



THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT

REGULAR MINUTES

FOR THE MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
OF THE VILLAGE OFFICE AT 4:30 PM ON MONDAY, MAY 9, 2016

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

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

Press

EXCUSED: Councillor Wm. Alfred Trill

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Jeyes called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

2. **MINUTES**

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

Mayor Jeyes declared the minutes adopted as presented.

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

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 May 2, 2016**

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That the accounts payable listing for the period ending May 2, 2016 be received and filed.”

Carried. (01-05-16)

5. **CORRESPONDENCE**

5.1. **Ministry of Jobs, Tourism and Skills Training & Minister Responsible for Labour – National Tourism Week, May 29-June 4, 2016**

M//S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That the correspondence from the Ministry of Jobs, Tourism and Skills Training and the Minister Responsible for Labour regarding National Tourism Week, May 29, - June 4, 2016 be received and filed.”

Carried. (02-05-16)

5.2. **Mayor James Rivett, Village of Clinton – Invitation to participate in Annual Western Heritage Parade, May 28, 2016**

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That Mayor Jeyes represent the Village of Ashcroft in the Clinton Western Heritage Parade on Saturday, May 28, 2016.”

Carried. (03-05-16)

5.3. **BC Assessment Authority – Invitation to meet during 2016 UBCM Convention**

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That the Village of Ashcroft request a meeting with BC Assessment Authority during the 2016 Union of British Columbia Municipalities Convention.”

Carried. (04-05-16)

5.4. **Thompson Regional Hospital District – TRHD Medical Professional Recruitment Fund Pilot Project**

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That the Village send a letter of thanks to Sukh Gill, CAO for the Thompson Regional Hospital District for providing this pilot project and further that a copy of the information be forwarded to the Wellness and Health Action Coalition.”

Carried. (05-05-16)

5.5. **The Ashcroft HUB – Request to Partner – Aqua Fit Program for Seniors at Ashcroft Pool**

MS Councillor Roden / Councillor Mertens

“That the Village provide assistance to offset the costs for providing an Aqua Fit Program for Senior’s at the Ashcroft Pool.”

Carried. (06-05-16)

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

That the Village of Ashcroft provide a Grant in Aid in the amount of \$500 to the Ashcroft HUB to assist with the cost of providing an Aqua Fit Program for Seniors at the Ashcroft Pool and further that if the Aqua Fit program does not proceed that the grant be refunded.

Carried. (07-05-16)

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6.1. Memo from Chief Administrative Officer – Community Garden and Public Produce Projects

MS Councillor Lambert / Councillor Roden

“That the Village of Ashcroft enter into two (2) agreements with the South Cariboo Elizabeth Fry Society to develop a community garden on the southerly 50 feet of Lot 11, Block 15, Plan 189 and a public produce garden on land behind their office at 601 Bancroft Street.”

Carried. (08-05-16)

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1. Memo from Chief Administrative Officer – Renewal of Village of Ashcroft/BC Transit/Yellowhead Community Services Annual Operating Agreement for Local Para-Transit System

M/S Councillor Mertens / Councillor Roden

“That the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to sign the renewal of the annual operating agreement with BC Transit for the continued operation of the local para-transit system.”

Carried. (09-05-16)

8. BYLAWS

8.1. Introduction and First Three Readings

8.1.1. None

8.2. Reconsideration and Final Adoption

8.2.1. Memo from Chief Financial Officer – 2016-2020 Five Year Financial Plan and Tax Rate Bylaw

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Mertens

“That the memo from the Chief Financial Officer regarding the 2016 – 2020 Financial Plan and Tax Rate Bylaw be received and filed.”

Carried. (10-05-16)

8.2.2. Bylaw No. 804 - Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Mertens

“That Bylaw No. 804 cited as Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw, 2016 be reconsidered and adopted.”

Carried. (11-05-16)

8.2.3. Bylaw No. 805 – 2016 Tax Rates Bylaw

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That Bylaw 805 cited as 2016 Tax Rates Bylaw, 2016 be reconsidered and adopted.”

Carried. (12-05-16)

9. INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE

9.1. Information Correspondence Listing for May 9, 2016

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Mertens

“That the information correspondence listing for May 9, 2016 be received and filed.”

Carried. (13-05-16)

10. REPORTS

Council Reports

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

Memo from Chief Financial Officer – Approval of 2015 Audited Financial Statements

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That the 2015 Audited Financial Statements be received as presented.”

Carried. (14-05-16)

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

No report.

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

No report.

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

Annual General Meeting is May 10 in Lillooet.

10.5. TNRD – Mayor Jeyes & Councillor Roden

Council reviewed The Current – Highlights of the Board of Directors' Meeting of April 28, 2016.

10.6. Tourism – Councillor Roden & Councillor Lambert

Councillor Roden advised that she had met with Dr. Bruce Archibald and advised that the Village would be pleased to host another presentation regarding the McAbee Fossil Beds. She suggested the Economic Development Committee could discuss holding a session for September or October.

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 of May 3, 2016.

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

Councillor Mertens advised that he has had conversation with several local businesses who have indicated that they would like to see more businesses established in Ashcroft.

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

Mayor Jeyes advised Council that MLA Tegart had presented the Board of Historic Hat Creek Ranch with a cheque in the amount of \$250,000 for more projects at the site. He also advised that they had been successful in obtaining NDT funding towards the development of a gift shop.

10.10. Heritage – Councillor Roden & Councillor Mertens

No report.

10.11. Transit – Councillor Mertens & Councillor Roden

No report.

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

No report.

10.13. Seniors' Liaison – Councillor Lambert & Councillor Trill

Councillor Lambert advised that the Strawberry Tea had been successful however the number of attendees was down from previous years.

10.14. Communities in Bloom – Councillor Lambert & Councillor Trill

Council was reminded that the barrels in front of the Village Office will be planted at 7:00 pm on Thursday, May 12, 2016.

10.15. Health Care – Mayor Jeyes & Councillor Lambert

No report.

10.16. Bifuka Sister City Relationship

No report.

10.17. Other

Councillor Roden advised that the playground project undertaken by the Communities in Bloom Committee was moving forward and they expected to be able to order the first piece of equipment in the near future.

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

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

Carried. (15-05-16)

10.18. Administration

Chief Administrative Officer

10.18.1. Notes of the Community Forum held on Thursday, April 14, 2016

10.18.2. Notes of the Town Hall Meeting held on May 2, 2016

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Mertens

“That the notes of the April 14, 2016 Community Forum and the May 2, 2016 Town Hall Meeting be received and filed.”

Carried. (16-05-16)

Chief Financial Officer

10.18.2.1. Memo from Chief Financial Officer – Section 168 of Community Charter – Report on Council Remuneration and Expenses

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That the report on Council remuneration and expenses for 2015 as required under section 168 of the Community Charter be received as presented.”

Carried. (17-05-16)

11. **INCAMERA**

11.1. **Section 90.(1).k of the Community Charter**

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That the Regular Meeting of Council move in-camera to discuss an item under Section 90.(1).k of the Community Charter at 5:21 pm.”

Carried. (18-05-16)

12. **TERMINATION**

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That the Regular Meeting of Council terminate at 5:40 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, May 9, 2016.

J. Michelle Allen, Chief Administrative Officer

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