

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held in the Municipal Chambers on Wednesday, September 13, 2023, at 5:30 pm

Mayor S. Storey presided. Councillors present were C. LePoidevin and J. Webb. Councillors J. Jenkinson and A. Fennema joined virtually.

Staff present were CAO R. Holland

Meeting Called to Order at 5:30 pm.

Agenda:

Mayor Storey called for a motion to adopt the agenda.

MOVED/SECONDED to adopt the agenda.

Resolution 09-13-282

Carried

Delegations & Guests:

None

Minutes of the previous Meeting, August 23, 2023

MOVED/SECONDED that the Council Meeting Minutes of August 23, 2023, be adopted as presented on this day and that such Minutes as read set out all the business before Council that day and fully and properly record all the resolutions and bylaws passed and adopted by Council at that meeting.

Resolution 09-13-283

Carried

Minutes of the In Camera Meeting, August 23, 2023

MOVED/SECONDED that the In Camera Meeting Minutes of August 23, 2023, be adopted as presented on this day and that such Minutes as read set out all the business before Council that day and fully and properly record all the resolutions and bylaws passed and adopted by Council at that meeting.

Resolution 09-13-284

Carried

Business arising from the Minutes:

None

Councillor Reports:

Councillor Fennema

Councillor Fennema had nothing to report.

Councillor LePoidevin

Councillor LePoidevin attended CAO Interviews on September 9.

Councillor Jenkinson

Councillor Jenkinson attended CAO Interviews on September 9.

Councillor Webb

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Mayor Storey

Mayor Storey attended the Regional District meeting where they discussed transit costs surrounding the BC Bus North. At this meeting they also discussed a plan for the RDBN going to the Ministry of Transportation during the upcoming UBCM conference.

At the Regional District meeting they also discussed bursary funding for the schools in the RDBN for rural students. They are wanting to update this program to ensure all schools in the Regional District receive the same bursaries.

A resolution was passed at the RBDN meeting to conduct a review of the forestry annual-allowable cuts. With old growth and the reviews that are being done, as well as the loss of two million hectares this year there needs to be a review done.

Mayor Storey had a conversation with Tyler Banick of CN about cleaning up the mess along Park Drive. This clean up has begun.

Mayor Story brought up a meeting she had with Nadleh Macro regarding a legacy project. She informed Council that they donated some equipment for softball that people can use if they do not have their own.

Mayor Storey was invited out to see the last pipe being placed along the pipeline. It was exciting to see, despite being sad due to the project wrapping up.

Mayor Storey met with the three MLAs from the BC United Conservative Party at their community roundtable. The most pressing issue that came up in this conversation was health care.

Mayor Storey attended CAO interviews on September 9. She offered her thanks to Mr. Ron Poole for his consultation.

Mayor Storey did a GAP analysis with the BC Rural Health Network. It was a survey wanting to know the issues and concerns in Fraser Lake.

Mayor Storey attended the Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) meeting on September 11 with NDIT. They asked what changes people would like to see with the Board at NDIT. Mayor Storey brought forward having more conversations with the Board and the RAC's to discuss communities becoming sustainable that are losing industry. She asked if there are strategies or funding measures that can be implemented to these communities.

MOVED/SECONDED to adopt the Council Reports.

Resolution 09-13-285

Carried

Accounts payable:

The accounting reports were presented.

MOVED/SECONDED to adopt Accounts Payable and payroll in the amount of \$196,202.49

Resolution 09-13-286

Carried

Correspondence List:

None

Business from the CAO:

Development Variance Request - Jenkinson

At the previous Council meeting, Council supported the request for a Development Variance and to proceed to notification of neighbouring property owners to seek their thoughts about the proposed development.

The variance is required to construct a pole shed on his property. No principal residence exists on the property. Since then, the letters were sent to neighbouring property owners. On September 8, 2023, Mr. Norm Delong attended the Village Office and advised CAO Holland that he had no concerns about this development variance.

Councillor Jenkinson stepped out of the meeting for this discussion.

MOVED/SECONDED to support the request for a Development Variance to Lot 5, Range 5, Plan PRP41551, District Lot 2011, Land District 14 and to allow the construction of a 20-foot by 50-foot storage structure for Recreation Vehicles and Trailers.

Resolution 09-13-287

Carried

Keegan Farrell - Grant in Aid application

A grant in aid application has been received on behalf of Keegan Farrell. Keegan attended the National Youth Track & Field Championship in

Sherbrooke, Quebec. Keegan competed in the High Jump. This application request is for \$250.00 and is to assist with travel and accommodation costs associated with his participation in this event. Keegan is the first athlete from Fraser Lake who has qualified to participate in a National competition.

MOVED/SECONDED to award Keegan Farrell a grant in aid in the amount of \$250.00 for his participation in the National Youth Track & Field Championship in Sherbrooke, Quebec.

Resolution 09-13-288

Carried

MOVED/SECONDED to receive Business from the CAO.

Resolution 09-13-289

Carried

Staff Reports:

None

Reading List:

None

New Business:

Mayor Storey sent a request to Mr. Bill Parent at Fields to do some clean up there. He received her email and is working on it.

Mayor Storey offered her kudos to the new owner at the mall for the paving that they got done. It has really helped the community to look better.

MOVED/SECONDED to receive New Business

Resolution 09-13-290

Carried

Bylaws:

The Corporation of the Village of Fraser Lake 2024 Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 844, 2023.

MOVED/SECONDED to conduct the fourth and final reading of the Corporation of the Village of Fraser Lake 2024 Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 844, 2023

Resolution 09-13-291

Carried

The Corporation of the Village of Fraser Lake Borrowing in Anticipation of Revenue Bylaw No. 845, 2023.

MOVED/SECONDED to conduct the fourth and final reading of the Corporation of the Village of Fraser Lake Borrowing in Anticipation of Revenue Bylaw No. 845, 2023.

Resolution 09-13-292

Carried

In Camera:

MOVED/SECONDED to move the Regular Meeting to In Camera at 5:46 pm As per Section 90(2)(b) of the Community Charter which states a part of a Council Meeting may be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered is 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.

Resolution 09-13-293

Carried

Return to the Regular Meeting:

Return to the Regular Meeting at 6:30 pm

Next Meeting of Council:

Regular Meeting September 27, 2023, at 5:30 pm

Adjournment:

MOVED/SECONDED that the September 13, 2023, Regular Meeting of Council adjourn at 6:31pm.

Resolution 09-13-296

Carried

Certified Correct:

Sarral Storey Mayor

Rodney J. Holland, Chief Administrative Officer