

DISTRICT OF HUDSON'S HOPE
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MONDAY, JULY 14, 2008 AT 6:00 P.M.

Present: **Council:** Mayor Harwood; Councillors Anderson, Webster, Johnson, Kosolowsky and Johansson
Staff: C. Bonnick, Administrator; B. Mercereau, Deputy Clerk
Other: C. Montgomery, D. Fisher, L. Fox, S. Murphy, J. Fairstrom, C. Stacey, W. Harwood, D. Lumley, R. Karst, and B. Bach

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm with Mayor Harwood presiding.

Volunteer of the Year (290-01)

Mayor Harwood presented the award of Volunteer of the Year to Ralph "Spud" Murphy and advised that a cheque in the amount of \$1000 will be donated to the charity of his choice.

MINUTES

M1 Public Hearing – June 23, 2008 (0550-01)

232/08

Moved by Councillor Johnson and Seconded by Councillor Johansson;
"That the minutes of the public hearing held June 23, 2008 be adopted."

CARRIED

M2 Council Meeting – June 23, 2008 (0550-01)

233/08

Moved by Councillor Anderson and Seconded by Councillor Webster;
"That the minutes of the Council meeting held June 23, 2008 be adopted, as amended."

CARRIED

M3 Special Meeting – June 26, 2008 (0550-01)

234/08

Moved by Councillor Anderson and Seconded by Councillor Johansson;
"That the minutes of the special meeting held June 26, 2008 be adopted."

CARRIED

M4 Council Meeting – June 30, 2008 (0550-01)

235/08

Moved by Councillor Johnson and Seconded by Councillor Anderson;
"That the minutes of the Council meeting held June 30, 2008 be adopted, as amended."

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

B1 Grant Easements

Councillor Anderson questioned what the grant easement and notification of property owners of the requirements was referencing on the diary. The Administrator will do some research to find out why this item was placed on the diary.

B2 Lynx Creek Boat Launch (0400-30)

The Administrator advised that the agreement to maintain the Lynx Creek Boat Launch was

signed several years ago. Council requested that information be provided as to whether BC Hydro will be providing the District with funding to maintain the boat launch.

236/08

Moved by Councillor Kosolowsky and Seconded by Councillor Johansson;
"That staff keep track of the work time spent maintaining the boat launch and that a special finance code be made for this work."

CARRIED

B3 Beryl Prairie Park (3220-20)

The Administrator advised that the West Moberly First Nations were asked to respond by July 18, 2008 and that they will be contacted again if no comment is made by that date.

CORRESPONDENCE

237/08

Moved by Councillor Johansson and Seconded by Councillor Webster;
"That the items of correspondence numbered C1 to C15 be received."

CARRIED

C1 Ministry of Forests & Range – Tembec Proposed Logging (0400-20)

Council requested that Tembec notify the District prior to harvest proposals being sent to the Ministry of Forests and Range so that they can comment. Councillor Kosolowsky advised that the site visits that were done with Tembec were very informative. It was also suggested that Council meet with the Tembec planners. A follow-up phone call will be made to the Ministry of Forests and Range and Tembec regarding this issue.

C2 District of Tumbler Ridge – Monkman Pass Memorial Trail Grand Opening (0400-50)

C3 NCMA – Moving Forward Session Report (0400-01)

Council requested that more information be given at the next meeting on per capita rates and how the formula was developed.

C4 Premier Gordon Campbell – UBCM Convention (0400-01)

Council will bring a list of Ministries that they would like to meet with during the UBCM convention to the next meeting. Councillor Kosolowsky suggested meeting with the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Health regarding the closure of the Northern Lights College campus and ambulance attendant training.

238/08

Moved by Councillor Webster and Seconded by Councillor Anderson;
"That Council authorize all members of Council to attend the UBCM Convention that wish to attend."

CARRIED

C5 PRRD – Seniors Safety and Crime Prevention (0400-50)

C6 Northern Health – Mission Statement and Strategic Direction (0400-80)

239/08

Moved by Councillor Johnson and Seconded by Councillor Webster;
"That Council authorize Councillors Anderson and Johansson to attend the Northern Health's Shaping Our Future meeting on July 24, 2008 in Fort St. John."

CARRIED

C7 Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources – Peace Moberly Tract (0400-20)

C8 Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources – Geothermal (0400-20)

Council agreed that more information would be needed prior to sending a letter of support. Council requested that staff arrange a meeting with Laurel Nash of the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources.

C9 Northern Lights College – Campus Closure (0400-70)

240/08

Moved by Councillor Kosolowsky and Seconded by Councillor Webster;
“That a letter be sent to the Northern Lights College requesting their budget and financial statements with the information on the Hudson’s Hope Campus included.”

CARRIED

Councillor Johansson made a comment that in the letter from the Northern Lights College states that no partnership has been made with School District No. 60 to date, however the letter from the Ministry of Advanced Education states that a partnership arrangement has been made that will allow the NLA to offer programming using the school district’s facilities in Hudson’s Hope.

C10 Ministry of Advanced Education – Campus Closure (0400-20)

C11 District of Tumbler Ridge – Grizfest Music Festival (0400-50)

C12 District of Chetwynd – BC150 Homecoming Celebrations (0400-50)

C13 District of Coldstream – Nuisance Boats (0400-50)

C14 Ministry of Tourism, Culture and the Arts – BC 150 Celebrations (0400-20)

C15 UBCM – Small Talk Forum 2008 (0400-01)

Council was requested to bring topics for the Small Talk Forum to the next meeting as the deadline for submissions is July 31, 2008.

STAFF REPORTS

SR1 Payroll Summary Ending June 28, 2008 (1920-01)

241/08

Moved by Councillor Webster and Seconded by Councillor Johansson;
“That the municipal payroll totalling \$45,017.32 for the two-week period ending June 28, 2008 be approved.”

CARRIED

SR2 Accounts Payable Summary (1630-01)

242/08

Moved by Councillor Kosolowsky and Seconded by Councillor Johnson;
“That the accounts payable reports for June 26, 2008 in the amount of \$86,010.58 and for July 3, 2008 in the amount of \$171,704.54 and for July 9, 2008 in the amount of \$246,793.74 for a total of \$504,508.86 be approved.”

CARRIED

SR3 Revenue and Expense Report (1890-01)

243/08

Moved by Councillor Webster and Seconded by Councillor Anderson;
“That Council approve the Revenue and Expense report for June.”

CARRIED

SR4 Mail Ballot Authorization and Procedure Bylaw (3900-02)

244/08

Moved by Councillor Anderson and Seconded by Councillor Kosolowsky;
 "That Council give second, third and final readings to the Mail Ballot Authorization and
 Procedure Bylaw No. 753, 2008."

CARRIED

SR5 Camping Regulations – Proposed Bylaw Amendment (3900-02)

245/08

Moved by Councillor Webster and Seconded by Councillor Kosolowsky;
 "That Council give first, second and third readings to the Parks, Campgrounds and Facilities
 Regulation Amendment Bylaw No. 754, 2008."

DEFEATED

with Councillors Johnson, Anderson and Kosolowsky OPPOSED

A roundtable discussion ensued with members noting the following:

- do not want to see the campgrounds used as a place to live for the summer;
- the campgrounds are not overcrowded and we should try to keep the tourists in the campgrounds as long as possible as they are usually spending time and money in the community; and
- many of the local residents take up the prime location campsites for long periods of time.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CM1 NRAHTA Meeting (0230-01)

Councillor Webster submitted her report on the NRAHTA meeting she attended on July 3, 2008. She advised that the Board of Directors of NRAHTA would now become the Board of Directors for the Alaska Highway Community Initiative (AHCI). Councillor Webster also gave additional information on the Community Hotel Tax.

CM2 Hudson's Hope Gas Tour (6660-20)

Councillor Johansson advised of the pipeline tour she and Councillor Johnson attended with Hudson's Hope Gas. It was requested that a thank you letter be sent to Hudson's Hope Gas.

NEW BUSINESS

NB1 Beryl Prairie Road Conditions (0400-20)

Councillor Webster advised of a bad road condition and of the increased industrial traffic on the Beryl Prairie Road. Council asked that a letter be sent to the Ministry of Transportation requesting upgrades be done on the Beryl Prairie Road, especially if major industrial traffic continues to occur. It was also suggested that a letter be sent to the Rural Road Task Force.

NB2 Northern Health – Physiotherapist (0400-80)

Councillor Anderson commented on the need for a physiotherapist in Hudson's Hope. The current contract is held by a person in Dawson Creek who is not fulfilling the needs. She was advised that a physiotherapist in Fort St. John is interested in coming to Hudson's Hope; however, the current contract would need to be cancelled before any other physiotherapist could start coming to Hudson's Hope. Council requested a letter be written to Northern Health regarding this matter.

NB3 Cemetery Seekers (4100-01)

Councillor Johansson commented on the reference letter written to Cemetery Seekers and requested background information.

NB4 Municipal Hall Lighting (0810-20)

Councillor Kosolowsky commented that the lights on the back of the Municipal Hall should be turned out during dusk and dawn hours, as he does not believe that they are needed.

	DIARY	Diarized	Last Review/Action
DY1	<i>Conventions/Conferences Holidays July 28 Council Meeting August 11 Council Meeting</i>		
DY2	<i>Grant Easement and notify property owners of requirements</i>	Oct 2004	Completed
DY3	<i>Ticketing Bylaw (3900-02)</i>	Oct 2004	June 2007
DY4	<i>Unsightly Premises Bylaw (3900-02)</i>	Nov 2004	Jan 2008
DY5	<i>Development of Atkinson Subdivision</i>	Apr 2005	July 2007
DY6	<i>Waste Reduction Assessment</i>	Apr 2005	
DY7	<i>Blanket rezoning of commercial properties along Beattie Drive</i>	June 2006	
DY8	<i>Portage Road Closure</i>	Sept 2005	Feb 2008
DY9	<i>Seniors Housing</i>	Feb 2007	Apr 2008
DY10	<i>Plan to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions</i>	Feb 2007	
DY11	<i>BC's 150th Anniversary Celebrations</i>	May 2007	
DY12	<i>Trade, Investment & Labour Mobility Agreement</i>	May 2007	
DY13	<i>Minister of Small Business and Revenue – Single Business Licences (0400-20)</i>	Aug 2007	Feb 2008
DY14	<i>Cameron Lake Campground (6130-20)</i>	Jan 2008	Apr 2008
DY15	<i>Regional Community Foundation (0400-01)</i>	Jan 2008	Apr 2008
DY16	<i>Peace River Regional District System (0400-50)</i>	Feb 2008	
DY17	<i>Site Inspections with Tembec (6660-01)</i>	Mar 2008	
DY18	<i>Registration for the Northeast BC Community Coal Forum</i>	May 2008	

246/08

Moved by Councillor Johnson and Seconded by Councillor Anderson;

"To recess this regular meeting and, pursuant to Part 4, Division 3 and Part 5, Division 2 of the *Community Charter*, convene a special meeting that will be closed to the public to discuss matters pertaining to legal issues. (7:00 p.m.)

CARRIED

[This regular meeting reconvened at 7:06 p.m.]

ADJOURNMENT

247/08 Moved by Councillor Kosolowsky and Seconded by Councillor Webster;
 "That this regular meeting of the Council be adjourned." (7:07 p.m.)

CARRIED

Certified Correct:

Clerk

Mayor