



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 22, 2024**

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

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

EXCUSED:

Media – 1
 Public – 1

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Roden called the April 22, 2024, Regular Meeting of Council for the Village of Ashcroft 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. ADDITIONS TO OR DELETIONS FROM THE AGENDA

M/S Clement / Davenport
THAT, the Village of Ashcroft Council Meeting Agenda for Monday April 22, 2024, be amended to include the Bonaparte Watershed Society invitation to attend a Beaver Dam Analogue (BDA) workshop under New Business.
 CARRIED. Unanimous R-2024-67

2. MINUTES

2.1	Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, April 8, 2024 M/S Davenport / Lambert <i>THAT, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, April 8, 2024 be adopted as presented.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-68
2.2	Minutes of the Community Forum held Monday, April 8, 2024 M/S Clement / Anstett <i>THAT, the Minutes of the Community Forum held Monday, April 8, 2024 be adopted as presented.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-69

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 question or comments received.

5. BYLAWS/POLICIES

5.1	<p>Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 867, 2024 M/S Clement / Davenport <i>THAT, the Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 867, 2024 be introduced and read a first time by title only.</i></p> <p>M/S Roden / Clement <i>THAT, the Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 867, 2024 be read a second time.</i></p> <p>M/S Davenport / Lambert <i>THAT, the Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 867, 2024 be read a third time.</i></p>	<p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-70</p> <p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-71</p> <p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-72</p>
5.2	<p>Tax Rates Bylaw No. 868, 2024 M/S Clement / Davenport <i>THAT, the Tax Rates Bylaw No. 868 be introduced and read a first time by title only.</i></p> <p><i>The Bylaw is based on a 3.5% increase for the Village portion of the property taxes.</i></p> <p>M/S Lambert / Clement <i>THAT, the Tax Rates Bylaw No. 868, 2024 be read a second time.</i></p> <p>M/S Davenport / Lambert <i>THAT, the Tax Rates Bylaw No. 868, 2024 be read a third time.</i></p>	<p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-73</p> <p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-74</p> <p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-75</p>
5.3	<p>CAO Report – Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 869, 2024 Purpose: Request approval of Bylaw No. 869, 2024 to align fees and charges for cemetery services and development services closer to the actual costs.</p> <p>Village of Ashcroft Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 869, 2024 M/S Davenport / Lambert <i>THAT, Village of Ashcroft Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 869, 2024 be introduced and read a first time by title only.</i></p> <p>M/S Clement / Lambert <i>THAT, Village of Ashcroft Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 869, 2024 be read a second time.</i></p>	<p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-76</p> <p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-77</p>

	<p>M/S Lambert / Clement <i>THAT, Council tasks the Economic Development & Tourism Working Group to execute the Branding exercise outlined in the 2024-2026 Strategic Plan for the Village of Ashcroft.</i></p> <p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concern raised that the Branding exercise should include community involvement, this shouldn't be a stand-alone Council decision. • Publicize meetings and process by all available means including website, posters, LED, Voyent Alert, Mail drop, social media, ads. • Host several sessions – morning, afternoon, evening, spanning three weeks. • Public education to help residents the importance of branding and what is. • Cost – process questions – dependant on the level of engagement. • Timeline – concern raised that meetings need to be completed by the end of June prior to summer vacations for other economic development projects to complete on time. • Council was assured that a timeline would be developed by the working group and presented to Council. 	<p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-80</p>
FOR INFORMATION		
6.	N/A	

7. CORRESPONDENCE

FOR ACTION		
7.1	<p>Hiroko Kanamaru, Bobby Nishiguchi & Alice Durksen – Repair of Japanese Mural in Heritage Park</p> <p>M/S Roden / Lambert <i>That Council direct staff to approach local artists and solicit advice on the required repairs for the Japanese mural.</i></p> <p>Discussion: Once the scope of the project is identified, an invitation could be extended to the artists of Bifuka to participate in the repairs. Consider repairs to other Bifuka/Ashcroft art installations.</p>	<p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-81</p>
7.2	<p>Bonaparte Watershed Stewardship Society – Request for Letter of Support</p> <p>M/S Anstett / Clement <i>THAT, Council approves the Bonaparte Watershed Stewardship Society's request for a letter in support of their grant application to install Beaver Dam Analogues in the Bonaparte Watershed.</i></p>	<p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-82</p>
FOR INFORMATION		
7.3	Hon. Ravi Kahlon, Minister of Housing – New Legislation Bill 16	
7.4	Interior Health – Launch of spring COVID-19 Vaccine Boosters marks the end of respiratory illness season	
7.5	School District 74 – April 2024 Board Bulletin	

7.6	NDIT – Approval Letter for 2024 Economic Development Capacity Building program to support Economic Development & Tourism Coordinator position wage	
7.7	District of North Vancouver – Support for Resolution re Black Bear Cub Conflict Response	

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8.1	Task Manager – Motion Tracker For Information	
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9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1	Bonaparte Watershed Stewardship invitation to attend Beaver Dam Analogue (BDA) workshop. Anyone wishing to attend the Bonaparte Watershed Society - Beaver Dam Analogue (BDA) workshop on May 4 th to contact the office for registration.	
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10. REPORTS/RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES, COTW, and COMMISSIONS

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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

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13. RESOLUTIONS RELEASED FROM CLOSED MEETING

13.1	M/S Roden / Clement <i>THAT, the Audited Financial Statement for 2023 as presented by Grant Thornton LLP be released to the regular meeting and approved by Council.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-83
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14. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Roden adjourned the Regular Meeting of Council for Monday April 22, 2024, at 6:46 pm.



Certified to be a true and correct copy of
the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of
Council held Monday, April 22, 2024.

Daniela Dyck,
Chief Administrative Officer

Barbara Roden,
Mayor