

**Village of Haines Junction
Regular Council Meeting October 28, 2020**

Present: Mayor Eckervogt (via web conferencing) Late (with notice): Councillor Charlebois
Councillor Johnston (via web conferencing) (via web conferencing)
Councillor Nassiopoulos (via web conferencing)
Councillor Smith (via web conferencing)

Recorder Palmer (via web conferencing)

In order to comply with territorial regulations to reduce the risk of COVID-19 virus transmission, Council Chambers was closed to the public, who were invited to attend through web or teleconferencing.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Acknowledgement of Champagne and Aishihik First Nations Traditional Territory

Mayor Eckervogt acknowledged that we are on the traditional territory of the Champagne and Aishihik First Nations.

Adoption of Agenda

#375-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Motion #375-20 was **CARRIED**.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

Adoption of Minutes of Regular and Special Council Meetings

Regular Council Meeting Minutes October 14, 2020

#376-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of October 14, 2020, be adopted as presented.

Motion #376-20 was **CARRIED**.

Proclamations

Delegations

Public Hearings and Public Input Sessions

Old Business

RTC re Surplus Sale 2020-6

Administration opened and announced the three bids received.

#377-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT the assets from the tendering process for Surplus Sale 2020-6 be awarded to the highest bidders.

Motion #377-20 was **CARRIED**.

RTC re Council Meeting Accessibility

#378-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT Council of the Municipality of Haines Junction hold Council Meetings via Zoom web and teleconferencing; and
THAT Council review holding Council Meetings via Zoom web and teleconferencing every four months as well as upon the Yukon transitioning into Phase 4 of lifting COVID-19 restrictions.

Motion #378-20 was **CARRIED**.

New Business

RTC re 2020 Haines Junction Yukon Lottery Funding Grant Distribution

Council directed Administration to draft a report outlining possible future Village expenditures for the remaining Lotteries Yukon funding.

#379-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT Council for the Municipality of Haines Junction award the following Haines Junction Lottery Funding Grants:

- Haines Junction Minor Hockey Association: \$7000.00;
- Romp n Run: \$2,249.95;
- Silver Sled Race Committee: \$2,000; and
- St. Elias Community School: \$2,560.00.

Motion #379-20 was **CARRIED**.

RTC re Pine Lake Trail Maintenance Plan

#380-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT Council of the Municipality of Haines Junction adopt the Pine Lake Trail Maintenance Plan dated October 28, 2020.

Motion #380-20 was **CARRIED**.

RTC re 2021 Operating and Capital/Projects Budget

Administration reviewed the proposed operating and capital/projects budget highlights. In response to Council's enquiries regarding COVID-19 considerations, Administration noted that there is an Emergency Management budget of \$60,000 and that a budget amendment could be requested if sick leave resulted in additional personnel costs. In response to Council's suggestion, Administration stated that a COVID-19 sick leave policy could be drafted if Council so directed. Council suggested budgeting for an audio-visual upgrade to allow joint in-person and remote attendance at Council meetings.

Councillor Charlebois joined the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

#381-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT Council receive and file the Report to Council re 2021 Operating and Capital/Projects Budget.

Motion #381-20 was **CARRIED**.

RTC re September 2020 Financial Report

#382-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT Council receive and file the September 2020 Financial Report.

Motion #382-20 was **CARRIED**.

Accounts Payable to October 28, 2020

#383-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT Council receive and file the Accounts Payable to October 28, 2020.

Motion #383-20 was **CARRIED**.

Bylaws - Reports, Readings and Adoption

Correspondence

Northwestel Inc. President re Every Community Project Delegation

YG Property Assessment & Taxation Branch re 2020 Property Assessment Highlights for 2021 Taxation Year

YG Deputy Minister of Economic Development re Invitation for Municipalities to Participate in the Immigration Strategy Engagement

YG Minister of Community Services re Proposed energy-efficiency retrofit loan program
Council voiced support for offering this program in the communities.
Administration noted that a local improvement charge would be levied similar to the Village's current Urban Electrification policy.

#384-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT the Municipality of Haines Junction appoint Chief Administrative Officer Dan Rodin as the official for representing the Village for the proposed energy efficiency retrofit loan program.

Motion #384-20 was **CARRIED**.

Council Reports and Notice of Motions

Councillor Charlebois requested a discussion on video surveillance of Village properties.

Questions from the Public

Motion to Close Meeting to the Public

#385-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT Council close the meeting to the public in accordance with the
Yukon Municipal Act, Section 213(3).

Motion #385-20 was **CARRIED**.

The meeting was closed to the public from 8:23 p.m. to 9:46 p.m.

#386-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT the meeting come out of closed meeting.

Motion #386-20 was **CARRIED**.

Adjournment


#387-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT there being no further business, this meeting is adjourned.

Motion #387-20 was **CARRIED**.

The meeting adjourned at 9:47 p.m.



Mayor Thomas Eckervogt



CAO Dan Rodin

