



**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, MAY 13, 2024**

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

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

**EXCUSED:** Councillor, Jonah Anstett

Media – 1  
 Public – 1

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Roden called the Regular Meeting of Council for Monday, May 13, 2024, 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.”*

Mayor Roden commented that May 12 – 18 is National Police Week and expressed her gratitude for the exemplary service provided by our detachment members in the Village of Ashcroft and surrounding area.

**1. ADDITIONS TO OR DELETIONS FROM THE AGENDA**

M/S Roden / Davenport

*THAT, the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council for Monday, May 13, 2024, be adopted as amended to include the Economic Development and Tourism Working Group Branding Logo Report for consideration under New Business.*

CARRIED. Unanimous R-2024-84

**2. MINUTES**

2.1	<b>Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held Monday, April 22, 2024</b> M/S Clement / Lambert <i>THAT, the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held Monday, April 22, 2024, be adopted as amended. – Correct adjournment time from 7:09pm to 5:35 pm.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-85
2.2	<b>Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, April 22, 2024</b> M/S Davenport / Clement <i>THAT, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, April 22, 2024, be adopted as presented.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-86



**3. DELEGATIONS**

3.1	N/A	
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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 comments or questions were received from the public.

**5. BYLAWS/POLICIES**

5.1	<b>Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 867, 2024</b> M/S Clement / Lambert <i>THAT, the Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 867, 2024 be adopted.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-87
5.2	<b>Tax Rates Bylaw No. 868, 2024</b> M/S Lambert / Davenport <i>THAT, Tax Rates Bylaw No. 868, 2024 be adopted</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-88
5.3	<b>Village of Ashcroft Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 869, 2024</b> M/S Davenport / Lambert <i>THAT, the Village of Ashcroft Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 869, 2024 be adopted.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-89

**6. STAFF REPORTS**

<b>REQUEST FOR DECISION</b>		
6.1	<b>CAO / EDTC Report – Assessment of Japanese Mural at Heritage Park</b> Purpose: The purpose of this report is to fulfill the request made during the Regular Council Meeting on April 22, 2024, that a comprehensive report assessing the current status of the Japanese Mural located at Heritage Park will be provided to Council.  M/S Clement / Lambert <i>THAT, in light of the significant damage to the Japanese Mural at Heritage Park, it is proposed that Council send a report to the Mayor and Council of Bifuka, expressing our concern, and extend an invitation to artists from Bifuka to consult with us on developing a plan to move forward.</i>  Comments: Mayor Roden wondered if there is a space indoors where the mural could be displayed to preserve it? <i>The only building tall enough is likely the arena; however, with the temperature and humidity it would not be ideal.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-90

6.2	<p><b>CFO Report – 2023 Statement of Financial Information Report (SOFI Report)</b></p> <p>Purpose: Review and approval of the Statement of Financial Information Report</p> <p>M/S Lambert / Davenport <i>THAT, Council approve the 2023 Statement of Financial Information Report as presented.</i></p>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-91
<b>FOR INFORMATION</b>		
6.3	<p><b>CAO Verbal Report</b></p> <p>Purpose: The purpose of this report and future reports is to provide information to the Council that may not come up during Regular Meetings or Committee of the Whole. Topics include operational updates, or other areas of interest to the village. CAO Dyck explained that she would be bringing verbal reports more often for items that do not require a written report but for transparency purposes a brief update should be provided to Council. Items discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SILGA Conference highlights</li> <li>• NG911 status update under the TNRD shared service model.</li> <li>• Rainbow bench – ordered in lieu of repainting the sidewalk.</li> <li>• Practicum Student – May 6 – 17, 2024 from University of the Fraser Valley.</li> <li>• Bursaries for Desert Sands Community School – applications should be received soon, invitation to Council members to join the selection committee.</li> <li>• Pool staffing and operations update – 2 more guards would be ideal, opening June 1 or 15 depending on staffing levels.</li> <li>• Corporal (Bendfeld) Harris has been promoted to the Sergeant position at the Ashcroft detachment. Congratulatory letter has been sent.</li> </ul>	

**7. CORRESPONDENCE**

<b>FOR ACTION</b>		
7.1	<p><b>JP Pow Wow Society – Request for Sponsorship of the Bonaparte St'uxwtews Pow Wow 2024</b></p> <p>M/S Roden / Clement <i>Receive for information.</i></p> <p>Direction to staff - forward a copy of the Village's grant in aid policy.</p>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-92
7.2	<p><b>Proclamation – Hope Air Day 2024</b></p> <p>Post Proclamation</p> <p>M/S Roden / Lambert <i>THAT, the Village of Ashcroft proclaims that June 17th, 2024, shall be known as "Hope Air Day" in recognition of the invaluable contributions made by Hope Air to the health and well-being of individuals in British Columbia's remote, rural and underserved communities.</i></p>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-93

7.3	<p><b>WRAPS – Request for Donation of Door Prize Items for Ashcroft Plein Air June 7-9, 2024</b> Cnclr. Clement recused herself at 6:21 citing a conflict of interest returning at 6:24.</p> <p>M/S Lambert / Davenport <i>THAT, the Village donate a gift basket valued up to \$75.00 for the Plein Air event consisting of a Village charcuterie board, wine glasses and a bottle of wine.</i></p>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-94
<b>FOR INFORMATION</b>		
7.4	<b>Alex Pawliuk – Wildfire Prevention and Suppression – Suggestions for Managing the Outcomes of Wildfires</b>	
7.5	<b>TNRD – TNRD to Issue Test Emergency Notice to Voyent Alert! Users on May 10</b>	
7.6	<b>TRU – Examining Rural Older Adults’ Perceptions of Falls Prevention Study</b>	
7.7	<b>TRU – Rural Aging and Independence to Support Dementia (RAISD) Study</b>	
7.8	<b>Bonaparte Watershed Stewardship Society – Restoration, Reconciliation, and Resources</b>	
7.9	<b>Emergency Management and Climate Readiness (EMCR) – Snow Survey and Water Supply Bulletin</b>	
7.10	<b>EMCR – Four Pillars Emergency Management Resources for Communities – New Emergency Ready Planner</b>	
7.11	<b>Government of BC – Stay Informed During Emergencies</b>	

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

8.1	<b>Task Manager – Motion Tracker</b> For Information	
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**9. NEW BUSINESS**

9.1	<p><b>EDTC Working Group Report – May 13, 2024 – Late Item</b> Purpose: To seek Councils approval of the revised consultation timeline to maximize opportunities for community engagement and meet the deadlines set out by Council at the April 22, 2024 meeting.</p> <p>M/S Clement / Davenport <i>THAT, the Village of Ashcroft Council support the revised consultation timeline as presented by the Economic Development and Tourism working group.</i></p> <p>Discussion: Suggestion to change the evening meeting time to 7:00 pm. Councillor Clement clarified the branding process as well as timelines and community consultation initiatives. Cost clarifications also discussion</p>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-95
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**10. REPORTS/RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES, COTW, and COMMISSIONS**

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## 11. COUNCIL REPORTS

11.1	<p>Mayor Roden – Verbal Report – SILGA Convention</p> <p>Highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opening ceremonies at Tk’emlups and residential school tour</li> <li>• Rocky Mountaineer – invited into a car to experience the atmosphere.</li> <li>• FireSmart – state of BC’s Forests and the concerns raised for the upcoming season.</li> <li>• Advocacy – noted council members should follow up with the ministers throughout the UBCM convention to make a personal connection.</li> <li>• Conflict of Interest presentation – Fulton and Co.</li> <li>• Better than Tinder – Terry Lake and Ken Christian session</li> </ul>	
11.2	Councillor Anstett – Verbal Report – SILGA Convention	
11.3	<p>Councillor Clement – Verbal Report – SILGA Convention</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attended the language class at the harbour</li> <li>• Enjoyed the great discussion during resolution sessions</li> <li>• Local Ec Dev – disappointed not a lot of information to bring back, session was all about Adventure Kamloops which was great but not really implementable for us</li> </ul> <p>Community Resource meeting today –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update from Mental Health clinician, focus has shifted doing higher level issues only, social workers cover the less emergent issues</li> <li>• Brought to light the staff positions not filled but website is advertising the service as available.</li> </ul> <p>M/S Clement / Roden <i>THAT, the Village of Ashcroft send a letter to IHA asking them to update the Ashcroft Urgent Primary Care website to reflect actual services provided and post positions that are available.</i></p>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2024-96
11.4	Councillor Davenport	
11.5	Councillor Lambert - Report	

## 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

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## 14. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Roden adjourned the Regular Meeting of Council for Monday May 13, 2024, at 6:45 pm.



Certified to be a true and correct copy of  
the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of  
Council held Monday, May 13, 2024.

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Daniela Dyck,  
Chief Administrative Officer

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Barbara Roden,  
Mayor