



**THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT**

**MINUTES**

**FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE VILLAGE OFFICE AT 6:00 PM ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2021**

**PRESENT:** Mayor, Barbara Roden  
 Councillor, Marilyn Anderson - via Zoom  
 Councillor, Jonah Anstett  
 Councillor, Nadine Davenport  
 Councillor, Deb Tuohey  
  
 CAO, Daniela Dyck  
 DPW, Brian Bennewith  
  
 Media – 2  
 Public – 1

**EXCUSED:** CFO , Yogi Bhalla

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Roden called the Regular Meeting of Council for Monday December 13, 2021 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 add or delete Agenda items*

*Motion to adopt the Agenda as presented or as amended*

**M/S Tuohey / Anstett**

*THAT, the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council held on Monday, December 13, 2021 be adopted as presented.*

CARRIED - Unanimous R-2021-280

**2. MINUTES**

2.1	Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, November 22, 2021 <b>M/S Davenport / Tuohey</b> <i>That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, November 22, 2021 be adopted as presented.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-281
2.2	Minutes of the Public Hearing held Monday, November 22, 2021 <b>M/S Anderson / Anstett</b> <i>That the Minutes of the Public Hearing held Monday, November 22, 2021 be adopted as presented.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-282

**3. DELEGATIONS**

3.1	Vicky Trill, Executive Director, Ashcroft HUB Society – HUB’s Yearly Update	
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A year of many cancellations due to COVID, which was very disheartening</li> <li>• Rallied to have some events to bring the community together</li> <li>• HUB spent over \$30,000 in the community through programs such as Random Acts of Kindness, Plaid Friday, Burger Day etc.</li> <li>• In person fitness classes were cancelled – shifted to online training</li> <li>• Community rallied in support of the HUB, resulting in SD#74 decision to transfer the HUB building to the Society             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Owning is different than lease – new responsibilities for building and property maintenance</li> <li>○ Needs to be mobility friendly</li> <li>○ Need new roof</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Implemented the Choose to Move helping seniors aging in place</li> <li>• The HUB hosted 2757 hours of events programs and services</li> <li>• Employed 7 students resulting in over 2000 hours of work</li> <li>• Hosted 142 individual youths</li> <li>• 330 participants in kids programming and 21 camps/programs</li> <li>• 316 people used Merv’s gym</li> <li>• Hosted Mental health and wellness workshops</li> <li>• Look at ways to develop sustainability</li> <li>• Looking for new partnerships to develop sustainability, would like to have a future conversation with the Village to see what sort of partnerships and collaborations could be established</li> <li>• Schedule meeting for partnership discussion</li> <li>• Questions/Comments</li> <li>• Council thanked the HUB for the wonderful services and programming they provide to the community recognizing the successes</li> <li>• Query if the Choose to Move program would continue</li> <li>• Active age functional fitness</li> <li>• Grandkids love to come here to participate at HUB functions/ camps</li> <li>• Echoes from Council in appreciation of all that the HUB does for the community</li> </ul>	
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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.*

Gloria Mertens Area I TNRD

Comment in regards to the success of the HUB encouraging Council to support  
Clarification regarding equitable water rates

Comment regarding the public hearing, unable to find this on the Village website

5.1 Clarification regarding Executive Committee - secretary treasurer

5.2 Outdoor Burning Bylaw exceptions comment – Farm operations

Clarification regarding inspections



- Issuance of permits clarification requested
- Offences and penalties clarification requested
- Include email address on permit
- 5.3 Comments regarding Business license bylaw
- 6.2 Constitution – Comment to include member in standing
- 6.3 Service awards clarification
- 6.5 Engineering concerns in regards STP
  - Cost estimate clarification requested for STP

**5. BYLAWS**

5.1	Village of Ashcroft Fire Department Regulations Bylaw No. 848, 202 <b>M/S Anderson / Tuohey</b> <b>Councillor Anstett recused himself as in a conflict of interest at 6:49 Returning at 6:51</b> <i>That the Village of Ashcroft Fire Department Regulation Bylaw No. 848, 2021 be introduced and given first two readings.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-283
5.2	Outdoor Burning Bylaw No. 849, 2021 <b>M/S Tuohey / Anstett</b> <i>That Outdoor Burning Bylaw No. 849, 2021 be given third reading.</i> <b>Include email line and phone number for applicants</b> <b>Add example under section 4 combustibles</b>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-284
5.3	Business Licence Bylaw No. 850, 2021 <b>M/S Tuohey / Anstett</b> <i>That Business Licence Bylaw No. 850, 2021 be given third reading, remove to allow mechanic on private property.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-285

**6. STAFF REPORTS**

<b>REQUEST FOR DECISION</b>		
6.1	CAO Report – Agricultural Land Commission Exclusion Application <b>M/S Anstett / Anderson</b> <i>That, Council approves the exclusion application to be forwarded to the Agricultural Land Commission for the Desert Hills Ranch property surrounding the north Ashcroft water reservoir (Lot 1 (0.622 ha) of SEC. 32 TP. 20 R. 24 W6M and Part of E1/2 of E1/2 of SEC. 32 PLANS EPP106822 and EPP107121).</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-286
6.2	CAO Report – Ashcroft Fire Rescue Constitution Revision <b>M/S Davenport / Anderson</b> <b>Councillor Anstett recused himself at 6:58 as in a conflict returning at 6:59</b> <i>That, Council approves the revised Ashcroft Fire Rescue Constitution as amended.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-287
6.3	CAO Report – Long Service Awards Policy F-02-2021 Update <b>M/S Tuohey / Davenport</b> <i>That, Council approves the revised Village of Ashcroft Long Service Award and Retirement Policy No. F-02-2021 as presented.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-288
6.4	CAO Report – Communities in Bloom Agreement Renewal <b>M/S Roden / Anderson</b> <i>That, Council schedule a meeting with the CiB Committee prior to Agreement renewal.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-289

6.5	CFO & DPW Report – Sewer Treatment Upgrades M/S Davenport / Tuohey <i>That, Council approves undertaking the Wastewater Plant Infrastructure Condition Assessment and Strategic Planning.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-290
<b>FOR INFORMATION</b>		
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## 7. CORRESPONDENCE

<b>FOR ACTION</b>		
7.1	Ashcroft HUB Society – Request for Letter of Support <b>M/S Roden / Tuohey</b> <i>That the Village of Ashcroft provide a letter of support to the Ashcroft HUB Society for grant funding applications.</i> <i>Request for a meeting</i> <b>M/S Tuohey / Davenport</b> <i>That a meeting be scheduled to explore partnership development between the Village and the HUB.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-291  CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-292
7.2	HAWC – Grant In Aid Request <b>M/S Anstett / Tuohey</b> <i>That, Council supports the Grant in Aid request to enable the HAWC to continue to advocate for acute and primary health care in Ashcroft.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-293
	Gold Country Communities Society – 150 Immemorial Grant Program, Heritage BC – Request for Letter of Support <b>M/S Anderson / Tuohey</b> <i>That, a letter of support be forwarded to Gold Country Communities Society in support of the 150 Immemorial Grant Program application.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-294
7.3	Gold Country Communities Society – Request for Geo Cache swag/prizes for GeoTour Prequel Event to be held in 2022 <b>M/S Roden / Davenport</b> <i>That, the Village provide pins and other appropriate swag items to Gold Country Communities Society.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-295
7.4	BC SPCA Offer of Support: Changes to rodenticide use in Ashcroft – Offer of support reducing the risks <b>M/S Roden / Anstett</b> <i>That, the BC SPCA Offer of Support be received and filed.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-296
7.5	SILGA – Nominations for Community Excellence Awards 2022 <b>M/S Roden / Anderson</b> <i>That, Council nominates the Visit Ashcroft pocket guide in the Economic Development category.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-297
7.6	2022 Council Meeting Schedule M/S Anstett / Tuohey <i>That, the 2022 Council Meeting Schedule be approved as presented.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-298
<b>FOR INFORMATION</b>		
7.7	Bonaparte First Nation – Thank you for your support	
7.8	Jerry & Judy Fassbender – Evacuees from Merritt – Thank you	
7.9	Information Correspondence Flip Chart	



	<b>M/S Roden /Anderson</b> <i>That, the information correspondence be received and filed.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-299
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**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

8.1	Task Manager M/S Roden / Anstett <i>That, the Task Manager be received and filed.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-300
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**9. NEW BUSINESS**

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

10.1	Economic Development & Tourism Coordinator – Year End Report <b>M/S Anderson / Anstett</b> <i>That, the Economic Development &amp; Tourism Coordinator report be received and filed.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-301
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**11. COUNCIL REPORTS**

11.1	Mayor Roden – Report <b>M/S Anstett / Anderson</b> <i>That, the Mayors Report be received and filed</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-302
11.2	Councillor Anderson	
11.3	Councillor Anstett	
11.4	Councillor Davenport	
11.5	Councillor Tuohey	

**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**

**M/S Roden / Anstett**

*That, the Regular Meeting of Council for Monday December 13, 2021 be adjourned at 7:18 pm.*



Certified to be a true copy of the  
Minutes for the Regular Meeting of  
Council held Monday December 13, 2021

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Daniela Dyck,  
Chief Administrative Officer

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Barbara Roden  
Mayor