

DISTRICT OF CHETWYND

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting

Date: March 20, 2017
Time: 4:30 p.m.
Location: Council Chambers

Present: Mayor Nichols
Coun. Bassendowski
Coun. Brownlee
Coun. Deck
Coun. Galbraith
Coun. Pfanner
Coun. Weisgerber
C. Newsom, Director of Corporate Administration
P. Gordon, Director of Engineering & Public Works
K. Franson, Director of Financial Administration
E. McAvany, Economic Development Officer
D. Ennis, Deputy Director of Corporate Administration
(Recording Secretary)

Absent: Nil

Press: Mike Crosby, Peace FM
Chris Raczkowski, CHET TV

Public: Tony Hardy, CN Rail (Item D-1)

1. Call to Order

Mayor Nichols thanked Administration for the work done on the successful applications for the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure BC Air Access Program grant in the amount of \$1,301,350 for the Airport Runway upgrade and the Federal and Provincial Clean Water and Wastewater Fund grant in the amount of \$2,599,718 for the Water Treatment Plant upgrade that were announced on Friday.

Mayor Nichols called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. and an opening statement was read.

2. Adoption of Agenda

MOVED by Coun. Brownlee, SECONDED by Coun. Bassendowski

THAT the Regular Council Meeting Agenda for March 20, 2017 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Minutes

M-1
Minutes of the
Regular
Council
Meeting

MOVED by Coun. Pfanner, SECONDED by Coun. Weisgerber

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on March 6, 2017 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

4. Delegations and/or Presentations

D-1
Tony Hardy,
CN Rail re:
Update
0510.20.05

Tony Hardy, CN Rail provided Council with a brief presentation as below:

- 2-4 trains per day go through Chetwynd; 100 – 150 cars per train (up to two miles long); the trains will get longer as they start to haul rock; two miles is the maximum length allowed
- The timing of the trains all depends on what time they get out of Prince George; the train traffic has been different every day
- All cars should have reflectors on the sides
- Speed limit is 25 mph on main track and decreases down to 10 mph in town
- Train can only block crossings up to a maximum of 15 minutes and can be disconnected in the event of an emergency
- In the event of an emergency, the 1800 number posted at crossings should be called
- Three people are always working on any given train and they will split the train for emergencies; this takes approximately 10 minutes
- Work on Tumbler Ridge Subdivision line is expected to begin in April with an expected completion in September 2017

Council thanked Mr. Hardy for the presentation.

5. Bylaws

B-1
***Bylaw No.
1052, 2017

MOVED by Coun. Pfanner, SECONDED by Coun. Brownlee

THAT Bylaw No. 1052, 2017 cited as the “District of Chetwynd Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 1052, 2017 (South Access Road)” be amended by removing Lot 3 (5445 South Access Road), from the properties identified for redesignation to Residential and be read a third time as amended.

CARRIED***

B-2
***Bylaw No.
1053, 2017

MOVED by Coun. Pfanner, SECONDED by Coun. Brownlee

THAT Bylaw No. 1053, 2017 cited as the “District of Chetwynd Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1053, 2017 (South Access Road)” be amended by removing Lot 3 (5445 South Access Road), from the properties identified for rezoning to Single Family Residential R-1 and be read a third time as amended.

CARRIED***

6. Council Committee and Liaison Reports

CR-1
Regional
District Report
0400.70.02

Mayor Nichols submitted the following written Peace River Regional District (PRRD) report dated March 9, 2017:

“Approved: Grant of \$5000 in support of the Fort St. John International Airshow July 22 & 23.
Approved: Recruitment of Level III Building Inspector to be funded by participating municipalities.”

MOVED by Mayor Nichols, SECONDED by Coun. Galbraith

THAT Mayor Nichols’ written Peace River Regional District Report dated March 9, 2017, be received.

CARRIED

CR-3
Mayor’s
Report
0550.04

Mayor Nichols submitted the following written Mayor’s Report dated March 20, 2017:

“The following items occupied some of the Mayor’s time since last reported:

March 6: Council Meeting.
March 8: South Peace Economic Development Commission
Teleconference
Recycling and Solid Waste Committee Meeting.
March 9: Peace River Regional District Meeting in Fort St. John.
March 10: Regional Community Liaison Committee Meeting in Fort St. John.
March 13: Interviews.
March 14: Interview.

- March 15: Flood and Drought Study Group in Fort St. John.
Interview.
March 16: Interview Committee Meeting.”

MOVED by Mayor Nichols, SECONDED by Coun. Galbraith

THAT Mayor Nichols’ written Mayor’s Report dated March 20, 2017, be received.

CARRIED

7. Correspondence – Discussion

CD-1
***Northern
Lights College
re: Request for
Letter of
Support
0400.90.02

Councillor Galbraith declared a perceived conflict of interest with regard to her employment and left Council Chambers at 4:45 p.m.

MOVED by Coun. Brownlee, SECONDED by Coun. Deck

THAT the email from Northern Lights College dated March 7, 2017 re: Request for Letter of Support, be received; and

THAT Council authorize a letter of support be sent to the Ministry of Advanced Education in support of Northern Lights College and Chetwynd Public Library Community Adult Literacy Program application for the Chetwynd community.

CARRIED***

Councillor Galbraith returned to Council Chambers at 4:46 p.m.

CD-2
***Chetwynd
Communications
Society re:
Request for
Letter of Support
0230.50.33

MOVED by Coun. Pfanner, SECONDED by Coun. Brownlee

THAT the email from Chetwynd Communications Society dated March 12, 2107 re: Request for Letter of Support, be received; and

THAT Council authorize a letter of support be sent to Chetwynd Communications Society in support of their 2017 Northern Health IMAGINE grant application.

CARRIED***

CD-3 Councillor Pfanner declared a perceived conflict of interest with regard to his
***NEB employment and left Council Chambers at 4:46 p.m.

Wyndwood
Pipeline
Expansion

MOVED by Coun. Weisgerber, SECONDED by Coun. Deck

Project Hearings 6850.50.09 THAT the news article dated March 7, 2017 re: NEB Wyndwood Pipeline
Expansion Project Hearings April 4-7, be received; and

THAT Council direct a strongly worded letter be sent to the National Energy
Board and Spectra Energy urging the Wyndwood Pipeline Expansion Project
public hearings be held in Chetwynd.

CARRIED***

Councillor Pfanner returned to Council Chambers at 4:48 p.m.

8. Correspondence – Information

CI-1 MOVED by Coun. Weisgerber, SECONDED by Coun. Brownlee

UBCM – The
Compass
0230.30.02

THAT the Compass dated March 1, 2017, be received for information; and

CI-2 THAT the Compass dated March 8, 2017, be received for information; and
UBCM – The
Compass
0230.30.02

CI-3 THAT the email from Chetwynd Chamber of Commerce dated March 16, 2017
re: You're Invited – Towerbirch Expansion Project Information Session, be
received for information.

Chetwynd
Chamber of
Commerce –
Invite
6850.50.01

CARRIED

9. Correspondence – Information Items

Information MOVED by Coun. Galbraith, SECONDED by Coun. Pfanner

Items

I-1 – I-2
0550.02

THAT Information Items I-1 – I-2 be received for information.

CARRIED

10. Reports – Discussion

RD-1 MOVED by Coun. Galbraith, SECONDED by Coun. Brownlee
***Peace
River THAT the report dated March 14, 2017 re: Peace River Agreement Small
Agreement Community Representative Appointment prepared by Administration, be
Small received for information; and
Community
Rep. THAT the Council of the District of Chetwynd support the nomination of
Appointment Hudson’s Hope’s Chief Administrative Officer to the Peace River Agreement –
0530.20.07 Partnership Committee for a two year term, effective June 1, 2017.

CARRIED***

RD-2 MOVED by Coun. Deck, SECONDED by Coun. Galbraith

Application for THAT the report dated March 14, 2017 re: Application for Renewal of Crown
Renewal of Land Lease No. 803320 prepared by Administration, be received; and
Crown Land
Lease No. THAT Council support the application for renewal of Crown Land Lease No.
803320 803320 of the land described as District Lot 1975, Peace River District (Rod &
2380.20.06 Gun Club).

CARRIED***

RD-3 MOVED by Coun. Brownlee, SECONDED by Coun. Pfanner
***East Trunk
Main – THAT the report dated March 17, 2017 re: East Trunk Main –
Recommend- Recommendation to Award prepared by the Engineering & Public Works
ation to Award Department, be received; and

THAT Council award the East Trunk Main project to IDL Projects Ltd. in the
amount of \$1,151,735.22.

CARRIED***

11. Reports – Information

RI-1 MOVED by Coun. Weisgerber, SECONDED by Coun. Brownlee
Building
Permit Values THAT the report dated February 1, 2017 re: Building Permit Values prepared
0640.20.03 by the Engineering & Public Works Department, be received for information.

CARRIED

12. New Business

Councillor Deck reported that he would like to send good luck wishes to the Chetwynd Lonestar PeeWee Giants and to the four locals that play on the FSJ Predators team who are at Provincials this week.

13. Question/Answer Period

Nil

14. Notice of In-Camera Council Meeting

MOVED by Coun. Galbraith, SECONDED by Coun. Brownlee

THAT Council authorize the meeting be closed to the public in order to consider matters in accordance with the Community Charter, Section 90 (1) (c) labour relations or other employee relations and (k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service.

CARRIED

15. Adjournment MOVED by Coun. Galbraith, SECONDED by Coun. Brownlee

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 4:49 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 March 20, 2017 in the Council Chambers.



Carol Newsom
Director of Corporate Administration