



**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, MARCH 26, 2018**

PRESENT: Mayor John C. (Jack) Jeyes
Councillor Helen A. Kormendy
Councillor Doreen E. Lambert
Councillor Barbara H. Roden
Councillor Wm. Alfred Trill

J. Michelle Allen, Chief Administrative Officer
Wayne Robinson, Deputy Corporate Officer

Press and Public

EXCUSED: Yoginder Bhalla, Chief Financial Officer

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jeyes called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

2. MINUTES

2.1. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Monday, March 12, 2018

Mayor Jeyes declared the minutes adopted as presented.

3. DELEGATIONS

3.1. None

4. CORRESPONDENCE

4.1. Ashcroft/Cache Creek Rotary Club – 2017 Citizen of the Year Award

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Kormendy

“That Mayor Jeyes attend the Citizen of the Year Dinner on April 7, 2018 and bring congratulations from the Village of Ashcroft.”

Carried. (12-03-18)

4.2. Wendy Booth, President, Union of BC Municipalities – Provincial response to our 2017 resolution put forward by Council and endorsed by the UBCM membership

M/S Councillor Kormendy / Councillor Trill

“That the Provincial response to the Village’s 2017 UBCM resolution regarding local election campaign financing be received and filed.”

Carried. (13-03-18)

4.3. Cariboo Chilcotin Coast Tourism Association – Invitation to attend 2018 Rural Tourism Summit “Beyond the Fire”, April 13-15, 2018

MS Councillor Kormendy / Councillor Lambert

“That Councillor Kormendy and any other member of Council who is available are authorized to attend the Cariboo Chilcotin Coast Tourism Association Rural Tourism Summit, April 13 – 15, 2018 in Williams Lake.”

Carried. (14-03-18)

4.4. Mr. Mike Baldwin on behalf of Nina Baldwin – Plight of dogs in Ashcroft on Mesa Vista

M/S Councillor Trill / Councillor Kormendy

“That the correspondence from Mr. Mike Baldwin be received and filed.”

Carried. (15-03-18)

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Kormendy

“That the Village send a letter to Mr. Baldwin advising that dogs are prohibited from parks where there is a children’s playground due to health concerns and further that he be advised that there will be a public presentation by the Off Leash Dog Park Committee on Thursday, May 3, 2018.”

Carried. (16-03-18)

Councillor Trill declared a conflict of interest and excused himself at 7:23 pm.

4.5. Community Connect Expo – Workshops & Presentations, April 14 at Ashcroft HUB

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That any member of Council who is available is authorized to attend the Community Connect Expo on April 14 at the Ashcroft HUB.”

Carried. (17-03-18)

Councillor Trill returned to the meeting at 7:26 pm.

4.6. City of Maple Ridge – Letter to Minister of Finance regarding Employer Health Tax

M/S Mayor Jeyes / Councillor Roden

“That the Village send a letter to the Honourable Carole James, Minister of Finance, expressing the Village’s concern with the impact the significant cost increase the Employer Health Tax will have on our budget and taxpayers.

Carried. (18-03-18)

4.7. Working Group on Responsible Conduct of Elected Officials – Foundational Principles of Responsible Conduct

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Kormendy

“That the information on the Foundational Principles of Responsible Conduct be received and filed.”

Carried. (19-03-18)

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5.1. Off Leash Dog Park Select Committee of Council – New date for Community Presentation – May 3

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Kormendy

“That the Village approves the change in date for the Off Leash Dog Park Select Committee of Council presentation from May 17 to May 3 and further that the meeting be held in the Community Hall from 7:00 – 8:30 pm.”

Carried. (20-03-18)

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1. Deb Arnott, Community Futures – BC Rural Centre Community Investment Co-op

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Kormendy

“That Councillor Roden, Mayor Jeyes and Chief Administrative Officer Allen all be authorized to attend the Community Investment Co-Op meeting hosted by Community Futures.”

Carried. (21-03-18)

6.2 Proposed Bylaw No. 817 – Council Procedure Bylaw – Opportunity to review bylaw prior to formal introduction and first two readings

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That Council approve the proposed Bylaw No. 817 – Council Procedure Bylaw as presented with the addition of a Question Period and a reference to the Foundational Principles of Responsible Conduct as developed by UBCM and the Provincial Government.”

Carried. (22-03-18)

7. BYLAWS

7.1. Introduction and First Three Readings

7.1.1. None

7.2. Reconsideration and Final Adoption

7.2.1. Bylaw No. 816 – Village of Ashcroft Local Government Elections and Other Voting Procedures Bylaw No. 816, 2018

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That Bylaw No. 816, cited as “Village of Ashcroft Local Government Elections and Other Voting Procedures Bylaw No. 816, 2018” be reconsidered and given final adoption.

Carried. (23-03-18)

8. INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE

8.1. Information Correspondence Listing for March 26, 2018

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Lambert

“That the information correspondence listing to March 26, 2018 be received and filed.”

Carried. (24-03-18)

9. REPORTS

Council Reports

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

No report.

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

No report.

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

Councillor Trill provided an overview of the last NDIT RAC meeting which he attended via teleconference.

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

Council reviewed the report from Gold Country Chair, Outgoing COO and Incoming COO.

9.5. TNRD – Mayor Jeyes & Councillor Kormendy

Council reviewed The Current – Highlights from the Board of Directors' meeting held on March 15, 2018.

Councillor Kormendy provided an overview of the items on the March 15 meeting.

9.6. Tourism – Councillor Roden & Councillor Lambert

No report.

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

Council reviewed The Board Bulletin – Highlights from the Board of Education Meeting Held March 6, 2018.

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

No report.

9.9. Historic Hat Creek– Mayor Jeyes & Councillor Trill

Fire hall and campground projects will be going ahead this year.

9.10. Heritage – Councillor Roden & Councillor Kormendy

No report.

9.11. Transit – Councillor Kormendy & Councillor Roden

Council was advised that the bus driver has tendered her resignation and April 5 is her last day.

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

No report.

9.13. Seniors' Liaison – Councillor Lambert & Councillor Roden

No report.

9.14. Communities in Bloom – Councillor Trill & Councillor Roden

No report.

9.15. Health Care – Mayor Jeyes & Councillor Lambert

Councillor Roden advised that the local hospital has the ability for patients to have a virtual appointment with specialists/surgeons without travelling to their location. This is well received as a 15 minute pre-surgery consultation can be done from Ashcroft.

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

No report.

9.17. Other

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Kormendy

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

Carried. (25-03-18)

9.18. Administration

Chief Administrative Officer

9.18.1. None.

Chief Financial Officer

9.18.2. None.

10. INCAMERA

10.1. None.

11. TERMINATION

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Kormendy

“That this Regular Meeting of Council terminate at 8:15 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 26, 2018.

J. Michelle Allen, Chief Administrative Officer

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