

**Village of Haines Junction  
Regular Council Meeting January 9, 2019**

Present: Mayor Eckervogt  
Councillor Johnston  
Councillor Smith  
Councillor Quinn

Late (with notice): Councillor Nassiopoulos

CAO Clarke, Public Policy and Strategic Initiatives Manager Thomas

**Call to Order**

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

**Acknowledgement of CAFN Traditional Territory**

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

**Adoption of Agenda**

#01-19      Moved S. Smith      Seconded C. Quinn  
                 THAT the agenda be adopted as amended under Items for Discussion to add Membership on the Official Community Plan Steering Committee, the Power outage and Council representation for the Agreement in Principle, and so that the Council Round Table take place prior to Adjournment.

Motion #01-19 was CARRIED.

**Adoption of Minutes**

Regular Council Meeting Minutes December 19, 2018

#02-19      Moved K. Johnston      Seconded S. Smith  
                 THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of December 19, 2018, be adopted as presented.

Motion #02-19 was CARRIED.

**Staff Reports and Recommendations**

Council transition notes

#03-19      Moved K. Johnston      Seconded C. Quinn  
                 THAT the Council transition notes be accepted as presented.

Motion #03-19 was CARRIED.

Administration Draft Work Plan

#04-19      Moved K. Johnston      Seconded S. Smith  
                 THAT the Administration Draft Work Plan be accepted as amended to add "Increase capital and operational technical capacity" under 2. Process/Program assessment organization-wide and to add

“Planning/service groups” under 7. Parks and green spaces planning/community beautification, Community buy-in and involvement.

Motion #04-19 was CARRIED.

Councillor Johnston requested that the Committee Rejuvenation Group be brought forward for discussion at the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

CAO Clarke clarified that the draft work plan will be formalized by Senior Management on Monday, after which project management charts can be presented to Council.

CAO Clarke explained that “AMP continuation” refers to the formalization of the Asset Management Policy and staff training for its management. The Village’s asset management program lists all infrastructure, but the Village will require a condition analysis in order to proceed with a reserve fund study.

#### Accounts Payable

##### Municipal Accounts Payable to January 9, 2019

#05-19 Moved K. Johnston Seconded C. Quinn  
THAT municipal accounts payable, transfers and cheques #24944 to #24973 in the amount of \$115,813.42 be approved for payment.

Motion #05-19 was CARRIED.

Administration explained that the heating fuel costs for the St. Elias Convention Centre are split evenly between the Administration and Convention Centre departments.

Administration clarified that IMBL signifies Inter-Municipal Business Licence.

#### Items for Discussion

##### VHJ Investment Policy

#06-19 Moved C. Quinn Seconded K. Johnston  
THAT Council direct Administration to investigate solid first principles for a Village of Haines Junction Investment Policy to be proposed to Council at their January 23, 2019 meeting.

Motion #06-19 was CARRIED.

##### Yukon Bluegrass Music Society request for Patron sites

#07-19 Moved K. Johnston Seconded C. Quinn  
THAT Council approve a Weekend Exemption to Bylaw No. 297-13 for Yukon Bluegrass Music Society including the request for Patron sites as outlined on provided site maps.

Motion #07-19 was DEFEATED.

Discussion: Council noted that, although two events will be held during the Bluegrass Festival weekend, they had concerns about setting this precedent, given that the camping permit exemption has become increasingly extensive over the years and the impact this might have on local businesses.

Proclamation Request for Eating Disorder Awareness Week

#08-19 Moved K. Johnston Seconded C. Quinn  
**THAT** Council approve a Proclamation request for Eating Disorder Awareness Week (EDAW), February 1 - February 7, 2019.

Motion #08-19 was **DEFEATED**.

Discussion: Council noted the wealth of such worthy causes and proposed determining specific parameters as regards proclamations to be brought forward for consideration.

Texas 4000 Request for Motion in support of VHJ hosting T4K in August 1, 2019

#09-19 Moved C. Quinn Seconded S. Smith  
**THAT** Council approve Village of Haines Junction hosting the Texas 4000 on August 1, 2019.

Motion #09-19 was **CARRIED**.

Discussion: Councillor Johnston proposed inviting Texas 4000 to host a presentation and volunteered to help facilitate such an event.

Letter of Support for ECOAction Community Funding Program

#10-19 Moved C. Quinn Seconded S. Smith  
**THAT** Council approve a letter of support to the ECOAction Community Funding Program for Yukon Invasive Species Council (YSIC) application.

Motion #10-19 was **CARRIED**.

Membership on the Official Community Plan Steering Committee

#11-19 Moved K. Johnston Seconded S. Smith  
**THAT** Council approve the nomination of Courtney Quinn to the Official Community Plan Steering Committee for the Village of Haines Junction.

Motion #11-19 was **CARRIED**.

Power Outage

Councillor Johnston requested clarification regarding the municipality's role during a prolonged power outage.

Administration noted that the present emergency services plan involves protecting infrastructure and remaining in contact with the local ATCO representative.

A mobile generator project was approved for the 2018 capital budget and can be brought forward again for inclusion the 2019 budget.

The Village has been in discussions with ATCO about prioritising the water system, which has a five-hour operational window, and has also requested a 10-year infrastructure replacement plan from ATCO.

Councillor Nassiopoulos arrived at 8:20 p.m.

Council representation for the Agreement in Principle

Administration clarified that Denise Beattie, Director of Governance, will be representing CAFN in lieu of their Director of Property Services, since the latter position is currently held by a temporary replacement. Council will continue to be represented, ex-officio, by Mayor Eckervogt and will be kept regularly updated by staff.

**Information and Correspondence**

#12-19            Moved S. Smith            Seconded C. Quinn  
                         THAT the Information and Correspondence item be accepted as presented.

Motion #12-19 was CARRIED.

Information regarding Recovery Strategy for Little Brown Bat, Northern Myotis, and Tri-colored Bat

Aging in Place update from Barbara Adel, Manager Continuing Care

Councillor Quinn will be the official representative and Councillor Johnston will also attend the January 30, 2019, forum should circumstances allow.

#13-19            Moved M. Nassiopoulos            Seconded S. Smith  
                         THAT Council approve Councillor Quinn's expenses to attend the Aging in Place event on January 29 and 30, 2019.

Motion #13-19 was CARRIED.

Updated YG Performance Plan

Councillor Johnston requested Administration inquire about the Yukon Government creating community-specific profiles alongside the overall Yukon Profile of Wellbeing.

Letter to Wade Istchenko, MLA of Kluane from Minister John Streicker regarding EMS Haines Junction

Email correspondence to Mayor Eckervogt from Bev Buckway regarding AYC AGM in Haines Junction

Correspondence to Minister Pillai from Tara Wheeler, President AYC regarding concerns over recent announcement to add First Nation Development Corporation to the eligible recipients list

Councillor Johnston clarified that First Nation Development Corporations will be eligible to apply to the Community Development Fund only when undertaking a social enterprise at the community level.

Correspondence from Metrix Group LLP regarding 2018 Audit Planning for VHI

Mayor Eckervogt noted that the Village was satisfied with the auditor's performance and cost last year.

Administration will determine the fees involved for an investment policy audit.

**Council Round Table**

Councillor Quinn informed that the St. Elias Chamber of Commerce will be holding its Annual General Meeting the following night.

Upon Councillor Quinn's proposal of informing the community as to the current Council plan, Mayor Eckervogt offered to draft a letter to be mailed out to all community members.

Mayor Eckervogt will also draft a new Mayor's Message for the Village website. Councillor Johnston proposed meeting with CAFN Chief and Council. Administration will draft a letter inviting them to an introductory meeting and extending congratulations on their recent election.

Councillor Johnston suggested revising the Village's tender evaluation process for a more value-based system. This item will be brought forward for discussion at a later date.

Councillor Johnston noted concerns raised by community members about the Many Rivers Counselling and Support Services centre being closed due to labour negotiations.

Councillor Smith requested that the Remembrance Day flag be taken down until next November.

**Adjournment**

#14-19

Moved S. Smith

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

Motion #14-19 was **CARRIED**.

The meeting adjourned at 9:09 p.m.



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Mayor Thomas Eckervogt



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CAO Cathy Clarke-

