



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL FOR THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF BURNS LAKE HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON Tuesday, October 08, 2019 AT 7:00 PM

PRESENT

Mayor D. Funk
Councillor D. Hill
Councillor H. Wiebe
Councillor C. Rensby
Councillor K. White
CAO S. Worthing
Director of Finance – S. Meeds
Director of Public Works – D. Ross
Director of Protective Services – R. Krause
Deputy Corporate Officer – V. Anderson

GUESTS

None

PUBLIC

2 members of the public attended.

MEDIA

Blair McBride – Lakes District News

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Funk called the Regular Meeting of Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

It was moved and seconded by Council

2019-10-08: 346

THAT the additional items (a) and (b) be added under Section 12 NEW BUSINESS;

THAT the agenda for October 8, 2019, Regular Meeting of Council be approved as amended.

PUBLIC COMMENT

CARRIED

None

PUBLIC AND STATUTORY HEARINGS AND READINGS OR ADOPTIONS

Sign Regulation Bylaw Amendment No. 1008, 2019 – *DCO V. Anderson*

- Council discussed the reason for amending the bylaw.

It was moved and seconded by Council.

2019-10-08: 347

THAT the "Sign Regulation Bylaw Amendment No. 1008, 2019" be adopted.

CARRIED

Temporary Borrowing Bylaw No. 1007, 2019

- Council discussed the borrowing 1.2 million to have as a contingency for the project.
- The bylaw is to set-up a line of credit to use during the duration of the project for cash flow purposes.

It was moved and seconded by Council.

2019-10-08: 348

THAT the "Water Treatment Plant Temporary Borrowing Bylaw No. 1007, 2019" be given first, second and third readings.

CARRIED

Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 1009, 2019

It was moved and seconded by Council.

2019-10-08: 349

THAT the "Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 1009, 2019" be given first, second and third readings.

CARRIED

2019- 2023 Financial Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 1010, 2019

It was moved and seconded by Council.

2019-10-08: 350

THAT the "2019-2023 Financial Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 1010, 2019" be given first, second and third readings.

CARRIED

Northern Capital and Planning Grant Reserve Fund Expenditure Bylaw No. 1011, 2019

It was moved and seconded by Council.

2019-10-08: 351

THAT the "Northern Capital and Planning Grant Reserve Fund Expenditure Bylaw No. 1011, 2019" be given first, second and third readings.

CARRIED

Land Sale Reserve Expenditure Bylaw No. 1012, 2019

It was moved and seconded by Council.

2019-10-08: 352

THAT the "Land Sale Reserve Expenditure Bylaw No. 1012, 2019" be given first, second and third readings.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

None

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

It was moved and seconded by Council

2019-10-08: 353

THAT September 10, 2019, Regular Meeting minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

MAYOR, COUNCILLOR AND CAO REPORTS

Mayor Funk

- Attended the branding session with eSolutions.
- Attended the COFI dinner in Prince George.
- Attended UBCM.
- Attended the Truck Loggers Association dinner during UBCM.
- Participated on the tourism development panel at UBCM
- Meeting with Minister of Advanced Education and was taken aback by the Minister's responses to council questions.

It was moved and seconded by Council.

2019-10-08: 354

THAT Staff write a follow-up letter to the meeting with the Minister of Advanced Education in collaboration with members of the council that attended the meeting with Minister Mark.

CARRIED

- Councillors Wiebe and Rensby met with the Minister of Forest Lands and Natural Resource Operations.

It was moved and seconded by Council

2019-10-08: 355

THAT Staff write a thank you letter to the Honourable Doug Donaldson for the meeting at UBCM with the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development representatives;

AND THAT Staff write a letter to the Honourable Lisa Beare, for the meeting at UBCM with the Ministry of Tourism, Arts, and Culture representatives, include in the letter the effect of the suspension of the Rural Dividend Fund on Village proposed tourism projects.

CARRIED

- Attended the RBA meeting with Premier Horgan, Minister Carole James and Minister Selina Robinson.
- Met with the negotiator for the province regarding the Lake Babine Nation Foundational agreement.
- Attended the Landscape planning session with Councillor Wiebe.
- Attended the Water Treatment Plant Ground Breaking ceremony.

Councillor Hill

- Attend the Six Nations Housing Committee.

Councillor Rensby

- Attended the Rio Tinto water engagement seminar.
- Attended UBCM, both resolutions submitted by the Village of Burns Lake, were passed.
- Attended the three minister meetings with other members of council during UBCM.

Councillor Wiebe

- Attended UBCM
- Attended a dinner meeting with the Prince Rupert Port Authority and was provided with an update of future development.
- Attended the meeting with Minister Donaldson regarding TSA adjustment and log exports.

CAO Worthing

- Line painting will not be completed this year.

Tourism

It was moved and seconded by Council

2019-10-08: 356

THAT the Mayor, Council and CAO reports be received.

CARRIED

REPORTS

Track Resurfacing Report – CAO S. Worthing

- Council discussed a walking trail and options.

It was moved and seconded by Council.

2019-10-08: 357

THAT \$30,000 from the Comfor Reserve Account be added to the 2020 budget as the Village of Burns Lake’s contribution to the track resurfacing project;

AND THAT the funding not be expended until the remaining funding for the project is confirmed in writing by the Track Resurfacing Committee.

CARRIED

Community Emergency Preparedness Fund Resolution – *Director of Protective Services – R. Krause*

- Staff priorities are high-pressure fire pumps, Nomex clothing and sprinklers for 20 homes.

It was moved and seconded by Council

2019-10-08: 358

THAT Council for the Village of Burns Lake supports submitting a grant application to the Community Emergency Preparedness Fund for the purchase of wildland firefighting equipment;

AND THAT Protective Services staff time be allocated to provide overall grant management.

CARRIED

Tourism Plan and Mobile Visitor’s Centre Project – *EDO L. Watson*

- Council discussed the fiscal responsibility of having a mobile visitor centre and whether the project is cost-effective.
- Staff provided information regarding the project.
- Council discussed the importance of growing local tourism.

It was moved and seconded by Council

2019-10-08: 359

That the Village of Burns Lake submit a grant application for the funding of the Tourism Plan and Mobile Visitors Centre to the October 2019, intake of the Nechako-Kitamaat Development Fund; AND THAT the Village of Burns Lake commits an additional \$22,900 from the Comfor Reserve account for the Burns Lake Tourism Plan and Mobile Visitor's Centre project, which has a total project value of \$70,400.

CARRIED

Perinatal Working Group Meeting – Oct 15, 2019, 3 pm to 5 pm –
Verbal by Mayor Funk

- Northern Health is seeking someone from our organization to sit on the working group

Lakes District Rural Endoscopy Group Meeting – Oct 16, 2019, 3 pm to 4 pm – *Verbal by Mayor Funk*

- Northern Health is seeking someone from our organization to sit on the working group.

BUSINESS ARISING None

**ORIGINAL
COMMUNICATIONS
ACTION**

Burns Lake Firefighters Association – request of facility usage

It was moved and seconded by Council

2019-10-08: 360

THAT the Village of Burns Lake provides the use of the curling rink facility for free for the weekend of November 22, 23 and 24 for the 49th Annual Fireman's Bonspiel.

CARRIED

BC Natural Resources Forum - January 28 - 30

It was moved and seconded Council

2010-10-08: 361

THAT the determination of attendees to the Natural Resources forum on January 28 – 30 at the Prince George Conference and Civic Centre be deferred to a future meeting.

CARRIED

Northwest Invasive Plant Council – Forum October 24, 2019

It was moved and seconded by Council.

2019-10-08: 362

THAT Councillor Hill attends the Northwest Invasive Plant Council AGM and Forum on October 24, 2019, in Prince George.

CARRIED

Planning Wildfire Resilient Communities in British Columbia

It was moved and seconded by Council.

2019-10-08: 363

THAT Mayor Funk and Councillor Wiebe attend the Planning Wildfire Resilient Communities in BC Outreach and Engagement Workshop on Monday, October 21, in Smithers.

CARRIED

Burns Lake & District Chamber of Commerce 2019 Business Excellence Awards.

- Council discussed the nomination of Multiplex for Customer Service

It was moved and seconded by Council.

2019-10-08: 364

THAT Mayor Funk, Councillor Hill, Councillor White, EDO Watson, and Director Jones attend the Burns Lake & District Chamber of Commerce 2019 Business Excellence Awards on October 19 at the Rod and Gun Club.

CARRIED

**ORIGINAL
COMMUNICATIONS
RECEIVED AND
FILED**

It was moved and seconded by Council

2019-10-08: 365

THAT original communications (a) through (h) be received and filed:

- a) Paula Van Tine – recognition for the flower program
- b) NCLGA – Rural Health Services
- c) Kitselas First Nation – Highway of Tears Call to Action

- d) NGLGA – ICBC Premiums
- e) The Future is Mine – Canadian Burn Survivors Conference
- f) NCLGA – UBCM Summary
- g) Comfor Cutting Permit Approval – FLNRO
- h) Minister of Children and Family Development – Foster Family Month

CARRIED

Item a - council discussed the number of compliments they received regarding the flowers, stamped concrete etc. in the downtown.

NEW BUSINESS

RBA Update from UBCM Meetings – *Mayor Funk*

- For information purposes.

RBA - Letter from Andrew Wilkinson – *Mayor Funk*

- Council discussed the opposition meeting.
- The letter is positive towards RBA, however anecdotally the meeting at UBCM may not have been positive.

**ACCOUNTS
PAYABLE**

Municipal accounts dated October 2, 2019, of \$639,988.09, were found to be in good order.

READING FILES

It was moved and seconded by Council

2019-10-08: 366

THAT the Reading File of September 20, 2019, be received and filed:

1. Letter to Paula Laurie RE “Quiet Zone”
2. Letter to Ministry of FLNRORD RE: Purchase of Fort St. James Conifex Sawmill
3. Letter from Wilderness Committee
4. Federation of Post-Secondary Educators of BC “Fair Employment Week”
5. BC Council of Forest Industries
6. Disability Alliance BC Community Update

AND THAT the October 4 reading file be received:

1. Letter to Tracey Krause RE: Appointment as ESS Director
2. BC Community Forest Association
3. BC Healthy Communities fall 2019 News

4. Southside Health and Wellness Centre Newsletter and Calendar
5. College of New Caledonia Big News
6. BC Water & Waste Association 48th Annual Conference and Trade Show
7. Statement from Office of the Seniors Advocate
8. Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure - Transportation Options Brochure and Information Sheet
9. Canadian Mental Health Association - For more equitable access to public services
10. Northwest Invasive Plant Council AGM October 24
11. Climate Smart Business Unleashing SME Potential

CARRIED

**PUBLIC QUESTION
PERIOD**

None

RELEASE OF CLOSED MEETING RESOLUTIONS


ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded by Council.

2019-10-08: 367

THAT the meeting is adjourned at 7:49 p.m., on October 8, 2019.

CARRIED



MAYOR



CORPORATE OFFICER

Certified to be a true copy of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council for the Corporation of the Village of Burns Lake held on Tuesday, October 08, 2019.

