



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, APRIL 8, 2024**

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

EXCUSED:

Media – 1
 Public – 3

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Roden called the Regular Meeting of Council for Monday April 8, 2024 to order at 6:05 pm.

“Mayor and Council wish to acknowledge that the meeting today is held within the traditional territory of the Nlaka’pamux people.”

1. ADDITIONS TO OR DELETIONS FROM THE AGENDA

M/S Clement / Anstett

That the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council for Monday April 8, 2024 be adopted as amended to include a road closure request from the Ashcroft Farmers Market and Artisan Co-Op for consideration under Action Correspondence.

CARRIED. Unanimous R-2024-59

2. MINUTES

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| 2.1 | Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday March 25, 2024 M/S Davenport / Lambert <i>THAT, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, March 25, 2024, be adopted as amended.</i> 11.5 clarify that meetings were the same week | CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-60 |
| 2.2 | Minutes of the Public Meeting held Wednesday, March 27, 2024 M/S Anstett / Davenport <i>THAT, the Minutes of the Public Meeting of Council held Wednesday, March 27, 2024, be adopted as amended.</i> Potable water typo “can to can’t” Correct names: Maryanne Simpson, Andrew Cumblidge | CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-61 |



3. DELEGATIONS

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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.

No public input received.

5. BYLAWS/POLICIES

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6. STAFF REPORTS

| REQUEST FOR DECISION | | |
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| 6.1 | <p>CAO Report – 2024 SILGA Convention Gift Basket Request Purpose: To seek Council’s direction regarding the preferred gift basket option and the allocation of budget for the 2024 SILGA Convention</p> <p>M/S Lambert / Clement <i>THAT, Council directs staff to assemble a Gardeners Delight basket as a door prize for SILGA.</i> Defeated</p> <p>M/S Roden / Davenport <i>THAT, Council direct staff to assemble an “Explore Ashcroft” basket with local and artisan items</i> <i>Friendly amendment – Include a succulent xeriscape item</i></p> <p>Discussion: Difficult to keep bedding plants alive and growing zones may be an issue for the Gardeners Delight basket. Consider and “Experience Ashcroft” basket which includes local items, art, etc.</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">DEFEATED</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-62</p> |
| 6.2 | <p>CAO Report – Water Conservation Measures Purpose: This report aims to enable Council to deliberate on the existing drought conditions, reduced snowpack levels, and declining water table conditions. It provides an opportunity to consider the possibility of implementing Stage 2 water conservation measures starting May 1st instead of Stage 1, in alignment with the Water Conservation Bylaw #799, 2018 objectives for water conservation efforts.</p> <p>M/S Roden / Anstett <i>THAT, on May 1st the Village of Ashcroft move directly to a stage 2 watering restriction.</i></p> | <p style="text-align: center;">CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-63</p> |

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| | Exception of the cemetery high winds off the river and exposure cause it to burn very quickly. Post to LED, newsletter, social media, website etc. | |
| 6.3 | <p>CFO Report – S.168 Council Remuneration & Expenses Purpose: To provide Council and the public with the legislated Council remuneration and expenses report as per Community Charter S. 168.</p> <p>M/S Clement /Anstett <i>THAT, Council approves the Council Remuneration and Expenses report as presented.</i></p> | CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-64 |
| FOR INFORMATION | | |
| 6.4 | <p>CAO Report – Farmer’s Market Update Purpose: To provide Council with a summary of the meeting between the business owners and the Farmers Market organizers which addressed the concerns raised regarding access and safety during the farmers market road closures.</p> <p>Comment - Nice to see that the parties were able to resolve the issue.</p> | |
| 6.5 | <p>CFO Report – 1st Quarter Finance Update Purpose: To provide Council with a first quarter financial update summary.</p> <p>Question - When will property taxes be billed out? - early June</p> | |
| 6.6 | <p>DPW Report – 1st Quarter Public Works Update Purpose: To provide Council with a first quarter update from the Public Works department</p> <p>Question – When minor hockey cancels do they pay for ice time – if they provide one week notice then they don’t, if less then they are billed for ice time. Question - Lift station –Is there a local contractor that can complete the warranty work? No, needs to be completed by original contractor. Comment - Sweeper is almost finished sweeping the community. Question - Status of lifeguard applications? Not going well.</p> | |
| 6.7 | <p>BEO Report – 1st Quarter Bylaw Enforcement Update Purpose: To provide Council with detail updates and status of the bylaw files for the first quarter of 2024</p> | |
| 6.8 | <p>EDT Report – 1st Quarter Economic Development & Tourism Quarterly Update Purpose: To provide Council with a status update regarding Economic Development & Tourism position Question - ETA of the website? On hold until Branding is completed. Question – clarification “landing site” - webpage</p> | |

7. CORRESPONDENCE

| FOR ACTION | | |
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| 7.1 | <p>Ministry of Agriculture and Food – A Presentation on Land Use Planning for Agriculture Invitation: Presentations to be held either virtually or in-person between April 2024 to June 2024</p> <p>Purpose: Is Council inclined to invite the Ministry of Agriculture and Food to make a presentation? Not at this time</p> | |
| Late Item | <p>Ashcroft Farmers Market and Artisan Co-op – Railway Ave. Street Closure Request</p> <p>Purpose: Request Council approval to close Railway Ave on Sunday between 6th and 7th Street from 7:45 am – 2:00 pm beginning May 12th to October 13, 2024.</p> <p>M/S Davenport / Anstett <i>THAT, Council approves the Ashcroft Farmers Market and Artisans Co-op's request for the road closure of Railway Ave. on Sundays between 6th and 7th Street from 7:45 am – 2:00 pm beginning May 12th and ending October 13, 2024.</i></p> <p>Letter to be sent advising commercial transport companies</p> | CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-65 |
| FOR INFORMATION | | |
| 7.2 | Town of Osoyoos – Letter re: Resolution Legislative Changes | |
| 7.3 | Interior Health Newsletter – Pregnancy Triage Clinic expands Services for Kamloops Residents | |
| 7.4 | CN Right-Of-Way Notice of Annual Vegetation Management | |
| 7.5 | <p>Ashcroft Art Club Annual Show and Sale April 19-21, 2024</p> <p>Comments: Opening night is adults only on April 19th Many new artists exhibiting this year DSCS also has student art on display</p> | |
| 7.6 | Bonaparte First Nation Press Release: Bonaparte First Nation (St'uxwtews Pesuten Heritage Society) awarded contract for Hat Creek Ranch and McAbee Fossil Beds effective April 2024 – March 31, 2030 | |
| 7.7 | School District No.74 (Gold Trail) – News Release: Ernie Gran Appointed as Secretary-Treasurer | |
| 7.8 | NDIT – Community Marketing Grant #9060-40 Approval Letter | |

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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| 8.1 | <p>Task Manager – Motion Tracker <i>For Information</i></p> | |
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9. NEW BUSINESS

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

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| 10.1 | <p>Street Safety Working Group Notes – March 28, 2024 <i>For Information</i></p> | |
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11. COUNCIL REPORTS

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| 11.1 | Mayor Roden Attended the Strategic Planning session for the Film Commission. Session focused on maximizing the potential in the area to enhance filming in the region. Thursday attended TRU: Premier Eby announcing: 1. Wildfire Training Centre - recommendation from Premiers taskforce on emergencies. | |
| 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

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| 12.1 | M/S Roden / Clement <i>THAT, Council moves to a Closed Meeting to discuss an item under the Community Charter Section 90.1(m) a matter that, under another enactment, is such that the public may be excluded from the meeting.</i> | CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-66 |
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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 April 8, 2024, at 7:09 pm.

Certified to be a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, April 8, 2024.

Daniela Dyck,
Chief Administrative Officer

Barbara Roden,
Mayor