



THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT

REGULAR MINUTES

FOR THE MEETING OF COUNCIL TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
OF THE VILLAGE OFFICE AT 4:30 PM ON MONDAY, MARCH 14, 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
Ethan Anderson, Deputy Corporate Officer

EXCUSED: Yoginder Bhalla, Chief Financial Officer

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, February 22, 2016**

Mayor Jeyes declared the minutes adopted as presented.

2.2. **Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Monday, February 22, 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 March 4, 2016**

M/S Councillor Trill / Councillor Roden

“That the accounts payable listing for the period ending March 4, 2016 be received and filed.”

Carried. (01-03-16)

5. **CORRESPONDENCE**

6.

6.1. **BC Lung Association – Radon Aware – Changes to the BC Building Code – Radon Aware – Changes to the BC Building Code**

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Trill

“That the correspondence from the BC Lung Association regarding changes to the BC Building Code concerning Radon be received and filed.”

Carried. (02-03-16)

6.2. **Barry and Aletta Hanson – Concerns regarding proposed development of dog park within pool park**

6.3. **Margaret and Adriano Moreira – Concerns regarding proposed development of dog park within pool park**

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That Administration send letters to Mr. and Ms. Hanson and Mr. and Ms. Moreira advising them that no decision has been made regarding the location of a dog park and further that the proposed dog park will be one of the discussion items at the April 14, 2016 Community Forum.”

Carried. (03-03-16)

6.4. **Mayor Marg Lampman, District of Lillooet – Support for Reinstatement of Passenger Rail Service between North Vancouver and Prince George**

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That the Village send a letter of support for the reinstatement of passenger rail service between North Vancouver and Prince George and further that a copy be sent to Mayor Lampman.”

Carried. (04-03-16)

6.5. **Southern Interior Local Government Association – Donation of Gift Basket for Door Prize at 2016 Convention**

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That the Village prepare a gift basket that can be used as a door prize at the 2016 Southern Interior Local Government Association Convention.”

Carried. (05-03-16)

6.6. Mr. Jati Sidhu – Invitation to attend Official Opening of Mission Constituency Office, March 19, 2016

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That the invitation to attend the official opening of MP Sidhu’s Mission Constituency Office on March 19, 2016 be received and filed.”

Carried. (06-03-16)

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7.1. None

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1. Memo from Chief Administrative Officer – Grant to Ashcroft & District Curling Club to cover operating expenses

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Trill

“That Council approve the removal of \$5,000 from the Capital Asset Reserve Fund as well as forgive the \$1,250 annual contribution that is outstanding and further advise the Curling Club that this is the last time that a withdrawal will be permitted from the fund that does not fall within the guidelines of the current operating agreement.”

Carried. (07-03-16)

9. BYLAWS

9.1. Introduction and First Three Readings

9.1.1. None

9.2. Reconsideration and Final Adoption

9.2.1. None

10. INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE

10.1. Information Correspondence Listing for March 7, 2016

M/S Councillor Trill / Councillor Mertens

“That the information correspondence listing for March 7, 2016 be received and filed.”

Carried. (08-03-16)

11. REPORTS

Council Reports

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

Mayor Jeyes advised that they had met with the Auditor earlier in the day and the Village had received a clean audit for 2015. There were no concerns raised regarding the Village's financial position.

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

No report.

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

Councillor Mertens will be attending the NDIT meeting as Councillor Trill is unavailable.

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

Councillor Mertens advised he had attended the last Gold Country Communities Society meeting and provided a brief update.

11.5. TNRD – Mayor Jeyes & Councillor Roden

Council reviewed The Current – Highlights from the Board of Directors' meeting held on Thursday, March 10, 2016.

11.6. Tourism – Councillor Roden & Councillor Lambert

Councillor Roden advised that she had met with Alice Durksen who had been operating the Visitors Centre for the past few years and had obtained information and a list of volunteers. The Village hopes that someone will step forward and replace Ms. Durksen.

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

No report.

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

Mayor Jeyes advised that the Village could look at having a regular business walk which would allow members of Council to connect directly with every business in the downtown area.

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

Mayor Jeyes advised that the ranch had submitted an application to NDIT for improvements.

11.10. Heritage – Councillor Roden & Councillor Mertens

Councillor Roden advised that the spring heritage event had been attended by over 50 people. The committee will have a fall event that will focus on the Ashcroft fire of 1916. The Ashcroft Fire Department has expressed an interest in taking part in the event.

11.11. Transit – Councillor Mertens & Councillor Roden

Councillor Mertens provided an update on the presentation to Cache Creek Council. Cache Creek has requested information regarding ridership numbers and financial costs. He indicated that Cache Creek had mentioned that they were looking at purchasing a passenger van and operating a private transportation service instead of becoming part of the local BC Transit program.

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

No report.

11.13. Seniors' Liaison – Councillor Lambert & Councillor Trill

No report.

11.14. Communities in Bloom – Councillor Lambert & Councillor Trill

Council reviewed the notes from the March 2, 2016 meeting.

11.15. Health Care – Mayor Jeyes & Councillor Lambert

Council reviewed the minutes of the Wellness & Health Action Coalition meeting held on February 15, 2016. Councillor Roden provided an update on emergency care in our community.

11.16. Other

M/S Councillor Trill / Councillor Lambert

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

Carried. (09-03-16)

11.17. Administration

Chief Administrative Officer

11.17.1. None

Chief Financial Officer

11.17.2. None

12. **INCAMERA**

12.1. None

13. **TERMINATION**

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

That the regular meeting of council terminate at 5:11 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, March 14, 2016.

J. Michelle Allen, Chief Administrative Officer

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