

**Village of Haines Junction  
Regular Council Meeting January 27, 2021**

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 7:05 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**

#15-21           It was moved and seconded  
**THAT** the agenda be adopted as amended to add:  
10b. RTC re St. Elias Convention Centre *Wellness Room* Rental.

Motion #15-21 was **CARRIED**.

**Declaration of Pecuniary Interest**

**Adoption of Minutes of Regular and Special Council Meetings**

Regular Council Meeting Minutes January 13, 2021

#16-21           It was moved and seconded  
**THAT** the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of January 13, 2021, be adopted as presented.

Motion #16-21 was **CARRIED**.

**Proclamations**

**Delegations**

Meghann Willard, RN, re Upcoming Covid-19 Vaccine Clinics in Haines Junction

RN Meghann Willard provided answers to some of the common questions that are being asked about the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine.

RN Meghann Willard responded to questions from Council and the public, noting that the second dose will be given 28 to 42 days after the initial dose in a similar clinic style.

RN Meghann Willard voiced that the public should be encouraged to educate themselves about the vaccine from reliable sources before making a decision about the vaccine.

## Public Hearings and Public Input Sessions

### Old Business

#### RTC re Winter Holiday Events Review

Council noted their appreciation for the Winter Holiday Card Contest and their hope that this activity will take place again the following year.

#17-21 It was moved and seconded  
**THAT** Council receive and file the report titled Winter Holiday Events Review for information purposes.

Motion #17-21 was **CARRIED**.

#18-21 It was moved and seconded  
**THAT** the Report to Council re: Winter Holiday Events Review, along with any additional report that staff feels is relevant, go forward to Council in October for planning purposes for the Christmas season in 2021.

Motion #18-21 was **CARRIED**.

#### RTC re 2020 Gas Tax Expenditures

#19-21 It was moved and seconded  
**THAT** the report titled 2020 Gas Tax Expenditures be received and filed for information purposes.

Motion #19-21 was **CARRIED**.

### New Business

#### Accounts Payable to January 27, 2021

#20-21 It was moved and seconded  
**THAT** Council receive and file the municipal Accounts Payable to January 27, 2021.

Motion #20-21 was **CARRIED**.

#### RTC re St. Elias Convention Centre Wellness Room Rental

Council noted that the standard Village practice has been to not rent its facilities to businesses on a long-term, ongoing basis.

Council requested further information regarding the Registered Massage Therapist's business plan and the potential availability of other suitable private facilities for rent.

#21-21 It was moved and seconded  
**THAT** Council direct Chief Administrative Officer Rodin and staff to bring this matter to the February 10, 2021, agenda, where Council can have more information to make a decision.

Motion #21-21 was **CARRIED**.

**Bylaws – Reports, Readings and Adoption  
Correspondence**

Statistics Canada re 2021 Census of Population

Council directed that this request for a motion of support for the census be put on the February 10, 2021, agenda.

AIP Yukon Region Manager re Arctic Inspiration Prize

#22-21 It was moved and seconded  
**THAT** the AIP Yukon Region Manager re Arctic Inspiration Prize correspondence item be brought forward at the following meeting so that Council can formally accept the invitation to be ambassadors.

Motion #22-21 was **CARRIED**.

Augusto! Children’s Festival Treasurer re Use of Council Chambers

#23-21 It was moved and seconded  
**THAT** the Augusto! Children’s Festival request be brought to Council at the next Council Meeting on February 10, 2021, for decision.

Motion #23-21 was **CARRIED**.

Mack Built Contracting re Macintosh Pit Quarry Lease Application

#24-21 It was moved and seconded  
**THAT** Council make an exception to the usual delegation protocol and allow Cameron MacKinnon to speak on behalf of his request, limiting the discussion to timelines.

Motion #24-21 was **CARRIED**.

Cameron MacKinnon explained that his Macintosh quarry YESAB application has been stalled pending the Yukon Government accepting his lease application, and that, once able to proceed, the YESAB application has a 30-day public comment period. He noted that his equipment purchases and financing have been delayed since gravel has not been secured.

Council noted the importance of gravel being available for the upcoming building season, their support of all local businesses and their unfamiliarity with the rationale behind YG quarry lease policy.

#25-21 It was moved and seconded  
**THAT** the Village of Haines Junction supports the applicant Mack Built Contracting Inc. in their application for a quarry lease; and  
**THAT** the Village will also support all other local applicants because the Village feels that this is an important resource for the community.

Motion #25-21 was **CARRIED**.

#26-21 It was moved and seconded  
**THAT** Council request YG Lands Branch to appear as a delegation to Council to explain the gravel quarry lease process.

Motion #26-21 was **CARRIED**.

Monthly Mayor's / Chief's Policing Report for December 2020

**Council Reports and Notice of Motions**

Councillor Nassiopoulos applauded the Bill Brewster Arena staff for their work, in particular with the school.

**Questions from the Public**

**Motion to Close Meeting to the Public**

#27-21 It was moved and seconded  
**THAT** Council close the meeting to the public in accordance with the Yukon Municipal Act, Section 213(3).

Motion #27-21 was **CARRIED**.

The meeting was closed to the public from 9:16 p.m. to 10:13 p.m.

#28-21 It was moved and seconded  
**THAT** the meeting come out of closed meeting.

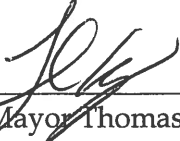
Motion #28-21 was **CARRIED**.

**Adjournment**

#29-21 It was moved and seconded  
**THAT** there being no further business, this meeting is adjourned.

Motion #29-21 was **CARRIED**.

The meeting adjourned at 10:14 p.m.

  
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Mayor Thomas Eckervogt

  
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CAO Dan Rodin

