



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 27, 2017**

PRESENT: Mayor John C. (Jack) Jeyes
Councillor Helen A. Kormendy
Councillor Barbara H. Roden
Councillor W. Alfred Trill

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

Press

EXCUSED: Councillor Doreen L. Lambert
Wayne Robinson, Deputy Corporate Officer

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jeyes called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm.

2. MINUTES

2.1. Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of Council held on Monday, January 23, 2017

Mayor Jeyes declared the minutes adopted as presented.

2.2. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Monday, January 23, 2017

Mayor Jeyes declared the minutes adopted as presented.

3. DELEGATIONS

3.1. None

4. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

4.1. Accounts Payable Listing for the period ending February 8, 2017

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Trill

"That the accounts payable listing for the period ending February 8, 2017 be received and filed."

Carried. (01-02-17)

5. CORRESPONDENCE

5.1. Mayor Yamaguchi, Bifuka, Japan – Congratulations to Councillor Kormendy and no visit planned

M/S Councillor Trill / Councillor Kormendy

“That the letter of congratulations from Mayor Yamaguchi be received and filed.”

Carried. (02-02-17)

5.2. Hon. Terry Lake, Minister of Health – Follow up to UBCM meeting regarding upgrades to local government drinking water facilities

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Trill

“That the Village request a copy of the completed guidance document that the Ministry of Health is currently developing regarding drinking water standards and upgrades within the province of British Columbia.”

Carried. (03-02-17)

5.3. Robert A. Johnson, Executive Vice President Operations, CP – Thank you for Village’s cooperation during January 2017 derailment

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Trill

“That the correspondence from the Executive Vice President Operations of CP be received and filed.”

Carried. (04-02-17)

5.4. National Health & Fitness Day – Saturday, June 3, 2017

M/S Councillor Roden / Mayor Jeyes

“That the Village of Ashcroft include the information regarding the National Health & Fitness Day in the April & May newsletters and include some of the suggested activities if space permits.”

Carried. (05-02-17)

5.5. Canadian Postmasters & Assistants Association – Resurrection of Postal Banking

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Kormendy

“That the correspondence from the Canadian Postmasters & Assistance Association regarding postal banking opportunities be received and filed.”

Carried. (06-02-17)

5.6. Hon. Norm Letnick, Minister of Agriculture, Responsible for Francophone Affairs Program - BC Government Francophone Affairs Program

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Kormendy

“That the correspondence on the BC Government Francophone Affairs Program be received and filed.”

Carried. (07-02-17)

5.7. Operation Lifesaver – 15th Annual Rail Safety Week, 15th Annual Rail Safety Week, April 24-30, 2017

M/S Councillor Roden / Mayor Jeyes

“That the Village of Ashcroft proclaim Public- Rail Safety Week from April 24-30, 2017.

Carried. (08-02-17)

5.8. Ashcroft Volunteer Firefighters’ Association – Proposed Slo-Pitch Tournament, April 29 & 30

M/S Mayor Jeyes / Councillor Kormendy

“That the request from the Ashcroft Volunteer Fire Department to hold a Slo-Pitch Tournament on April 29 & 30, 2017 be brought forward to the budget meeting for further discussion.”

Carried. (09-02-17)

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6.1. Off Leash Dog Park Select Committee – Appointment of Members

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Kormendy

“The Council appoint the four (4) members of the public who submitted letters of interest for sitting on the Off Leash Dog Park Select Committee of Council and Councillor Kormendy and Councillor Trill to the committee.”

Carried. (10-02-17)

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1. Water Treatment Plant Project – Membrane Filtration Equipment Selection

M/S Mayor Jeyes / Councillor Roden

“That the Village of Ashcroft proceed with DWG Process Supply/Pall Water as the preferred proponent/manufacture for the membrane filtration equipment at an adjusted proposal cost of \$918,940 as presented in the Urban Systems Ltd. report dated February 20, 2017.”

Carried. (11-02-17)

7.2. Ashcroft & District Lions Club – Request for use of Drylands Arena for 2017 Fall Fair

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Trill

“That the Village of Ashcroft grant the rental of the Drylands Arena to the Ashcroft & District Lions Club for the Ashcroft & District Fall Fair for the period September 5-11, 2017 subject to the conditions outlined in the staff report dated February 21, 2017.”

Carried. (12-02-17)

7.3. Report on Council Remuneration and Expenses 2016 – Community Charter Section 168

M/S Councillor Trill / Councillor Roden

“That the 2016 Report on Council Remuneration and Expenses as required under section 168 of the Community Charter be approved as presented.”

Carried. (13-02-17)

7.4. Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program (CARIP) – Purchase of Offsetting Carbon Credits

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Kormendy

“That Staff be directed to purchase offset carbon credits as required by the Province of British Columbia and the Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program through the offset organization Offsetters.”

Carried. (14-02-17)

7.5. Ashcroft Terminal Tour – Invitation to regional local government to tour Ashcroft Terminal

M/S Councillor Roden / Mayor Jeyes

“That the Village of Ashcroft, in partnership with Ashcroft Terminal, invite elected officials from the southern area of the province to a tour of the Terminal project during the month of May.”

Carried. (15-02-17)

7.6. Village of Ashcroft 65th Anniversary of Incorporation – Community Barbecue, Saturday, June 24

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Kormendy

“That the Village of Ashcroft reserve the Heritage Place Park gazebo for Saturday, June 24, 2017 for a free community barbecue as a thank you to our residents for the first 65 years of incorporation.”

Carried. (16-02-17)

7.7. Mr. Johnny Pierro – Bonaparte Pow Wow, Drylands Arena, August 18-20, 2017

M/S Councillor Roden / Mayor Jeyes

“That Staff send Mr. Pierro a letter including the updated costs for renting the Drylands Arena for the Pow Wow proposed for the dates August 18 – 20, 2017 and further that the rental fees must be paid within 30 days of the invoice date or the arena reservation will be cancelled.”

Carried. (17-02-17)

7.8. CP Rail – Information on Application for Grade Separation

M/S Councillor Kormendy / Councillor Trill

“That the Village send a letter to CP Railway requesting more information about funding programs currently available for grade separations and guidance on moving forward with this request.”

Defeated.

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 27, 2017

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Trill

“That the information correspondence listing for February 27, 2017 be received and filed.”

Carried. (18-02-17)

10. REPORTS

Council Reports

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

Finance committee will be meeting with the auditors on March 13, 2017

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

Staff was directed to inquire into the well drilling that has been on-going on the site of the Cache Creek Landfill and report back to Council.

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

Councillor Trill advised the next meeting is March 14 and there is a strategic planning session scheduled to be held prior to the meeting.

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

Councillor Trill provided a summary of the meeting held in the Ashcroft Council Chambers. Gold Country has been very active and has a number of YouTube videos that can be shared as promotional materials.

10.5. TNRD – Mayor Jeyes & Councillor Lambert

Council reviewed The Current – Highlights of the Board of Directors' Meeting held February 16, 2017.

10.6. Tourism – Councillor Roden & Councillor Lambert

Councillor Roden advised Council that the business plan for the McAbee Fossil Beds is progressing on schedule and the committee is looking forward to the next steps in this development.

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

Council reviewed The Board Bulletin – Highlights of the Board of Education meeting held January 3, 2017 and the School District #74 News Update.

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

No report

10.9. Historic Hat Creek– Mayor Jeyes & Councillor Trill

No report

10.10. Heritage – Councillor Roden & Councillor Kormendy

The annual Heritage Event was held on February 26 with approximately 50 people in attendance. Two guest speakers provided information on First Nation baskets and ladies fashion in the 1860's.

10.11. Transit – Councillor Kormendy & Councillor Roden

Council reviewed the 2016 Year end statistics including number of riders, revenue received and Village's share of operating costs.

10.12. Wellness & Music (Kids) Festival – Councillor Trill & Councillor Roden

Councillor Trill advised that the kids triathlon would be held on Saturday, July 15, 2017.

10.13. Seniors' Liaison – Councillor Lambert & Councillor Roden

No report

10.14. Communities in Bloom – Councillor Trill & Councillor Roden

No report

10.15. Health Care – Mayor Jeyes & Councillor Lambert

Members of the WHAC have met with MLA Tegart and other parties to discuss health care in the region.

10.16. Bifuka Sister City Relationship – Councillor Kormendy & Councillor Lambert

No report

10.17. Other

Ashcroft Animal Control Officer – Summary of Calls for Services March 2015 – February 2017

Council reviewed the summary of service calls and expressed appreciation for the services that Mr. Aie provides to ensure dogs in our community are safe and well cared for.

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Kormendy

“That Council receive the verbal and written reports as presented.”

Carried. (19-02-17)

10.18. Administration

Chief Administrative Officer

10.18.1. Council agreed that a budget meeting would be held at 3:00 pm on Monday, March 6, 2017. This would be the first in a series of meetings.

Chief Financial Officer

10.18.2. None

11. INCAMERA

11.1. None

12. TERMINATION

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Kormendy

“That the regular meeting of Council terminate at 8:39 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 27, 2017

J. Michelle Allen, Chief Administrative Officer