Village of Haines Junction Regular Council Meeting November 12, 2020

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

Councillor Charlebois (via web conferencing)

(via web conferencing)

Councillor Johnston (via web conferencing)
Councillor Smith (via web conferencing)

CAO Rodin (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

#388-20

It was moved and seconded

THAT the agenda be adopted as amended to delete:

"11b. RTC re Bylaw #376-20, Water and Sewer Bylaw #349-19 Amendment #1 i. Bylaw #376-20, Water and Sewer Bylaw #349-19 Amendment #1 – First and Second Reading".

Motion #388-20 was CARRIED.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

Adoption of Minutes of Regular and Special Council Meetings

Regular Council Meeting Minutes October 28, 2020

#389-20

It was moved and seconded

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of October 28, 2020, be adopted as presented.

Motion #389-20 was CARRIED.

Proclamations

Delegations

Public Hearings and Public Input Sessions

Old Business

RTC re Deputy Mayor Rotation Schedule

#390-20 It was moved and seconded

THAT the following Deputy Mayor rotational schedule be adopted:
Councillor Johnston
Councillor Charlebois
Councillor Nassiopoulos
Councillor Smith
October 1 – December 31, 2020
January 1 – March 31, 2021
April 1 – June 30, 2021
July 1 – October 27, 2021

Motion #390-20 was CARRIED.

RTC re Assets Disposed October 28, 2020

#391-20 It was moved and seconded

THAT Council receive and file the Report to Council re Assets Disposed October 28, 2020.

Motion #391-20 was CARRIED.

RTC re Village of Haines Junction Free Store

Council noted that volunteerism at the Free Store has been inconsistent and voiced health and safety concerns about reopening the Free Store without a sustainable, long-term plan.

#392-20 It was moved and seconded

THAT Council receive and file the Report to Council re Village of Haines Junction Free Store.

Motion #392-20 was CARRIED.

RTC re Lottery Fund Distribution

Councillor Nassiopoulos joined the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

#393-20 It was moved and seconded

THAT staff be directed to use the balance of the Lottery funds:

- \$1,000 for the St. Elias School to support the Avalanche Rescue and Swift Water Rescue;
- Approximately \$2,500 towards the purchase of new curling scoreboards;
- Approximately \$750 for the purchase of yoga equipment; and,
- The remainder of the funds be used for the purchase of loaner skate park equipment and safety gear.

Motion #393-20 was CARRIED.

New Business

RTC re Yukon Strategy on Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls, and Two-spirit+ people (MMIWG2S+)

#394-20

It was moved and seconded

THAT the Village of Haines Junction will sign the 2020 Declaration of Support for the Changing the Story: Upholding Dignity and Justice for MMIWG2S+, Yukon Strategy.

Motion #394-20 was CARRIED.

RTC re Municipal Christmas Operating Hours

Councillor Johnston declared a conflict of interest and refrained from voting.

#395-20

It was moved and seconded

THAT Council grant paid leave for staff for one half-day on Christmas Eve and one half-day on New Year's Eve for 2020.

Motion #395-20 was CARRIED.

RTC re Village of Haines Junction Annual Open House

#396-20

It was moved and seconded

THAT Council request that staff continue to develop and plan the activities Council discussed in lieu of the Open House, activities that are inclusive of the community and support holiday-themed creativity and connection, inclusive of the Christmas light house decorating contest, a photo contest and a Christmas card contest, with prizes that benefit local businesses.

Motion #396-20 was CARRIED.

RTC re Strategic Planning Workshop

#397-20

It was moved and seconded

THAT the Strategic Priorities Chart be deemed to be written direction to staff and that the items listed are the priorities that Council wants staff to address.

Motion #397-20 was CARRIED.

RTC re Draft Official Community Plan

Administration clarified that the zoning map is inserted as a placeholder only.

#398-20

It was moved and seconded

THAT the Official Community Plan in this draft format be available for distribution and accessible to community members for input.

Motion #398-20 was CARRIED.

Accounts Payable to November 12, 2020

#399-20

It was moved and seconded

THAT Council receive and file the municipal Accounts Payable to November 12, 2020.

Motion #399-20 was CARRIED.

Bylaws - Reports, Readings and Adoption

RTC re Bylaw #375-20, 2021 Operating and Capital & Projects Budget

#400-20

It was moved and seconded

THAT Council receive and file the provisional operating and capital & purchases budget report.

Motion #400-20 was CARRIED.

Bylaw #375-20, 2021 Operating and Capital & Projects Budget - First and Second Reading

#401-20

It was moved and seconded

THAT Bylaw #375-20, 2021 Operating and Capital & Projects Budget, be accepted as having been read for the first time.

Motion #401-20 was CARRIED.

#402-20

It was moved and seconded

THAT Bylaw #375-20, 2021 Operating and Capital & Projects Budget, be accepted as having been read for the second time.

Motion #402-20 was CARRIED.

Correspondence

Dakwakada nda dan ku Haines Junction Health Centre News November 2020

Office of the Minister of Northern Affairs re Rapid Housing Initiative

Monthly Mayor's / Chief's Policing Report October 2020

#403-20

It was moved and seconded

THAT Council receive and file the Correspondence.

Motion #403-20 was CARRIED.

Council Reports and Notice of Motions

Mayor Eckervogt requested that improving the cattleguard crossing for pedestrians at the Haines Junction Waste Management Facility be explored.

Councillor Johnston proposed that Council create an online Public Service Announcement to remind community members about keeping safe during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Questions from the Public

Motion to Close Meeting to the Public

#404-20

It was moved and seconded

THAT Council close the meeting to the public in accordance with the Yukon Municipal Act, Section 213(3).

Motion #404-20 was CARRIED.

The meeting was closed to the public from 8:35 p.m. to 9:47 p.m.

#405-20

It was moved and seconded

THAT the meeting come out of closed meeting.

Motion #405-20 was CARRIED.

Adjournment

#406-20

It was moved and seconded

THAT there being no further business, this meeting is adjourned.

Motion #406-20 was CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 9:47 p.m.

Mayor Thomas Eckervogt

CAO Dan Rodin