

DISTRICT OF CHETWYND

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting

Date: October 3, 2011
Time: 4:30 p.m.
Location: Council Chambers

Present: Mayor Saugstad
Coun. Maisey (via teleconference)
Coun. Nichols
Coun. Norris
Coun. Weaver (via teleconference)

J. Disher, Director of Corporate Administration
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: Bik Nizzar, Peace FM
Reinisa MacLeod, Peace FM
Naomi Larsen, Chetwynd Echo

Public: Edward Stanford, Urban Systems [Item 4 (a)]
Karen Boos, Cascade Realty Ltd.
Pat Borton, Hart Highway Laundromat
Sheri Borton, Hart Highway Laundromat
Paul Gordon

- 1. Call to Order** Mayor Saugstad called the meeting to order at 4:40 p.m. and a blessing was invoked on the proceedings.
- 2. Adoption of Agenda** MOVED by Coun. Nichols, SECONDED by Coun. Norris
THAT the Regular Council Meeting Agenda for October 3, 2011 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

5. Bylaws

5 (a) MOVED by Coun. Nichols, SECONDED by Coun. Norris

***0230/10/11

Bylaw No. THAT Bylaw No. 953, 2011 cited as the “District of Chetwynd Zoning
953, 2011 Amendment Bylaw No. 953, 2011 (Airport Industrial Uses)” be given first
and second readings.

CARRIED***

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

***0231/10/11

Bylaw No. THAT Bylaw No. 955, 2011 cited as the “District of Chetwynd Tax
955, 2011 Exemption Bylaw No. 955, 2011, be given first, second and third readings.

CARRIED***

6. Council Committee Reports

6 (a) Councillor Nichols submitted the following written report from the
Regional District September 22, 2011 Regional District meeting:

Report

0400.70.02

- “D-1 Presentation by the Dawson Creek SPCA describing the plight of unwanted pets, especially cats and dogs. The SPCA receives some funding from FSJ and Pouce.
- R-2 The Regional Board awarded the Rural Refuse Collection and Transfer Services contract for a three-year period to Excel Transportation Inc., Prince George, for a per-bin price of \$255.36.
- B-6 The Regional Board approved PRRD Zoning Amendment Bylaw 1955, 2011 to rezone Lot 1, Plan 16025, DL 2206 in the Campbell Subdivision for residential lots. Reason: consistent with the OCP.
- B-7 The Regional Board approved OCP amendment Bylaw 1956 and Zoning Amendment Bylaw 1086, 1997 to redesignate part of DL 191 from Resource – Agriculture to Industrial and to amend the Chetwynd Rural Area Zoning Bylaw 506, 1986 A-2 Large Agricultural Holdings to M-2 General Industrial to allow for the construction and operation of a gas processing plant in the Del Rio area near the Moberly River.”

MOVED by Coun. Nichols, SECONDED by Coun. Norris

THAT Councillor Nichols' written Regional District Report, dated September 22, 2011, be received.

CARRIED

6 (b) No report.
Community
Improvements
Committee
0540.20.20

6 (c) No report.
Health Services
Committee
0540.20.19

6 (d) Councillor Maisey advised that the next Social Issues Committee meeting is scheduled for October 12, 2011. Agenda topics include reports from the Healthy Communities Coordinator and Safe Home Coordinator, a review of scholarship applications and possibly a presentation from the Economic Development Officer regarding the local housing situation and plans.
Social Issues
Committee
0540.20.21

MOVED by Coun. Maisey, SECONDED by Coun. Nichols

THAT Councillor Maisey's verbal Social Issues Committee Report be received.

CARRIED

6 (e) Mayor Saugstad submitted the following written report, dated October 3, 2011:
Mayor's Report
0550.04

- “Sept. 21 Attend BC Hydro Site C Regional and Local Government Liaison Community meeting in Chetwynd
- Sept. 22 Attend Northern Development Initiative Trust meeting regarding the BC Auditor General's audit of the Trust
- Sept. 22/23 Attend STARS Board meeting in Calgary
- Sept. 26/ 30 Attend Union of BC Municipalities Annual General Meeting and Convention in Vancouver

Highlights

- BC Hydro's CEO Dave Cobb addressed the Liaison Committee and staff gave an update from the 2011 summer field studies. Highlights of CEO Cobb's presentation were:
 - He believes in being open, honest and accessible to his stakeholders.
 - BC Hydro has a challenge meeting long term infrastructure needs and then balancing with short term political realities.
 - About 20% of BC Hydro's income is used by BC Hydro – the 80% remainder goes to government.
 - Current self sufficiency definition requires BC Hydro to require more energy than it can use.
 - BC Hydro pays the government higher water use rates than does Hydro Quebec or Ontario.
 - BC Hydro is looking at continual growth demands, thus will need to acquire more generation, even if the "self sufficiency" rules change (will give a short term relief for building new infrastructure).
 - BC Hydro needs to shift more resources to operations and the "front lines", versus management and administration.
 - Believe Smart Meters are the way to go, and that the costs will be recouped.
- UBCM:
 - Attended a dinner with Canfor. Provided updates as to market outlook (Asia markets growing while US markets may be slow to pick up); company upgrades to mills (will be finished with the construction of the bio-energy boiler for the kilns at the Chetwynd mill); management and workers at Chetwynd are doing a good job when it comes to safety, production and keeping costs under control; and a thanks to all communities for the support they have given Canfor.
 - Attended a dinner with Cardero Resources (own coal claims in the Carbon River valley north of Chetwynd). Looking to move a mine development process forward on the "Burns" property, with coal moving to the CN Rail near the Pine Pass.

- BC Housing and BC Lands meeting – both BC Housing and BC Lands would like to see multi-family construction built on lands owned by BC Lands near Northern Lights College. Representatives from both Ministries will be in Chetwynd in the near future to meet with prospective developers, local industry and Chetwynd housing societies/operators.
- Met with RCMP Division E regarding housing for RCMP in Chetwynd, options of three or four year postings, another office staff to process forms and paper and quicker security screening for volunteers (Victim Services).
- Met with Minister Naomi Yamamoto (Advanced Education) and Minister Pat Bell (Jobs, Tourism and Innovation) for a Round Table discussion on Advanced Education and Jobs for northern BC. Requested that the Northern Opportunities/Dual Credit Program become part of the regular curriculum for all High Schools in BC and that more training courses (especially trades training) are taken out to small and remote towns and villages to improve education and skills for those residents (versus having everyone forced to move to larger centres).
- Met with Geosciences BC for breakfast meeting to receive update on mining and water research programs. Asked that they share some of their findings regarding shallow water aquifers in northeast BC with the communities
- Attended policy session on Municipal Auditor General, Small Talk Forum discussions, resolutions debate and Minister's Round Table of Business and Economy.
- Approximate cost to attend \$3,750.”

MOVED by Coun. Norris, **SECONDED** by Coun. Nichols

THAT Mayor Saugstad's written Mayor's Report, dated October 3, 2011, be received.

CARRIED

7. Correspondence – Discussion

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

***0232/10/11

Spectra Energy
Transmission –
T-North 2012

THAT the letter from Spectra Energy Transmission, dated September 19, 2011, re: T-North 2012 Expansion Project, be received; and

Expansion
Project
6850.50.09

THAT Council advise Administration of any comments or concerns it would like to have forwarded to Spectra Energy Transmission regarding the T-North 2012 Expansion Project.

CARRIED***

7 (b)

***0233/10/11

Chetwynd High
School Rodeo –
Request for
Financial

MOVED by Coun. Norris, SECONDED by Coun. Maisey

THAT the letter from the Chetwynd High School Rodeo, dated September 13, 2011, re: Request for Financial Support – Northern BC High School Rodeo, Chetwynd, BC, October 1 & 2, 2011, be received; and

Support
1770.20

THAT a \$1,000.00 grant be awarded to the Chetwynd High School Rodeo to assist with the costs of hosting the Northern BC High School Rodeo in Chetwynd, BC on October 1 & 2, 2011.

CARRIED***

7 (c)

***0234/10/11

CSS – Request
for Financial
Support - Single
A Girls

MOVED by Coun. Weaver, SECONDED by Coun. Maisey

THAT the letter from Chetwynd Secondary School, dated September 13, 2011, re: Request for Financial Support – Single A Girls Volleyball Provincials Tournament being Hosted by Chetwynd in Prince George, BC, December 1 – 4, 2011, be received; and

Volleyball
Provincials
Tournament
0400.90.06

THAT a \$1,000.00 grant be awarded to Chetwynd Secondary School to assist with the costs of hosting the Single A Girls Volleyball Provincials Tournament in Prince George, BC on December 1 – 4, 2011; and

THAT 200 District of Chetwynd pins be donated to Chetwynd Secondary School for Distribution at the Single A Girls Volleyball Provincials Tournament.

CARRIED***

7 (d) MOVED by Coun. Maisey, SECONDED by Coun. Norris
***0235/10/11
83rd British Columbia Youth Parliament
5120.20.02

THAT the letter from the Youth Parliament of British Columbia Alumni Society, dated September 11, 2011, re: 83rd British Columbia Youth Parliament, Victoria, BC, December 27 – 31, 2011, be received; and

THAT the District of Chetwynd sponsor the registration costs for two (2) youth to attend the 83rd British Columbia Youth Parliament.

CARRIED***

8. Correspondence – Information

8 (a) MOVED by Coun. Norris, SECONDED by Coun. Nichols
Crown Lands in Chetwynd
0400.20.13

THAT the letter from the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations, dated September 13, 2011, re: Sale and Potential Future Development of Crown Lands in Chetwynd, be received for information; and

8 (b) THAT the letter from West Moberly First Nations, dated September 16, 2011, re: Appreciation for Contribution to West Moberly Days, be received for information; and
West Moberly Days
Appreciation
0400.80.04

8 (c) THAT the Referral from the Peace River Regional District, dated September 22, 2011, re: Temporary Use Permit for Worker's Camp (Willow Creek Partnership – 11494 Highway 97 South), be received for information; and
PRRD Referral – TUP Application for Worker's Camp
0400.70.04

8 (d) THAT the notes from the meeting with Northern Lights College Administration held on September 14, 2011, be received for information; and
NLC Administration Meeting Notes
0400.90.02

8 (e) THAT the email from the Ministry of Social Development, dated September 26, 2011, re: Solicitation for Community Engagement and Dialogue Funding under EmbraceBC, be received for information; and
Community Engagement & Dialogue Funding under EmbraceBC
0400.20.01

- 8 (f) NH - "IMAGINE" Grants Available 0400.100.03 THAT the news release and letter from Northern Health, dated September 19 & 28, 2011, re: "IMAGINE" Grants Available to Support Health and Well-being Initiatives, be received for information.
CARRIED
- 8 (g) ***0236/10/11 5th International Bioenergy Conference 0230.40.03 MOVED by Coun. Nichols, SECONDED by Coun. Maisey
THAT the email from the North Central Local Government Association, dated September 21, 2011, re: 5th International Bioenergy Conference and Exhibition Announced at Council of Forest Industries Convention, be received; and
THAT a member of Council be authorized to attend the 5th International Bioenergy Conference and Exhibition in Prince George, BC on June 13 – 15, 2012.
CARRIED***
- 8 (h) UNBC Thank You 0400.90.03 MOVED by Coun. Norris, SECONDED by Coun. Nichols
THAT the email from the North Central Local Government Association, dated September 21, 2011, re: Thank You from UNBC – Athletics Success, be received for information; and
- 8 (i) UBC Newsletter 0400.90.01 THAT the letter from the University of British Columbia, dated September 19, 2011, re: UBC Newsletter and Information; and
- 8 (j) 2015 Canada Winter Games – Additional Directors 8100.20.01 THAT the media release from the Prince George 2015 Canada Winter Games Host Society, dated September 12, 2011, re: "Host Society Seeking Additional Directors", be received for information; and
- 8 (k) 2015 Canada Winter Games – Management Team 8100.20.01 THAT the media release from the Prince George 2015 Canada Winter Games Host Society, dated September 26, 2011, re: "Join the 2015 Senior Management Team", be received for information; and

8 (l) THAT the email from the Recycling Council of BC, dated September 15, 2011, re: Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) for Post-Consumer Packaging and Printed Paper (PPP) in BC, be received for information; and
RCBC – EPR & 5380.01

8 (m) THAT the email from Brian Jones, dated September 21, 2011, re: “Thoughts of Our Canadian Soldiers at War” – Book of Short Stories, be received for information; and
“Thoughts of Our Canadian Soldiers at War” – Book of Short Stories 0530.01

8 (n) THAT the email from BC Hydro, dated September 14, 2011, re: Peace River Generating Stations Projects Update, be received for information; and
BC Hydro – Projects Update 0510.20.01

8 (o) THAT the email from Michael Roboz, dated September 22, 2011, re: Copy of Letter Submitted to the District of North Vancouver Requesting a Moratorium on Smart Meter Installation by BC Hydro, be received for information.
Smart Meter Installation by BC Hydro 0510.20.01 CARRIED

9. Correspondence – Information Items

Information Items I-1 – I-40 0570.02 MOVED by Coun. Norris, SECONDED by Coun. Nichols
THAT Information Items I-1 to I-40 be received for information.
CARRIED

10. Reports – Discussion

10 (a) MOVED by Coun. Norris, SECONDED by Coun. Nichols
***0237/10/11
Public Hearing for Zoning Amendment Request – Bylaw No. 953, 2011 – Airport Industrial Uses THAT the report dated September 28, 2011, re: Public Hearing for Zoning Amendment Request – Bylaw No. 953, 2011 – Airport Industrial Uses, be received; and
THAT a Public Hearing be scheduled for 4:15 p.m. on Monday, October 17, 2011, in the Council Chambers for Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 953, 2011 to allow for additional permitted Airport Industrial Uses.
CARRIED***

10 (b)
***0238/10/11
Temporary
Commercial &
Industrial Permit
Application
(Winn Bay Sand
Ltd. – 4600
Nicholson Road)
for a Closed
Camp
4520.20.08

MOVED by Coun. Nichols, SECONDED by Coun. Norris

THAT the report dated September 28, 2011, re: Temp. Commercial & Industrial Permit Application Winn Bay Sand Ltd., be received; and

THAT Council instruct Administration to proceed with the necessary advertising to consider a Temporary Commercial and Industrial Use Permit for Winn Bay Sand Ltd. for the purpose for a “closed camp” to house employees for the construction of a sand storage facility.

CARRIED***

10 (c)
***0239/10/11
Temporary Use
Permit for
Grizzco Camp –
Amendment of
TUP No. 001 –
2011 [Lots 12, 13
& 14, Plan 38824
and Portion of
District Lot 1809
(Airport Road)]
for an Expanded
Camp
4520.20.08

Mayor Saugstad advised that the public would be given an opportunity to make representations to Council at this point regarding Grizzco Camp Services’ application for an amendment to Temporary Commercial and Industrial Permit No. 001 – 2011 [Lots 12, 13 & 14, Plan 38824 and Portion of District Lot 1809 (Airport Road)] for an expanded camp.

Mayor Saugstad opened the meeting for public comment on the application. Pat Borton, Hart Hi-way Laundromat, expressed concerns regarding allowing the camp to operate laundry facilities as this takes away from local businesses and gives the camp operators an unfair advantage. He noted that he and his wife have owned the business for five years and have met the challenges of increased traffic through extended hours as needed. In addition, they have upgraded the equipment and plan to spend \$30,000 more on building and equipment upgrades.

There being no further comments from the public, Council proceeded to consider Grizzco’s application for an amendment to Temporary Commercial and Industrial Permit No. 001-2011 for an expanded camp.

MOVED by Coun. Norris, SECONDED by Coun. Weaver

THAT the report dated September 21, 2011, re: Temporary Use Permit for Grizzco Camp, be received; and

THAT Council approve an amendment to Temporary Commercial and Industrial Permit 001-2011 to make provision for an expanded camp, including kitchen and sleeping quarters but excluding laundry facilities, on Lots 12, 13 and 14, Plan 38224 and a 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 make requirement for bonding in the amount of \$5,000 in relation to conditions of compliance; and

THAT Grizzco be advised to make a further application for an amendment to Permit No. 001-2011 if it feels that the camp's laundry needs are not being met in the future.

CARRIED***

10 (d)
***0240/10/11
Temporary Use
Permit for
Grizzco Camp –
Amendment of
TUP No. 001-
2011 to Include
Lot 15, Plan
38224 (4724
Airport Road) for
Temporary
Parking of RV
Units
4520.20.08

Mayor Saugstad advised that the public would be given an opportunity to make representations to Council at this point regarding Grizzco Camp Services' application for an amendment to Temporary Commercial and Industrial Permit No. 001-2011 to include Lot 15, Plan 38224 (4724 Airport Road) for temporary parking of RV units.

Mayor Saugstad opened the meeting for public comment on the application. There being no comments from the public, Council proceeded to consider Grizzco's application for an amendment to Temporary Commercial and Industrial Permit No. 001-2011 to include Lot 15, Plan 38224 (4724 Airport Road) for temporary parking of RV units.

MOVED by Coun. Norris, SECONDED by Coun. Weaver

THAT the report dated September 21, 2011, re: Temporary Use Permit for Grizzco Camp, be received; and

THAT Council agree to include Lot 15, Plan 38224 as an amendment to Temporary Commercial and Industrial Use Permit 001-2011.

CARRIED***

11. Reports – Information

Nil

12. New Business

Nil

13. Question/Answer Period

Bik Nizzar, Peace FM, introduced new Peace FM staff member, Reinisa MacLeod.

Pat Borton requested clarification of the process for Grizzco to request a further amendment to its Temporary Commercial and Industrial Permit if it feels its laundry needs are not being met.

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

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 5:32 p.m.

Jannene Disher
Director of Corporate Administration

Evan Saugstad
Mayor

Certified a true and correct copy of the
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held on October 3, 2011 in the Council
Chambers.

Jannene Disher
Director of Corporate Administration