

**Village of Haines Junction
Regular Council Meeting March 11, 2020**

Present: Mayor Eckervogt
Councillor Johnston
Councillor Smith

Absent (with notice): Councillor Nassiopoulos

CAO Rodin

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 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

#83-20 It was moved and seconded
 THAT the agenda be adopted as amended to add the following items:
 9c. Climate Change
 10e. COVID-19
 10f. Time Change

Motion #83-20 was **CARRIED**.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

Adoption of Minutes of Regular and Special Council Meetings

Regular Council Meeting Minutes February 26, 2020

#84-20 It was moved and seconded
 THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of February 26, 2020, be tabled until the next meeting.

Motion #84-20 was **CARRIED**.

Proclamations

Delegations

DF Construction re Municipal Matching Grant

Nataschaa Chatterton and Dave Fairbank attended on behalf of DF Construction. The delegation informed that they have been in discussions with the Village about participating in the Yukon Government's Municipal Matching Rental Construction Program for two years and would like this to move forward for the upcoming fiscal year. Administration apologised for the delay and advised that the Village is currently in discussions with the Yukon Housing Corporation regarding the development incentive program requirements.

#85-20 It was moved and seconded
 THAT the rules be suspended.

Motion #85-20 was **CARRIED**.

The delegation informed that the Yukon Housing Corporation has indicated that a minimal contribution from the municipality has been accepted in the past.

#86-20 It was moved and seconded
 THAT Administration prepare a Report to Council on the Municipal Matching Program opportunities in Haines Junction.

Motion #86-20 was **CARRIED**

Meghann Willard re Letter of Support for the Development of a Community Pool and Recreation Complex

The delegation distributed to Council pool designs by Grade 3 students and a list of approximately 350 names of Yukon residents, including over 200 from Haines Junction, in support of a recreation complex, along with their comments.

The delegation noted that this is an important project for the community and that she would like to see it prioritised.

The delegation applauded the CAFN Youth Centre and the Village for working together to provide youth summer recreational opportunities and suggested that this is a further opportunity for collaboration.

The delegation proposed that a working group could be established.

Public Hearings and Public Input Sessions

Old Business

RTC re Pine Lake Trail TCT Grant Application Status

Administration advised that a revised grant application has been submitted and approved for \$152,500 and suggested that additional funding might be sought for paving the trail. Council noted that feasibility and costs for asphalt in low-lying areas need be considered.

#87-20 It was moved and seconded
 THAT Council receive and file the information about the Pine Lake Trail.

Motion #87-20 was **CARRIED**.

RTC re Strategic Planning Agenda

Council approved that senior staff should attend the beginning portion of the strategic planning session.

#88-20 It was moved and seconded
 THAT Council receive and file the Report to Council re Strategic Planning Agenda.

Motion #88-20 was **CARRIED**.

Climate Change

#89-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT Administration submit Urban Community FireSmarting as one of our initiatives under the Our Clean Future Draft Climate Change Strategy.

Motion #89-20 was **CARRIED**.

New Business

RTC re Deputy Mayor Rotation Schedule

#90-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT Councillor Johnston becomes the Acting Mayor for April 1 - 30, 2020.

Motion #90-20 was **CARRIED**.

RTC re Rezoning Application – Raven Hotel Ltd.

This application is to rezone Block 8, Lot 11 from Tourist Commercial to Commercial Mixed to allow for a residence with an accessory bed and breakfast.

#91-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT staff initiate the rezoning process for this application; and,
THAT the Zoning Amendment Bylaw be presented to Council on March 25, 2020, for First Reading; and,
THAT a Public Hearing be scheduled for April 8, 2020, and take place during the Council Meeting on that date; and,
THAT the Zoning Amendment Bylaw be presented to Council for Second and Third Reading on April 8, 2020.

Motion #91-20 was **CARRIED**.

RTC re Property Taxation Levy

Administration will bring forward a property tax levy bylaw at the next Council meeting with an increase reflecting the Consumer Price Index.

#92-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT Council receive and file the Report to Council re Property Taxation Levy.

Motion #92-20 was **CARRIED**.

Accounts Payable to March 11, 2020

#93-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT Council receive and file the Accounts Payable to March 11, 2020.

Motion #93-20 was **CARRIED**.

COVID-19

Administration advised that public communications, accounts payable and payroll can be completed off-site if necessary and that vital municipal operations, such as water supply and wastewater collection, are being prioritised.

Council reminded citizens to follow the information provided by the Yukon Government and to be cautious of information received on social media.

Time Change

The Yukon Government has requested permission to make publicly available the Village of Haines Junction's submission regarding the seasonal time change.

#94-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT Council approve the release of this information and direct staff to write a letter to the Yukon Government informing them of such.

Motion #94-20 was **CARRIED**.

Correspondence

RCMP Monthly Mayor's/Chief's Policing Report – February 2020

Piper Wirth and Austin Kirk re Arena Staff and Youth Activities

The Village is looking into the purchase of recreational equipment for youth of all ages and the possibility of collaborating with CAFN to offer recreational programming.

YG Department of Economic Development re Community Development Fund

#95-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT Council receive and file the Correspondence items.

Motion #95-20 was **CARRIED**.

Council Reports and Notice of Motions

Councillor Johnston reviewed the main topics of discussion from the AYC Board Meeting in Faro. She reminded Council that resolutions are due by April 9, 2020.

Questions from the Public

Motion to Close Meeting to the Public

#96-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT Council close the meeting to the public in accordance with the Yukon Municipal Act, Section 213(3).

Motion #96-20 was **CARRIED**.

The meeting was closed to the public from 8:24 p.m. to 8:35 p.m.

#97-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT the meeting come out of closed meeting.

Motion #97-20 was **CARRIED**.

Adjournment

#98-20 It was moved and seconded
THAT there being no further business, this meeting is adjourned.

Motion #98-20 was **CARRIED**.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.



Mayor Thomas Eckervogt



CAO Dan Rodin

