

**Village of Haines Junction
Regular Council Meeting May 26, 2021**

Present: Mayor Eckervogt (via web conferencing)
Councillor Charlebois (via web conferencing)
Councillor Johnston (via web conferencing)
Councillor Nassiopoulos (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 7:06 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

#150-21 It was moved and seconded
 THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Motion #150-21 was **CARRIED**.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

Adoption of Minutes of Regular and Special Council Meetings

Special Council Meeting Minutes May 19, 2021

#151-21 It was moved and seconded
 THAT the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of May 19, 2021, be adopted as presented.

Motion #151-21 was **CARRIED**.

Proclamations

Delegations

Phil Dirks, Metrix Group re 2020 Audit

#152-21 It was moved and seconded
 THAT Council waive the five-minute rule for the delegation.

Motion #152-21 was **CARRIED**.

Phil Dirks reviewed the draft Independent Auditors' Report and Audit Findings Report. Phil Dirks noted that the Village is in a good financial situation and that there are no significant issues to report, and thanked Treasurer Istchenko for her assistance. Council highlighted that the Village has been proactive in purchasing equipment.

Administration noted that Council has approved annual allocations to Public Works and Fire Department equipment reserves starting in 2021.

In response to Council's inquiry, Phil Dirks advised that he will verify with the Treasurer regarding the roadways included under tangible capital assets.

Public Hearings and Public Input Sessions

Old Business

RTC re Civic Addressing

#153-21 It was moved and seconded
THAT a Public Hearing regarding civic addressing be scheduled for July 14, 2021, to take place during the Council Meeting on that date.

Motion #153-21 was **CARRIED**.

New Business

Accounts Payable to May 26, 2021

#154-21 It was moved and seconded
THAT Council receive and file the municipal Accounts Payable to May 26, 2021.

Motion #154-21 was **CARRIED**.

RTC re Yurt Request

CAO Rodin acknowledged a potential conflict of interest.

#155-21 It was moved and seconded
THAT Council directs Administration to prepare a Report to Council regarding convening a Planning Board with an appropriate timeline and information.

Motion #155-21 was **CARRIED**.

RTC re Variance Request

Administration clarified that the current Municipal Act does not permit Council members to sit on a Board of Variance.

#156-21 It was moved and seconded
THAT Council directs Administration to begin the process of advertising and recruiting members of the public to serve as the Board of Variance.

Motion #156-21 was **CARRIED**.

Bylaws - Reports, Readings and Adoption

Correspondence

Canadian Wildlife Service - Northern Region, Environment and Climate Change Canada, re Proposed Management Plan for Horned Grebe

Alessandra Barone re Neighbourhood Watch – Summer Safety and RCMP response
Council voiced their strong support for a safe community.

Alessandra Barone re Barbed Wire – Moose Corridor – Follow-up
Administration noted that some barbed wire was previously removed and was directed to arrange for additional wire to be removed.

St. Elias Community School Socials 11 Class re LGBTQ+ Rainbow Crosswalk
Administration advised that the Village does not have jurisdiction over the Alaska Highway and that YG has expressed safety concerns with regard to rainbows on roads. Administration updated that painting a rainbow on the archway between the Convention Centre and Arena is not currently feasible as the structure requires a seismic study.

#157-21 It was moved and seconded
THAT Administration investigate painting a rainbow in front of the St. Elias Convention Centre linking the atrium door to the monument and investigate painting a mural on the side of the arena, engaging local youth and other community volunteers in a design process.

Motion #157-21 was **CARRIED**.

Council Reports and Notice of Motions

Councillor Nassiopoulos noted that residents have contacted him regarding the pool. Administration updated that pool support letters have been requested from various local organizations for the grant application.

Questions from the Public

Motion to Close Meeting to the Public

Adjournment

#158-21 It was moved and seconded
THAT there being no further business, this meeting is adjourned.

Motion #158-21 was **CARRIED**.

The meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.



Mayor Thomas Eckervogt



CAO Dan Rodin

