

DISTRICT OF HUDSON'S HOPE
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2010 AT 7:00 P.M.

Present: **Council:** Mayor Anderson, Councillors Johansson, Johnson, Stacey, Summer, and Webster
Staff: Charles Nash; Administrator, Christine Harwood; Office Assistant , Allan Stebbing Manager of Protective and Inspection Services and Mike Carter; Director of public Works
Other: There were four (4) members of the public in the gallery

CALL TO ORDER

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

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

026/10 M/S Councillors Webster and Johansson;
"The agenda of the Council meeting held February 22, 2010 be adopted."

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

M1 Minutes – February 8, 2010 (0550-01)
027/10 M/S Councillors Johnson and Stacey;
"The minutes of the Council meeting held February 8, 2010 be adopted as corrected."

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

BR1 NCLGA Resolution Deadline: March 5, 2010
Council was reminded that the deadline for submitting resolutions on issues of concern to the NCLGA convention is Friday, March 5, 2010.

BR2 Economic Development Strategic Planning Meetings February 23, 2010
Council was reminded of the Special Meeting for the presentation of the final report from the Economic Development Strategic Planning sessions to be held at 6:00pm in Council Chambers on February 23, 2010, as well as the public presentation scheduled for 7:30pm, at the Pearkes Centre.

DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS

- D1 Cpl. Woroshelo – Verbal Report (7380-01)**
Cpl. Darren Woroshelo of the RCMP presented the Hudson's Hope Detachment year end summary report for 2009, as well as a monthly report for 2010. Cpl. Woroshelo advised that the local RCMP's current 3 priorities are Youth Safety, Road Safety and Improving Community Relations. Cpl. Woroshelo will return to the next council meeting to receive input from Council towards the development of the detachment's priorities for 2010. He will also provide monthly updates throughout 2010.

STAFF REPORTS

- SR1 Fire Fuel Treatment RFP – Alan Stebbing, Manager of Protective & Inspection Services (5600-01)**

028/10 The Manager of Protective & Inspection Services spoke on his report and answered Council's questions regarding the budget and funding for the Fire Fuel Treatment project as well as the merchantability of the wood and wood fibre products.

M/S Councillors Stacey and Johansson;

"That Council award the contract to plan, manage, and conduct a Fire Fuel Treatment Program in Hudson's Hope to TDB Consultants Inc of Prince George"

CARRIED

- SR2 Financial Assistance Grants – Deputy Treasurer, Rhonda Eastman (1850-01)**

Council received the Financial Assistance Grant Application summary provided by the Deputy Treasurer.

A Special Meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, March 2, 2010 at 7:00pm in the Council Chambers to review the applications.

- SR3 Special Events Coordinator January Report (8100-01))**

The Special Events Coordinator provided a report regarding the activities held in January 2010.

- SR4 Resolution for the NCLGA – Alan Stebbing, Manager of Protective & Inspection Services (0400-01)**

029/10

Council received a report from the Manager of Protective & Inspection Services recommending that a resolution be forwarded for endorsement by the NCLGA to lobby the Provincial Government to restore funding for Emergency Management training.

M/S Councillors Johansson and Summer;

"That Council forward the following resolution to the North Central Local Government Association for endorsement:

WHEREAS the Provincial Government cut core funding for Emergency Management training for the 2009/2010 fiscal year and transferred it to a year-by-year special access gaming grant, administered by the BC Association of Emergency Managers, that has been denied for the 2010/2011 fiscal year;

AND WHEREAS adequate training is imperative for an effective local Emergency Management Program which provides for the safety and well being of the citizens of BC, along

with being legislated by Section 6 of the *Emergency Program Act*;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the NCLGA lobby the Provincial Government to restore core funding for Emergency Management training and to continue working with the BC Association of Emergency Managers and other stakeholders to improve Emergency Management training for every community in BC. “

CARRIED

SR5 Community Economic Development Strategic Plan – Administrator

The Administrator reminded Council that the Community Economic Development Strategic Plan will be presented to Council by Sue Kenny of Peace Liard Community Futures at a Special Council Meeting on Tuesday, February 23, 2010 in the Council Chambers at 6:00pm. There will be a Public presentation at 7:00 pm at the Pearkes Centre.

BYLAWS

B1 District of Hudson’s Hope Frontage Tax Bylaw No. 732 – Final Reading (0540-20)

030/10 M/S Councillors Webster and Johnson;

“That Council give the final reading to Bylaw No.732.”

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

C1 Ministry of Community and Rural Development – Local Government Elections Task Force (0400-20)

031/10 M/S Councillors Webster/Johansson;

“That Council recommend that the Election Cycle (term of office) be kept to the current standard of every three years”

CARRIED

C2 BC Lions Society for Children with Disabilities (0630-01)

A request to Proclaim “March as Easter Seals Month”.

C3 NCLGA – Call for nominations for 2010 Executive (0400-01)

A letter seeking nominations for the 2010 -2011 NCLGA Executive. Nominations will be accepted until April 9th, 2010.

FOR INFO

C4 PITCH-IN CANADA (0540-20)

032/10 Application to become an “Operation Clean Sweep” Patron.

M/S Councillors Webster/Stacey;

“that the District of Hudson’s Hope become a patron (member) of Operation Clean Sweep, at the cost of \$225.00”

- CARRIED
- Councillor Webster will present this information to the Environmental Committee for action items.
- C5 LGMA – Local Government Elections Task Force (0400-50)**
- Invitation to provide input.
- FOR INFO
- C6 Northern BC Tourism Association (6900-01)**
- 033/10 Request for formal support for the nomination of the Alaska Highway as a National Historic Site
- M/S Councillors Johnson & Johansson
- “that a letter of support be sent to the Northern BC Tourism Association with regards to their efforts to have the Alaska Highway designated as a National Historic Site”
- CARRIED
- C7 District of Chetwynd (0400-50)**
- An invitation for Mayor and Council to attend the upcoming meeting of the Peace River Municipalities Association meeting on Thursday, April 8, 2010.
- Response required by March 26, 2010. Item was referred to next Council meeting.
- FOR INFO
- C8 BC Government and Service Employees’ Union (0630-01)**
- Request for Proclamation of “March as Community Social Services Awareness Month.”
- C9 Hudson’s Hope School (8100-01)**
- A letter acknowledging the efforts of the Special Events Coordinator.
- This item will be referred to Budget discussions.
- FOR INFO
- C10 Northern Development Initiative Trust (0510-20)**
- A letter informing Council of the approval of the 2010 Grant Writer Funding in the amount of \$7,500.
- FOR INFO
- M/S Councillors Stacy & Johnson
- 034/10 “to receive all Correspondence”
- CARRIED

COUNCIL REPORTS

CR1 Councillor Johnson – Rural Tourism Conference 2010 (0390-01)

035/10 Councillor Johnson provided information on the upcoming Rural Tourism Conference to be held April 6 -8, 2010 in Chase, BC.

M/S Councillors Summer & Johansson

“to approve sending a representative to attend the Rural Tourism Conference April 6 – 8, 2010”

CARRIED

CR2 PRRD News (0400-50)

Mayor Anderson spoke on the news letter from the PRRD board.

FOR INFO

NEW BUSINESS

NB1 Street lights on Beryl Prairie Road (7450-01)

Councillor Webster brought forward a question from the Beryl Prairie Road committee meeting regarding the number of children waiting for the Beryl Prairie school bus in the winter months in unlit driveways.

Staff is to enquire as to who is responsible for initiating the installation of new street lights, what the cost is and what the criteria is for having streetlights added.

NB2 Provincial Aquifer Mapping (0400-20)

Councillor Webster suggested that due to the increased pressure on fresh water supplies caused by Oil and Gas development, Council put forward a resolution to the Province of British Columbia to resume the mapping of underground aquifers.

036/10

M/S Councillors Webster & Johansson

CARRIED

Staff is to draft this resolution.

NB3 Email communication for Council calendars

Councillor Stacey requested the updates to the Councillors' calendars be sent out by email.

NB4 NCLGA Convention

Mayor Anderson requested that Council confirm their intentions to attend the upcoming NCLGA convention to be held in Smithers May 5th – 7th, 2010 so that travel arrangements can be made. The Mayor agreed to coordinate this event.

Mayor Anderson, Councillor Johnson and Administrator confirmed that they will be attending. Others are to RSVP within the week.

NB5 Community Charter

Mayor Anderson suggested that each Councillor have his/her own copy of the Community Charter.

Staff is to obtain seven copies of the Community Charter and distribute them to Council.

PUBLIC ENQUIRIES

PE1 Victor Gouldie – 9105 Ardill Ave

Mr. Gouldie dropped off a letter to Council and left the meeting.

DIARY

Diarized

**Last
Review/Action**

Conventions/Conferences Holidays

DY1	<i>February 23</i>	<i>Community Futures, EDC Meeting 6:00pm</i>		
DY2	<i>February 23</i>	<i>Community Futures, Public EDC Meeting 7:00pm</i>		
DY3	<i>March 2</i>	<i>Special Meeting with Grant Funding Applicants</i>		
DY4	<i>March 8</i>	<i>Council Meeting</i>		
DY5	<i>March 22</i>	<i>Council Meeting</i>		
DY6	<i>March 26</i>	<i>RSVP Peace River Municipalities Association Meeting, Chetwynd</i>		
DY7	<i>Unightly Premises Bylaw (3900-02)</i>		<i>Nov 2004</i>	<i>Jan 2008</i>
DY8	<i>Seniors Housing</i>		<i>Feb 2007</i>	
DY9	<i>Plan to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions</i>		<i>Feb 2007</i>	
DY10	<i>Peace River Regional District System (0400-50)</i>		<i>Feb 2008</i>	
DY11	<i>Community Futures – REDI-BC Funding</i>		<i>June 2009</i>	
DY12	<i>Road Allowance for Oil & Gas Activity</i>		<i>July 2009</i>	

ADJOURNMENT

037/10

M/S Councillor Johnson & Stacey;

"To recess this regular meeting and move In-Camera pursuant to;

(1)(c) Labour relations or other employee relations,

k) Negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service 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;

(2)(b) The consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between the municipality and a provincial government or the federal government or both, or between a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party.

(8:10 pm)

CARRIED

[This regular meeting reconvened at 8:49 p.m.]

ADJOURNMENT

038/10

M/S Councillors Summer & Stacey;
"That this regular meeting of the Council be adjourned." (8:50p.m.)

CARRIED

Certified Correct:

Clerk

Mayor