



THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT

REGULAR MINUTES

FOR THE MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
OF THE VILLAGE OFFICE AT 4:30 PM ON MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2017

PRESENT: Mayor John C. (Jack) Jeyes
Councillor Helen A. Kormendy
Councillor Doreen L. Lambert
Councillor Barbara H. Roden

Councillor Wm. Alfred Trill

J. Michelle Allen, Chief Administrative Officer
Yoginder Bhalla, Chief Financial Officer
Wayne Robinson, Deputy Corporate Officer

Press

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Jeyes called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

2. **MINUTES**

2.1. **Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Monday, December 12, 2016**

Mayor Jeyes declared the minutes adopted as presented.

3. **DELEGATIONS**

3.1. None

4. **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

4.1. **Accounts Payable Listing for the period ending December 16, 2016**

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That the Accounts Payable listing for the period ending December 16, 2016 be received and filed.”

Carried. (01-01-17)

5. **CORRESPONDENCE**

5.1. **Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development – Invitation for submissions on rural education and rural schools from local governments and other stakeholders**

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That the invitation for submission on rural education from the Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development be received and filed.”

Defeated.

M/S Councillor Kormendy / Councillor Trill

“That Council form a committee to compile their concerns and comments on rural education and further that a submission be forwarded to the Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development prior to the January 31, 2017 deadline.”

Carried. (02-01-17)

M/S Councillor Trill / Councillor Roden

“That Council appoint Mayor Jeyes and Councillor Lambert to the rural education committee and further that all members of council are invited to send their comments to the Chief Administrative Officer for inclusion in the submission to the Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development.”

Carried. (03-01-17)

5.2. Ashcroft Communities in Bloom Committee – Glass mosaic to commemorate Canada’s 150th Birthday to be placed at the Village Office

MS Councillor Roden / Councillor Trill

“That Administration contact the Communities in Bloom committee and request more information on the Canada 150 Mosaic as the proposal is considerably different from what was proposed at the joint meeting held in 2016.”

Carried. (04-01-17)

5.3. Phil Germuth, Mayor of Kitimat – Adding Value to our Country by Adding Value to our Resources

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Trill

“That the correspondence from the Mayor of Kitimat regarding adding value to our country by adding value to our resources be received and filed.”

Carried. (05-01-17)

5.4. Local Government Leadership Academy – Annual Leadership Forum, February 1-3, 2017, Richmond, BC

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That the information on the Local Government Leadership Academy Annul Forum be received and filed.”

Carried. (06-01-17)

5.5. Canadian Heritage – Approval of funding application for Museum HVAC upgrades and Emergency Access Improvements

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That the letter from Canadian Heritage approving the Village’s funding application for upgrades to the museum be received and filed.”

Carried. (07-01-17)

5.6. Southern Interior Local Government Association, 2017 Convention
- **Call for Nominations**
- **Call for Resolutions**

MS Councillor Roden / Councillor Trill

“That the Southern Interior Local Government Association call for nomination and call for resolutions for the 2017 annual convention be received and filed.”

Carried. (08-01-17)

5.7. Ministry of Jobs, Tourism & Skills Training – Business Retention and Expansion Workshop

M/S Councillor Trill / Councillor Roden

“That Mayor Jeyes and Councillor Roden attend the Ministry of Jobs, Tourism & Skills Training business retention and expansion workshop in Merritt on January 12, 2017.”

Carried. (09-01-17)

5.8. Mayors’ Caucus - Oak Bay, BC – February 22-24, 2017

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That Mayor Jeyes be authorized to attend the Mayors’ Caucus in Oak Bay, BC on February 22 – 24, 2017.”

Carried. (10-01-17)

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6.1. 2017 Council Meeting Dates including Planning Sessions – Amendment due to Family Day Statutory Holiday

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Trill

“That the 2017 Council Meeting Dates Schedule be amended to allow the February Planning Session to take place on Tuesday, February 14 as Monday, February 13 is Family Day in the Province of British Columbia.”

Carried. (11-01-17)

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That the Community Forum be rescheduled from Thursday, April 6, 2017 to 7:00 pm on Wednesday, April 12, 2017 and further that the amended schedule be placed on the Village’s website.”

Carried. (12-01-17)

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1. 2016 By-Election – Filing of Campaign Disclosure Statements

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Trill

“That the information of the 2016 By-Election regarding the filing of Campaign Disclosure Statements be received and filed.”

Carried. (13-01-17)

7.2. Ashcroft Volunteer Fire Department – Fire Services Review

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Trill

“That the Village of Ashcroft arrange to have Dave Mitchell & Associates provide an audit of the Ashcroft Volunteer Fire Department at a cost not to exceed \$10,000.”

Carried. (14-01-17)

8. BYLAWS

8.1. Introduction and First Three Readings

8.1.1. None

8.2. Reconsideration and Final Adoption

8.2.1. None

9. INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE

9.1. Information Correspondence Listing for January 9, 2017

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Trill

“That the information correspondence listing for January 9, 2017 be received and filed.”

Carried. (15-01-17)

10. REPORTS

Council Reports

10.1. Finance Committee – Mayor Jeyes, Councillor Roden & Councillor Kormendy

Mayor Jeyes advised that the audit preparations were well under way and there were not areas of concern.

10.2. Cache Creek Environmental Assessment Committee – Mayor Jeyes & Councillor Kormendy

Mayor Jeyes advised that he and the Chief Administrative Officer have been invited by Belcorp to a meeting at the Cache Creek Village Office on Wednesday, January 11 at 1:00 pm. The meeting is to discuss the formation of the Monitoring Committee for the new landfill extension now that the operational certificate has been issued.

10.3. Northern Development Initiative Trust – Councillor Trill & Councillor Kormendy

Councillor Trill advised that the next meeting is on Tuesday, January 17 in 100 Mile House and he will be attending.

10.4. Gold Country Communities Society – Councillor Trill & Councillor Roden

Council reviewed the draft minutes from the regular meeting held Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at the Cache Creek Community Hall and the Gold Country Communities Society Tourism Symposium 2016 Summary.

Councillor Trill advised that the committee is exploring the relocation of their offices but no decision has been made to date.

10.5. TNRD – Mayor Jeyes & Councillor Lambert

Council reviewed The Current – Highlights from the Board of Directors' meeting held on December 15, 2016

10.6. Tourism – Councillor Roden & Councillor Lambert

Councillor Roden commented that several major publications have indicated that Canada will be one of the top destinations for 2017 due largely to the 150th anniversary celebrations.

10.7. School District No. 74 (Gold Trail) Liaison – Councillor Lambert & Mayor Jeyes

Councillor Lambert advised that the District will be having a by-election for the Trustee for the District of Lillooet.

10.8. Economic Development & Chamber of Commerce - Councillor Roden & Mayor Jeyes

Mayor Jeyes presented a draft "Ashcroft Business Walk 2017 Survey" form that he would like members of Council to review and comment on. He and Councillor Roden hope to do a business walk in the spring.

10.9. Historic Hat Creek– Mayor Jeyes & Councillor Trill

Mayor Jeyes advised that the gift shop building is progressing on schedule.

10.10. Heritage – Councillor Roden & Councillor Kormendy

Councillor Roden advised that the Provincial Theme for the February heritage event is Canada 150 which is very broad. She is working with Kathy Paulos and the presentation will be on February 26th at the community hall.

10.11. Transit – Councillor Kormendy & Councillor Roden

No report

10.12. Wellness & Music (Kids) Festival – Councillor Trill & Councillor Roden

No report

10.13. Seniors' Liaison – Councillor Lambert & Councillor Roden

No report

10.14. Communities in Bloom – Councillor Trill & Councillor Roden

Council reviewed the year-end report and financial statement that were provided in accordance with their terms of the funding agreement.

10.15. Health Care – Mayor Jeyes & Councillor Lambert

No report

10.16. Bifuka Sister City Relationship – Councillor Kormendy & Councillor Lambert

No report

10.17. Other

M/S Councillor Trill / Councillor Lambert

“That Councillor Kormendy be excused from attending council meetings on March 10 & 24 due to being away on vacation.”

Carried. (16-01-17)

M/S Mayor Jeyes / Councillor Roden

“That the Village of Ashcroft send a letter of appreciate to CP for their continued support of the Holiday Train and the donations to the local food bank.”

Carried. (17-01-17)

Councillor Trill requested that the crew be recognized for their exceptional work on keeping the roads safely plowed during the recent snowfalls.

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That Council receive the verbal and written reports as presented.”

Carried. (18-01-17)

10.18. Administration

Chief Administrative Officer

10.18.1. None

Chief Financial Officer

10.18.2. None

11. INCAMERA

11.1. None

12. TERMINATION

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

That the Regular Meeting of Council terminate at 6:06 pm.

Carried.

John C. (Jack) Jeyes, Mayor

Certified to be a true and correct copy
Of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of
Council held Monday, January 9, 2016.

J. Michelle Allen, Chief Administrative Officer

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