



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, APRIL 25, 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
Ethan Anderson, Deputy Corporate Officer

Press

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

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

2. **MINUTES**

2.1. **Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Monday, April 11, 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 April 19, 2016**

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That the accounts payable listing for the period ending April 19, 2016 be received and filed.”

Carried. (15-04-16)

5. CORRESPONDENCE

5.1. Desert Sands Community School – 8th Annual AES Fundraising Fun Fair

M/S Councillor Trill / Councillor Roden

“That the Village of Ashcroft donate a 2016 Family Pass for the Ashcroft Pool to the AES Fundraising Fun Fair.”

Carried. (16-04-16)

5.2. Ministry of Children and Family Development – Child Protection Reporting

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That the correspondence form the Ministry of Children and Family Development regarding child protection reporting requirements be received and filed.”

Carried. (17-04-16)

Councillor Roden declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting at 7:04 pm

5.3. Winding Rivers Arts & Performance Society – Canada Day Celebration – Heritage Place Park 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

M/S Councillor Lambert / Councillor Mertens

“That the Village of Ashcroft provide a \$500 grant to the Winding Rivers Arts & Performance Society for Canada Day celebrations and further that the Village provide free swimming and road closures as requested.”

Carried. (18-04-16)

Councillor Roden returned to the meeting at 7:06 pm

5.4. Canadian Union of Public Employees – National Day of Mourning, April 28, 2016

M/S Councillor Mertens / Councillor Trill

“That the Village recognize the National Day of Mourning by lowering the flags to half-mast and remembering those who have lost their lives at work.”

Carried. (19-04-16)

5.5. Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development and Minister Responsible for TransLink – Opportunity to submit comments relating to availability and provision of transportation and accommodation services

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That the correspondence from the Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development and Minister Responsible for TransLink regarding transportation and accommodation services be received and filed.”

Carried. (20-04-16)

5.6. Mr. Emile Scheffel, Lead Community Affairs, CN Railway – CN Crossing Safety

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That Mr. Scheffel be thanked for his letter and further that Cst. Chupik had made a very informative presentation at the recent community forum.”

Carried. (21-04-16)

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6.1. None

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1. Memo from Chief Administrative Officer – 6th Annual Skip’s Memorial Charity Run, June 5, 2016

M/S Councillor Trill / Councillor Roden

“That the Village approve the proposal for the 6th Annual Skip’s Run on Sunday, June 5, 2016 and further that Evans Road be closed to all traffic from 8:00 am – 1:00 pm.”

Carried. (22-04-16)

7.2. Memo from Chief Administrative Officer – WRAPS Grant Application – NDIT Fabulous Festivals and Events

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Mertens

“That the Village of Ashcroft provide a letter of support to Winding Rivers Arts and Performance Society for a \$2,500 grant through the NDIT Fabulous Festivals and Events program to assist with the production costs of Arsenic and Old Lace in November 2016.”

Carried. (23-04-16)

7.3. Memo from Chief Administrative Officer – Proposal for Community Garden – Southerly 50 feet, Lot 11, Block 15, Plan 189

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That the Village arrange to have private property removed from the captioned lot within 30 days and further that staff meet with the South Cariboo Elizabeth Fry society to discuss the development of a community garden.”

Carried. (24-04-16)

7.4. Memo from Chief Administrative Officer – Ash-Creek TV Society Agreement

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That Council appoint Mayor Jeyes and Councillor Roden to the committee to review the existing agreement with the Ash-Creek TV Society and further that recommendations be brought back to Council for consideration.”

Carried. (25-04-16)

7.5. Memo from Chief Administrative Officer – Water Treatment Plant Project – Alternative Approval Process

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

That Administration proceed with the Alternative Approval Process to obtain permission to borrow a maximum of \$4,128,739 for a maximum of 30 years and further that deadline for submission of forms is 4:00 pm on Monday, June 13, 2016.

Carried. (26-04-16)

7.6. Memo from Chief Administrative Officer – 2016 Kids TRYathlon, Saturday, July 16, 2016

M/S Councillor Roden/Lambert

“That the Village provide support for the 2016 Kids TRYathlon on Saturday, July 16, 2016 by donating the use of the swimming pool and further authorizing the closure of Railway Avenue and Evans Road for the bicycling and running portions of the event.”

Carried. (27-04-16)

8. BYLAWS

8.1. Introduction and First Three Readings

8.1.1. Bylaw No. 804 – Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw

MS Councillor Roden / Councillor Trill

“That Bylaw No. 804, cited as the “Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw” be introduced and given first three readings.”

Carried. (28-04-16)

Councillor Mertens opposed

8.1.2. Bylaw No. 805 – 2016 Tax Rates Bylaw

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Trill

“That Bylaw No. 805, cited as “Tax Rates Bylaw, 2016” be introduced and given first three readings.”

**Carried. (29-04-16)
Councillor Mertens opposed**

8.2. Reconsideration and Final Adoption

8.2.1. None

9. INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE

9.1. Information Correspondence Listing for April 25, 2016

MS Councillor Roden / Councillor Mertens

“That the information correspondence listing for April 25, 2016 be received and filed.”

Carried. (30-04-16)

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

It was reported that the Village of Cache Creek is still awaiting approval of the operating certificate from the Ministry of Environment.

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

No report.

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

Council was reminded that Gold Country Communities Society Annual General Meeting will be held on May 10, 2016 at 10:00 am in Lillooet. This meeting is open to the public however only the Village’s appointees are permitted to vote.

10.5. TNRD – Mayor Jeyes & Councillor Roden

Mayor Jeyes advised that the Thompson Nicola Regional Hospital District had established a Medical Professional Recruitment Fund Pilot Project to assist with costs of physicians travelling to potential employment sites.

10.6. Tourism – Councillor Roden & Councillor Lambert

Councillor Roden provided an update on the McAbee Fossil bed projects. She also advised that she would be meeting with the operator of the Visitor's Centre to discuss the 2016 tourist season.

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

Council reviewed The Board Bulletin highlights of meeting held on April 5, 2016 and revised meeting schedule.

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

Councillor Mertens has been in contact with government representatives regarding economic development strategies.

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

Mayor Jeyes reminded Council that they are invited to dinner at the ranch on April 30. He also provided an update on the funding application for a gift shop area.

10.10. Heritage – Councillor Roden & Councillor Mertens

Councillor Roden updated Council on an event in Walhachin as well as ongoing project involving the New Pathways to Gold.

10.11. Transit – Councillor Mertens & Councillor Roden

No report

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

Councillor Trill advised that the festival was now a Make Children First event and that the kids TRYathlon would be a part of the agenda.

10.13. Seniors' Liaison – Councillor Lambert & Councillor Trill

Council was reminded that the Strawberry Tea takes place on Saturday, April 30 at 1:00 pm.

10.14. Communities in Bloom – Councillor Lambert & Councillor Trill

Councillor Lambert advised that the Communities in Bloom committee would like to have the barrels planted between May 9-15, 2016

10.15. Health Care – Mayor Jeyes & Councillor Lambert

Council reviewed the minutes of the April 18 meeting of the Wellness and Health Action Coalition.

10.16. Bifuka Sister City Relationship

No report.

10.17. Other

Council reviewed the following Ashcroft Volunteer Fire Department reports

- Summary of Calls for Service in 2015
- Monthly report for November & December 2015
- Monthly report for January, February & March 2016

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Trill

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

Carried. (31-04-16)

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 Trill / Councillor Roden

“That the Regular Meeting of Council terminate at 8:02 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, April 25, 2016.

J. Michelle Allen, Chief Administrative Officer

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