

DISTRICT OF HUDSON'S HOPE
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, 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: L. Fox, C. Lewis, D. Arberry, B. McCormick, B. Bach, D. Beattie, and R. Gallant, and B. Zazulak

CALL TO ORDER

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

MINUTES

M1 Council Meeting – October 15, 2008 (0550-01)

339/08 Moved by Councillor Johnson and Seconded by Councillor Johansson;
"That the minutes of the Council meeting held October 15, 2008 be adopted, as amended."
CARRIED

M2 Special Meeting – October 7, 2008 (0550-01)

340/08 Moved by Councillor Webster and Seconded by Councillor Anderson;
"That the minutes of the Special meeting held October 7, 2008 be adopted."
CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

B1 Towns for Tomorrow Grant (1855-03)

Councillor Johnson advised of the grant offered by Community Futures for regional development projects. Staff will contact Community Futures for more information.

B2 Site C Project Consultation (0400-30)

Council agreed to set a date to complete the feedback form as a group.

CORRESPONDENCE

341/08 Moved by Councillor Kosolowsky and Seconded by Councillor Johnson;
"That the items of correspondence numbered C1 to C5 be received."
CARRIED

C1 Front Counter BC – Referral Request (0400-20)

Council questioned if the company was aware of the tenure overlapping the ski hill area and that there is concern with the old growth forests in that area.

342/08 Moved by Councillor Kosolowsky and Seconded by Councillor Anderson;
"That a extension to the referral process be requested and that staff try to set up a meeting with Anemos Energy Corporation to discuss the concerns and hear more information on the proposed project."
CARRIED

C2 Cariboo Road Services Ltd. – Annual Fall Stakeholders Meeting (5400-01)

343/08 Moved by Councillor Kosolowsky and Seconded by Councillor Webster;
“That Council authorize Councillor Johnson to attend the Caribou Road Services Annual Stakeholders meeting on October 28, 2008 in Chetwynd.”
CARRIED

C3 Ministry of Forests and Range – Data Package (0400-20)

C4 COFI – 2009 Convention (0390-01)

344/08 Moved by Councillor Kosolowsky and Seconded by Councillor Webster;
“That Council authorize one person to attend the 2009 COFI Convention in Prince George on April 1 to 3, 2009.”
CARRIED

C5 Char and Jamie Stark – Jamieson Woods (0540-20)

Councillor Kosolowsky and Johnson both advised of the good work done by the Ministry of Forests for the Jamieson Woods pine beetle clean up. It was advised that the burning that was completed in Jamieson Woods was completed on days when the wind direction went away from the subdivision. Councillor Kosolowsky advised that he would speak with Char and Jamie Stark and Mayor Harwood advised that she would also write a letter to them.

STAFF REPORTS

SR9 Crew Energy Seismic Activity Licence Agreement (6660-20)

Councillor Kosolowsky, pursuant to s. 100 of the *Community Charter*, stated he had a conflict of interest as he is a member of the Rod and Gun Club and excused himself from the meeting.

Councillor Johansson requested that a time line be added to the agreement with the work being completed during this winter and a spring check. She also requested that staff confirm who has to make the application to the Agriculture Land Reserve for non-farm use.

345/08 Moved by Councillor Johansson and Seconded by Councillor Anderson;
“That Council allow the Rod and Gun Club representatives to speak to this issue.”
CARRIED

The Rod and Gun Club members stated the following concerns:

- the status as a Rod and Gun range may be compromised with having additional access points; and
- safety concerns if there are additional cut lines that motor vehicles, horses, or hikers could make it easier to enter into a live gun range.

Mr. Zazulak discussed the different ways lines could be completed to reduce impacts and how the cutting of trees could be reduced to address the safety issues. It was agreed that Brimel Enterprises and the Rod and Gun Club could discuss the different options to see if an agreement could be made.

346/08 Moved by Councillor Johansson and Seconded by Councillor Webster;
“That Council endorse the licences in principle and authorize staff to continue to work with Crew Energy and the Hudson’s Hope Rod and Gun Club to reach a satisfactory agreement.”
CARRIED

Councillor Kosolowsky rejoined the meeting.

SR1 Payroll Summary Ending October 18, 2008 (1920-01)

347/08 Moved by Councillor Anderson and Seconded by Councillor Johnson;
"That the municipal payroll totalling \$33,224.19 for the two-week period ending October 18,
2008 be approved."
CARRIED

SR2 Accounts Payable Summary (1630-01)

348/08 Moved by Councillor Johansson and Seconded by Councillor Anderson;
"That the accounts payable report for October 23, 2008 in the amount of \$83,495.88 be
approved."
CARRIED

SR3 Development Variance Permit – Shears (3090-01)

349/08 Moved by Councillor Johnson and Seconded by Councillor Kosolowsky;
"That Council issue the Development Variance Permit No. 2008-05 for Ken and Pat Shears."
CARRIED

SR4 Arena Advertising Policy Amendment (0340-50)

350/08 Moved by Councillor Kosolowsky and Seconded by Councillor Johansson;
"That Council adopt the amended Arena Advertising Policy."
CARRIED

SR5 Financial Plan Amendment Bylaw (3900-20)

351/08 Moved by Councillor Johansson and Seconded by Councillor Kosolowsky;
"That Council adopt the 2008 Annual Financial Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 756, 2008."
CARRIED

SR6 Council Expense Statement 2008

352/08 Moved by Councillor Anderson and Seconded by Councillor Johnson;
"That Council accept the 2008 Council Expense Statement."
CARRIED

SR7 2008 MAIS Conference (2810-01)

Council requested that staff draft an amendment to the Fees Bylaw to allow an increase to the property tax certificate fees.

SR8 Visitor Centre Year End Report (6900-01)

Council requested that staff contact Glenn Greensides to determine if he would be able to do some maintenance and repairs on the wooden statues the next time he is in the area. Council also requested that the following items be added to the budget discussions:

- upgrading the Dudley the Dinosaurs in Beattie park;
- having the Tourists Centre building treated each year; and
- purchasing additional Dudley pins.

SR9 Surplus Sale (1090-01)

353/08 Moved by Councillor Webster and Seconded by Councillor Johnson;
"That Council accept the bids for the following items listed below and authorize staff to prepare and execute transfer documents as required for sale:

1988 GMC Dump Truck	Richard Brown	\$4051.00
1990 GMC Sierra Pick Up	John Gillie	\$1222.00

1979 Ford 1 Ton–Duel Wheels	Steve Winnicky	\$531.00
Aluminium Tool Box #2	Robert Baker	\$80.00
Set of Office Chairs	Jacki Floriant	\$25.00
Large Desk	Jacki Floriant	\$51.25”

CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CM1 Fibre Backbone Connection

354/08

Moved by Councillor Kosolowsky and Seconded by Councillor Johnson;
“That Council postpone deciding on the fibre backbone connection until November 10, 2008 when Council has had time to review the report provided.”

CARRIED

CM2 Mass Carcass Disposal Meeting (0360-01)

Councillor Anderson advised of her attendance at the Mass Carcass Disposal Meeting. The group is trying to develop a manual of how to deal with disease outbreaks in the Peace region. This process will take a long time to develop because of many different problems which include the issue of how to deal with wildlife that may contract a disease and be able to spread across far distances.

NEW BUSINESS

NB1 Tembec Tenure Areas (6660-20)

Councillor Johansson discussed the concerns she had with some of the cut blocks that have been flagged by Tembec recently. Concerns arose over the clearing planned on the 12 Mile Road, especially since the last wind storm which caused Mrs. Fox to lose approximately 60 feet of her property into Williston Lake. The dust problem is a huge issue on the 12 Mile Road and if more trees are lost this problem may increase. Council requested staff contact Tembec to schedule a meeting to discuss these issues.

NB2 NDI Funding

Councillor Webster advised of an NDI grant for a grant application writer. The Administrator suggested that the region look at hiring a grant writer to share among all the communities in the region.

NB3 How to Vote Issues (4200-01-01)

Councillor Webster requested information be published in the Bulletin with regards to the different options for voting. The Administrator advised that she will look at the legislation and see what wording she could use.

NB4 Call Before You Dig Program

Councillor Johansson advised that if you join the Call Before You Dig program it is less costly when you use this service. The District of Hudson's Hope is apparently the only community in the area not involved in this program.

NB5 Air Horn Tests

Mayor Harwood advised of the success of the air horn testing. There were two air horn tanks that had leaks and will be fixed.

NB6 Municipal Emergency Program Coordinator (7130-01)

Mayor Harwood advised that Kim Stacey has resigned as the Municipal Emergency Program Coordinator.

NB7 Mayor Calvin Kruk (0400-50)

355/08

Moved by Councillor Kosolowsky and Seconded by Councillor Johnson;
"That Council make a donation of \$200.00 to the charity chosen by Calvin Kruk being the Performing Arts Centre and send a letter of condolences to the Kruk family."

CARRIED

NB8 Oil and Gas Commission Presentation (0400-20)

Council agreed to waive normal procedures during the November 24, 2008 meeting to allow the Oil and Gas Commission to give a presentation longer than the allotted 15 minutes.

NB9 Visioning Workshop (0390-01)

Councillor Johnson advised of the Visioning Workshop for Hudson's Hope being hosted by Community Futures on November 5, 2008 and invited any interested Councillors to attend.

NB10 Bulletin Boards

Councillor Kosolowsky requested additional bulletin boards be put up in the Council Chambers as the current one is becoming cluttered.

NB11 All Candidates Forum (4200-01-01)

Mayor Harwood advised Council that the Fort St. John Chamber of Commerce is suppose to be hosting an All Candidates Forum on November 3, 2008.

DIARY

Diarized

Last Review/Action

DY1	<i>Conventions/Conferences Holidays Council Meeting November 10 Remembrance Day November 11 NLC Meeting November 12</i>		
DY2	<i>Ticketing Bylaw (3900-02)</i>	<i>Oct 2004</i>	<i>June 2007</i>
DY3	<i>Unsightly Premises Bylaw (3900-02)</i>	<i>Nov 2004</i>	<i>Jan 2008</i>
DY4	<i>Development of Atkinson Subdivision</i>	<i>Apr 2005</i>	<i>July 2007</i>
DY5	<i>Waste Reduction Assessment</i>	<i>Apr 2005</i>	
DY6	<i>Blanket rezoning of commercial properties along Beattie Drive</i>	<i>June 2006</i>	
DY7	<i>Portage Road Closure</i>	<i>Sept 2005</i>	<i>Feb 2008</i>
DY8	<i>Seniors Housing</i>	<i>Feb 2007</i>	<i>Apr 2008</i>
DY9	<i>Plan to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions</i>	<i>Feb 2007</i>	
DY10	<i>BC's 150th Anniversary Celebrations</i>	<i>May 2007</i>	
DY11	<i>Trade, Investment & Labour Mobility Agreement</i>	<i>May 2007</i>	

DY12	<i>Minister of Small Business and Revenue – Single Business Licences (0400-20)</i>	<i>Aug 2007</i>	<i>Feb 2008</i>
DY13	<i>Cameron Lake Campground (6130-20)</i>	<i>Jan 2008</i>	<i>Oct 2008</i>
DY14	<i>Regional Community Foundation (0400-01)</i>	<i>Jan 2008</i>	<i>Apr 2008</i>
DY15	<i>Peace River Regional District System (0400-50)</i>	<i>Feb 2008</i>	
DY16	<i>Registration for the Northeast BC Community Coal Forum</i>	<i>May 2008</i>	
DY17	<i>Schedule meeting to discuss waste management</i>	<i>August 2008</i>	
DY18	<i>Aeolis Wind Project – Letter of Support (6660-20)</i>	<i>October 2008</i>	

ADJOURNMENT

356/08

Moved by Councillor Kosolowsky and Seconded by Councillor Anderson;
"That this regular meeting of the Council be adjourned." (7:17 p.m.)

CARRIED

Certified Correct:

Clerk

Mayor