

DISTRICT OF HUDSON'S HOPE
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MONDAY, JANUARY 28, 2008 AT 6:00 P.M.

Present: **Council:** Mayor Harwood; Councillors Anderson, Johnson, Kosolowsky and Johansson
Staff: C. Bonnick, Administrator; B. Mercereau, Deputy Clerk
Other: Corporal Dean

CALL TO ORDER

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

DELEGATION

D1 RCMP Updates (7500-01)

Corporal Dean advised Council that the rescue sled has been purchased with funds from the District and BC Hydro and is community owned; it is not owned by the RCMP. A hitch and a snow shovel will also be bought with the excess funds being approximately \$200.00. He will be looking into a type of cover that would protect the passenger/victim from the snow and wind. Council suggested the sled be brought to the Spirit of 2010 Celebration at the Ski Hill for a demonstration. Corporal Dean and Council also discussed the following issues:

- deterrent to slow drivers in the school zone is being investigated;
- the process to recommend that a driver be considered for examination can be made directly to the Superintendent of Motor Vehicles;
- it was advised that Constable Eling will be leaving in July, 2008 and that there are two people currently interested in the position; and
- office hours are 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, Tuesday to Friday.

Waive Normal Procedure

030/08 Moved by Councillor Anderson and Seconded by Councillor Kosolowsky;
"That Council waive normal procedure and discuss Agenda Item SR12 and SR13 at this time."

CARRIED

SR12 Development Variance Permit Application – Scott and Barbara Kylo (3090-20 xref. 0928.000)

031/08 Moved by Councillor Johansson and Seconded by Councillor Johnson;
"That Council issue Development Variance Permit No. 2008-01."

CARRIED

SR13 Development Variance Permit Application – Lovette Kylo (3090-20 xref. 0964.000)

Council is in receipt of two letters in opposition to the application. The Administrator advised that a Registered Onsite Wastewater Practitioner has certified that each proposed lot can accommodate a septic field and an additional field in the event of future failure. Council requested letters be sent to Edna Smith, Nancy Smith, Wanda McEvoy and Harvey Boucher to advise them that their concerns were considered

032/08 Moved by Councillor Johnson and Seconded by Councillor Anderson;
"That Council issue Development Variance Permit No. 2008-02."

CARRIED

MINUTES

M1 Council Meeting – January 14, 2008 (0550-01)

033/08

Moved by Councillor Kosolowsky and Seconded by Councillor Anderson;
“That the minutes of the Council meeting held January 14, 2008 be adopted.”

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

B1 Municipal Outdoor Lighting (0810-20)

Councillor Kosolowsky stated that there are seven lights on during the evenings at the back of the Municipal Office. The Administrator will discuss the programming of the lights with the Director of Works and Protective Services to see if they can be set to turn off when safety issues are not a concern, particularly during nights the curling club is open.

B2 Notations of Interest on Crown Land (3020-01 xref. 0100.000)

The Administrator advised that there are no interests registered on the Crown lands north of the sewer lagoons and that it would be in the District's best interest to apply for a free Crown Grant for future expansion of the public works yard and/or sewer facilities on the lands having a legal description of the NE ¼ of Section 19, Township 81, Range 25 W6M, except Blocks A, B and C and Block B of the NE ¼ of Section 19, Township 81, Range 25, W6M.

034/08

Moved by Councillor Johnson and Seconded by Councillor Johansson;
“That Council authorise staff to proceed with an application for a Free Crown Grant on the lands having a legal description of the NE ¼ of Section 19, Township 81, Range 25 W6M, except Blocks A, B and C and Block B of the NE ¼ of Section 19, Township 81, Range 25, W6M.”

CARRIED

B3 Cardboard Costs (5380-01)

Council requested the Deputy Clerk contact Eco-Depot to have them make a presentation to Council on collecting and baling the cardboard in Hudson's Hope, including the cost of providing this service.

B4 BC Assessment – 2008 Property Assessment Roll (0400-30)

Council was advised that a letter has been sent to BC Assessment.

B5 Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources – Land Surface Office (0400-20)

Councillor Johansson advised that a person has been selected for the new Regional Executive Director position, but it has not yet been announced to the public.

B6 City of Fort St. John – High on Ice Winter Carnival (0400-50)

Mayor Harwood informed Council that no one attended the ice carving challenge.

B7 Proposed Site C Hydro Project (0400-30)

The Administrator advised that a letter had been sent to BC Hydro regarding the issues Council had brought forward at the last meeting. Mayor Harwood also advised that she had spoken with representatives at the Regional District meeting about Council's concerns.

CORRESPONDENCE

035/08 Moved by Councillor Johansson and Seconded by Councillor Johnson;
"That the items of correspondence numbered C1 to C8 be received."
CARRIED

C1 COFI – Annual Convention (0390-01)

036/08 Moved by Councillor Anderson and Seconded by Councillor Johansson;
"That Council authorize Mayor or alternate to attend the COFI Annual convention from April
16 to 18, 2008."
CARRIED

C2 BC Hydro Power Smart – Power Smart Excellence Awards (0400-30)

C3 NCMA – BC Rural Communities Summit (0400-01)

Council requested an agenda for the summit for the next meeting prior to making a decision.

C4 The Graduating Class of 2008 – Request for Donation (1770-01)

037/08 Moved by Councillor Anderson and Seconded by Councillor Kosolowsky;
"That Council donate \$100.00 to the Graduating Class of 2008 for the purchase of school
supplies to give to local schools in the Dominican Republic."
DEFEATED

C5 PRRD – Participation in Part 26 Services, Planning and Land Use Management (0400-50 xref. 6440-01)

Mayor Harwood explained that the contract with the Peace River Regional District for participation in the planning is now expired. She also explained the reasons why she believes it is important to take part in this process. Councillor Johansson voiced her opposition with how the system allows municipalities to vote on rural issues, but rural representatives cannot vote on municipal issues. Council discussed how the system works and Mayor Harwood advised that the regional district is planning on looking at how the process/system functions.

038/08 Moved by Councillor Johnson and Seconded by Councillor Kosolowsky;
"That Council participate in the Part 26 Services for Planning and Land Use Management in the Regional District based on assessment and budget apportionment."
CARRIED
with Councillor Johansson OPPOSED

C6 Landry Women's Institute – Site C Dam Resolution (0400-30)

C7 Hudson's Hope Public Library – Thank You Letter (0220-01)

Council requested this letter be forwarded onto staff.

C8 NCMA – Resolution Submission Deadline (0400-01)

Council requested this issue be put on the diary.

STAFF REPORTS

SR1 Payroll Summary Ending January 12, 2008 (1920-01)

039/08 Moved by Councillor Johnson and Seconded by Councillor Kosolowsky;
"That the municipal payroll totalling \$29,875.54 for the two-week period ending January 12,

2008 be approved.”

CARRIED

SR2 Accounts Payable Summary (1630-01)

040/08

Moved by Councillor Kosolowsky and Seconded by Councillor Anderson;
“That the accounts payable report for January 23, 2008 in the amount of \$52,182.53 be approved.”

CARRIED

SR3 Recreational Fees and Charges (3900-02)

041/08

Moved by Councillor Kosolowsky and Seconded by Councillor Johansson;
“That Council give first, second and third reading to the Campgrounds and Community Recreation Facilities Fee Amendment Bylaw No. 746, 2008.”

CARRIED

SR4 Building Bylaw (3900-02)

Council discussed some of their concerns with the new Building Bylaw. The following comments were made:

- a definition for “alteration” should be made;
- size limits will help to determine whether a building requires a Building Permit;
- price increases will help to recoup of the costs of providing this service;
- can caveats be placed on property titles when they don't have a building permit;
- enforcement concerns were raised; and
- potential purchasers are responsible for finding out whether a building permit was issued.

Council agreed that the bylaw be advertised for public comment prior to further readings and that it be reconsidered at the February 25, 2008 meeting.

SR5 Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw (3900-20)

042/08

Moved by Councillor Anderson and Seconded by Councillor Johnson;
“That Council adopt the Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw No. 744, 2008.”

CARRIED

SR6 Expense Reimbursement (3900-20)

043/08

Moved by Councillor Johnson and Seconded by Councillor Johansson;
“That Council read for the second and third time and adopt the Council Remuneration and Reimbursement of Expenses Amendment Bylaw No. 745, 2008.”

CARRIED

SR7 Dr. Wendling's Presentation (5280-14)

044/08

Moved by Councillor Anderson and Seconded by Councillor Kosolowsky;
“That Council book Dr. Wendling to do a workshop in Hudson's Hope and authorize funds in the amount of \$1,500.00 plus taxes.”

CARRIED

Council requested an invitation be sent to neighbouring communities for them to attend our workshop if they do not want to book Dr. Wendling themselves.

SR8 Animal Control and Licensing Amendment Bylaw and Municipal Ticket Information System Amendment Bylaw (3900-20)

045/08

Moved by Councillor Johnson and Seconded by Councillor Kosolowsky;
“That Council adopt the Animal Control and Licensing Amendment Bylaw No. 724, 2007.”

with Councillor Johansson OPPOSED

046/08

Moved by Councillor Anderson and Seconded by Councillor Kosolowsky;
"That Council adopt the Municipal Ticket Information System Amendment Bylaw No. 728,
2007."

CARRIED

with Councillor Johansson OPPOSED

SR9

Hudson's Hope Banner (6900-01)

047/08

Moved by Councillor Anderson and Seconded by Councillor Johansson;
"That Council approve the Hudson's Hope banner design."

CARRIED

SR10

Foreign Animal Diseases and Animal Carcass Disposal (1855-03 xref. 0400-50)

048/08

Moved by Councillor Johansson and Seconded by Councillor Johnson;
"That Council authorize the Peace River Regional District to undertake regional coordination
of UBCM funding available to the District of Hudson's Hope for plan development and
exercises for the Foreign Animal Diseases and Animal Carcass Disposal Initiative."

CARRIED

SR11

General Strategic Priorities Fund and Innovations Fund Program Funding (1855-04)

049/08

Moved by Councillor Kosolowsky and Seconded by Councillor Johnson;
"That Council receive the report on general strategic priorities fund and innovations fund
program funding for information."

CARRIED

SR14

Regional Community Foundation (0400-01)

Councillor Johnson gave an update on the foundation and the steering committee. He will
bring the report that he will be receiving from Community Futures once it is received.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CM1

Spirit of 2010 (0540-20)

Councillor Anderson informed that the event planning is underway and there will be lots of
outdoor family fun and games at the Ski Hill on February 16.

CM2

Literacy Society (0360-20)

Councillor Anderson advised that the meeting for the Literacy Society has been changed to
February 4, 2008 and that she will be attending it.

CM3

Wildland Fire Protection (0540-20)

Councillor Kosolowsky and Johnson will be having the first Wildland Fire Protection
committee meeting on January 29, 2008 at 6:00 pm.

CM4

EDC (0360-20)

Councillor Johnson gave updates from the last EDC meeting. He also advised that they
supported the Energy Services of BC.

CM5

Peace River Regional District (0400-50)

Mayor Harwood advised that the Peace River Regional District will be looking at the Columbia Basin Trust information to be prepared for if Site C goes forward.

NEW BUSINESS

NB1 Unhealthy Living (0400-80)

The Administrator advised that people living in unhealthy buildings would need to be reported directly to Northern Health.

	DIARY	Diarized	Last Review/Action
DY1	<i>Conventions/Conferences Holidays February 11 Council Meeting February 25 Council Meeting</i>		
DY2	<i>Grant Easement and notify property owners of requirements</i>	<i>Oct 2004</i>	<i>Sept 2005</i>
DY3	<i>Building Amendment Bylaw</i>	<i>Oct 2004</i>	<i>Jan 2008</i>
DY4	<i>Ticketing Bylaw</i>	<i>Oct 2004</i>	<i>June 2007</i>
DY5	<i>Unightly Premises Bylaw</i>	<i>Nov 2004</i>	<i>Jan 2008</i>
DY6	<i>Development of Atkinson Subdivision</i>	<i>Apr 2005</i>	<i>July 2007</i>
DY7	<i>Waste Reduction Assessment</i>	<i>Apr 2005</i>	
DY8	<i>Blanket rezoning of commercial properties along Beattie Drive</i>	<i>June 2006</i>	
DY9	<i>Portage Road Closure</i>	<i>Sept 2005</i>	<i>Feb 2008</i>
DY10	<i>Seniors Housing</i>	<i>Feb 2007</i>	
DY11	<i>Plan to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions</i>	<i>Feb 2007</i>	
DY12	<i>BC's 150th Anniversary Celebrations</i>	<i>May 2007</i>	
DY13	<i>Trade, Investment & Labour Mobility Agreement</i>	<i>May 2007</i>	
DY14	<i>Minister of Small Business and Revenue – Single Business Licences</i>	<i>Aug 2007</i>	<i>Updated on Reading File Feb 08</i>
DY15	<i>Cameron Lake Campground</i>	<i>Jan 2008</i>	
DY16	<i>Regional Community Foundation</i>	<i>Jan 2008</i>	
DY17	<i>NCMA Resolutions – MARCH 7, 2008</i>	<i>Jan 2008</i>	

050/08 Moved by Councillor Anderson and Seconded by Councillor Johnson;

“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. (7:40 p.m.)

[This regular meeting reconvened at 7:49 p.m.]

Cameron Lake Campground (6130-20)

Council discussed making Cameron Lake Campground into a natural unserviced campsite. The following comments and concerns were raised:

- could speak with Forestry and the Peace River Regional District to find out how they deal with their campgrounds;
- find out what kind of liability responsibility there is;
- the playground could be moved to another campground, dependent on who funded the purchase of it and if there were any stipulations; and
- garbage collection would need to be addressed.

Council requested staff do some more research on the issue and place it on the diary.

ADJOURNMENT

051/08

Moved by Councillor Anderson and Seconded by Councillor Johnson;
"That this regular meeting of the Council be adjourned." (7:55 p.m.)

CARRIED

Certified Correct:

Clerk

Mayor