

**Village of Haines Junction
Regular Council Meeting December 9, 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)
Community Advisor Sarah Russo (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 7:00 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

#419-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT the agenda be adopted as amended to add:

- 9e. Proposed Conceptual Map for the Official Community Plan;
- 10e. AYC Meeting Update and Energy Retrofit Program; and
- 13a. Thank-You Letter to Yukon Chief Medical Officer of Health Dr. Brendan Hanley.

Motion #419-20 was **CARRIED**.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

Mayor Eckervogt declared a pecuniary conflict of interest with regards to 10c. RTC re Awarding of Tenders.

Adoption of Minutes of Regular and Special Council Meetings

Regular Council Meeting Minutes November 25, 2020

Administration confirmed that the letter drafted as per Motion #414-20 included Council's appreciation for Minister Streicker and Dr. Hanley's leadership role during the pandemic. In light of this, Council requested that the addition of 13a. to the agenda be struck.

#420-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of November 25, 2020, be adopted as amended under COVID-19 Friendly Christmas Event.

Motion #420-20 was **CARRIED**.

Proclamations

Delegations

Public Hearings and Public Input Sessions

Old Business

RTC re Assets Disposed November 25, 2020

#421-20 It was moved and seconded

THAT Council receive and file the Report to Council re Assets Disposed November 25, 2020.

Motion #421-20 was **CARRIED**.

RTC re Official Community Plan Process to Completion

#422-20 It was moved and seconded

THAT Council receive and file the Official Community Plan process outline schedule.

Motion #422-20 was **CARRIED**.

RTC re Strategic Priorities Chart Update

#423-20 It was moved and seconded

THAT Council receive and file the Strategic Priorities Chart Update.

Motion #423-20 was **CARRIED**.

RTC re Capital Works & Purchases – November Update

Administration updated that both pickups have now been received.

#424-20 It was moved and seconded

THAT Council receive and file the Report to Council re Capital Works & Purchases – November Update.

Motion #424-20 was **CARRIED**.

Proposed Conceptual Map for the Official Community Plan

Administration advised that the industrial area originally designated on the draft conceptual map appears unsuitable because of its low-lying nature. Council directed that no industrial area be identified on the conceptual map, pending community consultation.

#425-20 It was moved and seconded

THAT Council modify the map as discussed and distribute it.

Motion #425-20 was **CARRIED**.

New Business

RTC re CAFN-VOHJ Message COVID-19 Public Service Announcement

#426-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT the Mayor of Haines Junction sign the COVID-19 Public Service Announcement on behalf of the Village of Haines Junction.

Motion #426-20 was **CARRIED**.

RTC re Yukon Advisory Committee on MMIWG2S+ Invitation to Signing Ceremony

#427-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT Councillor Charlebois represent the Village of Haines Junction at the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls and Two-spirit+ people signing ceremony.

Motion #427-20 was **CARRIED**.

RTC re Awarding of Tenders

Having declared a pecuniary conflict of interest, Mayor Eckervogt left the meeting. Deputy Mayor Johnston assumed the Chair.

In response to Council's enquiry, Administration advised that Pond Creek Contracting is based out of Mendenhall and the remaining contractors are in the Haines Junction area.

#428-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT Council award the following tenders to the lowest bidder for 2021:

- Carpentry Labour: Pond Creek Contracting \$85 per hour
- Electrical Services: True North Electric \$65 per hour
- SCADA Instrumentation Electrical Services: Falcon Electric \$89 per hour
- Recyclable Materials Pickup: Big Bud Contracting \$1665 per month
- Supply of Heating Fuel: Source Motors \$1.0475 per litre with fluctuating pricing
- Custodial Contract: Twiss & Shine Custodial Services Inc.; and

THAT Council award the Third Party Equipment Rental or Equipment and Operator contract to the following businesses on an as needed, lowest bid and availability basis:

- Green Banana Properties
- Ralph Hotte Contracting
- Source Motors

Motion #428-20 was **CARRIED**.

Mayor Eckervogt returned and resumed the Chair.

Accounts Payable to December 9, 2020

#429-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT Council receive and file the municipal Accounts Payable to December 9, 2020.

Motion #429-20 was **CARRIED**.

Due to technical issues, Mayor Eckervogt left the meeting. Deputy Mayor Johnston assumed the Chair.

AYC Meeting Update and Energy Retrofit Program

Council advised that the Association of Yukon Communities (AYC) Board will send a letter of support for a mobile vet clinic and encourages municipalities to do likewise.

#430-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT the Village of Haines Junction supports the application for funding by this group to have a mobile vet clinic built for the purposes of offering spay/neuter clinics as well as other services in communities across the Yukon.

Motion #430-20 was **CARRIED**.

Council advised that AYC will hire a contractor to plan the Better Building Loan energy retrofit program to be administered by municipalities as a local improvement charge.

Mayor Eckervogt returned to the meeting and resumed the Chair.

#431-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT staff should draft a letter for the Mayor's signature indicating to Minister Streicker that Council supports the energy retrofit program, and that Council thinks it is really important for our community, and that Council would love to blaze a trail on behalf of the rest of the Yukon.

Motion #431-20 was **CARRIED**.

Council highlighted the importance of following official medical advice regarding the forthcoming COVID-19 vaccine.

Council noted that feedback may be sought for an upcoming AYC strategic plan update.

Bylaws - Reports, Readings and Adoption

Bylaw #376-20, Water and Sewer Bylaw #349-19 Amendment #1 - RTC, First and Second Reading

Council requested that a typographical error be corrected on the first page of the bylaw.

#432-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw #376-20, Water and Sewer Bylaw #349-19 Amendment #1, be accepted as having been read for the first time.

Motion #432-20 was **CARRIED**.

#433-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw #376-20, Water and Sewer Bylaw #349-19 Amendment #1, be accepted as having been read for the second time.

Motion #433-20 was **CARRIED**.

Bylaw #377-20, Authorization of Service Agreements with Champagne and Aishihik First Nations – RTC, First and Second Reading

#434-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw #377-20, Authorization of Service Agreements with Champagne and Aishihik First Nations, be accepted as having been read for the first time.

Motion #434-20 was **CARRIED**.

Administration clarified that individual service agreements will delineate jurisdiction.

#435-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw #377-20, Authorization of Service Agreements with Champagne and Aishihik First Nations, be accepted as having been read for the second time.

Motion #435-20 was **CARRIED**.

Correspondence

#436-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT Council accept the correspondence.

YG Minister of Community Services re Municipal Safe Re-start Funding

YG Deputy Minister of Highways and Public Works re Update on the Yukon Motor Vehicles Act Rewrite

MP Julian, MP Kwan and MP Davies re Canada Pharmacare Act

Yukon Heritage Resource Board re 2019-2020 Annual Report

RCMP re Monthly Mayor's / Chief's Policing Report November 2020

Motion #436-20 was **CARRIED**.

#437-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT a letter be drafted for the Mayor's signature to the Minister and the Premier to thank them for their work and the Re-start Funding, whatever work they had to do to make that happen, our appreciation and thanks.

Motion #437-20 was **CARRIED**.

Council Reports and Notice of Motions

Councillor Nassiopoulos noted that the funding goal has been met for the recent natural disaster in Haines and acknowledged the donations made by local businesses.

Councillor Charlebois proposed drafting a letter of condolences and offer of support to Haines and a letter of thanks to the Mile 1016 Pub and Top Spot Ltd. for their fundraising.

Councillor Nassiopoulos stated that community members have contacted him about reopening the Free Store. Council noted it has been decided to refrain from reopening the Free Store at this time.

Councillor Charlebois noted that several community members have expressed interest in having a photo opportunity with Santa Claus. Council highlighted the importance of Santa maintaining a six-foot distance and suggested that a virtual platform could be used.

Questions from the Public

Motion to Close Meeting to the Public

Adjournment


#438-20 It was moved and seconded
 THAT there being no further business, this meeting is adjourned.

Motion #438-20 was **CARRIED**.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.



Mayor Thomas Eckervogt



CAO Dan Rodin

