

MINUTES OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
HUDSON'S HOPE DISTRICT OFFICE
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2011 AT 5:00 P.M.

Present **Council:** Councillor; Darryl Johnson (Chair)

Mayor; Karen Anderson
Councillor; Gwen Johansson
Councillor; Darryl Johnson
Councillor; Travous Quibell
Councillor; Clayton Stacey
Councillor; Doug Summer
Councillor; Terry Webster

Staff: Chief Administrative Officer; Charles Nash
Deputy Treasurer; Rhonda Eastman
Director of Public Works; Mike Carter
Manager of Protective & Inspection Services; Alan Stebbing
Deputy Clerk/Minute Taker; Tracey Rutherford

Other: None

Regrets: Mayor Anderson arrived at 6:23 pm.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:18 p.m. with Councillor Johnson presiding.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

M/S Councillors Stacey/Quibell

THAT:

075/11

"The agenda for the Special Council meeting of February 24, 2011 be adopted."

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

M/S Webster/Quibell

THAT:

076/11

"The Minutes of the Special Council meeting held Monday, February 21, 2011 be adopted."

CARRIED

STAFF REPORTS

SR1 Rhonda Eastman - 2011 Provisional Capital Budget (1700-01)

Changes made since provisional budget meeting on February 21, 2011.

- Removed Community Hall Grant, no submission.
- Add 2% to management wages, approximately \$5,000 increase.

Charles Nash, Mike Carter and Alan Stebbing spoke to their respective proposals for capital projects.

2822.1 Buildings - Mike Carter (1700-01)

1. Public Works shop
 - Geothermal study and construction design estimate accepted.
 - Staff to report to Council once grant is received and prior to project commencement.
2. New Horizon siding, overestimated amount decreased to suitable cost.
 - Require necessary repairs.
3. Filing Room – Charles Nash
 - Keep files safe from fire for approximately ¼ hour.
 - Council accepted estimated amount.

2822.5 Paving - Mike Carter (1700-01)

1. Paving, Council reduced amount.
 - Staff to investigate options and report back to Council.

2822.2 Protective Services – Alan Stebbing

Council asked staff to choose the top priority items of the eight proposed.

1. High Volume Hose
 - Allows for maximum water potential when fighting fires.
 - Council accepted the recommended expenditure.
2. Generator
 - Amount proposed was for high end generator.
 - Council approved a lesser value for the purchase of a generator.
 - Staff to contact BC Hydro, investigate other avenues and report back to Council.
3. Rescue tools E2
 - Council recognized the necessity to replace old tools; amount accepted.
4. Rescue 42 Struts
 - Holds vehicle steady.
 - Council accepted the recommended amount aware of the safety value.

2822.82 Parks & Recreation - Mike Carter

(1700-01)

Rebranding, hot tub costs and billboard lease costs were removed by Council.

- Staff to contact construction company regarding pool plumbing and report back to Council.
- Staff to investigate the removal of the billboard structures.

1. Mural for outside of pool
 - This project was approved by Council in 2010.
2. ATV Campground
 - Should be getting funding from government.
 - Staff to provide information to community.
3. Heat Vent Trail (signage)
 - Partnership agreement with government.
 - Volunteer and or staff to work on.
 - Council accepted the cost estimate.
4. Playground Equipment at Pool Park
 - Removal and replacement of existing equipment, not to code.
 - Council agreed with the recommendation and cost was necessary.
5. Security Camera's for Pool
 - Ongoing issue with break-ins.
 - Council concurred with the purchase and agreed to the cost.

2822.7 Machinery and Equipment - Mike Carter

(1700-01)

Council accepted two high priority items.

1. Plow Truck
 - Two of three plows are in critical condition.
 - Council accepted the proposal recognizing the necessity.
2. Hoe
 - Do not possess a useable hoe but have a need for it, as contracting out is costly.
 - Council saw the value of owning a hoe and accepted the suggestion.

2822.72 Arena - Mike Carter

(1700-01)

1. Scoreboard
 - Staff informed Council that Minor Hockey would be seeking funding for a scoreboard.
2. New Rental Chairs
 - The District is the only place in the community to rent chairs.
 - Council acknowledged the monetary return in renting the chairs and accepted the expense.
 - Staff to possibly investigate chairs with another buyer to reduce fees or purchase used.

3. Fire Alarm System – **Alan Stebbing**
 - Council recognized the safety in purchasing the pull down evacuation system and approved the cost.
 - Staff to investigate partnering with a purchaser to reduce costs.
4. Light in parking lot
 - Public has complained about lack of lighting in this area, safety issue.
 - Council accepted the recommended cost.

2912.3 Water Capital Projects - Mike Carter

(1700-01)

1. Booster Station
 - In dire need of repair, have a plan in place and work has been slated.
 - Council agreed with the recommendation.
2. Water Treatment Plant
 - Currently have some funding, enough for minor repairs.
 - Have applied for more funding.
 - Site C will make current intake pump infrastructure obsolete with proposed reservoir.
 - Council concurred with staff's suggested amount.
3. Dudley Loop – Alan Stebbing
 - Will need to convert to 8" pipe if new development proceeds, to ensure fire flow.
 - Could offset cost with potential developer.
 - Council saw value in the expense.
4. Beryl Prairie Water Stand
 - Receive \$5,000 per year.
 - Maintenance Cost \$6,000 per year.
 - Staff to look into changing to a lock system and charge users a yearly fee.

Planning for large expenses in the future?

- Equipment replacement reserve?
- Year's prior funds were set aside.

2011 Grant in Aide Applications

(1850-01)

- 10 minutes per presentation.
- Council indicated to staff 4 of the applications did not require an invitation to the Special meeting.
 - The Arts & Cultural Society on the Edge
 - Reviving the Spirit Community Theatre
 - Hudson's Hope Playschool
 - Hudson's Hope School
- Council had a firm understanding of the requests made by these 4 applications, the same as in previous years

M/S Councillors Stacey/Johansson

THAT:

077/11

"Council authorize staff to organize a Special Meeting on Tuesday, March 1, 2011 starting at 6:00 pm in Council Chambers so that Council may receive presentations from 2011 Financial Assistance Grant Applicants."

CARRIED

AND THAT:

078/11

"Council authorize staff to maintain amounts requested by 4 of the 2011 Financial Assistance Grant Applicants, as indicated by Council, under Miscellaneous Grants in Aid in the proposed 2011 Provisional Budget."

CARRIED

Staff to make necessary Special meeting arrangements.

ADJOURNMENT

M/S Councillors Quibell/Summer

079/11

"This Special meeting of the Council be adjourned and Council proceeds to an In Camera meeting pursuant to the Community Charter, Section 90 1(c)." (7:30 pm)

CARRIED

Certified Correct:


Clerk/Minute Taker


Chair