

**Village of Haines Junction
Committee of the Whole Meeting May 17, 2017**

Present: Councillor Sundbo
Councillor Koh
Councillor Eckervogt
CAO Clarke
Recorder Clarke

Absent (with regrets): Mayor Riseborough
Councillor Smith

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Approval of Agenda

Agenda approved by Councillor Sundbo

Delegations

1. Arts Acquisition Selection Committee:
David Sillery, Member
Rita Jux, Member
Yvonne Eleniak, Member

AASC attended COW on invite from Council for the purposes of discussing “what is working and what can be improved” by Council with regards to the AASC. The meeting was intended to be a two way discussion:

Mr. Sillery stated that policy revision is a priority for the AASC members and that they had in fact initiated said discussion and emphasized the importance of the committee’s first principles and the spirit and intent the policy was written in. He noted that Council should look to what or who each member of a committee represents before determining whether said member is voting or not.

Ms. Jux stated that the committee is very open to any help.

Councillor Sundbo asked who wrote the original policy.

Mr. Sillery informed Council that it was the then CAO, the committee with advice from experts in the field as to standard practice.

Councillor Sundbo iterated that the AASC was a committee struck by Council, and as such was included in Council’s Strategic Plan objective to look to efficiencies and potential restructuring with all of Council’s committees.

Councillor Koh noted that Council is doing work with all committees and has noted that the voting/non-voting status of members maybe outdated and having noted this Council is reviewing this with a goal of engagement and inclusiveness for all committee members. She also noted that there is a larger Strategic Plan Council discussion to be held regarding committees before any committees do too much work. She said Council does not want to undermine the work of the committees but does want to be open and honest about their expectations.

Ms. Eleniak stated that some of the language in the AASC Bylaw and policy is outdated and could be considered by some to be offensive.

Councillor Sundbo stated that committee and community input is important for Council and noted that Council has observed issues with quorum, filling vacant seats and efficient communication with Council. Councillor Sundbo noted that it is difficult for a committee member to feel engaged without a vote.

Mr. Sillery noted that having the CPR and CDC representatives on AASC is a good thing in that it provides information sharing between committees and therefore a consistent product to the community. He agreed that the AASC required more community consultation.

Councillor Koh reiterated that Council's strategies are yet to be defined regarding the W5s of all committees, advisory groups and working groups for Council. Council's overriding goal is a consistent, cohesive and meaningful approach to all.

Mr. Sillery stated that he is very protective of the AASC and its value to the community of Haines Junction. He believes the AASC to be very different than any of the other committees in that it has a strong Bylaw guaranteeing funds and has a strong record of community product because of its set-up.

Councillor Koh indicated that the committee should not perceive the review as a lack of support for the Arts; rather the review is intended to ensure that the committee system is working effectively. Council needs to be mindful of disengagement that can occur when the system is not working effectively.

Councillor Sundbo stated that we need to be sensitive to all of our volunteers and therefore Council needs to have more interaction with committees.

Ms. Eleniak suggested that the Village set up discussion boards for each of the committees so that the community can observe what each committee is dealing with in "real time". Everyone in agreement with the concept.

Councillor Sundbo invited the committee members to enroll in FN 101 with the Village's support.

Mr. Sillery said that they were all very interested in doing so.

Councillor Sundbo asked about the draft RFP for art for the Grand Hall.

Mr. Sillery stated that this proposal is notably much smaller in scale than the last draft proposal and we all want quality proposals. He noted that the committee has requested advice on RFP formation from YG, specifically in the "pricing". This has been a fluid process and the committee would like to get the RFP out as soon as possible. He also stated that the committee feels strongly that the artist define the theme.

CAO Clarke noted that it is important that the committee is sharing the draft RFP with Council so that all are of the same understanding once the final RFP comes to Council for approval.

Mr. Sillery asked that the committee be kept in the loop as Council progresses with their discussion.

Discussion Topics

1. Recirculation update

CAO Clarke asked that Council members read Dave Hatherley’s primer on financing options for recirculation hook-ups going forward in order to prepare for an in depth discussion regarding community education on water usage.

Council asked that Administration revisit costing/fees at the bulk station.

2. FCM attendance

No Council member able to attend this year though Councillor Koh noted how much invaluable information and sharing she gained from the AYC AGM and stated that FCM could provide much needed “connection” next year.

3. Artic Inspiration Prize

Council discussion around the possibility of submitting a proposal with CAFN for next year.

4. Councillor Eckervogt brought up the possibility of Haines Junction engaging as a Crime Stoppers community.

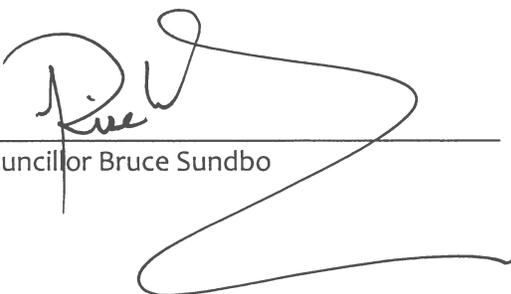
5. Councillor Sundbo raised the importance of us being earthquake ready and to rewrite our EM policy in concert with YG.

6. Councillor Koh raised the need to look to some short term development movement before OCP and Zoning Bylaw revisions.

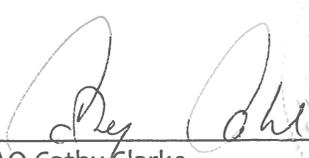
Councillor Sundbo agreed that we need to look at Willow Acres configuration on small lots, light industrial lots, commercial lots and trailer lots

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.



Councillor Bruce Sundbo



CAO Cathy Clarke

