

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held September 12, 2018
In the Municipal Hall in Open Forum**

Those in Attendance: Mayor Lindstrom
Councillor Reyden
Councillor LePoidevin

Staff Laura McMaster

Delegation None

Public Audrey Fennema

Mayor Lindstrom called the meeting to order at 5:30 and welcomed those in attendance

Agenda:

Resolution 09-12-234 M/S Councillor LePoidevin / Councillor Reyden
"Motion to adopt the agenda"

Carried

Delegation:

None

Minutes:

Resolution 09-12-235 M/S Councillor Reyden/ Councillor Lepoidevin
"That the minutes of the regular meeting held on August 22, 2018 be adopted and approved as presented"

Carried

Business Arising from the Minutes:

None

Council Reports:

Councillor Reyden attended a Chamber of Commerce meeting. Things are going well with the Chamber of Commerce. The meeting was well attended. Councillor Reyden noted the Chamber of Commerce Group have come a long way and recognized EDO Dave Christie has been instrumental at helping the Chamber with their success. Membership promotes your business and saves the business money. The Annual General Meeting will be on Wednesday, October 17, 2018.

Councillor Lepoidevin- nothing to report

Mayor Lindstrom stated that he has not attended any formal meetings but has had discussions with various firefighter groups about the fires in our area. He wanted to recognize and thank the firefighters in our town who are doing such a great job. Mayor Lindstrom noted the firefighters have been working long days, with extreme weather conditions.

Resolution 09-12-236 M/S Councillor LePoidevin / Councillor Reyden
"Motion to receive the council report"

Carried

Accounts Payable:

Resolution 09-12-237 M/S Councillor Reyden / Councillor LePoidevin
"Motion to approve the accounts payable in the amount of \$110,323.82"

Carried

Council has asked Admin to bring back more information on Cheque # 27577 for Seal Tec Industries Ltd. Council would like to express their feeling of concern that the job is not up to standards, and is enquiring if the seal coating is finished or if there is more work to be done? Will Seal Tec Industries be putting in more tar and gravel on the patched area? Councillor LePoidevin stated he had talked to Public Works Director, Vern Hilman who told him the crack sealing was complete. Mayor Lindstrom is not impressed with the patch job. Council is wondering if this was a "test" patch job? If so, it has failed, and Council would not like to see this done again in the future. Council noted that Francois Lake Road was not very nice when it was first seal coated; however, it improved after a lot of traffic. Council is hopeful the seal coating will smooth out as well.

Correspondence List:

None

CAO Reports:

Cannabis update

As requested at the August 22, 2018 Regular Meeting of Council, a survey was developed. This survey has been placed on the Village Website, Village Facebook page and a hardcopy has been mailed to all residents in the Village of Fraser Lake. To date, ninety-two people completed the survey. The survey will run for two weeks. The survey results will be provided at the September 26, 2018 Regular Meeting of Council. Mayor Lindstrom and Councillor Reyden are happy with the survey and are encouraging residents to complete it.

LNG Canada & TransCanada Coastal Gaslink pipeline support

Correspondence has been received from the District of Kitimat seeking our Community's support for the proposed LNG Canada project and the associated TransCanada Coastal Gaslink pipeline. Mayor and council wish to support the District of Kitimat.

Resolution 09-12-238 M/S Councillor Reyden / Councillor LePoidevin
"Motion to send a support letter to the District of Kitimat"

Carried

Minor Hockey – Hard Surface

With the replacement of the Ice Plant Condenser this fall, the availability of the arena ice will be late; probably November 14, 2018. Minor Hockey would like to run dry land training activities on the Hard Surface of the Arena from the beginning of October until mid November. They have proposed dry land training on Tuesday and Thursday evenings for three hours per evening. The Hard Surface cost is \$25 per hour. Do these circumstances deserve a reduced rate? Should the Village provide an incentive to conduct training in Fraser Lake? Will that keep our minor hockey players in Fraser Lake?

Mayor Lindstrom thinks it is a good idea to let Minor Hockey use the hard surface. Mayor Lindstrom would like to help Minor Hockey because he feels they have been suffering.

Laura told Mayor and Council that administration does not have the right to waive fees without Council approval.

Councillor LePoidevin pointed out that Pickleball has been on the Hard Surface three days a week, three hours per night, and has not been charged as it is a community event. Councillor LePoidevin feels that if fees are to be imposed, it must be fair to each group. If there is a fee for one group, there should be a fee for all groups.

Councillor Reyden asked if the Recreation Director was running Pickleball.

Councillor LePoidevin stated that Pickleball is run by Dave Samson and Gary Webb. Councillor LePoidevin said that the Village owns 3 nets, and he owns one net, but in his mind Pickleball is completely run by two individuals, not the Village of Fraser Lake recreation.

Resolution 09-12-239 M/S Councillor Reyden/Councillor LePoidevin

“Motion to let Minor Hockey use the Hard Surface without charge until next council meeting on Wednesday, September 26. At that time council will make a decision on the cost”

Carried

UBCM Elected Officials Extended Health, Dental Benefits

Looking ahead, the Municipal Election will occur on October 20, 2018. Elected officials are eligible for extended health and dental coverage while serving on Council. The benefits are administered through UBCM at the Village’s expense. The new Council will be removed from the UBCM benefits plan at the end of November 2018.

Mayor and Council agreed that this is fair.

Small Business Expo

Dave Christie will be hosting the Small Business Expo on Saturday, September 15th from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. Typically, Mayor and Council are at the booth for the Village of Fraser Lake. Dave Christie would like to know who can work this Saturday?

Councillor LePoidevin will be unable to assist as he will be riding his bike in the Cops for Cancer ride.

Laura McMaster will work from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm. Mayor Lindstrom and Councillor Reyden will look after the booth from noon to 3:00 pm.

Special Meeting – Inaugural meeting following the election

With reference to the Fraser Lake Council Procedure Bylaw No. 784, 2017

Inaugural meeting:

(5) Following a general local election, the inaugural council meeting must be held on a Wednesday within the first ten days in November in the year of election, in accordance with section 124(2)(g) of the Community Charter

(6) If a quorum of Council members elected at the general local election has not taken office by the date of the meeting referred to in subsection (8), the first Council meeting must be called by the Corporate Officer and held as soon as reasonably possible after a quorum has taken office.

Resolution 09-12-240 M/S Councillor Reyden/Councillor LePoidevin
"Motion to schedule the Inaugural Meeting for Wednesday November 7, 2018
at 5:30 pm"

Carried

Resolution 09-12-241 M/S Councillor Reyden/Councillor LePoidevin
"Motion to receive the CAO Reports"

Carried

Staff Reports

None

Reading List

Councillor Reyden is interested in the Nechako Kitimaat Development Society and the grant funding they provide. Councillor Reyden feels we should always be seeking funding for the Village.

Resolution 09-12-242 M/S Councillor Reyden/ Councillor LePoidevin
"Motion to receive the Reading List"

Carried

New Business

Councillor Reyden and Mayor Lindstrom hope we have enough candidates for the upcoming local general election. After reviewing the Elections BC website, only one candidate was listed for the Village for the position of councillor.

Laura McMaster explained nomination packages are processed promptly. As municipalities across BC are holding their elections this fall, it may take time before the website is fully updated. The number of candidates highlighted on the Elections BC website may not be a true reflection of reality.

Laura McMaster will contact Elections BC to ensure the names of all candidates are appearing on the Elections BC website.

A newspaper ad will be in the September 19, 2018 edition of the Omineca Express. It is an amendment to the nomination ad placed earlier. The Ministry of Public Housing and Social Affairs informed municipalities about the new regulations to advertise the campaign expense limits for candidates of the general local election.

Resolution 09-12- 243 M/S Councillor Lepoidevin/Councillor Reyden
"Motion to receive New Business"

Carried

Bylaws

Bylaw 798, 2018 – Permissive Tax Exemptions

Resolution 09-12-244 M/S Councillor Reyden/ Councillor LePoidevin
"Motion to conduct the first, second and third readings of the Village of Fraser Lake
Permissive Tax Exemptions Bylaw No. 798, 2018"

Carried

Next Meeting of Council:

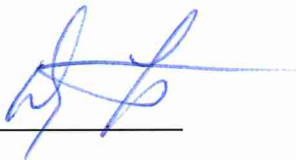
September 26, 2018 at 5:30 pm

Adjourn:

Resolution 09-12-245 M Councillor LePoidevin
"Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:14 pm"

Carried

Certified Correct



Dwayne Lindstrom
Mayor



Rodney J Holland
Chief Administrative Officer