



THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT

REGULAR MINUTES

**FOR THE MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE VILLAGE OFFICE
AT 6:00 PM ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2023**

PRESENT: Mayor, Barbara Roden
 Councillor, Jonah Anstett
 Councillor, Jessica Clement
 Councillor, Nadine Davenport
 Councillor, Doreen Lambert

CAO, Daniela Dyck
 CFO, Yogi Bhalla
 DPW, Brian Bennewith

Media –
 Public – 6

EXCUSED:

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Roden called the Regular Meeting of Council for Monday Sept. 11, 2023, to order at 6:00 pm.
“Mayor and Council wish to acknowledge that the meeting today is held within the traditional territory of the Nlaka’pamux people.”

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion to adopt the Agenda as presented or as amended

M/S Anstett / Davenport

THAT, the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council held on Monday, September 11, 2023 be adopted as amended to include Susan Edgell and Kunal Bharatendu from BC Hydro as a delegation, Farmers Market request and the Grant in Aid recommendation brought forward from the COTW both to be considered under New Business.

CARRIED – Unanimously - R-2023-123

2. MINUTES

2.1	Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, August 28, 2023 M/S Clement / Anstett <i>THAT, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, August 28, 2023, be adopted as amended; addition or seconder for item 7.2.</i>	CARRIED. Unanimously. R-2023-124

3. DELEGATIONS

3.1	Abigail Symes – Women’s Shelter <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mayor Roden thanked Ms. Symes for attending via Zoom as a delegation and gave her the floor. 	
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Symes noted the documentation she provided previously which is included in the agenda package for Council, stating she is happy to answer any questions Council may have. • Ms. Symes noted that 10 of the cases reflected in the RCMP report were part of her own file and experience. • Ms. Symes noted there was a desperate need for women’s shelters in small communities. The closest to Ashcroft is Kamloops and the closest north of Ashcroft is Williams Lake. • She has also approached Bonaparte FN and AIB as well as Lac la Hache, 100 Mile Housse, Clinton and Cache Creek. • Ms. Symes noted that Skeetchestn is looking at developing the same type of shelter/service • Questions/Comments • Comment – commending Ms. Symes for proposing this initiative • Concern re: need for lack of wrap around services • Ms. Symes noted that one could invite an umbrella agency such as E-Fry to partner and provide the support services • Mayor Roden thanked Ms. Symes for her presentation noting that Council would consider her request at the next scheduled Council meeting. 	
3.2	<p>BC Hydro – Susan Edgell and Kunal Bharatendu BC Hydro Fast Charging Stations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eager to get Fast Charger Stations in Ashcroft • BC Hydro presented 3 potential locations • Favouring space near the north end of Heritage Park at the far side of the Community Garden • Presented rendered drawings – drive through similar to gas bar configuration. • Looking for Council approval of site location • Next step is to review and sign off on the agreement with a 10-year lease with option to renew for another 10 years • Once signed off construction to begin in the spring 2024 • BC Hydro favours drive through configuration for drivers towing trailers etc. • WTP site not ideal for EV Drivers <p>Questions / Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will the EV charger site be paved or remain as gravel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Only the EV charging footprint would be paved – chargers will be accessible • Host community will be responsible for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Garbage pick up, ○ winter maintenance and snow removal ○ Access to public washroom (and cleaning) ○ 24/7/365 access • Asset management questions looking forward to the ten-year term ending, is it likely that BC Hydro will want to renew the agreement? What if the village wants to develop the land? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 10 years is the cost recovery turn around for BC Hydro • BC Hydro will forward agreement if Council approves the site location. 	



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CAO to send letter confirming site selection if approved by Council at the next meeting. 	
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4. PUBLIC INPUT

All questions and comments will be addressed through the Chair and answered likewise. Please state your name and address prior to asking a question or commenting, no more than 2 minutes per question.

There were no comment or questions received from the public.

5. BYLAWS/POLICIES

5.1	Bylaw No. 845, Village of Ashcroft Notice of Enforcement, 2023 M/S Anstett / Davenport <i>THAT, Bylaw No. 845, cited as Village of Ashcroft Notice of Enforcement Bylaw, 2023 to be read a final time.</i>	CARRIED. Unanimously. R-2023-125
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6. STAFF REPORTS

REQUEST FOR DECISION		
6.1	CAO Report – Breikreitz Variance Application M/S Roden / Clement <i>THAT, Council approves the Development Variance application as presented at #28 – 807 Railway Ave. A notice will be placed on title advising future purchasers that this structure was approved.</i>	CARRIED. Unanimously. R-2023-126
6.2	CAO Report – Hood Variance Application M/S Roden / Lambert <i>THAT, Council approves the Development Variance application as presented at #27 – 807 Railway Ave. A notice will be placed on title advising future purchasers that this structure was approved.</i>	CARRIED. Unanimously. R-2023-127
6.3	CAO Report – 2022 Annual Report M/S Clement / Anstett <i>THAT, Council Approves the 2022 Annual Report as presented.</i>	CARRIED. Unanimously. R-2023-128
FOR INFORMATION		
6.3		

7. CORRESPONDENCE

FOR ACTION		
7.1	The Ashcroft Hub – Terry Fox Run – Request to close Evans Road during duration of Terry Fox run M/S Anstett / Lambert <i>THAT, Village Council approve the closure of Evans Road for the Terry Fox Run on Sunday September 17th from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.</i>	CARRIED. Unanimously. R-2023-129
7.2	Advanced Care Planning Event – Get your Ducks in a row – Request to waive Community Hall Fees Cnclr. Clement recused herself at 6:37 citing a conflict of interest and was invited to return at 6:39	CARRIED. Unanimously. R-2023-130



	M/S Lambert / Davenport <i>THAT, Council approves the request and waves the Community Hall rental fees for the “Get your ducks in a row” event.</i>	
FOR INFORMATION		
7.3	Press Release – TNRD hiring of General Manager of Corporate and Legislative Services	
7.4	Rural Health Matter September Editon	
7.5	BCUC – Regulatory Efficiency Initiative – Project No. 1599581 – Appointment of Panel. Improving Regulatory Efficiency in BCUC Process, Rules, and Guidelines. Invitation for Submissions and Regulatory Timetable	
7.6	Invitation to upcoming sessions on the Heritage Conservation Act Transformation Project (Fall 2023)	
7.7	The Ashcroft HUB Society - Santa Parade	
	Receive Items 7.3 – 7.7 for Information	

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8.1	Task Manager – Motion Tracker – Receive for Information	
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9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1	Late Item – Farmers Market Request for October 22, 2023 M/S Anstett / Davenport <i>THAT, Council approves the Farmers Market request to change the road closure on October 22 to 11:30 am – 6:00 pm to host the Halloween Themed closing Farmers Market for the Season</i>	CARRIED. Unanimously. R-2023-131
9.2	Grant in Aid – brought forward from the COTW meeting held September 11, 2023 Cnclr. Clement recused herself citing a conflict of interest at 6:41 returning at 6:43 pm. M/S Roden / Anstett <i>THAT, Council supports the South Cariboo Sportsmen Association, the Ashcroft and Area Community Resource Society and the HUB applications to the Village of Ashcroft’s Grant in Aid program and give each applicant \$500 as requested.</i>	CARRIED. Unanimously. R-2023-132

10. REPORTS/RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES, COTW, and COMMISSIONS

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10.2		

11. COUNCIL REPORTS

11.1	Mayor Roden	
11.2	Councillor Anstett	
11.3	Councillor Clement	
11.4	Councillor Davenport	
11.5	Councillor Lambert	



12. RESOLUTION TO ADJOURN TO CLOSED MEETING

Motion to move to a closed meeting to discuss an item under the Community Charter Section 90.1

12.1	(d)the security of the property of the municipality; M/S Roden /Lambert <i>THAT, Council moves to Closed Meeting to discuss and item under the Community Charter Section 90.1 (d) the security and property of the municipality,</i>	CARRIED. Unanimously. R-2023-133
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13. RESOLUTIONS RELEASED FROM CLOSED MEETING

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14. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Roden adjourned the Regular Meeting of Council for Monday September 11, 2023, at 7:27 pm.

Certified to be a true and correct copy of the Minutes for the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday September 11, 2023.

 Daniela Dyck,
 Chief Administrative Officer

 Barbara Roden,
 Mayor