

**Village of Haines Junction
Regular Council Meeting July 13, 2016**

Present: Mayor Riseborough
Councillor Smith
Councillor Koh
Councillor Eckervogt

Absent: Councillor Sundbo (with notice)

Recorder Istchenko
Foreman Hatherley

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Approval of Agenda

#222-16 Moved E. Koh Seconded T. Eckervogt
THAT the agenda be approved as amended to include discussion on appreciation to the St. Elias Lions Club.

Motion #222-16 was **CARRIED**.

Approval of Minutes

Regular Council Meeting Minutes June 22, 2016

#223-16 Moved S. Smith Seconded E. Koh
THAT the minutes of the regular Council meeting of June 22, 2016 be accepted as amended under Council Reports to change the word 'recommendation' to 'consideration' and add 'Community Infrastructure Program' after Canada 150.

Motion #223-16 was **CARRIED**.

Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes June 30, 2016

#224-16 Moved T. Eckervogt Seconded E. Koh
THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting of June 30, 2016 be accepted as amended under Item #6 to add Community Infrastructure Program' after 'Canada 150' and to clarify that the Stantec structural assessment report suggested that the building frame may be sound but did not include destructive testing and that Council realized that there is not enough supporting documentation about the structure to forward an application for funding through CDF or Canada 150 CIP.

Motion #224-16 was **CARRIED**.

Delegations

Eric Stinson, Rita Jux re: Multiple Residential Water & Sewer Charges

Mr. Stinson owns a residential property on Alsek Crescent which contains two dwelling units. The main use of this property has been as rental units but has also been used previously as a bed and breakfast and a catering business. In 2001, Mr. Stinson received a letter from the Village advising that the property would be charged the residential water and sewer rate for

each unit. During a recent discussion with Village administration regarding the upcoming water infrastructure replacement and the potential removal of the water line bleeder on this property, it was brought to Mr. Stinson's attention that the water and sewer bylaw may not validly allow for the second residential rate to be charged. Mrs. Jux noted that there are two additional dwelling units in her residence which are charged an additional residential rate when the units are occupied and noted that she is aware of other residences with rental units that are not being charged an additional rate. Mr. Stinson noted that he was not aware that the additional charge could be withheld if the unit was vacant. He would like to know how the bylaw gives the authority to charge the additional rate and also to receive a refund for any charges that may have been incorrectly imposed on his property.

It was noted that the water and sewer bylaw is from 1997 and has had two rate amendments, the most recent being in 2009. There are several other residential properties that are charged the additional residential rate as well.

Mayor Riseborough acknowledged Mr. Stinson's and Mrs. Jux's comments. He noted that years ago water and sewer service fees covered the cost of providing the service. With the addition of new infrastructure in recent years, the costs have increased significantly and Council would like to see it become revenue neutral again. Council will review the bylaw to determine whether the charges are fair and provide a response to Mr. Stinson and Mrs. Jux within a month's time.

Municipal Reports

Administration Report

Councillors Smith and Koh were present for the Legacy Trail open house on July 11, 2016. Public attendance was minimal.

Lands Branch will confirm times later this fall to discuss the proposed trailer lots, light industrial lots and Phase 2 of the Country Residential subdivision.

Initial discussions have been held with the local Social Services office regarding their involvement in the OP Nanook exercise.

Mayor Riseborough has facilitated a meeting between the Village Bakery and YG Highways and Public Works regarding signage on the highway right of way.

The WCB late payment penalty has been reversed.

The assistant pool supervisor has been advanced to the supervisor position and is eligible for the STEP funding.

A notice will be posted advising that the Convention Centre will be closed to the public from the evening of July 19 to late afternoon on July 20 to accommodate the meetings of the Premiers and National Aboriginal Leaders.

#225-16 Moved E. Koh Seconded S. Smith
THAT the Administration Report be accepted.

Motion #225-16 was **CARRIED**.

#226-16 Moved S. Smith Seconded E. Koh
THAT Yvonne Eleniak and Rita Jux be appointed as community members at large to the Art Acquisition Selection Committee for a term of three years.

Motion #226-16 was **CARRIED**.

An email has been received from Dieter Gade requesting consideration of replacement of six old stage lights in the Grand Hall lighting system for an approximate cost of \$4,000. He also noted that Ryan Kinna has recently contributed significant volunteer hours on stage lighting improvements. Thank you letters will be sent to Mr. Gade and Mr. Kinna.

#227-16 Moved T. Eckervogt Seconded E. Koh
 THAT the expenditure for new stage lights be approved.

Motion #227-16 was **CARRIED**.

Public Works Report

A quotation has been requested from KBL to remove the remainder of the hazardous waste material from the landfill.

The recycling centre exterior will be repainted in the next few weeks. It was suggested that the Art Acquisition Selection Committee local artist community be approached to do a mural on the building.

Funding for landfill improvements has been approved through the Small Communities Fund. Foreman Hatherley will compile a list of items for Council's consideration before submitting to YG. It was noted that YG is considering providing a baler to each community.

The lagoon improvements will include prefabricated units for the sanitation dump and RV dump stations.

The water and sewer replacement project engineers are recommending the inclusion of two line recirculation systems. Additional funding possibilities are being investigated as private connection costs would not be covered by BCF.

A draft of an Invasive Species Mitigation Clean Equipment Guide was provided.

The wellhead protection plan being undertaken by Tetra Tech EBA will be covered through BCF funding.

#228-16 Moved S. Smith Seconded E. Koh
 THAT the Public Works report be accepted.

Motion #228-16 was **CARRIED**.

Accounts Payable

Municipal Accounts Payable to July 13, 2016

#229-16 Moved E. Koh Seconded T. Eckervogt
 THAT municipal accounts payable, cheques #23207 to #23247 in the amount of \$120,359.90 be approved for payment.

Motion #229-16 was **CARRIED**.

The \$10,000 cost to remove the e-waste from the landfill will require a budget amendment. It was clarified that YG has not covered this cost in the past.

Information and Correspondence

#230-16 Moved E. Koh Seconded T. Eckervogt
 THAT the Information and Correspondence items as outlined on the agenda be received.

Motion #230-16 was **CARRIED**.

Bruce Binder re: Request for Appointment to Haines Junction Cemetery Committee

#231-16 Moved E. Koh Seconded S. Smith

THAT Bruce Binder be appointed to the Haines Junction Cemetery Committee for a two year term.

Motion #231-16 was **CARRIED**.

Mark Ritchie re: Firebreak between Marshal Creek Road and Landfill

Mr. Ritchie is requesting that the ruts on the firebreak be graded so that the area will be usable for winter activities. Foreman Hatherley will provide an estimate of cost and options to address the issue.

Council Reports

Councillor Eckervogt noted that the Art Acquisition Selection Committee will be able to schedule a meeting now that the member vacancies have been filled. Discussion items will include the suggestion that the cost of new security cameras in the Convention Centre be allocated from the AASC budget and the provision of funding to the Junction Artist in Residence program. Mayor Riseborough requested that a thank you letter be written to Bob Braun for the donation of the eagle carving and that the AASC be requested to consult with Mr. Braun to determine a permanent location for the piece.

Councillor Koh requested Council consideration to change the Community Development Committee bylaw requirement for a meeting quorum. The bylaw prescribes a maximum of seven voting members and four voting members for a quorum. There are five voting members presently on the committee which makes it difficult to achieve quorum.

#232-16 Moved S. Smith Seconded T. Eckervogt

THAT the provisions of the Community Development Committee Bylaw regarding quorum be suspended for a period of three months to allow a quorum of 50% plus 1 of voting members.

Motion #232-16 was **CARRIED**.

Council discussed the exceptional community work of the St. Elias Lions Club and noted that money raised by the club is given back to the community. The club does not receive any compensation for doing the Canada Day barbecue.

#233-16 Moved S. Smith Seconded E. Koh

THAT an honorarium of \$300 be paid to the St. Elias Lions Club in recognition of their contribution to Canada Day celebrations.

Motion #233-16 was **CARRIED**.

Adjournment

#234-16 Moved T. Eckervogt

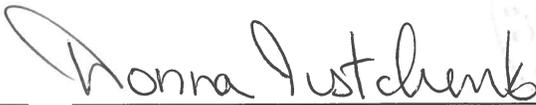
THAT there being no further business, this meeting is adjourned.

Motion #234-16 was **CARRIED**.

The meeting adjourned at 9:04 p.m.



Mayor Michael Riseborough



Recorder Donna Istchenko

