



Marguerite Fenske advised that reaching out to schools for new graduates has thus far resulted in one applicant and that applications will be reviewed on May 28, 2021.

Marguerite Fenske noted that there is a locum physician until June 4, 2021.

Marguerite Fenske updated that a doctor located in Whitehorse who has experience in rural health centres in Saskatchewan and is finishing his PhD in Rural and Remote Medicine has formally committed to working virtually 2.5 days per week in Haines Junction and up the North Alaska Highway, with intermittent in-person visits.

Upon Council's inquiry, Marguerite Fenske confirmed that the doctor has committed to providing services until a permanent physician is recruited.

Council proposed that the Village could help with recruitment by providing additional information about the community.

Marguerite Fenske thanked Council for their offer and advised that advertising in digital publications is being looked at.

Upon Administration's inquiry, Marguerite Fenske advised that looking overseas is being considered and that International Medical Graduates have worked in Whitehorse before.

Upon Council's inquiry, Marguerite Fenske advised that Dr. Freeman had voiced concerns regarding the pressure of working both in Haines Junction and up the highway.

Upon Council's inquiry, Marguerite Fenske noted that YG is working with the Yukon Medical Association, who is looking into hiring a professional recruiter.

## **Public Hearings and Public Input Sessions**

### **Old Business**

#### RTC re Confirmation of April 2021 Haines Junction Yukon Lottery Funding Grant Distribution

#138-21

It was moved and seconded

**THAT** Council for the Municipality of Haines Junction award the following Haines Junction Lottery Funding Grants:

- Treble Makers Fiddle Club: \$2,100; and
- St. Elias Community School WISE Program: \$980.00.

Motion #138-21 was **CARRIED**.

#### RTC re Request to Extend Construction Period Requirement

Council noted that the current Building Requirements Policy is dated and that they would like to discuss this policy during the Zoning Bylaw review.

#139-21

It was moved and seconded

**THAT** the Village of Haines Junction Council waive the five-year building completion requirement referenced in Policy ADM #010-95 and extend the timeline by one year with property owners required to write a rationale for the need for the extension.

Motion #139-21 was **CARRIED**.

**New Business**

Accounts Payable to May 12, 2021

#140-21 It was moved and seconded  
**THAT** Council receive and file the municipal Accounts Payable to May 12, 2021.

Motion #140-21 was **CARRIED**.

RTC re April 2021 Financial Report

#141-21 It was moved and seconded  
**THAT** Council receive and file the April 2021 Financial Report.

Motion #141-21 was **CARRIED**.

RTC re Employee Leaving Service Recognition Policy

Council thanked Treasurer Istchenko for suggesting that recognition of employees leaving in good standing be formalized and Administration for acting on the matter.

#142-21 It was moved and seconded  
**THAT** the Council of the Village of Haines Junction approves Policy No. 35-21 as presented.

Motion #142-21 was **CARRIED**.

RTC re Waiving of Council Remuneration Deduction

#143-21 It was moved and seconded  
**THAT** Council of the Municipality of Haines Junction waive the automatic twenty-five percent (25%) deduction from biweekly compensation for those Council members who did not attend the scheduled May 12, 2021, Regular Council Meeting.

Motion #143-21 was **CARRIED**.

#144-21 It was moved and seconded  
**THAT** Council of the Municipality of Haines Junction waive the automatic twenty-five percent (25%) deduction from biweekly compensation for Councillor Kari Johnston who indicated in advance that this Special Council Meeting may conflict with other responsibilities.

Motion #144-21 was **CARRIED**.

**Bylaws - Reports, Readings and Adoption**

Bylaw #382-21, Official Community Plan Bylaw - RTC and Second Reading

#145-21 It was moved and seconded  
**THAT** the Official Community Plan Bylaw #382-21, be read for the second time on today's date, May 19, 2021.

Motion #145-21 was **CARRIED**.

## Correspondence

Dakwakàda nda dàñ kù Haines Junction Health Centre News May 2021

St. Elias Community School Invitation for Mayor and Council to Attend Graduation Parade and for the Mayor to Speak at the Graduation Ceremony

Mayor Eckervogt accepted the invitation to speak at the St. Elias Community School graduation ceremony.

Council accepted the invitation to attend the graduation parade.

Alessandra Barone re Fireworks Litter

Administration advised that Champagne and Aishihik First Nations has organized a community cleanup for the following week with the Village of Haines Junction contributing \$400 to towards the accompanying barbecue.

Council requested that a letter be sent thanking the correspondent for her concern.

Valerie Drummond re Replacement of Culvert Markers

Administration advised that Public Works staff have removed the culvert marker in question and are looking at alternative, safer options for municipal culverts.

Laura Gorecki re Yukon Party Texts

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

Council noted that they would like to know how MLA Istchenko's role has changed following this incident.

Council noted that the texts have caused some strong emotional reactions and division in the community, highlighted the importance of healing and reconciliation, and suggested that this may be an opportunity to address underlying issues within society.

#146-21        It was moved and seconded  
**THAT** Council thank citizen Laura Gorecki for her letter to Council regarding the texts from MLA Istchenko.

Motion #146-21 was **CARRIED**.

#147-21        It was moved and seconded  
**THAT** Council invite MLA Istchenko to meet with Council to welcome him into his third term in office, and also to discuss the texts and for clarity on how his role has changed.

Motion #147-21 was **WITHDRAWN**.

#148-21        It was moved and seconded  
**THAT** Council invite MLA Istchenko to the next Council meeting or as soon as possible to discuss with Council the limitations in his role as MLA and to discuss options to move forward.

Motion #148-21 was **CARRIED**.

**Council Reports and Notice of Motions**

Councillor Charlebois noted that vehicles have been parked on the Pine Lake Trail in front of the Parkside Inn and Social Services building, obstructing use of the trail. Administration offered to contact the establishments in question.

**Questions from the Public**

Community member Bruce Tomlin asked where he could find information regarding the operations and maintenance costs for the proposed \$25M pool.

Administration advised that the architectural design needs to be completed first.

Council clarified that the pool would be able to be used seasonally or year-round.

Community member Salomé Alby thanked Council and Administration for their work opening the temporary Free Store and towards reopening the original Free Store.

Council noted that there are no cheap pool options available and that the YG Community Advisor recommended this scale of pool as it allows for high-efficiency systems and for future growth, given that the pool is expected to last 25 to 30 years.

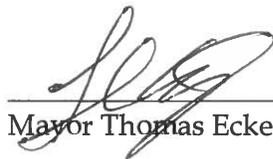
**Motion to Close Meeting to the Public**

**Adjournment**

#149-21            It was moved and seconded  
                          **THAT** there being no further business, this meeting is adjourned.

Motion #149-21 was **CARRIED**.

The meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

  
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Mayor Thomas Eckervogt

  
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CAO Dan Rodin

