



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 TUESDAY, MAY 24, 2016

PRESENT: **Acting Mayor Barbara H. Roden**
 Councillor Doreen E. Lambert
 Councillor Alain P. Mertens
 Councillor Wm. Alfred Trill

J. Michelle Allen, Chief Administrative Officer
 Yoginder Bhalla, Chief Financial Officer
 Ethan Anderson, Deputy Corporate Officer

Press

EXCUSED: **Mayor John C. (Jack) Jeyes**

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. MINUTES

2.1. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Monday, May 9, 2016

Acting Mayor Roden declared the minutes adopted as presented.

3. DELEGATIONS

3.1. None

4. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

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

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Trill

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

Carried. (19-05-16)

5. CORRESPONDENCE

5.1. Winding Rivers Arts & Performance Society – Invitation to Mayor Jeyes to attend Plein Air dinner on Saturday, May 28, 2016

M/S Councillor Trill / Councillor Lambert

“That Mayor Jeyes attend the Plein Air dinner on Saturday, May 28, 2016.”

Carried. (20-05-16)

5.2. Social Planning & Research Council (SPARC) of BC – Access Awareness Day – June 4, 2016

M/S Councillor Trill / Councillor Lambert

“That the Village of Ashcroft declare Access Awareness Day on June 4, 2016 with the theme of Building Accessibility/Creating Community.”

Carried. (21-05-16)

5.3. City of Cranbrook – Donation to the City of Fort McMurray as disaster relief

MS Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That the Village of Ashcroft donate \$500 to the City of Fort McMurray to be used to assist with the repairs necessary following the devastating wild fires that swept through part of their community.”

Carried. (22-05-16)

5.4. Mayor Ranta, Village of Cache Creek – Request letter of support for Cache Creek Airport Improvements

M/S Councillor Mertens / Councillor Trill

“That the Village of Ashcroft provide a letter of support to the Village of Cache Creek for their grant application to improve the Cache Creek Airport to accommodate larger aircrafts including BC Air Ambulances.”

Carried. (23-05-16)

5.5. Desert Hills Tri Club – Request for Support of Kids TRY-athlon Race, July 16, 2016

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That the request for support for the Kids TRY-athlon Race on July 16, 2016 be received and filed and further that the Desert Hills Tri Club be advised that the Village donates the use of the pool for an in-kind donation of approximately \$350.”

Carried. (24-05-16)

6. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

6.1. **Memo from Chief Administrative Officer – Strategic Priorities Funding Agreement – Asset Management**

M/S Councillor Lambert / Councillor Trill

“That the Mayor or Deputy Mayor and the Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the funding agreement for the Village of Ashcroft Long Term Infrastructure and Asset Management Plan Project.”

Carried. (25-05-16)

7. **NEW BUSINESS**

7.1. **Memo from Chief Administrative Officer – Development Permit Area #4 Proposal – BK Rothschild**

M/S Councillor Lambert / Councillor Trill

“That the report from the Chief Administrative Office on Mr. Rothschild’s proposal within the Development Permit Area #4 for the development of a gas station be received and filed.”

Carried. (26-05-16)

7.2. **Memo from Chief Administrative Officer – Ashcroft Museum – HVAC Upgrades**

M/S Councillor Trill / Councillor Mertens

“That Council for the Village of Ashcroft authorize support for the application for funding through *Northern Development Initiative Trust’s Economic Diversification Infrastructure Program* in the amount of \$20,475 for Ashcroft Museum upgrades and further that Council commits to providing the additional funding required to complete the project.”

Carried. (27-05-16)

7.3. **Memo from Chief Administrative Officer – BC Rural Dividend Fund – Village of Ashcroft Community Capacity Program**

M/S Councillor Mertens / Councillor Lambert

“That Council authorizes the submission of an application to the BC Rural Dividend Program for the Village of Ashcroft Community Capacity Program and further that Council will support this project through to completion.”

Carried. (28-05-16)

7.4. **Memo from Chief Administrative Officer – Ashcroft Indian Band – Request for Letter of Support BC Rural Dividend Program Greenhouse Development**

M/S Councillor Lambert / Councillor Mertens

“That the Village of Ashcroft provide a letter of support to the Ashcroft Indian Band as part of their funding application to the BC Rural Dividend Program for the study and design of greenhouses.”

Carried. (29-05-16)

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 May 24, 2016

M/S Councillor Trill / Councillor Lambert

“That the information correspondence listing for May 24, 2016 be received and filed.”

Carried. (30-05-16)

10. REPORTS

Council Reports

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

No report.

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

No report.

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

Next meeting June 14, 2016.

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

Councillor Trill reported on the Annual General Meeting held on May 10, 2016 in Lillooet. He advised that the society has undertaken the operation of the Cache Creek Tourist Information Centre. Mayor Jeyes and Councillor Roden attended a tourism session in Merritt and the annual FAM tour will take place on May 31, 2016.

10.5. TNRD – Mayor Jeyes & Councillor Roden

Council reviewed The Current – Highlights of the Board of Directors' Meeting held Thursday, May 12, 2016

10.6. Tourism – Councillor Roden & Councillor Lambert

Councillor Roden advised that the 9 members of the McAbee Working Group had met and established the terms of reference. Next meeting will be May 30 at the fossil bed site.

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

No report.

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

No report.

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

The ranch is now open for the season.

10.10. Heritage – Councillor Roden & Councillor Mertens

Councillor Roden advised that she and her husband had represented the Village at the annual Clinton May Ball. There were several provincial and federal dignitaries present.

10.11. Transit – Councillor Mertens & Councillor Roden

Councillor Mertens advised that the Village of Cache Creek had requested a great deal of information prior to making their decision on whether or not to rejoin the local transit system. This matter would be discussed at the next transit meeting.

10.12. Make Children First & Kids TRY-athlon (Wellness & Music Festival) – Councillor Trill & Councillor Roden

Councillor Trill advised that plans are moving forward. Elvis will be performing on Saturday afternoon as well as at the Sunday morning gospel service.

10.13. Seniors' Liaison – Councillor Lambert & Councillor Trill

No report.

10.14. Communities in Bloom – Councillor Lambert & Councillor Trill

No report.

10.15. Health Care – Mayor Jeyes & Councillor Lambert

Councillor Roden commented that members of the public had expressed concerns regarding the closure of the ER over the May long weekend.

10.16. Bifuka Sister City Relationship

The CAO advised that she had sent Mr. Nagaki an email and he had replied advising that he would not be coming to Ashcroft in 2016 as his schedule was full.

10.17. Other

Councillor Mertens reported on the recent Walhachin festival and the number of people that had attended. Councillor Roden reported on the Lytton Festival.

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Trill

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

Carried. (31-05-16)

10.18. Administration

Chief Administrative Officer

10.18.1. None

Chief Financial Officer

10.18.2. None

11. INCAMERA

11.1. None

12. TERMINATION

M/S Councillor Lambert / Councillor Mertens

That the Regular Meeting of Council terminate at 7:38 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 Tuesday, May 24, 2016.

J. Michelle Allen, Chief Administrative Officer

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