

DISTRICT OF CHETWYND

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting

Date: January 7, 2013
Time: 4:30 p.m.
Location: Council Chambers

Present: Mayor Nichols
Coun. Brownlee
Coun. Galbraith
Coun. Harris
Coun. Nicholson
Coun. Pfanner
Coun. Weisgerber

J. Disher, Director of Corporate Administration
B. Caldwell, Director of Financial Administration
R. Rusjan, Director of Parks & Recreation
P. Gordon, Manager of Public Works Operations
L. Howes, Deputy Director of Corporate Administration

Absent: Nil

Press: Justin Morissette, Peace FM
Mike Carter, Chetwynd Echo

Public: Nil

1. **Call to Order** Mayor Nichols called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. and a blessing was invoked on the proceedings.
2. **Adoption of Agenda** MOVED by Coun. Harris, SECONDED by Coun. Brownlee
THAT the Regular Council Meeting Agenda for January 7, 2013 be adopted as circulated with the addition of Item 12 (a) – Report from Administration, dated January 4, 2013, re: Chetwynd Age-Friendly Seniors Task Force Final Film Report.

CARRIED

3. Minutes

3 (a) MOVED by Coun. Nicholson, SECONDED by Coun. Galbraith
Minutes of the
Regular Council Meeting THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on December 17,
2012 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

4. Delegations and/or Presentations

Nil

5. Bylaws

5 (a) MOVED by Coun. Galbraith, SECONDED by Coun. Brownlee
***0001/01/13
Bylaw No. 973, 2012 THAT Bylaw No. 973, 2012 cited as the "District of Chetwynd Building
Bylaw No. 973, 2012" be given FINAL ADOPTION.

CARRIED***

5 (b) MOVED by Coun. Brownlee, SECONDED by Coun. Harris
***0002/01/13
Bylaw No. 977, 2012 THAT Bylaw No. 977, 2012 cited as the "District of Chetwynd Revitalization
Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 977, 2012" be given FINAL ADOPTION.

CARRIED***

Council Committee Reports

6 (a) No report.
Regional District
Report
0400.70.02

6 (b) No report.
Community
Improvements
Committee
Report
0540.20.20

6 (c) No report.
Finance Strategy
Committee
Report
0540.20.18

6 (d)
Health Services
Committee
Report
0540.20.24

Councillor Pfanner advised that a meeting was held with Dr. Van Der Heide and Dr. Venter regarding Dr. Van Der Heide joining the Chetwynd team of physicians. Mayor Nichols also noted that a follow-up letter of appreciation has been sent to Dr. Van Der Heide who spent a week in Chetwynd working with Dr. Venter.

Councillor Pfanner noted that Health Services Committee meetings will now be held on the fourth Tuesday of each month prior to EDC meetings.

MOVED by Coun. Pfanner, SECONDED by Coun. Galbraith

THAT Councillor Pfanner's verbal Health Services Committee Report be received.

CARRIED

6 (e)
Public Works
Committee
Report
0540.20.25

No report.

6 (f)
Water & Sewer
Task Group
Report
0540.20.26

No report.

6 (g)
Mayor's Report
0550.04

No report.

7. Correspondence – Discussion

7 (a) MOVED by Coun. Galbraith, SECONDED by Coun. Nicholson

***0003/01/13

Phase 2 Human
Health Risk
Assessment of
Oil & Gas
Activity in

THAT the email from Intrinsic Environmental Sciences Inc., dated December 24, 2012, re: Invitation – Information Sharing Session on the Phase 2 Human Health Risk Assessment of Oil and Gas Activity in Northeastern BC, Fort St. John, BC, January 16, 2013, be received; and

Northeastern BC
0400.20.14

THAT Mayor Nichols and a member of Council be authorized to attend the Information Sharing Session on the Phase 2 Human Health Risk Assessment of Oil and Gas Activity in Northeastern BC in Fort St. John, BC on January 16, 2013.

CARRIED***

7 (b)

***0004/01/13

LGLA 2013
Leadership
Forum
0390.20.01

MOVED by Coun. Harris, SECONDED by Coun. Weisgerber

THAT the information from the Local Government Leadership Academy, undated, re: 2013 Leadership Forum, Richmond, BC, February 20 - 23, 2013, be received; and

THAT all members of Council be authorized to attend the Local Government Leadership Academy 2013 Leadership Forum in Richmond, BC on February 20 – 23, 2013.

CARRIED***

8. Correspondence – Information

8 (a)

Community
Service
Providers'
Invitation to
Meeting with
STARS
0230.50.01

MOVED by Coun. Weisgerber, SECONDED by Coun. Galbraith

THAT the email from Julie Shaw, Healthy Communities Coordinator, dated January 2, 2013, re: Invitation – Chetwynd & Area Community Service Providers' Meeting – Guest Speakers from STARS, January 23, 2013, be received for information.

CARRIED

8 (b)

Chainsaw
Carving
Championship
6750.20.13

MOVED by Coun. Pfanner, SECONDED by Coun. Harris

THAT the letter from the Chetwynd Chamber of Commerce, dated December 12, 2012, re: Sponsorship – 9th Annual Chetwynd International Chainsaw Carving Championship, be received for information; and

- 8 (c) MoFLNRO – Follow-up to Meeting at UBCM Convention 0390.20.05 THAT the letter from the Ministry of Forest, Lands and Natural Resource Operations, dated December 14, 2012, re: Crown Land for Residential Development – Follow-up to Meeting at UBCM Convention, be received for information; and
- 8 (d) MoE – Air Quality Monitoring Program 5280.02 THAT the email from the Minister of Environment, dated December 24, 2012, re: Air Quality Monitoring Program, be received for information; and
- 8 (e) EAO – Roman Coal Mine Project 6850.40.01 THAT the letter from the Environmental Assessment Office, dated December 14, 2012, re: Peace River Coal Inc. Roman Coal Mine Project – Issuance of Environmental Assessment Certificate, be received for information; and
- 8 (f) EAO – Coastal GasLink Pipeline Project 6850.50.01 THAT the letter from the Environmental Assessment Office, dated December 18, 2012, re: Coastal GasLink Pipeline Project – Initiation of Environmental Assessment, be received for information; and
- 8 (g) PCP News 0230.20.02 THAT the email from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, dated December 13, 2012, re: PCP News – New Tool Available for Community Energy and Emissions Forecasting in British Columbia, be received for information; and
- 8 (h) UBCM – Small Communities Update 0230.30.02 THAT the memo from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities, dated December 12, 2012, re: Small Communities Update, be received for information; and
- 8 (i) UBCM – The Compass Newsletter 0230.30.02 THAT the email from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities, dated December 19, 2012, re: The Compass Newsletter – News and Information from UBCM, be received for information; and

- 8 (j) THAT the letters from the North Central Local Government Association to the NCLGA – Minister of State (Finance) and the Canada Development Investment Corporation, dated December 18, 2012, re: Proposed Sale of Ridley Terminals, be received for information; and
Proposed Sale of Ridley Terminals
0230.40.03
- 8 (k) THAT the email correspondence from the City of North Vancouver, dated North Vancouver – December 12, 2012, re: Return to the PST, be received for information; and
Return to the PST
0400.60.01
- 8 (l) THAT the letter from the District of Elkford to the Premier of British Elkford – Person Columbia, dated December 12, 2012, re: Person with Disabilities Benefit, be with Disabilities Benefit received for information; and
0400.60.01
- 8 (m) THAT the email from the Northern Rockies Regional Municipality, dated NRRM Letter to December 18, 2012, re: Copy of Letter Sent to the Citizens of the Northern Citizens Rockies Regional Municipality, be received for information; and
0400.60.01
- 8 (n) THAT the email from the Northwest Corridor Development Corporation, NCDC Meeting dated December 18, 2012, re: 60th Meeting – Board of Directors, Yellowknife, Agenda NT, January 28 & 29, 2013, be received for information; and
0230.40.09
- 8 (o) THAT the email from the Northern BC Tourism Association, dated December Alaska Highway 18, 2012, re: Activity Highlights and Alaska Highway Heritage Newsletter Heritage Newsletter (Volume 1, Issue 1), be received for information; and
0230.40.05
- 8 (p) THAT the letter from Geoscience BC, dated December 10, 2012, re: Geoscience Brochure: *Geoscience: BC's Competitive Economic Advantage*, be received Annual Update for information; and
0230.30.01

8 (q) THAT the email from BC Hydro, dated December 20, 2012, re: W.A.C. Bennett and Peace Canyon Dam Safety Projects Update and Peace River Updates
BC Hydro Updates
0510.20.01 Generating Stations Project Updates, be received for information; and

8 (r) THAT the email from Canfor, dated December 17, 2012, re: News Release – Canfor Announces Capital Investments in Elko Sawmill, be received for information.
Canfor News Release
0510.20.13

CARRIED

9. Correspondence – Information Items

Information MOVED by Coun. Nicholson, SECONDED by Coun. Harris
Items I-1 – I-33

0570.02 THAT Information Items I-1 to I-33 be received for information.

CARRIED

10. Reports – Discussion

10 (a) MOVED by Coun. Galbraith, SECONDED by Coun. Weisgerber
***0005/01/13

Responses to THAT the memo dated January 3, 2013, re: Responses to Site “C” Dam
Site “C” Dam Questions, be received; and
Questions

0510.20.01 THAT the results from the District’s Site “C” questionnaire be received for information, and that the results be shared with BC Hydro and regional local governments.

CARRIED

Staff were directed to place the Site “C” Position Paper and Questionnaire on the Chetwynd website in an attempt to increase responses. Mayor Nichols also agreed to write about it in his weekly ‘Meet the Mayor’ column.***

10 (b)
 ***0006/01/13
 2013 Council
 Appointments
 0540.20

MOVED by Coun. Galbraith, SECONDED by Coun. Brownlee

THAT the report dated December 19, 2012, re: 2013 Council Appointments, be received; and

THAT Council members be formally appointed to the Council Committees, Boards, Commissions and Liaison Appointments for the year 2013:

Council Committees:

Community Improvements	Coun. Rochelle Galbraith Coun. Don Harris (Chair) Coun. Ernest Pfanner
Finance Strategy	Mayor Merlin Nichols Coun. Alec Brownlee Coun. Rochelle Galbraith Coun. Don Harris Coun. Bob Nicholson (Chair) Coun. Ernest Pfanner Coun. Laura Weisgerber
Health Services	Coun. Alec Brownlee Coun. Rochelle Galbraith Coun. Ernest Pfanner (Chair) Coun. Laura Weisgerber
Public Works Committee	Coun. Alec Brownlee (Chair) Coun. Don Harris Coun. Laura Weisgerber
Water & Sewer Task Group	Coun. Rochelle Galbraith Coun. Bob Nicholson Coun. Laura Weisgerber (Chair)

Boards & Commissions

Economic Development Commission	Mayor Merlin Nichols Coun. Rochelle Galbraith Coun. Ernest Pfanner Coun. Laura Weisgerber
Civic Properties Commission	Mayor Merlin Nichols Coun. Alec Brownlee Coun. Ernest Pfanner
Peace River Regional District	Mayor Merlin Nichols Coun. Alec Brownlee (Alternate) Coun. Rochelle Galbraith (Alternate)
Northern Development Initiative Trust	Coun. Laura Weisgerber Coun. Rochelle Galbraith (Alternate)

Municipal Insurance Authority	Coun. Laura Weisgerber
	Coun. Bob Nicholson (Alternate)
South Peace EDC	Mayor Merlin Nichols
	Coun. Alec Brownlee (Alternate)

Liaison Appointments

Alaska Highway Community Society	Coun. Laura Weisgerber
	Coun. Bob Nicholson (Alternate)
BC Hydro / Site C Project	Mayor Merlin Nichols
	Coun. Alec Brownlee (Alternate)
Cardero Coal Ltd. / Carbon Creek Coal	Coun. Don Harris
Chetwynd Chamber of Commerce/ Tourism	Coun. Laura Weisgerber
Chetwynd Communications Society	Coun. Bob Nicholson
Chetwynd Seniors' Housing Society	Coun. Rochelle Galbraith
Enbridge	Coun. Rochelle Galbraith
	Coun. Laura Weisgerber (Alternate)
FCM / Partners in Climate Change	Coun. Don Harris
Fire Department	Coun. Alec Brownlee
Heritage/Museum	Coun. Bob Nicholson
Library	Coun. Rochelle Galbraith
Measuring Up the North (MUTN)	Coun. Ernest Pfanner
Pine Valley Seniors	Coun. Don Harris
Proposed Natural Gas Transmission System (Spectra) Working Group	Coun. Don Harris
PVEP	Coun. Don Harris
RCMP	Coun. Ernest Pfanner
Success By 6 and Children First	Coun. Alec Brownlee
Sukunka Group	Coun. Ernest Pfanner
Treaty Land Entitlement Joint Planning Committee; and	Coun. Alec Brownlee

THAT the following Council members be appointed Deputy Mayor for the designated periods of 2013:

Coun. Alec Brownlee	January/September
Coun. Rochelle Galbraith	February/April
Coun. Don Harris	March/July
Coun. Bob Nicholson	August/October
Coun. Ernest Pfanner	May/November
Coun. Laura Weisgerber	June/December.

CARRIED***

10 (c) MOVED by Coun. Nicholson, SECONDED by Coun. Pfanner
***0007/01/13
Peace River Regional District Board Appointments 0400.70.02
THAT the report dated December 19, 2012, re: Peace River Regional District Board Appointments, be received; and
THAT Mayor Nichols be appointed as Director and Councillors Brownlee and Galbraith be appointed as alternate Directors to the Peace River Regional Board for 2013.

CARRIED***

11. Reports – Information

Nil

12. New Business

12 (a) MOVED by Coun. Galbraith, SECONDED by Coun. Weisgerber
***0008/01/13
Seniors Task Force Final Report
THAT the report from Administration, dated January 4, 2013, re: Chetwynd Age-Friendly Seniors Task Force Final Film Report, be received; and
THAT the District of Chetwynd send a letter of congratulations and thanks to the seniors and the societies which participated in preparing and in appearing in the documentary; and
THAT the District of Chetwynd send a letter to the Province of British Columbia advising that the issues outlined in the report will be addressed in talks and discussions in future Official Community Plan reviews; and
THAT environmental, medical and other concerns be brought to the attention of the Province of British Columbia with the correct Ministry having jurisdiction, and to corporations who may wish to peruse and to address the concerns of the Seniors Task Force.

CARRIED

Council requested that the letter to the Province of British Columbia outlining specific concerns be emailed to all Council members for review prior to being sent to the Province.***

13. Question/Answer Period

Nil

14. Adjournment MOVED by Coun. Nicholson, SECONDED by Coun. Harris

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 4:43 p.m.

Jannene Disher
Director of Corporate Administration

Merlin Nichols
Mayor

Certified a true and correct copy of the
Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting
held on January 7, 2013 in the Council
Chambers.

Jannene Disher
Director of Corporate Administration