

DISTRICT OF HUDSON'S HOPE
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 09, 2009 AT 7:00 P.M.

Present: **Council:** Mayor Anderson; Councillors Webster, Johnson, Summer, Johansson and Stacey
Staff: B. Mercereau, Deputy Clerk; M. Carter, Director of Public Works; Alan Stebbing, Manager of Protective & Inspection Services; and Vikki Bochon, Deputy Clerk
Other: C. Lewis and Bob Bach

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm with Mayor Anderson presiding.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

M1 Minutes – October 15, 2009 (0550-01)

328/09 M/S Councillors Webster and Stacey;
"The minutes of the Council meeting held October 15, 2009 be adopted as amended."
CARRIED

M2 Minutes – October 22, 2009 (0550-01)

329/09 M/S Councillors Stacey and Johnson;
"The minutes of the Council meeting held October 22, 2009 be adopted as amended."
CARRIED

M3 Minutes – October 26, 2009 (0550-01)

330/09 M/S Councillors Webster and Summer;
"The minutes of the Council meeting held October 26, 2009 be adopted as amended."
CARRIED

M4 Minutes – October 29, 2009 (0550-01)

331/09 M/S Councillors Johansson and Summer;
"The minutes of the Council meeting held October 26, 2009 be adopted."
CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

B1 Urban Systems – Signage on Rural Properties/ Size of Manufactured Homes Permitted (3360-01)

Council discussed signage along the Beryl Prairie Road. It was mentioned that they haven't heard back from Urban Systems with this information as of yet and that the Administrator would need to contact Joel Short again. It was requested that a letter be sent to the Ministry of Transportation requesting information about sign usage along the Beryl Prairie road way.

B2 Diarized items on the Council Meeting Minutes (0550-01)

It was suggested by the Deputy Clerk that the diarized items which are attached to the Council meeting minutes be removed. Council advised that they use the diarized section of the minutes for a future reference, to know where items are at and so that items don't get missed. The Administrator will need to speak to Council in regards to this issue.

SR1 STAFF REPORTS

Senior Snow Removal (0340-50)

It was recommended by staff that Council consider other means to assist those residents of the community who truly require assistance with snow removal.

332/09 M/S Councillors Johansson and Johnson;

"That Council attempt an information campaign aimed at a voluntary reduction for the Senior Snow Removal Service through letters and the Bulletin."

CARRIED

SR2 Transtor Station (5360-01)

It was recommended by staff that Council refer the issue of placing a cardboard recycling area at the Transtor Station to the budget discussions and in the meantime, request that residents first use the recycle bins located at Shop Easy and as a last resort put cardboard in the wood pile rather than household garbage bins.

333/09 Council discussed all the options surrounding the cardboard recycling. A recommendation was made.

M/S Councillors Webster and Stacey;

334/09 "That the cardboard issue be referred to the Environmental Committee to come up with other ways to dispose of the cardboard."

CARRIED

M/S Councillors Johnson and Johansson;

335/09 "That Council authorize staff to prepare a yard waste area in the spring at the Transtor Station."

CARRIED

M/S Councillors Johnson and Webster;

336/09 "That Council not proceed with the bulky waste bins until cost issues are dealt with."

CARRIED

M/S Councillors Webster and Johansson;

"That Council have staff create a two week bulky items disposal to better deal with the larger trash."

CARRIED

SR3

Community Focus Session (1855-01)

Mrs. Kenny has proposed to host a Community Focus Session meeting on Thursday, November 19, 2009 from 4:00pm to 9:00pm at the Pearkes Center for the Economic Development Strategy Plan. Council is requested to attend this meeting to help with the planning process and give their thoughts and opinions. Council will contact Vikki if they are available to attend.

SR4

2010 Council Meeting Schedule

337/09

M/S Councillors Stacey and Johnson;

"That Council adopt the attached schedule and Acting Mayors List for 2010."

CARRIED

SR5

Agricultural Land Commission Meeting (0400-30)

Council discussed the letter that was sent to the Agricultural Land Commission and the time frame on which Mr. Martin Collins of the ALC will be able to meet with them. Council would like to discuss this further with Administrator upon his return.

SR6

Water, Sewer and Garbage Amendments (3900-02)

338/09

M/S Councillors Johnson and Stacey;

“That Council give first reading to the Sanitary Sewer Regulations Bylaw No. 776, as amended.”

339/09

M/S Councillors Stacey and Johnson;

“That Council give second and third readings to the Sanitary Sewer Regulations Bylaw No. 776.

340/09

M/S Councillors Johansson and Webster;

“That Council give first reading to the Water Service Regulations Bylaw No. 777, as amended.”

341/09

M/S Councillors Johnson and Johansson;

“That Council give the second and third readings to for the Water Service Regulations Bylaw No. 777.”

342/09

M/S Councillors Johansson and Stacey;

“That Council give first, second and third readings for the Hudson’s Hope Garbage Collection Bylaw No. 778.”

CARRIED

SR7

Remuneration and Reimbursement of Expenses Amendment (3900-02)

343/09

M/S Councillors Summer and Johnson;

“That Council give the first, second and third readings for the Remuneration and Reimbursement of Expenses Amendment Bylaw No. 779.”

BY1

Fire Protection & Life Safety Bylaw (3900-02)

344/09

M/S Councillors Johnson and Stacey;

“That Council adopt the District of Hudson’s Hope Fire Protection and Life Safety Bylaw No. 775, 2009

CARRIED

Discussion ensued with members noting the following;

- Questioned the fines and charges
- Requested a comparison of charges with communities of the same population
- Requested having more than just one person approving ticket amounts

345/09

M/S Councillors Webster and Johansson;

"That Council table the above motion for adoption of the Fire Protection and Life Safety Bylaw No. 775, 2009 until the December 14, 2009 Council meeting, when further information can be provided."

CARRIED

C1 CORRESPONDENCE

BC Hydro – Response to Meeting Request (0400-30)

Council requested a letter be sent to PWAC in regards to outlining issues of BC Hydro's policy and direction which would affect the communities within our boundaries. Council also requested a letter sent to Dan Doyle with BC Hydro thanking him for his response and requesting to meet with him in the spring.

C2

346/09

RCBC – Recycling Council of British Columbia (5380-01)

M/S Councillors Webster and Johansson;

"That Council support the RCBC by purchasing a RCBC membership in the amount \$175.00."

C3

CARRIED

Invitation to attend Dawson Creek LRMP Implementation meeting on November 26, 2009 (0400-20)

Councillor Summer will attend as Acting Mayor and staff was asked to RSVP him for the meeting.

CR1 COUNCIL REPORTS

North Peace Economic Development Commission – Terry Webster (0360-01)

Councillor Webster advised this was a productive meeting and that it was explained what they are wanting from the Economic Development Commission.

NB1 NEW BUSINESS

Beryl Prairie Road Sign (0400-20)

Councillor Stacey requested information to see what needs to be done to have the Ministry of Transportation post signs indicating directions and mileage to the Beryl Prairie Road. He also requested information on how to get a road side pull out for large trucks needing to park.

NB2 Oil & Gas Activity Reports (0400-20)

Councillor Johansson advised Council the new regulations for the Oil & Gas Activities Act is being created. The environmental, drilling and production reports have all been updated and Councillor Johansson was wondering if Council would be interested in these reports. These reports hold information regarding noise restrictions, flaring restrictions and setbacks. Cindy Lewis advised that she would send Vikki the website to access this information.

NB3 Dawson Creek Stock Action Mart

Mayor Anderson advised Council that Connie Patterson of the Dawson Creek Auction Mart had contacted her looking for support from surrounding municipalities for the need for an Auction Mart Facility within Dawson Creek.

347/09 M/S Councillors Summer and Johnson;

“That Council does support and recognizes the need for a Stock Auction Facility within the region.”

CARRIED

A letter will be sent in support the Stock Auction Facility to Connie Patterson.

NB4 Victoria Times Colonist – Wind Power Letter

Mayor Anderson advised Council of a letter that was submitted to the Victoria Times Colonist. This letter was read aloud and Acting Mayor Summer will respond to the Editor of the Victoria Times Colonist with the help of Councillor Johansson.

PUBLIC INQUIRIES

PI1 Request to Council – Freeing up land for Industrial Use

Mr. Bach advised Council of the need for industrial land within the municipality. He advised that he has already sold properties just outside of the Municipality due to the fact the purchaser could not wait any longer for land to be freed up for industrial or Rural Residential purchase. He stated that the District is already losing out; his thoughts are that when the road from Farrell Creek to Beryl Prairie is complete and the oil and gas related companies purchase property outside the District’s boundaries, the town is going to be bypassed. He asked about the crown land surrounding Lynx Creek and Beryl Prairie subdivisions. Council suggested that Mr. Bach set up a meeting with the Administrator as he is the District Planner as well.

DIARY

Diarized

Last Review/Action

DY1	<i>Conventions/Conferences Holidays November 9 Council Meeting November 11 Remembrance Day November 13 Tembec Public Meeting November 18 Community Development & Services Advisory Committee Meeting November 23 Council Meeting November 23 Meeting with Northern Health (tentative) November 25 Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting</i>		
DY2	<i>Unightly Premises Bylaw (3900-02)</i>	<i>Nov 2004</i>	<i>Jan 2008</i>
DY3	<i>Development of Atkinson Subdivision</i>	<i>Apr 2005</i>	<i>Oct 2009</i>
DY4	<i>Portage Road Closure</i>	<i>Sept 2005</i>	<i>Sept 2009</i>
DY5	<i>Seniors Housing</i>	<i>Feb 2007</i>	
DY6	<i>Plan to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions</i>	<i>Feb 2007</i>	
DY7	<i>Minister of Small Business and Revenue – Single Business</i>	<i>Aug 2007</i>	<i>Feb 2008</i>

Licences (0400-20)

DY8	<i>Cameron Lake Campground (6130-20)</i>	<i>Jan 2008</i>	<i>Oct 2008</i>
DY9	<i>Regional Community Foundation (0400-01)</i>	<i>Jan 2008</i>	<i>Apr 2008</i>
DY10	<i>Peace River Regional District System (0400-50)</i>	<i>Feb 2008</i>	
DY11	<i>Schedule meeting to discuss waste management</i>	<i>August 2008</i>	
DY12	<i>UBCM Resolution – Surface Land Owner Notification</i>	<i>May 2009</i>	
DY13	<i>Community Futures – REDI-BC Funding</i>	<i>June 2009</i>	
DY14	<i>Road Allowance for Oil & Gas Activity</i>	<i>July 2009</i>	

ADJOURNMENT

M/S Councillors Stacey and Webster;
"That this regular meeting of the Council be adjourned." (9:12 p.m.)

CARRIED

Certified Correct:

Deputy Clerk

Mayor