

**Village of Haines Junction
Regular Council Meeting November 25, 2020**

Present: Mayor Eckervogt (via web conferencing)
Councillor Charlebois (via web conferencing)
Councillor Nassiopoulos (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 7:01 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

#407-20

It was moved and seconded

THAT the agenda be adopted as amended to add:

- 10b. Letter to Minister Streicker and Dr. Hanley re Provision of Emergency Measures and Discussion re Contacting CAFN About Sending Out Another Joint Public Service Announcement; and
- 10c. COVID-19 Friendly Christmas Event.

Motion #407-20 was **CARRIED**.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

Adoption of Minutes of Regular and Special Council Meetings

Regular Council Meeting Minutes November 12, 2020

#408-20

It was moved and seconded

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of November 12, 2020, be adopted as presented.

Motion #408-20 was **CARRIED**.

Proclamations

Delegations

Public Hearings and Public Input Sessions

Old Business

RTC re Surplus Sale 2020-7

Administration noted that two members of Administration and the Mayor submitted bids. Administration opened and announced the seven bids received.

#409-20 It was moved and seconded
 THAT the assets from the tendering process for Surplus Sale 2020-7 be awarded to the highest bidders

Motion #409-20 was **CARRIED**.

RTC re Donated Refundable Items Policy #31-20

Council acknowledged that this process is considerably more onerous than at present.

#410-20 It was moved and seconded
 THAT the Village of Haines Junction Donation of Refundable Items Policy #31-20 be adopted as presented; and,
 THAT the deadlines in the Village of Haines Junction Donation of Refundable Items Policy #31-20 be extended on a one-time basis by one month, such that the review of the Donated Refundables Fund Applications for monies amassed in 2020 is completed by February 28, 2021; and,
 THAT Council review within one year and check in with the applicants to see how the policy is working.

Motion #410-20 was **CARRIED**.

RTC re Winter Holiday Events Policy #32-20

#411-20 It was moved and seconded
 THAT Policy #32-20, Winter Holiday Events, be adopted as presented.

Motion #411-20 was **CARRIED**.

RTC re October 2020 Financial Report

#412-20 It was moved and seconded
 THAT Council receive and file the Financial Report for October 2020.

Motion #412-20 was **CARRIED**.

New Business

Accounts Payable to November 25, 2020

#413-20 It was moved and seconded
 THAT Council receive and file the municipal Accounts Payable to November 25, 2020.

Motion #413-20 was **CARRIED**.

Letter to Minister Streicker and Dr. Hanley re Provision of Emergency Measures and Discussion re Contacting CAFN About Sending Out Another Joint Public Service Announcement

#414-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT the Village of Haines Junction send a letter to Minister Streicker indicating our support for the continuing state of emergency and the border restrictions, as drafted.

Motion #414-20 was **CARRIED**.

#415-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT Council reach out to Champagne and Aishihik First Nations to renew our joint statement on travel within traditional territories.

Motion #415-20 was **CARRIED**.

COVID-19 Friendly Christmas Event

Councillor Charlebois has organized with the Rangers for Santa to visit homes on snowmobile.

Bylaws - Reports, Readings and Adoption

Bylaw #375-20, 2021 Operating and Capital & Projects Budget - Third Reading and Adoption

#416-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw #375-20, 2021 Operating and Capital & Projects Budget, be accepted as having been read for the third time and adopted.

Motion #416-20 was **CARRIED**.

Correspondence

Libby Dulac re Haines Junction Wetlands

#417-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT Council directs Administration to put initial project scoping of Libby Dulac's wetland proposal onto the strategic priorities chart below "COMMUNITY LAND INVENTORY: Assessment".

Motion #417-20 was **CARRIED**.

Council Reports and Notice of Motions

Councillor Johnston reminded everyone to practise the Safe 6 and wear a mask, noting that border restrictions are only the final step in the process of COVID-19 protection.

Councillor Johnston sent well wishes to our neighbours and relatives in Nunavut during their battle with the pandemic.

Councillor Johnston expressed gratitude for the holiday events that allow our community to come together without physical interaction.

Councillor Charlebois noted the importance of tracking our whereabouts so that we can respond to public notices of exposure.

Councillor Charlebois volunteered to take the lead on organizing a Council COVID-19 Public Service Announcement.

Questions from the Public

Community Member Libby Dulac thanked Council for their preliminary verbal support for her wetlands proposal and highlighted the value of outdoor recreational areas.

Motion to Close Meeting to the Public

Adjournment


#418-20 It was moved and seconded
 THAT there being no further business, this meeting is adjourned.

Motion #418-20 was **CARRIED**.

The meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.



Mayor Thomas Eckervogt



CAO Dan Rodin

