

**Village of Haines Junction
Regular Council Meeting June 28, 2017**

Present: Mayor Riseborough
Councillor Smith
Councillor Sundbo
Councillor Eckervogt
Councillor Koh

CAO Clarke, Recorder Istchenko, Foreman Hatherley

Call to Order

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

Mayor Riseborough acknowledged that we are on the traditional territory of the Champagne and Aishihik First Nations.

Approval of Agenda

#158-17 Moved E. Koh Seconded B. Sundbo
THAT the agenda be approved as amended under Information and Correspondence to include a letter from MLA Istchenko to Minister Pillai.

Motion #158-17 was **CARRIED**.

Approval of Minutes

Regular Council Meeting Minutes June 14, 2017

#159-17 Moved T. Eckervogt Seconded E. Koh
THAT the minutes of the regular Council meeting of June 14, 2017 be approved as amended to correct spelling errors on Page 4, to change the word "exchanged" to "negotiated" on Page 3, under Information and Correspondence, Community Energy Baseline Assessment Report to add "there appeared to be data missing which would contribute to the integrity of the report" and that "future improvements" be added to Councillor Sundbo's comments under Delegations on Page 2.

Motion #159-17 was **CARRIED**.

It was noted that some funding for the governance intern position has been received through the Summer Career Placement program.

Bylaws and Policies

Bylaw #322-17, Zoning Bylaw Amendment #322-17

The zoning amendment will allow for the construction of smaller sized dwelling units in designated areas.

#160-17 Moved S. Smith Seconded E. Koh
THAT Bylaw #322-17, Zoning Bylaw Amendment #322-17 be accepted as having been read for the first time.

Discussion: The bylaw will be amended to designate all lots on Spruce Street.

#161-17 Moved E. Koh Seconded B. Sundbo
THAT a public hearing will be scheduled for July 12, 2017 and will be publicly posted for two weeks on local bulletin boards and on the Village of Haines Junction website.

Motion #161-17 was **CARRIED**.

Motion #160-17 was **CARRIED**.

Municipal Reports

CAO Activity Report

The webcam is not working. All the parties involved in the installation have been contacted to help resolve the problem.

The cemetery fencing materials will be picked up tomorrow; the Lions Club will be removing the old fence and installing the new one.

The Household Hazardous Waste Day will be held on July 21, 2017.

The summer student positions were reposted and two students have been hired.

The infrastructure project tender will close on July 12, 2017. It is expected that phase one will straddle two years because of the late start date. YG has project budget funds to provide engineering services for the application to the FCM Green Municipal Fund for installation of recirculating lines. Infrastructure Development Branch will also be assisting with the landfill plan and a rate study for the cost of water.

It was noted that the recent snowstorm and two water breaks have cost 105 man hours.

Samples of the "Dream" pumphouse water usage reports were reviewed.

Foreman Hatherley will approach the Lions Club regarding producing 911 civic address signs as a fundraising opportunity.

The front end landfill improvements will be covered by the Small Communities Fund.

In addition, YG will do a service contract for an engineer to do a landfill plan.

A public announcement regarding infrastructure funding is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. in the atrium. MP Bagnell and Minister Mostyn will be in attendance.

It was noted that only one contractor may be available for the infrastructure project.

CAO Clarke met with Ryan Hennessey regarding the Community Energy Baseline Assessment report. Very few people responded to the first phase survey. The second phase consists of an audit and application to FCM funds to implement energy saving measures. It was noted that CAFN completed this last year. It was also noted that Haines Junction is one of the largest carbon emitting communities – large amounts of traffic going to Whitehorse, likely due to close proximity and limited grocery amenities. Partnerships with CAFN regarding setting up a transportation program using the CAFN bus and sharing equipment has been raised.

The next Committee of Whole day session will be July 11, 2017 to discuss committees.

#162-17 Moved E. Koh Seconded S Smith
THAT the CAO activity report be accepted.

Motion #162-17 was **CARRIED**.

Committee Reports and Recommendations

Art Acquisition Selection Committee Meeting Minutes June 5, 2017

#163-17 Moved E. Koh Seconded B. Sundbo
THAT the minutes of the Art Acquisition Selection Committee meeting of June 5, 2017 be accepted for information.

Motion #163-17 was **CARRIED**.

The minutes note that the committee may contact MP Bagnell for assistance in acquiring a copy of the A.Y. Jackson painting from the National Gallery of Canada. It was noted that committees are not empowered to contact other levels of government and requests should be channeled through Council.

The minutes also note that the committee is reviewing the Art Acquisition policy. It was noted that Council welcomes insight from committee members but had previously cautioned all of the committees that a larger committee review is still being undertaken by Council.

Community Development Committee Meeting Minutes

#164-17 Moved S. Smith Seconded T. Eckervogt
THAT The minutes of the Community Development Committee meeting of June 8, 2017 be accepted for information.

Motion #164-17 was **CARRIED**.

The minutes note that the CDC is prioritizing support for the Dezadeash Day Use Area project. It was clarified that the committee has previously been advised that Council does not currently see this as a priority and that it is premature in the absence of the complete hydrocarbon study to even consider options.

A concern was noted regarding the use of the word "domain" in referring to a specific committee's projects. Projects and acquisitions belong to the whole community. Councillor Sundbo reiterated that Council should have some input into the development of public spaces.

The minutes note a reference to the rodeo/fairgrounds and surrounding area being set aside for recreation. It was noted that the Village currently holds a lease on the rodeo/fairgrounds and the adjacent property belongs to YG. Council is not of the understanding that the area has been specifically designated recreational use.

A concern was noted that if incorrect information is being recorded or unclear choice of wording is used in committee minutes it may be generating misinformation in the public domain.

Accounts Payable

Municipal Accounts Payable to June 28, 2017

#165-17 Moved E. Koh Seconded S. Smith
THAT municipal accounts payable, transfers and cheques #23863 to #23886 in the amount of \$117,143.04 be approved for payment.

Motion #165-17 was **CARRIED**.

Business Arising

Request from Defence Construction Canada for ammunition storage containers site in Haines Junction – update

The Department of National Defence requires a location for storage containers to be used by the Canadian Rangers. It has been clarified that no explosives and only small amounts of small caliber ammunition will be stored in the containers.

#166-17 Moved B. Sundbo Seconded T. Eckervogt

THAT the request for a lease agreement for the placement of storage containers on municipal property be approved.

Motion #166-17 was **CARRIED**.

Request for funding from Augusto! Childrens Festival

The festival organization has not secured all of their expected grant funding for this premier event. The organization has reduced their budget and secured other funds and have reduced their shortfall from \$10,075.00 to \$3,800.00. The request is for a portion of the funding that is being provided to the Village from Culture Quest for Canada 150 and Alaska Highway 75th celebrations.

#167-17 Moved E. Koh Seconded S. Smith

THAT Council approve a grant for part of the amount needed with conditions.

Discussion: The Culture Quest funding has not yet been confirmed. The request is a one-time ask but would be precedent setting. The event would generate limited economic benefits. It is a high end budget for a relatively small audience.

#168-17 Moved E. Koh Seconded T. Eckervogt

THAT \$1,500.00 be approved from the Council grants budget line item.

Discussion: The festival is receiving the facility rental fees at half price. Several options were discussed. It was noted that the admission fees may not be affordable for all children.

#169-17 Moved E. Koh Seconded T. Eckervogt

THAT Motion #168-17 be amended to approve a grant for the full facility rental and \$1,000.00 to be used to sponsor those unable to afford the admission charge.

Discussion: It was noted that any approval will include a letter advising that this is NOT precedent setting and is only to recognize the shortfall being realized this late in the planning process.

Motion #169-17 was **CARRIED**.

#170-17 Moved E. Koh Seconded S. Smith

THAT Motion #167-17 be withdrawn.

Motion #170-17 was **CARRIED**.

Request for Motion approving Village of Haines Junction Chamber of Commerce membership

#171-17 Moved E. Koh Seconded S. Smith
 THAT the Village of Haines Junction purchase a membership to the St. Elias Chamber of Commerce.

Motion #171-17 was **CARRIED**.

Approval of Village of Haines Junction Draft Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2016

#172-17 Moved T. Eckervogt Seconded S. Smith
 THAT the draft 2016 Audited Financial Statements be approved.

Motion #172-17 was **CARRIED**.

#173-17 Moved E. Koh Seconded B. Sundbo
 THAT Council authorizes the signing of the representation letter.

Motion #173-17 was **CARRIED**.

Information and Correspondence

Canadian Arctic Aviation Tour - letter of apology

Minister Frost re: Engagement on the Development of a Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Plan

It was noted that the Village's contribution may be more worthwhile if recreation staff participated in a session with frontline workers.

Premier Silver re: Yukon Financial Advisory Panel

It was noted that this was not well publicized.

Yukon Electoral Boundaries Commission

It was noted that there is no background research provided. It was suggested that Council may research and respond individually.

Alaska Highway West Local Area Plan project start-up survey

It was noted that no prior notice about the public consultation meeting was received by Council.

Council Reports

Councillor Koh noted a complaint received regarding the pop machine in the arena. Children were seen accessing the machine in the arena late in the evening. There is an expectation that the municipality should encourage healthy living.

Chamber of Commerce members met with the MLA and CAO to discuss signage. The focus will be on signage within the community.

Councillor Eckervogt noted that a resident has been notified by Yukon Housing that their lot agreement for sale will be terminated as the building commitment has not been met. It was noted that this is a Yukon Government policy and the Village has no jurisdiction over how it is applied.

Councillor Sundbo noted that at the recent CDC meeting the members completed the RFP for the trails consultant and are prepared to allocate the full trails development budget to this contract.

Adjournment

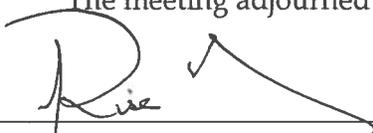
#174-17

Moved S. Smith

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

Motion #174-17 was **CARRIED**.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.



Mayor Michael Riseborough



CAO Cathy Clarke

