

DISTRICT OF CHETWYND

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting

Date: February 15, 2016
Time: 4:30 p.m.
Location: Council Chambers

Present: Mayor Nichols
Coun. Bassendowski
Coun. Brownlee
Coun. Deck
Coun. Galbraith
Coun. Pfanner
Coun. Weisgerber
D. Fleming, Chief Administrative Officer
C. Newsom, Director of Corporate Administration
K. Franson, Director of Financial Administration
P. Gordon, Director of Engineering & Public Works
R. Rusjan, Director of Parks and Recreation
D. Ennis, Deputy Director of Corporate Administration
(Recording Secretary)

Press: Jeff Hill, Peace FM
Marlon Gomez, CHET TV

Public: Julia Nelson, Chetwynd Community Arts Council (Item D-1)
Brenda Maisey, Chetwynd Community Arts Council
(Item D-1)
Sorene Kampen, Chetwynd Community Arts Council
(Item D-1)
Scott Sitter, BC Assessment Authority (Item D-2)
Terry Halliday
Carmen Westgate
Larry Houley
Albert Gerry
Leonard Gagnon

1. **Call to Order** Mayor Nichols called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m. and an opening statement was read.

2. **Adoption of Agenda** MOVED by Coun. Brownlee, SECONDED by Coun. Deck

THAT the Regular Council Meeting Agenda for February 15, 2016 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Minutes

M-1
Minutes of the
Regular
Council
Meeting

MOVED by Coun. Pfanner, SECONDED by Coun. Deck

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on February 1, 2016 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

4. Delegations and/or Presentations

D-1
Julia Nelson
re: Chetwynd
Community
Arts Council
0230.50.25

Julia Nelson, Chetwynd Community Arts Council presented the following:

- Hosting the Regional Juried Art Show April 1-3, 2016
- The Art Show occurs in Chetwynd once every 6 years
- Artists from the Peace Region submit artwork
- Two adjudicators come from Grande Prairie to judge the event
- Requesting a grant of \$1865.96 to cover the venue rental

Council thanked Ms. Nelson for the presentation.

D-2
BC
Assessment re:
Assessment
Changes in
Chetwynd for
2016
1950.01

Scott Sitter, BC Assessment presented the following:

- The average assessment of a single family home in Chetwynd rose \$16,000.00 from 2015 to 2016
- Assessments are based on legislated (regulated) values and recent sales in the community
- Local economy does have a reflection on values of homes
- Structural upgrades have an impact on values of homes
- Chetwynd had around 40 residential home sales in 2015
- Chetwynd will be included in a full review this year

Council thanked Mr. Sitter for the presentation.

5. Bylaws

B-1
***Bylaw No.
1037, 2016

Opportunity for Public Input:

Mayor Nichols invited those who wished to express his/her views of Bylaw No. 1037, 2016 to address Council.

There being no submissions and no correspondence received, the opportunity for public input was closed for this application.

MOVED by Coun. Galbraith, SECONDED by Coun. Weisgerber

THAT Bylaw No. 1037, 2016 cited as the “District of Chetwynd Revitalization Tax Exemption Amendment Bylaw No. 1037, 2016” be given THIRD reading.

CARRIED***

MOVED by Coun. Pfanner, SECONDED by Coun. Brownlee

THAT Bylaw No. 1037, 2016 cited as the “District of Chetwynd Revitalization Tax Exemption Amendment Bylaw No. 1037, 2016” be RECONSIDERED and ADOPTED.

CARRIED***

B-2

Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 1030, 2016 and Zoning Bylaw No. 1035, 2016 were considered as Item RD-1 under the “Reports – Discussion” portion of this meeting.

6. Council Committee and Liaison Reports

CR-1
Regional
District Report
0400.70.02

Coun. Deck reported the following:

- The Peace River Regional District Board voted in favor of contributing \$500,000.00 to the District of Chetwynd for the Sewer Treatment Plant upgrade
- A delegation will address the Board at a future meeting re: recycling

MOVED by Coun. Deck, SECONDED by Coun. Brownlee

THAT Coun. Deck’s verbal Peace River Regional District Report, be received.

CARRIED

CR-2
Community
Improvements
Committee
Report

Councillor Galbraith reported the following:

- A report will be brought to the February 23, 2016 Community Improvements Committee meeting re: Boulevard Tree Replacements
- Conceptual drawings of the Chetwynd entrance banners will be presented at the February 23, 2016 Community Improvements Committee meeting
- The Legion is investigating costs for the veteran banners

MOVED by Coun. Galbraith, SECONDED by Coun. Pfanner

THAT Coun. Galbraith's verbal Community Improvements Committee Report, be received.

CARRIED

CR-5
Public Works
Committee
Report

Councillor Deck reported the following:

- The next Public Works Committee meeting is February 26, 2016
- The new bucket truck for Public Works has been ordered and should arrive in approximately two weeks
- Christmas lights will be coming down once the new bucket truck has arrived

MOVED by Coun. Deck, SECONDED by Coun. Brownlee

THAT Coun. Deck's verbal Public Works Committee Report, be received.

CARRIED

CR-7
Mayor's
Report

Mayor Nichols submitted the following written Mayor's Report dated February 15, 2016:

"The following items occupied some of the Mayor's time since last reported:

- February 3: Meeting with Canadian Natural Resources Limited.
- February 4: Northern Health Teleconference.
- February 9: Health Services Committee.
- February 15: Committee of the Whole.
- February 15: Public Hearing."

MOVED by Mayor Nichols, SECONDED by Coun. Pfanner

THAT Mayor Nichols' written Mayor's Report dated February 15, 2016, be received.

CARRIED

7. Correspondence – Discussion

CD-1 MOVED by Coun. Galbraith, SECONDED by Coun. Weisgerber

***2016 FCM

Annual THAT the email from Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) dated
Conference February 1, 2016 re: FCM's Annual Conference 2016: Registrations are now
0390.20.06 open!, be received; and

THAT Council authorize the Mayor or alternate to attend the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Annual Conference in Winnipeg, Manitoba from June 3 – 5, 2016.

CARRIED***

CD-2 MOVED by Coun. Deck, SECONDED by Coun. Brownlee

***Slopes for

Hope re: THAT the letter from Slopes for Hope dated January 29, 2016 re: Donation, be
Donation received; and
1770.20

THAT Council authorize a contribution of \$150.00 from the District of Chetwynd to the Slopes for Hope campaign to fight cancer.

CARRIED***

CD-3 MOVED by Coun. Weisgerber, SECONDED by Coun. Pfanner

***BC Hydro

re: Site C THAT the letter from BC Hydro dated February 10, 2016 re: Introduction and
Regional Invitation to Participate – Site C Regional Community Liaison Committee, be
Community received; and
Liaison

Committee THAT Council authorize the Mayor or alternate and the Chief Administrative
0510.20.01 Officer to participate on the Site C Regional Community Liaison Committee.

CARRIED***

CD-4
***Economic
Development
Building
Blocks
Workshop
0390.20.01

MOVED by Coun. Weisgerber, SECONDED by Coun. Bassendowski

THAT the Economic Development Building Blocks Workshop Flyer, be received; and

THAT Council authorize that a provision be made for interested members of Council to attend the Economic Development Building Blocks Workshop on March 9, 2016 in Taylor BC.

CARRIED***

8. Correspondence – Information

CI-1
Suncor Energy
– Price of
Retail
Gasoline in
Chetwynd
0530.20.01

MOVED by Coun. Weisgerber, SECONDED by Coun. Bassendowski

THAT the letter from Suncor Energy dated January 19, 2016 re: Price of Retail Gasoline in Chetwynd, be received for information; and

CI-2
UBCM – Gas
Tax Strategic
Priorities Fund
Application
2240.20.48

THAT the letter from Union of BC Municipalities dated January 21, 2016 re: Gas Tax Strategic Priorities Fund Application, be received for information.

CARRIED

CI-3
BC Hydro
Update
0510.20.01

MOVED by Coun. Galbraith, SECONDED by Coun. Brownlee

THAT the email from BC Hydro dated January 29, 2016 re: Update: Peace Region Electricity Supply Project, be received for information; and

CI-4
UBCM – The
Compass
0230.30.02

THAT the Compass dated January 27, 2016, be received for information; and

CI-5
UBCM – The
Compass
0230.30.02

THAT the Compass dated February 3, 2016, be received for information.

CARRIED

9. Correspondence – Information Items

Information Item I-1
0550.02

MOVED by Coun. Bassendowski, SECONDED by Coun. Galbraith

THAT Information Item I-1 be received for information.

CARRIED

10. Reports – Discussion

RD-1

Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 1030, 2016 and Zoning bylaw No. 1035, 2016

MOVED by Coun. Bassendowski, SECONDED by Coun. Deck

THAT the report dated February 9, 2016 re: Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 1030, 2016 and Zoning Bylaw No. 1035, 2016 prepared by Administration, be received for information.

CARRIED ***

RD-2

Ratification of In-Camera Motion – “A New Vision for Clean Energy in BC”

MOVED by Coun. Bassendowski, SECONDED by Coun. Deck

THAT the report dated February 9, 2016 re: Ratification of In-Camera Motion – “A New Vision for Clean Energy in BC” prepared by Administration, be received; and

THAT Council ratify the December 14, 2015 In-Camera motion to support the recommendations put forward in the document entitled “A New Vision for Clean Energy in BC” dated November 1, 2015, received from Blue Fuel Energy Corporation.

CARRIED***

RD-3
***Economic Diversification Infrastructure Grant

MOVED by Coun. Brownlee, SECONDED by Coun. Pfanner

THAT the report dated February 10, 2016 re: Economic Diversification Infrastructure Grant prepared by the Economic Development Department, be received; and

THAT Council approve an application to Northern Development Initiative Trust for the project “Chetwynd Public Library Exterior Re-design and Renovation” with a proposed budget of \$190,000 x 20% x 70% (grant portion for \$26,600), for Library exterior re-design and renovation.

Opposed: Coun. Weisgerber

CARRIED***

MOVED by Coun. Brownlee, SECONDED by Coun. Galbraith

THAT the motion be amended to reflect that Council hereby authorize a \$100,000.00 commitment in the 2016 Financial Plan for the Chetwynd Public Library renovations.

Opposed: Coun. Weisgerber

CARRIED***

11. Reports – Information

RI-1 MOVED by Coun. Galbraith, SECONDED by Coun. Bassendowski

Accounts

Payable

Cheque List

1630.01

THAT the report dated February 1, 2016 re: January Accounts Payable Cheque List prepared by the Finance Department, be received; and

THAT the cheque register for the month of January 2016 totaling \$735,850.71 be received.

CARRIED

12. New Business

Nil

13. Question/Answer Period

Nil

14. Adjournment MOVED by Coun. Weisgerber, SECONDED by Coun. Pfanner

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 5:58 p.m.




Carol Newsom
Director of Corporate Administration



Merlin Nichols
Mayor

Certified a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on February 15, 2016 in the Council Chambers.



Carol Newsom
Director of Corporate Administration