



**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, NOVEMBER 26, 2018**

PRESENT: Mayor Barbara Roden
Councillor Marilyn Anderson
Councillor Jonah Anstett
Councillor Nadine Davenport
Councillor Debra Tuohey

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

The Public

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. MINUTES

2.1. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Item No. 8.13 on page 5 refers to Councillor Roden when it should state Mayor Roden. The correction will be made prior to filing.

Mayor Roden declared the minutes adopted as amended.

2.2. Minutes of the Orientation Session held on Monday, November 19, 2018

Mayor Roden declared the minutes adopted as amended.

3. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

3.1. None

4. CORRESPONDENCE

4.1. John Horgan, Premier, Province of British Columbia – Congratulations to Mayor & Council on their election to office

M/S Councillor Tuohey / Councillor Anderson

“That the correspondence from Premier Horgan congratulating council on their recent election be received and filed.”

Carried. (14-11-18)

4.2. Jackie Tegart, MLA, Fraser-Nicola – Congratulation to Mayor and Council on their Election to office

M/S Councillor Tuohey / Councillor Anderson

“That the correspondence received from MLA Tegart congratulating council on their recent election be received and filed.”

Carried. (15-11-18)

4.3. Union of BC Municipalities – Memo to Members, Notification of Executive Vacancies

M/S Councillor Tuohey / Councillor Anstett

“That the correspondence from the Union of BC Municipalities regarding the executive vacancies due to the recent local government election be received and filed.”

Carried. (16-11-18)

4.4. Consul General of Japan Takashi Hatori - Invitation to Mayor Roden to attend the Celebration of the 85th birthday of His Majesty the Emperor and the Assumption of Office by the newly appointed Consul General

M/S Mayor Roden / Councillor Davenport

“That the invitation to Mayor Roden to attend the celebration of the 85th birthday of His Majesty the Emperor and the Assumption of Office by the newly appointed Consul General be received and filed.”

Carried. (17-11-18)

4.5. Canadian Federation of Independent Businesses – Congratulations on Election

M/S Mayor Roden / Councillor Tuohey

“That the correspondence from the Canadian Federation of Independent Businesses congratulating council on their recent election be received and filed.”

Carried. (18-11-18)

4.6. Gloria Mertens – Copies of letter to Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure

M/S Mayor Roden / Councillor Anstett

“That the copies of correspondence sent to the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure from Ms. Mertens be received and filed.”

Carried. (19-11-18)

M/S Councillor Tuohey / Councillor Anstett

“That staff contact the local representatives of the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure and request a meeting to discuss the items raised by Ms. Mertens as well as other highway related concerns.”

Carried. (20-11-18)

4.7 Information Correspondence List for November 26, 2018

M/S Councillor Anstett / Councillor Anderson

“That the information correspondence listing for November 26, 2018 be received and filed.”

Carried. (21-11-18)

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5.1. Village of Ashcroft Committee Appointments – Review of appointments presented at the November 13, 2018 meeting

M/S Mayor Roden / Councillor Tuohey

“That the following changes be approved to the committee appointments:

- Councillor Anderson be appointed to Health Care with Councillor Tuohey as the Alternate
- Councillor Anstett be appointed the Alternate on Economic Development
- Councillor Anstett be appointed the Alternate on Tourism”

Carried. (22-11-18)

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1. Community Futures – Request for Road Closure for Santa Claus Parade, December 7th, 2018

M/S Councillor Tuohey / Councillor Anderson

“That Council approves the request from Community Futures Sun Country to hold the Santa Claus Parade on Friday, December 7, 2018 and to safely accommodate the parade and shopping event, Railway Avenue be closed between 2nd & 7th Streets for the period 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm and further proof of liability insurance must be provided prior to the start of the event.”

Carried. (23-11-18)

Mayor Roden declared a conflict of interest and recused herself from the meeting at 7:22 pm. Councillor Anderson assumed the Chair as Acting Mayor.

6.2. Winding Rivers Arts & Performance Society – Request for Grant- in-Aid for Spring Production of Shrek

M/S Councillor Anstett / Councillor Tuohey

“That the Village of Ashcroft approve the Grant-in-Aid request from Winding Rivers Arts & Performance Society in the amount of \$500 to assist with the spring production of Shrek.

Carried. (24-11-18)

Mayor Roden returned to the meeting and assumed the Chair at 7:24 pm.

6.3. Mesa Vista Reservoir Land Tenure Application – Resolution of Council supporting Application

M/S Councillor Davenport / Councillor Anderson

“That the Village of Ashcroft apply to the Province of British Columbia for a land tenure over the property occupied by the Mesa Vista Reservoir.”

Carried. (25-11-18)

6.4. Ashcroft & District Curling Club – Application for Gas Tax Funding from TNRD Director Rice for building upgrades

M/S Mayor Roden / Councillor Anstett

“That staff be directed to arrange a meeting with the Ashcroft & District Curling Club to discuss the proposed building upgrades prior to approval being provided to the Thompson Nicola Regional District.”

Carried. (26-11-18)

6.5. Valerie Freestone – Concerns relating to drainage on her property at the corner of corner of 5th & Railway

M/S Councillor Tuohey / Councillor Davenport

“That staff be directed to reply to Ms. Freestone acknowledging her letter and recognizing her concerns and advise that drainage is a concern in many areas of the community and Council will be discussing the situation at an upcoming budget session and further that as part of the Village’s Asset Management Plan drainage will be reviewed and prioritized on a community wide basis.”

Carried. (27-11-18)

6.6. Santa Claus Parade Prize Draw – Village sponsored prizes

M/S Mayor Roden / Councillor Anstett

“That the Santa Madness Shopping Draw proposal be approved however purchases will only have to be made at 3 merchants not 5.”

Carried. (28-11-18)

7. BYLAWS AND RESOLUTIONS

7.1. Introduction and First Three Readings

7.1.1 None

7.2. Reconsideration and Final Adoption

7.2.1. None

8. COUNCIL REPORTS

8.1. Finance Committee

Mayor Roden, Councillor Anderson, Councillor Davenport

No report

8.2. Northern Development Initiative Trust

Councillor Anstett Alternate – Councillor Anderson

No report

8.3. Gold Country Communities Society

Mayor Roden Alternate – Councillor Davenport

Councillor Davenport attended the meeting on November 21st and provided an update on a number of projects and initiatives including “Random Acts of Kindness”, new phase of the Geo-Caching program, annual FAM tour, regional Chamber of Commerce discussions and the McAbee Fossil Beds.

8.4. Historic Hat Creek

Councillor Roden Alternate – Councillor Anderson

Mayor Roden attended the recent meeting and provided an update on the on-going collaboration between the Bonaparte Indian Band and Historic Hat Creek as well as the impact that the continuing load restrictions on Highway 99 have had on attendance at the site. She also reminded Council that the Annual General Meeting would be on Wednesday, December 12.

8.5. Cache Creek Environmental Assessment

Mayor Roden Alternate – Councillor Tuohey

Mayor Roden provided a summary of the meeting held on November 15. She will be attending a site tour on December 5 and the next scheduled meeting will be in February.

8.6. Thompson-Nicola Regional District

Mayor Roden Alternate – Councillor Anstett

Council reviewed the Current – Highlights of the Board of Directors’ meeting held on November 22, 2018. In addition Mayor Roden advised that the TNRD would be overseeing 8 rural fire departments effective January 2019.

8.7. Tourism

Councillor Davenport Alternate – Councillor Anstett

No report

8.8. Economic Development

Councillor Davenport Alternate – Councillor Anstett

No report

8.9. Heritage
Councillor Tuohey Alternate – Mayor Roden

No report

8.10. Transit
Councillor Anstett Alternate – Councillor Davenport

Councillor Davenport reported on the Para-Transit Committee Meeting held earlier in the day. Much of the discussion centered on the Village of Cache Creek possibly rejoining the system. Mayor Talarico will endeavour to determine the needs of the community and how they can be better met by using transit. Other items of discussion included a review of the ridership statistics and moving the monthly trip to 100 Mile House to the last Monday of the month.

8.11. Communities in Bloom
Councillor Tuohey Alternate – Mayor Roden

Councillor Tuohey reported on the last monthly meeting. The committee is quite concerned regarding the “pruning” that was done to many of the trees, they are now large stumps and may not survive. Many trees are reaching the end of their life cycle, as identified in the tree inventory completed in 2012, and the committee questioned if the Village has a replacement plan in place. The committee would like to proceed with the replacement of the water wheel and pond area as well as other projects that they are investigating.

8.12. Health Care
Councillor Anderson Alternate – Councillor Tuohey

No report

8.13. Seniors’ Liaison
Councillor Anderson Alternate – Councillor Tuohey

No report

8.14. Other

Mayor Roden reported on the Southern Interior Local Government Association (SILGA) board meeting she had attended. Plans for the 2019 convention in Penticton are progressing.

M/S Councillor Anstett / Councillor Anderson

“That council receives the verbal and written reports as presented.”

Carried. (29-11-18)

9. CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORTS

9.1. None

10. CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER REPORTS

10.1 CFO Bhalla advised the members of the Finance Committee that there were forms that required their signature at the Interior Savings Credit Union.

11. **QUESTION PERIOD**

Council was asked questions relating to when Committee of the Whole items were brought forward to the regular council meeting as well as questions relating to the maintenance of crosswalks adjacent to Highway 97C. They received comments regarding the handling of excess surface water.

12. **INCAMERA**

12.1. None

13. **TERMINATION**

M/S Councillor Anstett / Councillor Tuohey

“That the Regular Meeting of Council terminate at 8:19 pm.

Carried.

Barbara Roden, Mayor

Certified to be a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Regular meeting of Council held Monday, November 26, 2018.

J. Michelle Allen, Chief Administrative Officer

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