

DISTRICT OF CHETWYND

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting

Date: September 19, 2011
Time: 4:30 p.m.
Location: Council Chambers

Present: Mayor Saugstad
Coun. Maisey
Coun. Nichols
Coun. Norris
Coun. Weaver

D. Fleming, Chief Administrative Officer
W. Caldwell, Director of Financial Administration
R. Crisfield, Director of Engineering & Public Works
R. Rusjan, Director of Parks & Recreation
L. Howes, Deputy Director of Corporate Administration

Absent: Coun. Nicholson
Coun. Roberts

Press: Mike Garvie, Peace FM
Naomi Larsen, Chetwynd Echo

Public: Marnie Yohemas, Enbridge Pipelines Inc. [Item 4 (a)]
Kevin Brown, Enbridge Pipelines Inc. [Item 4 (a)]
Danielle Smith, NEAT [Item 4 (b)]
Dzengo Mzengeza, NEAT [Item 4 (b)]
Jen Brock, NEAT, [Item 4 (b)]
Karen Boos, Cascade Realty Ltd.
Anthony Boos, Cascade Realty Ltd.

- 1. Call to Order** Mayor Saugstad called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m. and a blessing was invoked on the proceedings.
- 2. Adoption of Agenda** MOVED by Coun. Norris, SECONDED by Coun. Maisey
THAT the Regular Council Meeting Agenda for September 19, 2011 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

4 (b)
Danielle Smith &
Dzeno
Mzengeza,
Northern
Environmental
Action Team, re:
NEAT Activity
Update
0230.50.35

Dzeno Mzengeza and Danielle Smith provided an update on the Northern Environmental Action Team (NEAT). NEAT's mission is to motivate individuals, businesses and institutions to adopt environmentally sustainable practices.

Activities in the past six months have included business waste assessments, school programs/presentations, the Waste Reduction Program with the Peace River Regional District, the "Kick it to the Curb" Program, participation in regional tradeshow and the Reel NEAT Contest. NEAT has also joined the Canfor Public Advisory Committee to provide an environmental perspective and has conducted research on a solid waste pamphlet, community re-use events, multi-residential recycling and agricultural plastics. NEAT also works with BC Hydro, LiveSmart BC and a product stewardship program with Kal Tire.

Upcoming projects include the Tire Stewardship Round-Up with Kal Tire, battery collection, BC Used Oil Management and a program in collaboration with the City of Fort St. John to demonstrate the durability of recycled rubber tile paving as an alternative surfacing project.

Ms. Smith responded to various questions from Council on the business waste assessments and product stewardship programs.

Council thanked the NEAT representatives for their presentation and for their efforts in general.

K. Boos left the meeting at 5:19 p.m.

D. Smith, D. Mzengeza & J. Brocke left the meeting at 5:24 p.m.

5. Bylaws

5 (a)
***0216/09/11
Bylaw No.
952, 2011

MOVED by Coun. Nichols, SECONDED by Coun. Norris

THAT Bylaw No. 952, 2011 cited as the "District of Chetwynd Council and Staff Travel Expense Reimbursement Bylaw No. 952, 2011" be given final adoption.

CARRIED***

6. Council Committee Reports

6 (a) Councillor Nichols submitted the following written report from the
Regional District September 8, 2011 Regional District meeting:
Report

0400.70.02

“D-1 Following the presentation by TransCanada Pipeline, I put forward a motion to request the authorities reviewing the proposal (NEB and appropriate ministries) to make the provision of gas to remote communities in the vicinity of the right of way a condition of approval. Carried unanimously.

B-13 The Chetwynd Leisure Centre Capital Reserve Funds Establishment By-law No. 1969, 2011 approved.

B-15 The Chetwynd Recreation Complex Capital Reserve Funds Establishment By-law No. 1970, 2011 approved.

B-16 The Chetwynd Arena Capital Reserve Funds Establishment By-law No. 1972, 2011 approved.”

MOVED by Coun. Nichols, SECONDED by Coun. Norris

THAT Councillor Nichols’ written Regional District Report, dated September 8, 2011, be received.

CARRIED

6 (b)
Community
Improvements
Committee
0540.20.20

No report.

6 (c)
Health Services
Committee
0540.20.19

No report.

6 (d)
Social Issues
Committee
0540.20.21

No report.

6 (e)
Mayor's Report
0550.04

Mayor Saugstad submitted the following written report, dated September 19, 2011:

- “Sept. 6–9 Attend Oil and Gas Conference in Fort Nelson
- Sept. 12 Meet with Chetwynd RCMP
- Sept. 14 Attend Peace River Municipal Association (PRMA) meeting in Taylor
- Sept. 15 STARS conference call
- Sept. 16 Northern Development Initiative Trust (NDIT) conference call

Highlights

- Oil and Gas Conference – Fort Nelson and the Northern Rockies Regional Municipality hosted an excellent Oil and Gas Conference in their new Community Center (first major event). The theme was “Communities Leading Change”. Day 1 focused on information for the Fort Nelson community, with updates on natural gas development in the Horn River Basin and an interactive session on what Fort Nelson should be looking at to make their community a better place to live, given the possibility of substantial new growth (You can’t manage what you can’t measure!). The day finished off with Rex Murphy as the key note speaker (Newfoundland thanks western Canada for keeping Newfoundland alive after the cod fishery was closed.) Day two had updates from MLA Pat Pimm and a retrospective look back from Senator Richard Neufeld, a luncheon address from Premier Christy Clark (announced that all frac fluid contents will have to be made public) , a session on the impact to communities by having workers “Flying in, Flying out” from Mayor Bill Streeper (NRRM), Professor Greg Halseth (UNBC) and Mayor Melissa Blake (Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo – Fort McMurray), a session on Energy Service BC’s “Business Certificate Program” and an update on the LNG export potential. Day 3 featured updated information on water in the Horn River Basin and Montney fields with the key note address by Ezra Levant (Ethical oil). Cost to attend about \$1250.
- Chetwynd RCMP Sergeant Kim Rusk provided an update to CAO Fleming and me on their first quarter performance (meeting was delayed due to timing). In general, the RCMP feels they are on track with their key metrics for the area.

- Provided a general Chetwynd update to the PRMA, including the possibility that Chetwynd is getting closer to having some new rental housing constructed, with the assistance of BC Housing. I also spoke on the “Regional Municipality” concept for the Peace area, and how I feel that this could be a better way to govern our area. Cost to attend about \$70.”

MOVED by Coun. Norris, SECONDED by Coun. Weaver

THAT Mayor Saugstad’s written Mayor’s Report, dated September 19, 2011, be received.

CARRIED

7. Correspondence – Discussion

7 (a) MOVED by Coun. Norris, SECONDED by Coun. Maisey

***0217/09/11

Select Standing
Committee on
Finance &
Government
Services – Pre-
Budget
Consultation
0230.40.03

THAT the email from the North Central Local Government Association, dated September 8, 2011, re: Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services – Pre-Budget Consultation, be received; and

THAT Mayor Saugstad or an alternate be authorized to attend a Video-Conference Session of the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services’ Pre-Budget Public Consultation in Dawson Creek or Fort St. John, BC on October 5, 2011.

CARRIED***

7 (b) MOVED by Coun. Maisey, SECONDED by Coun. Nichols

***0218/09/11

BC Health
Coalition, re:
Municipal
Resolution on
For-Profit
Clinics
0530.20.01

THAT the letter from the BC Health Coalition, dated August 23, 2011, re: Municipal Resolution on For-Profit Clinics, be received; and

THAT Council advise if it wishes to endorse BC Health Coalition’s model resolution on “For-Profit Clinics”.

CARRIED***

***0219/09/11
BC Health
Coalition, re:
Municipal
Resolution on
For-Profit
Clinics
0530.20.01

MOVED by Coun. Maisey, SECONDED by Coun. Weaver

WHEREAS health care is a right in that everyone must have the right to high quality, responsive and appropriate health care which is publicly funded, publicly accountable and publicly controlled.

WHEREAS access to health care must be equitable – regardless of an individual’s income, ability, age, cultural heritage, sex, sexual orientation or geographical location.

WHEREAS the provincial government, through the Medical Services Plan of BC insures medically required services provided by physicians in accordance with the *Medicare Protection Act* and the *Canada Health Act*.

WHEREAS the number of private, for-profit surgical and MRI/CT facilities in BC has more than doubled in the past five years.

WHEREAS a growing number of for-profit facilities are operating in breach of the *Canada Health Act*’s criteria requiring universality and accessibility by charging patients privately for medically necessary and MSP insured hospital or physician services.

WHEREAS for-profit clinics represent an increasing and serious threat to British Columbians’ health and the financial stability of the health care system. There is clear evidence that such clinics cost more than public facilities, increase wait times by draining scarce health human resources from the public system, and compromise patient safety.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the District of Chetwynd request that the Province of British Columbia:

- Establish a moratorium on any further expansion of private, for-profit surgical and MRI/CT clinics.
- Require an end to public funding of for-profit clinics, including the contracting-out of day surgeries and the provision of Health Authority contracts to for-profit clinics.
- Require full accountability and transparency on the part of for-profit clinics by ensuring that they submit to all oversight and regulatory mechanisms currently applied to public facilities operating under the *BC Hospitals Act*.
- Expand public capacity by requiring the development of publicly funded and administered outpatient facilities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the District of Chetwynd continue to research and monitor the threat to universal public health care posed by the operations of private, for-profit surgical and MRI/CT facilities in its members' communities.

OPPOSED: Mayor Saugstad

CARRIED***

8. Correspondence – Information

- 8 (a) MOVED by Coun. Norris, SECONDED by Coun. Nichols
Gas Tax
Agreement THAT the letter from the UBCM Gas Tax/Public Transit Management
Community Services, dated August 26, 2011, re: Gas Tax Agreement Community Works
Works Fund Fund Payment, be received for information; and
Payment
2240.20.48
- 8 (b) THAT the letter from RC Cabs, dated July 5, 2011 [received September 8,
RC Cabs – Taxi 2011], re: Application for Taxi Rate Increase, be received for information; and
Rate Increase
Application
8770.20.01
- 8 (c) THAT the email from Northern Lights College, dated September 1, 2011, re:
NLC – Aboriginal Gathering Space Grand Opening Ceremonies, Chetwynd NLC
Aboriginal Campus, September 30, 2011, be received for information; and
Gathering Space
0400.90.02
- 8 (d) THAT the email from Environment Canada, dated August 31, 2011, re:
EC - Proposed Proposed National Recovery Strategy for Boreal Caribou, be received for
National information; and
Recovery
Strategy for
Boreal Caribou
0400.40.05

8 (e) THAT the email from the Northern Cancer Control Strategy, dated September 1, 2011, re: News Release – Increased Focus on Local Specialized Care, be received for information; and
NCCS – Local
Specialized Care
0400.100.03

8 (f) THAT the news release from Northern Health, dated September 2, 2011, re: NH Investments in Residential Care, be received for information; and
NH – Residential
Care
0400.100.03

8 (g) THAT the member release from the Union of BC Municipalities, dated September 8, 2011, re: British Columbia: RCMP Contract Management Committee, be received for information; and
BC – RCMP
Contract
Management
Committee
0230.30.02

8 (h) THAT the newsletter from the Peace River Regional District, dated September 8, 2011, re: PRRD & PRRHD Board Meetings, be received for information; and
PRRD &
PRRHD Board
Meetings
0400.70.02

8 (i) THAT the news release from BC Hydro, dated September 1, 2011, re: Construction Contract Awarded for Northwest Transmission Line, be received for information.
Northwest
Transmission
Line – Contract
Awarded
0510.20.01
CARRIED

8 (j) MOVED by Coun. Nichols, SECONDED by Coun. Weaver

***0220/09/11

BC Hydro Smart THAT the email from the Coalition to Stop Smart Meters, dated September 12, 2011, re: UBCM Agenda Topic – BC Hydro Smart Meter Program, be received; and
Meter Program
0390.20.05

THAT Council request that a moratorium be placed on the mandatory installation of wireless smart meters until issues/problems identified by the Coalition to Stop Smart Meters have been addressed by BC Hydro.

CARRIED***

8 (k) MOVED by Coun. Maisey, SECONDED by Coun. Nichols
***0221/09/11
MSP Premiums THAT the letter from the Municipal Pension Retirees Association, dated
for Seniors September 2, 2011, re: UBCM Resolution – Elimination of MSP Premiums
0390.20.05 for Seniors, be received; and

THAT Council support the resolutions being considered at the 2011 UBCM
Convention regarding the Elimination of MSP Premiums for Seniors.

CARRIED***

8 (l) MOVED by Coun. Norris, SECONDED by Coun. Nichols
Indoor Tanning
for Youth Under THAT the email from the Joint Canadian Tanning Association, dated
the Age of 18 September 7, 2011, re: UBCM Resolution – Banning of Indoor Tanning for
0390.20.05 Youth Under the Age of 18, be received for information.

CARRIED

8 (m) MOVED by Coun. Nichols, SECONDED by Coun. Weaver
Wood First
Commitments THAT the letter from the Canadian Wood Council, dated September 7, 2011,
0390.20.05 re: Wood First Commitments to be Recognized at UBCM Convention, be
received for information.

CARRIED

8 (n) MOVED by Coun. Norris, SECONDED by Coun. Nichols
CILA Update –
FactsFAX THAT the newsletter from the Central Interior Logging Association, dated
6850.20.01 September 9, 2011, re: FactsFAX – Weekly Log-Harvesting Industry Update,
Issue #625, be received for information; and

8 (o) THAT the letter from the British Columbia Achievement Foundation, dated
Ninth Annual August 25, 2011, re: Ninth Annual British Columbia Community
BC Community Achievement Awards, be received for information; and
Awards
0290.20.01

8 (p) THAT the letter from the British Columbia Teachers' Federation, dated
BCTF Report September 8, 2011, re: BCTF Report – *Better Schools for BC: A Plan for*
0400.90.01 *Quality Public Education*, be received for information; and

8 (q) THAT the letter from CN, dated September 6, 2011, re: CN Community
CN Community Contact Report, be received for information; and
Contact Report
0510.20.05

8 (r) THAT the information from the Tourism Industry Association of BC, undated,
2011 BC re: 2011 BC Tourism Industry Conference, Victoria, BC, October 24 – 26,
Tourism Industry 2011, be received for information; and
Conference
0390.20.01

8 (s) THAT the email from the Chetwynd Chamber of Commerce, dated September
Enbridge 1, 2011, re: Enbridge Northern Gateway Business Summit, Edmonton,
Northern Alberta, November 1 – 2, 2011, be received for information.
Gateway
Business Summit CARRIED
0390.20.01

9. Correspondence – Information Items

Information MOVED by Coun. Norris, SECONDED by Coun. Weaver
Items I-1 – I-77

0570.02 THAT Information Items I-1 to I-77 be received for information.

CARRIED

10. Reports – Discussion

10 (a) MOVED by Coun. Maisey, SECONDED by Coun. Weaver

***0222/09/11

Policy Review &
Update Project
7500.20.04

THAT the report dated September 9, 2011, re: Policy Review and Update Project, be received; and

THAT the following policy be adopted, as amended:

- Reward for Reporting Vandalism; and

THAT the following policies be repealed:

- Cellular Phone Policy;
- Sale of Municipal Property;
- Game Plan – A Safe Ride Home;
- Individuals, Corporation and Institutions Wishing to Utilize District of Chetwynd for Private Contracts; and
- Information Release on Vendor Payment.

CARRIED***

10 (b)

***0223/09/11

FCM Partners for
Climate
Protection
Program
5280.08

MOVED by Coun. Weaver, SECONDED by Coun. Maisey

THAT the report dated September 13, 2011, re: FCM Partners for Climate Protection Program, be received; and

THAT the municipality communicate with FCM its participation in the Partners for Climate Change Protection Program and its commitment to achieve the milestones set in the PCP five-milestone framework; and

THAT the municipality appoint an elected official along with a staff member to oversee the implementation of the PCP milestones and be the points of contact for the PCP program within the municipality.

CARRIED

Staff were directed to delay the implementation of this and similar initiatives until after the local government elections in November 2011.***

10 (c)
***0224/09/11
SMS Equipment -
Development
Permit
3060.20.06

MOVED by Coun. Nichols, SECONDED by Coun. Weaver

THAT the report dated September 14, 2011, re: SMS Equipment Development Permit, be received; and

THAT Council approve the Development Permit with the following requirements within a 1 year time frame:

1. Tree landscaping along the fence line between the yard and the road to provide screening as shown on the site plan.
2. Some form of dust control for the gravel surface in their front yard.
3. A paved entrance between 45th Street NE and the property line.
4. SMS provide the District of Chetwynd bonding or an irrevocable letter of credit in the amount of \$5,000.

CARRIED***

10 (d)
***0225/09/11
Temporary Use
Permit for
Grizzco Camp –
TUP No. 005-
2011 [Portion of
District Lot 1809
(Airport Road)]
4520.20.08

MOVED by Coun. Weaver, SECONDED by Coun. Norris

THAT the report dated September 14, 2011, re: Temporary Use Permit for Grizzco Camp – TUP No. 005-2011 [Portion of District Lot 1809 (Airport Road)], be received; and

THAT Council instruct staff to begin advertising; draft a revision to the original agreement to include the proposed camp expansion including the dorm shown on that portion of District Lot 1809 east of Nicholson Road, south of the Public Works Yard, west of the existing temporary access road between Wabi Crescent and Airport Road, and north of the existing camp; and request bonding in the amount of \$5,000.

CARRIED***

10 (e) MOVED by Coun. Norris, SECONDED by Coun. Nichols
***0226/09/11
Temporary Use Permit for Grizzco Camp – Amendment of TUP001-2011 [Lot 15, Plan 38224 (4724 Airport Road)] 4520.20.08
THAT the report dated September 14, 2011, re: Temporary Use Permit for Grizzco Camp – Amendment of TUP 001-2011 [Lot 15, Plan 38224 (4724 Airport Road)], be received; and
THAT Council instruct staff to begin advertising; draft a revision to the original agreement to include the two RV units located on Lot 15 of Plan 38224 at 4724 Airport Road.
CARRIED***

11. Reports – Information

11 (a) MOVED by Coun. Nichols, SECONDED by Coun. Norris
Accounts Payable Month End Cheque List 1630.01
THAT the report dated September 1, 2011, re: Accounts Payable Month End Cheque List, be received for information; and
THAT the cheque register for the month of August totaling \$895,484.97 be received.
CARRIED

11 (b) MOVED by Coun. Nichols, SECONDED by Coun. Norris
Pine River Watershed Protection Plan – Stakeholders Meeting 5280.07
THAT the report dated September 14, 2011, re: Pine River Watershed Protection Plan – Stakeholders Meeting, be received for information.
CARRIED

12. New Business

Nil

13. Question/Answer Period

Nil

14. Adjournment MOVED by Coun. Norris, SECONDED by Coun. Weaver

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

Jannene Disher
Director of Corporate Administration

Evan Saugstad
Mayor

Certified a true and correct copy of the
Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting
held on September 19, 2011 in the Council
Chambers.

Jannene Disher
Director of Corporate Administration