

DISTRICT OF CHETWYND

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting

Date: May 19, 2015
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
W. Caldwell, Director of Financial Administration
P. Gordon, Director of Engineering & Public Works
R. Rusjan, Director of Parks & Recreation
D. Ennis, Deputy Director of Corporate Administration
(recording secretary)

Absent: Nil

Press: Cole Papalazarou, Peace FM
Robert Springett, CHET TV
John Vosper, CHET TV
Naomi Larsen, Chetwynd Echo

Public: Alan Bone, Sander Rose Bone Grindle LLP [Item D-1]
Bob Nicholson
Bobbie Nicholson
Terry Halliday

- 1. Call to Order** Mayor Nichols welcomed former Councillor Bob Nicholson and his wife Bobbie Nicholson to the meeting.

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. Galbraith
THAT the Regular Council Meeting Agenda for May 19, 2015 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Minutes

- M-1
Minutes of the
Regular
Council
Meeting
- MOVED by Coun. Weisgerber, SECONDED by Coun. Brownlee
- THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on May 4, 2015 be adopted as circulated.
- CARRIED
- M-2
Minutes of the
Special
Regular
Council
Meeting
- MOVED by Coun. Pfanner, SECONDED by Coun. Weisgerber
- THAT the minutes of the Special Regular Council Meeting held on April 27, 2015 be adopted as circulated.
- CARRIED
- M-3
Minutes of the
Committee of
the Whole
Meeting
- MOVED by Coun. Brownlee, SECONDED by Coun. Deck
- THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on April 27, 2015 be adopted as circulated.
- CARRIED

4. Delegations and/or Presentations

- D-1
Alan Bone,
Sander Rose
Bone Grindle
LLP re: 2014
Financial
Statements
1830.02
- Alan Bone, Sander Rose Bone Grindle LLP presented the Consolidated Financial Statements including the Independent Auditor's Report for the year ended December 31, 2014. Noting that it was a clean audit, Mr. Bone congratulated all involved.
- Council received the Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2014 and thanked Mr. Bone for the presentation.

5. Bylaws

Nil

6. Council Committee and Liaison Reports

- CR-1
Regional District
Report
- Councillor Brownlee reported that he attended the Peace River Regional District meeting on May 14, 2015 and Fair Share was discussed.
- MOVED by Coun. Brownlee, SECONDED by Coun. Pfanner
- THAT Coun. Brownlee's verbal Peace River Regional District Report, be received.
- CARRIED

CR-2
Community
Improvements
Committee
Report

Councillor Galbraith reported the following:

- The berm at the Medical Clinic will be started soon
- Official Planting Day is Wednesday, June 3, 2015
- Live a Day The Northern Way is the month of June 2015
- To register for the Beautiful Gardens Contest contact PeaceFM
- Kick it to the Curb starts on June 13th
- The Façade Improvement Program is still running and it is for businesses that would like to improve their outside appearance
- Next Community Improvements Committee Meeting is May 21st
- The Carving Placement Committee has a meeting on May 22nd
- The sign for the entrance to the Industrial Park will be unveiled soon

MOVED by Coun. Galbraith, SECONDED by Coun. Pfanner

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

CARRIED

CR-4
Health Services
Committee
Report

Councillor Pfanner reported the following:

- Donor Recognition Project Completion celebration was held at the Medical Clinic on May 14th and was well attended
- Open House Project Completion celebration was held at the Medical Clinic on May 15th and was well attended
- Three doctors have officially signed to Chetwynd
- Thank you to staff for their hard work

MOVED by Coun. Pfanner, SECONDED by Coun. Weisgerber

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

CARRIED

CR-7 Mayor's Report Mayor Nichols submitted the following written Mayor's Report dated May 19, 2015:

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

- "May 4: Public meeting re sewer.
- May 5-8: North Central Local Government Association PG.
- May 13: In Camera.
- May 13: Council.
- May 14: Chetwynd Medical Clinic and Wellness Centre Donor Celebration.
- May 15: Chetwynd Medical Clinic and Wellness Centre Opening.

During the last two weeks we were heavily involved night and day in pursuing a successful conclusion to the doctor signing challenge which has now been concluded successfully. We express our appreciation and the appreciation of the community to Northern Health and the doctors who have committed to Chetwynd."

MOVED by Mayor Nichols, SECONDED by Coun. Brownlee

THAT Mayor Nichols' written Mayor's Report dated May 19, 2015, be received.

CARRIED

7. Correspondence – Discussion

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

***BC Ministry of Health Phase 2 Human Health Risk Assessment Follow Up 0400.20.14 THAT the email from Bart Koppe, Senior Environmental Health Scientist & Vice President, Intrinsic dated May 5, 2015 re: BC Ministry of Health Phase 2 Human Health Risk Assessment Follow Up, be received; and

THAT Council provide input on the potential interest in the community, and suggestions regarding the structure of a proposed information session hosted by Ministry of Health regarding Human Health Risk Assessment of oil and gas activity in Northeastern BC.

CARRIED***

8. Correspondence – Information

CI-1 MOVED by Coun. Galbraith, SECONDED by Coun. Brownlee
NCLGA –
Order in THAT the email from North Central Local Government Association
Council No. 148 (NCLGA) dated May 1, 2015 re: Letter from Peace River Regional District to
0230.40.03 Premier Christy Clark regarding Order in Council No. 148, be received for
information.

CARRIED

CI-2 MOVED by Coun. Pfanner, SECONDED by Coun. Brownlee
City of Burnaby
– BC Housing THAT the email from City of Burnaby re: Letter from City of Burnaby re: BC
Non-Profit Housing Non-Profit Transfer Program and City of Burnaby Report re: BC
Transfer Housing Non-Profit Transfer Program, be received for information.
Program and
Report

0400.60.01
CARRIED

CI-3 MOVED by Coun. Galbraith, SECONDED by Coun. Brownlee
UBCM – The
Compass THAT the Compass dated April 29, 2015, be received for information; and
0230.30.02

CI-4 THAT the Compass dated May 6, 2015, be received for information; and
UBCM – The
Compass
0230.30.02

CI-5 THAT the email from Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) dated
FCM – PCP May 1, 2015 re: PCP News: May 2015, be received for information.
News

0230.20.02 CARRIED

9. Correspondence – Information Items

Information MOVED by Coun. Brownlee, SECONDED by Coun. Deck
Items I-1 – I-4
0550.02 THAT Information Items I-1 - I-4 be received for information.

CARRIED

10. Reports – Discussion

RD-1
***Freedom of
the District of
Chetwynd –
Robert
Nicholson
0290.20.02

MOVED by Coun. Pfanner, SECONDED by Coun. Brownlee

THAT the report dated January 26, 2015 re: Freedom of the District of Chetwynd – Robert Nicholson, be received; and

THAT, in accordance with power vested in the District Council by Statute, that Freedom of the District of Chetwynd be conferred on Robert Nicholson in recognition and appreciation of his public services rendered.

CARRIED ***

RD-2
***Northeast
Northern
Rockies
Avalanche
Awareness
Project
0400.20.13

MOVED by Coun. Weisgerber, SECONDED by Coun. Brownlee

THAT the report dated May 12, 2015 re: Northeast Northern Rockies Avalanche Awareness Project, be received; and

THAT Council participate in the partnership project with the Northeast Northern Rockies Avalanche Awareness Project Partnership to create a user based observation reporting system, and that Chetwynd contribute \$2500.00 to the project.

CARRIED***

RD-3
***Request for
Access to
District of
Chetwynd Land
for Highway
Improvement
Purposes
0400.20.23

MOVED by Coun. Galbraith, SECONDED by Coun. Pfanner

THAT the report dated May 14, 2015 re: Request for Access to District of Chetwynd Land for Highway Improvement Purposes, be received; and

THAT Council approve the request from the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure to use District Land at Parcel A, DL 482, Except Plan 10927 (west of the Legion Hall) to perform improvements to Highway 97, and authorize the Mayor and Corporate Officer to execute the Licence of Occupation for Construction Access, included as Attachment “A” to the report dated May 14, 2015.

CARRIED ***

11. Reports – Information

RI-1 MOVED by Coun. Brownlee, SECONDED by Coun. Galbraith
Accounts
Payable Cheque THAT the report dated May 4, 2015 re: April Accounts Payable Cheque List,
List be received; and
1630.01

 THAT the cheque register for the month of April 2015 totaling \$907,880.79
 be received.

 CARRIED

12. New Business

Nil

13. Question/Answer Period

Terry Halliday asked Council to consider making a motion to put the 2% tax increase funds into a contingency fund.

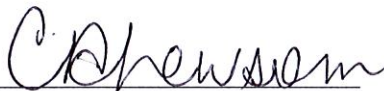
Mayor Nichols responded that normally questions are limited to items that are on the Agenda however he would briefly speak to it. Mayor Nichols explained that the 2% tax increase is not project specific and that it will be used to carry on regular operations of the District. Mayor Nichols further explained that the proper way to address this issue with Council would be to speak to Administration and to appear at a future Council meeting as a delegation.

14. Adjournment MOVED by Coun. Brownlee, SECONDED by Coun. Deck

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 5:04 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 May 19, 2015 in the Council Chambers.



Carol Newsom
Director of Corporate Administration