a grant in the amount of \$1,750, payable from the 2024 Financial Grant-in-Aid allocation, to be issued to the Hudson's Hope Grad Society for assistance with Grad Live Streaming of the Ceremony; further, that staff work with Hudson's Hope Grad Society to assign work to the grads so they can have the opportunity to perform jobs around the community to earn the funds; and further, that Council requests that Hudson's Hope Grad Society provide a detailed report with invoices and receipts for all funds used in relation to this project upon completion.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO. 255/2024

M/S Councillors Beattie/Charlesworth

That Council authorizes a grant of in-kind donation in the amount of \$300, to be issued to the Hudson's Hope Figure Skating Club Society, to be used for rental of the to allow for the club members to set up for their Annual Skating Carnival.

CARRIED

Councillor Goddard declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting at 7:34 pm.

RESOLUTION NO. 256/2024

M/S Councillors Winnicky/Beattie

That Council authorizes a grant in the amount of \$2,500, payable from the 2024 Financial Grant-in-Aid allocation, to be issued to the Hope for Health Society for the assistance of costs for That Dam Run event and the Community Wellness Conference; further, that Staff arrange for the in-kind donation for the use of orange safety cones and sandwich boards to be picked up and returned by the Society; and further, that Council requests that Hope for Health Society provide a detailed report with invoices and receipts for all funds used in relation to this project upon completion.

CARRIED

Councillor Goddard returned to the meeting at 7:37 pm.

RESOLUTION NO. 257/2024

M/S Councillors Winnicky/Beattie

That Council authorizes a grant in the amount of \$4,293, payable from the 2024 Financial Grant-in-Aid allocation, to be issued to the Hudson's Hope Minor Soccer for the assistance of various expenses that the Club incurs to host the Annual Youth Soccer Tournament and operate the Club; further that Staff arrange for in-kind donation of District Swag and the use of picnic tables and garbage cans provided there is no additional work load for district employees

CARRIED

11. COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS

12. BYLAWS

B1 HUDSON'S HOPE FEES AND CHARGES AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 944, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 258/2024

M/S Councillors Winnicky/Beattie

That Council receives the report titled "District of Hudson's Hope Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 944, 2024" dated April 29, 2024; further, that Council adopts "District of Hudson's Hope Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 944, 2024".

CARRIED

B2 DISTRICT OF HUDSON'S HOPE FIVE-YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN BYLAW NO. 945, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 259/2024

M/S Councillors Winnicky/Charlesworth

That Council receives the report titled "District of Hudson's Hope Five-Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 945, 2024" dated April 29, 2024; further, that Council gives District of Hudson's Hope Five-Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 945, 2024, first and second reading.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO. 260/2024

M/S Councillors Beattie/ Goddard

That Council gives District of Hudson's Hope Five-Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 945, 2024, third reading.

CARRIED

B3 DISTRICT OF HUDSON'S HOPE TAX RATE BYLAW NO. 946, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 261/2024

M/S Councillors Beattie/Winnicky

That Council receives the report titled "District of Hudson's Hope Tax Rate Bylaw No. 946, 2024" dated April 29, 2024; further, that Council gives District of Hudson's Hope Tax Rate Bylaw No. 946, 2024, first and second reading.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO. 262/2024

M/S Councillors Winnicky/Beattie

That Council gives District of Hudson's Hope Tax Rate Bylaw No. 946, 2024, third reading.

CARRIED

B4 DISTRICT OF HUDSON'S HOPE COUNCIL PROCEDURE AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 948, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 263/2024

M/S Councillors Goddard/Charlesworth

That Council receives the report titled "District of Hudson's Hope Council Procedure Amendment Bylaw No. 948, 2024" dated April 29, 2024; further, that Council gives District of Hudson's Hope Council Procedure Amendment Bylaw No. 948, 2024, which allows all Members of Council to participate in a Meeting by electronic means during an emergency, first and second reading.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO. 264/2024

M/S Councillors Winnicky/Beattie

That Council gives District of Hudson's Hope Council Procedure Amendment Bylaw No. 948, 2024, third reading.

CARRIED

13. CORRESPONDENCE

C1 CAITLIN VINCE – HH FARMERS’ MARKET

RESOLUTION NO. 265/2024

M/S Councillors Winnicky/Beattie

That Council receives the correspondence titled "Caitlin Vince – HH Farmers’ Market” for information; further that Council approves the request from the Hudson's Hope Farmers Market for the use of Beattie Park from the third Tuesday in May, 2024 to the last Tuesday in September 2024 and that vendors be able to utilize the power in the park.

CARRIED

C2 LETTER FROM VIC GOULDIE

RESOLUTION NO. 266/2024

M/S Councillors Charlesworth/Winnicky

That Council receives the correspondence titled "Letter from Vic Gouldie” for information.

CARRIED

C3 LETTER FROM JOHN SIMCOCK AND KEVIN HOWARD

RESOLUTION NO. 267/2024

M/S Councillors Winnicky/Goddard

That Council receives the correspondence titled "Letter from John Simcock and Kevin Howard” for discussion.

CARRIED

C4 ASKI RECLAMATION LP – SEED COLLECTION

RESOLUTION NO. 268/2024

M/S Councillors Winnicky/Beattie

That Council receives the correspondence titled "Aski Reclamation LP – Seed Collection” for discussion; further that Council supports the Aksi Reclamation Seed Project subject to obtaining access from all landowners that may be affected by this project.

CARRIED

C5 RESPONSE - MIKE FARNWORTH – BILL 34

RESOLUTION NO. 269/2024

M/S Councillors Winnicky/Goddard

That Council receives the correspondence titled " Response – Mike Farnworth – Bill 34” for information.

CARRIED

C6 PRRD – COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

RESOLUTION NO. 269/2024

M/S Councillors Winnicky/Goddard

That Council receives the correspondence titled "PRRD - Community Engagement" for information.

CARRIED

C7 REQUEST FOR MORE CHILDRENS ACTIVITIES

RESOLUTION NO. 270/2024

M/S Councillors Winnicky/Goddard

That Council receives the correspondence titled "Request for more Childrens Activities" for discussion.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO. 271/2024

M/S Councillors Winnicky/Goddard

That Council directs staff to undertake public engagement regarding District of Hudson's Hope community events to gather feedback from the community regarding the quality and quantity of events being provided by the District, and the type of events that they would like to see offered by the District, further, that staff Council with attendance numbers for new events versus old events; and further, that staff connect with local societies and organizations to determine how the District can best work together to ensure events are not duplicated or dis-jointed, and further again, that staff connect with neighboring communities to determine what kind of events they are providing.

CARRIED

C8 2024 NCLGA NORTHERN HEALTH MEETING INVITATION

RESOLUTION NO. 272/2024

M/S Councillors Winnicky/Charlesworth

That Council receives the correspondence titled "2024 NCLGA Northern Health Meeting Invitation"; further that Council authorizes a meeting to be booked with Northern Health during the 2024 North Central Local Government Association Conference to discuss the following items:

- a. Bringing health professionals to small rural communities to reduce the traveled required for residents requiring health services such as physiotherapy;
- b. Increasing health care capacity within the District of Hudson's Hope to accommodate residents that travel from outside the District to receive medial services by increasing the allocation used to determine staffing levels in the District for doctors and nurse practitioners;
- c. Providing education through workshops or information sessions on topics such as such as arthritis, diabetes, and aging in place for community members; and
- d. Hospital closures and diversions.

CARRIED

C9 SCHOOL DISTRICT 72 REQUEST FOR PINS

RESOLUTION NO. 273/2024

M/S Councillors Winnicky/Charlesworth

That Council receives the correspondence titled "School District 72 Request for Pins" for discussion; further that Council authorizes Staff to forward 30 District pins as requested.

CARRIED

C10 LETTER TO COUNCIL FOR SCHOOL CROSSWALK PAINTING

RESOLUTION NO. 274/2024

M/S Councillors Winnicky/Beattie

That Council receives the correspondence titled "Letter to Council for School Crosswalk Painting" for discussion; further that Council approves the request from the HHESS School's GSA Club to repaint the crosswalk at the same location at the school.

CARRIED

C11 DOUBLE H SADDLE CLUB

RESOLUTION NO. 275/2024

M/S Councillors Charlesworth/Beattie

That Council receives the correspondence titled "Double H Saddle Club" for discussion.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO. 276/2024

M/S Councillors Winnicky/Goddard

That Council authorizes the District of Hudson's Hope to partner with the Double H Saddle Club on the submission of a grant application to the FCC AgriSpirit Fund, for a grant up to \$25,000, to be used to purchase eight horse shelters; further that the Double H Saddle Club be responsible for preparing and submitting the Grant Application and any required Reporting; further, that if the Double H Saddle Club is successful in obtaining the grant funds, the District of Hudson's Hope will enter into an agreement with FCC AgriSpirit to receive the funds on behalf of the Double H Saddle Club, and be responsible for grant management of the funds.

C12 CO-OP AGM

RESOLUTION NO. 277/2024

M/S Councillors Beattie/Winnicky

That Council receives the correspondence titled "Co-op AGM" dated April 26, 2024; further that Council authorizes Councillor Beattie to attend the AGM on May 29, 2024, at the Ramada in FSJ.

CARRIED

C13 SUPPORT FOR BLACK BEAR CUB CONFLICT

RESOLUTION NO. 278/2024

M/S Councillors Charlesworth/Beattie

That Council receives the correspondence titled "Support for Black Bear Cub Conflict" for information.

CARRIED

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

R1 DISTRICT OF HUDSON'S HOPE CAMPGROUNDS

RESOLUTION NO. 279/2024

M/S Councillors Beattie/Charlesworth

That Council receives the report titled "District of Hudson's Hope Campgrounds" dated April 29, 2024; further, that Council authorizes the District Campgrounds to open early for the 2024 season to accommodate residents that may need a place to stay during an evacuation.

OPPOSED: Councillor Winnicky, Charlesworth and Goddard

DEFEATED

15. OLD BUSINESS

16. NEW BUSINESS

17. PUBLIC INQUIRIES

PI1 Ross Tremblay approached Council to advise them that the Municipal Advisory Committee has been established and they are currently reviewing three bylaws that have been discussed at previous meetings. The committee is wanting to get involved with more community engagement and bringing the committees goals to Council. The committee's next meeting will be held in the basement of Silver Willow Wednesday, May 1, 2024 at 7:00 pm.

PI2 Youth Councillor Taylor Sanderson provided a brief update on Grad ceremonies.

17. IN-CAMERA SESSION

ICSR1 NOTICE OF CLOSED SESSION – APRIL 29, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 280/2024

M/S Councillors Beattie/Winnicky

That Council receive the report titled “Notice of Closed Session – April 29, 2024”; further, that Council recess to a Closed Meeting for the purpose of discussing the following items:

- **Agenda items ICSR1** – *Community Charter* Section 90(1)(c), labour relations and employee relations.

CARRIED

Mayor Quibell recessed the meeting for a Closed Session at 8:38 pm.

17. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Quibell reconvened the open meeting and adjourned it to 9:16 pm.

CERTIFIED A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD MONDAY, APRIL 29, 2024.

Original signed by

Travous Quibell, Mayor

Original signed by

Andrea Martin, Corporate Officer