



THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT

REGULAR MINUTES

**FOR THE MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
OF THE VILLAGE OFFICE AT 7:00 PM ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2016**

PRESENT: Mayor John C. (Jack) Jeyes
Councillor Doreen E. Lambert
Councillor Alain P. Mertens
Councillor Barbara H. Roden
Councillor Wm. Alfred Trill

J. Michelle Allen, Chief Administrative Officer
Yoginder Bhalla, Chief Financial Officer

Press and Public

EXCUSED: Ethan Anderson, Deputy Corporate Officer

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jeyes called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. MINUTES

2.1. Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of Council held on Monday, January 25, 2016

Mayor Jeyes declared the minutes adopted as presented.

2.2. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Monday, January 25, 2016

Mayor Jeyes declared the minutes adopted ad presented.

3. DELEGATIONS

3.1. None

4. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

4.1. Accounts Payable Listing for the period ending February 17, 2016

M/S Councillor Trill / Councillor Roden

“That the accounts payable listing for the period ending February 17, 2016 be received and filed.”

Carried. (01-02-16)

5. **CORRESPONDENCE**

5.1. **Ashcroft/Cache Creek Rotary Club – 2015 Citizens of the Year Luncheon**

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That Councillor Trill attend the Ashcroft/Cache Creek Rotary Club 2015 Citizen of the Year Luncheon on behalf of Mayor Jeyes and bring Council’s congratulations and thanks to the recipient, Ms. Stephanie Walker.”

Carried. (02-02-16)

5.2. **Union of BC Municipalities – Gas Tax Strategic Priorities Fund Grant \$48,700 for Long Term Infrastructure and Asset Management Plan**

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That the correspondence from UBCM advising that the Village had received funding from the Gas Tax Strategic Priorities Fund in the amount of \$48,700 for asset management be received and filed.”

Carried. (03-02-16)

5.3. **Mrs. Pat Baker – Objection to development of Water Treatment Plant**

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Trill

“That the Village send a letter to Mrs. Baker thanking her for her comments and inviting her to attend the April 14 Community Forum where an update on the water treatment plant project will be provided.”

Carried. (04-02-16)

6. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

6.1. None

7. **NEW BUSINESS**

7.1. **Memo from Chief Administrative Officer – Service Agreement – Cross Connection Control Program**

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That Administration be authorized to sign a three (3) year agreement with MTS Inc. to provide a Cross Connection Control Program at a monthly fee of \$429.”

Carried. (05-02-16)

7.2. Memo from Chief Financial Officer – Purchase of Offsetting Carbon Credits

M/S Councillor Trill / Councillor Roden

“That Council approve the purchase of offset credits in the amount of \$5,180 from *Offsetters* as required by the Province of British Columbia and the Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program.”

Carried. (06-02-16)

7.3. Memo from Chief Administrative Officer – Formation of a Bifuka Sister City Committee

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Mertens

“That a Bifuka Sister City Committee be formed chaired by Mayor Jeyes and Councillor Lambert with Councillor Trill as the alternate representative and further that once terms of reference and committee expectations are determined members of the community be invited to participate in sister city activities.”

Carried. (07-02-16)

7.4. Memo from Chief Administrative Officer - Annual Water System Report

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That the 2015 Annual Water System Report be approved as presented and further that the document be available off our website.”

Carried. (08-02-16)

7.5. Invitation to Village of Cache Creek to rejoin local Para Transit System

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Mertens

That the Village of Ashcroft extend an invitation to the Village of Cache Creek Council to rejoin the local para-transit committee.

Carried. (09-02-16)

Councillor Roden declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting at 7:46 pm.

7.6. Memo from Chief Administrative Officer – Grant in Aid Request – WRAPS Production of Shirley Valentine

M/S Councillor Lambert / Councillor Trill

“That the Village of Ashcroft provide a \$500 grant in aid to the Winding Rivers Arts and Performance Society to assist with the local production of Shirley Valentine.”

Carried. (10-02-16)

Councillor Roden returned to the meeting at 7:52 pm.

7.7. Canada Day Celebrations

Councillor Roden advised Council that Winding Rivers Arts and Performance Society has applied for funding to assist with costs associated with hosting Canada Day celebrations and will bring more details forward to Council at a later date.

7.8 Ashcroft & District Curling Club – Request to withdraw \$5,000 from the Capital Asset Replacement Fund

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Trill

“That the request from the Ashcroft & District Curling Club to withdraw \$5,000 from the Capital Asset Replacement Fund be brought back to the March 14 council meeting and further that the club be requested to provide financial statements for 2014 and 2015.”

Carried. (11-02-16)

8. BYLAWS

8.1. Introduction and First Three Readings

8.1.1. None

8.2. Reconsideration and Final Adoption

8.2.1. None

9. INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE

9.1. Information Correspondence Listing for February 22, 2016

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Mertens

“That the information correspondence listing for February 22, 2016 be received and filed.”

Carried. (12-02-16)

10. REPORTS

Council Reports

10.1. Finance Committee – Mayor Jeyes, Councillor Mertens & Councillor Roden

Budget discussions will be commencing soon.

10.2. Cache Creek Environmental Assessment Committee – Councillor Mertens & Mayor Jeyes

Mayor Jeyes advised that the TNRD will be providing the Village of Ashcroft with a temporary transfer station once the landfill operations are reduced this summer and should the Environmental Certificate not be received a permanent transfer station will be developed.

10.3. Northern Development Initiative Trust – Councillor Trill & Councillor Mertens

No report.

10.4. Gold Country Communities Society – Councillor Trill & Councillor Lambert

No report.

10.5. TNRD – Mayor Jeyes & Councillor Trill

Council reviewed the highlights of the Board of Directors' Meeting held on Thursday, February 18, 2016. Council was advised that the free household hazardous waste disposal day will be on Saturday, April 23 in Cache Creek.

10.6. Tourism – Councillor Roden & Councillor Lambert

Councillor Roden advised that she would be meeting with Alice Durksen to discuss the past operation of the tourist information booth.

10.7. School District No. 74 (Gold Trail) Liaison – Councillor Lambert & Mayor Jeyes

Council reviewed The Board Bulletin – Highlights of the Board meeting held February 2, 2016.

10.8. Economic Development & Chamber of Commerce - Councillor Mertens & Mayor Jeyes

No report.

10.9. Historic Hat Creek Ranch – Mayor Jeyes & Councillor Trill

Mayor Jeyes advised that the Annual General Meeting was held last week and all members of the executive had been returned to their positions.

10.10. Heritage – Councillor Roden & Councillor Mertens

Councillor Roden advised that the annual heritage event would be held on Sunday, February 28 from 2 – 4 pm. She also advised Council that the Village had not been successful in having the Chinese cemetery recognized by Heritage BC.

10.11. Transit – Councillor Mertens & Councillor Roden

Councillor Mertens advised Council that the after hour rental of the bus is very valuable as it provides community exposure and offers examples of ways that the bus can be used within the community. The Monday trips to Kamloops are being very well utilized.

10.12. Wellness & Music Festival – Councillor Trill & Councillor Roden

Councillor Trill advised Council that the Wellness & Music Festival was taking a year off to allow members time to reconsider the event. The Make Children First event would move to the weekend of July 16 and would accommodate the children's TRYathlon as well as have the Elvis performer back.

10.13. Seniors' Liaison – Councillor Lambert & Councillor Trill

The seniors are preparing for their annual strawberry tea and will be selling raffle tickets soon.

10.14. Communities in Bloom – Councillor Lambert & Councillor Trill

Councillor Lambert advised that the last meeting had been cancelled however the committee would be meeting with Council on Wednesday, March 2 at 3:00 pm in the Council Chambers.

10.15. Health Care – Mayor Jeyes & Councillor Lambert

Council reviewed the Wellness and Health Action Coalition minutes from the December 21 and January 18 meetings.

10.16. Other

Mayor Jeyes advised Council that he would be attending meetings of Rotary, Lions and the senior's group to provide information on the water treatment plant project.

Councillor Roden provided Council with an overview of the recent LGLA session she attended. The presenters were very interesting, it was informative and she would recommend the event to anyone in local government.

M/S Councillor Trill / Councillor Roden

That Council receive the verbal and written reports as presented.

Carried. (13-02-16)

10.17. Administration

Chief Administrative Officer

10.17.1. None

Chief Financial Officer

10.17.2. None

11. INCAMERA

11.1. None

12. **TERMINATION**

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That the Regular Meeting of Council terminate at 8:34 pm.

Carried.

John C. (Jack) Jeyes, Mayor

Certified to be a true and correct copy
of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting
of Council held Monday, February 22, 2016.

J. Michelle Allen, Chief Administrative Officer

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