

DISTRICT OF CHETWYND

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting

Date: November 18, 2013
Time: 4:30 p.m.
Location: Council Chambers

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

D. Fleming, Chief Administrative Officer
C. Newsom, Director of Corporate Administration
W. Caldwell, Director of Financial Administration
R. Rusjan, Director of Parks & Recreation
P. Gordon, Manager of Public Works Operations
D. Ennis, Deputy Director of Corporate Administration
(Recording Secretary)

Press: Mike Carter, Chetwynd Echo
David Ashbaugh, Peace FM
Anand Chandy, CHET TV

Public: Stephanie Courtoreille, Family Fest [Item D (1)]
Marcie Fofonoff, SD 59 Community Connections [Item D (2)]

- 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. Vezina, SECONDED by Coun. Pfanner
THAT the Regular Council Meeting Agenda for November 18, 2013 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Minutes

M-1
Minutes of the
Regular Council
Meeting

MOVED by Coun. Pfanner, SECONDED by Coun. Galbraith
THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on November 4, 2013 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

M-2
Minutes of the
Health Services
Committee
Meeting

MOVED by Coun. Weisgerber, SECONDED by Coun. Pfanner
THAT the minutes of the Health Services Committee Meeting held on June 28, 2013 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

M-3
Minutes of the
Health Services
Committee
Meeting

MOVED by Coun. Brownlee, SECONDED by Coun. Vezina
THAT the minutes of the Health Services Committee Meeting held on July 8, 2013 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

4. Delegations and/or Presentations

D-1
Stephanie
Courtoreille, re:
Family Fest
8100.20.03

Stephanie Courtoreille, Family Fest Committee, provided Council with a brief presentation as outlined below:

- An event that is free to everyone
- May 25, 2014 – location to be announced
- Success by 6 has agreed to help fund with a donation of \$1000.00 and will provide activities for ages 6 and under
- Variety of craft tables, carnival type games
- A main stage where local talent can perform
- An opportunity for local groups to promote their club
- Asking for a \$1000.00 donation and a member of Council to be on committee

Council thanked the Family Fest Committee representative for the presentation.

D-2
Marcie Fofonoff,
re: School
District 59
Community
Connections
0400.90.05

Marcie Fofonoff, School District 59 Community Connections, provided Council with a brief presentation as outlined below:

- The goal is to actively engage youth and community members to take ownership in the planning and decision making process of implementing community initiatives that will increase active living in the general population, and promote healthy lifestyles
- Supper is offered along with a chance to promote an idea
- Had 3 suppers in 2013 so far, 4th one is November 24 at Don Titus School at 6:00 pm
- Asking for a \$1000.00 donation to make it possible to hold two dinners with two awards in 2014

Council thanked the School District 59 Community Connections representative for the presentation.

Ms. Courtoreille and Ms. Fofonoff left the meeting at 4:52 p.m.

5. Bylaws

NIL

6. Council Committee and Liaison Reports

CR-1
Regional District
Report
0400.70.02

Mayor Nichols submitted the following written Peace River Regional District report dated November 14, 2013:

“Besides a few rezonings and the approval of gravel extraction at Jack Fish Lake, the only action of significance was the repeal of the Rural Building Bylaw.”

MOVED by Mayor Nichols, SECONDED by Coun. Galbraith

THAT Mayor Nichols' written Peace River Regional District Report, dated November 14, 2013, be received.

CARRIED

CR-2
Community
Improvements
Committee
Report
0540.20.20

No report.

CR-3
Finance Strategy
Committee
Report
0540.20.18

No report.

CR-4
Health Services
Committee
Report
0540.20.24

No report.

CR-5
Public Works
Committee
Report
0540.20.25

No report.

CR-6
Water & Sewer
Task Group
Report
0540.20.26

No report.

CR-7
Mayor's Report
0550.04

Mayor Nichols submitted the following written Mayor's Report dated November 18, 2013:

"The following items occupied some of the Mayor's time since last reported on November 4:

November 5: Health Services
November 11: Remembrance Day Ceremonies
November 12: Proclamation
November 13: Review of Water Sustainability Act PRRD DC
November 13: Northeast Water Strategies PRRD DC
November 14: Solid Waste Committee PRRD DC"

MOVED by Mayor Nichols, SECONDED by Coun. Pfanner

THAT Mayor Nichols' written Mayor's Report, dated November 18, 2013, be received.

CARRIED

7. Correspondence – Discussion

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

***0189/11/13

BC Natural
Resource Forum
0390.20.01

THAT the email from BC Natural Resource Forum, dated October 25, 2013, re: Premier's BC Natural Resource Forum in Prince George, BC on January 22 & 23, 2014, be received; and

THAT Council authorize Mayor Nichols or an alternate to attend the Premier's BC Natural Resource Forum in Prince George, BC on January 22 & 23, 2014.

CARRIED***

CD-2

***0190/11/13

CN Rail, re:
EcoConnexions
From the Ground
up Program
0510.20.05

MOVED by Coun. Pfanner, SECONDED by Coun. Galbraith

THAT the email from Sheldon Belcher, CN Rail, dated November 6, 2013, re: CN extends EcoConnexions From the Ground up Program for Three More Years to Green Public Properties across Canada, be received; and

THAT Council direct staff to apply for an EcoConnexions From the Ground up grant, if it is determined that the Parks & Recreation strategy for 2014 meets the grant criteria.

CARRIED***

CD-3

***0191/11/13

Heart & Stroke
Foundation, re:
Public Access
Defibrillation
Program
0230.30.01

MOVED by Coun. Galbraith, SECONDED by Coun. Brownlee

THAT the letter from Heart & Stroke Foundation, dated November 7, 2013, re: Public Access Defibrillation Program, be received; and

THAT Council direct staff to complete the Online AED Venue Survey by the deadline of November 30 to obtain one free defibrillator.

CARRIED***

CD-4

British Columbia
Automobile
Association's
Worst Road
Survey
0230.30.01

MOVED by Coun. Brownlee, SECONDED by Coun. Pfanner

THAT the letter from British Columbia Automobile Association, dated October 29, 2013, re: British Columbia Automobile Association's Worst Road Survey, be received for information.

CARRIED

CD-5
***0192/11/13
BCFSN, re:
ALR and Core
Review for
Local
Government
0230.30.01

MOVED by Coun. Pfanner, SECONDED by Coun. Galbraith

THAT the email from Kathleen Gibson, BC Food Systems Network, dated November 5, 2013, re: BCFSN action alert on ALR and Core Review for local government, be received; and

THAT Council direct that staff place the item on the Agenda for the Committee of the Whole Meeting on November 25, 2013.

CARRIED***

CD-6
***0193/11/13
FCM, re:
Canada's
Housing Crunch
0230.20.02

MOVED by Coun. Galbraith, SECONDED by Coun. Vezina

THAT the email from Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), dated November 8, 2013, re: FCM News – Week of November 4, 2013, be received; and

WHEREAS, a stable and secure housing system that creates and maintains jobs and allows for a range of living options is essential to attracting new workers, meeting the needs of young families and supporting seniors and our most vulnerable citizens; and,

WHEREAS the high cost of housing is the most urgent financial issue facing Canadians with one in four people paying more than they can afford for housing, and mortgage debt held by Canadians now standing at just over \$1.1 trillion; and,

WHEREAS housing costs and, as the Bank of Canada notes, household debt, are undermining Canadians' personal financial security, while putting our national economy at risk; and,

WHEREAS those who cannot afford to purchase a home rely on the short supply of rental units, which is driving up rental costs and making it hard to house workers in regions experiencing strong economic activity; and,

WHEREAS an inadequate supply of subsidized housing for those in need is pushing some of the most vulnerable Canadians on to the street, while \$1.7 billion annually in federal investments in social housing have begun to expire; and,

WHEREAS coordinated action is required to prevent housing issues from being offloaded onto local governments and align the steps local governments have already taken with regard to federal/provincial/territorial programs and policies; and,

WHEREAS, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) has launched a housing campaign, “Fixing Canada’s Housing Crunch,” calling on the federal government to increase housing options for Canadians and to work with all orders of government to develop a long-term plan for Canada’s housing future; and,

WHEREAS FCM has asked its member municipalities to pass a council resolution supporting the campaign;

AND WHEREAS, our community has continuing housing needs that can only be met through the kind of long-term planning and investment made possible by federal leadership;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council endorses the FCM housing campaign and urges the Minister of Employment and Social Development to develop a long-term plan for housing that puts core investments on solid ground, increases predictability, protects Canadians from the planned expiry of \$1.7 billion in social housing agreements and ensures a healthy stock of affordable rental housing for Canadians.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the minister noted above, to the Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development, to MP Bob Zimmer, to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities.

CARRIED***

CD-7
***0194/11/13
CEAA, re: Joint
Review Panel for
Proposed Site C
Project – Notice
of Hearing
0510.20.01

MOVED by Coun. Wesigerber, SECONDED by Coun. Galbraith

THAT the public notice from Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency, re: Joint Review Panel for Proposed Site C Project – Notice of Hearing, be received; and

THAT Council direct that staff place the item on the Agenda for the Committee of the Whole Meeting on November 25, 2013.

CARRIED***

CD-8
***0195/11/13
UBCM, re: 911
Wireless CAL
0230.30.02

MOVED by Coun. Weisgerber, SECONDED by Coun. Vezina

THAT the email from Union of BC Municipalities, dated October 30, 2013, re: 911 Services in BC – Introduction of a Province Wide Call Answer Levy Member Release-911 Wireless CAL, be received; and

THAT Council direct staff to respond to Union of BC Municipalities advising that Council supports the introduction of a Province-wide Call Answer Levy for 911 Services in BC.

CARRIED***

8. Correspondence – Information

CI-1
Project North
Pole 2013
6750.20.20

MOVED by Coun. Pfanner, SECONDED by Coun. Galbraith

THAT the email from Chetwynd Chamber, dated November 6, 2013, re: Project North Pole 2013, be received for information; and

CI-2
Lieutenant
Governor of BC
– Thank You
0400.20.01

THAT the letter from The Honourable Judith Guichon, Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia, dated November 6, 2013, re: Thank you letter, be received for information; and

CI-3
FCM News
0230.20.02

THAT the email from Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), dated November 1, 2013, re: FCM News – Week of October 28, 2013, be received for information; and

CI-4
FCM –
President's
Corner Update
0230.20.02

THAT the email from Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), dated November 1, 2013, re: President's Corner Update, be received for information; and

CI-5
UBCM – The
Compass
0230.30.02

THAT the Compass, dated October 30, 2013, be received for information; and

CI-6
UBCM – The
Compass
0230.30.02

THAT the Compass, dated November 5, 2013, be received for information; and

CI-7
Burnaby –
Federal Gas Tax
Agreement
0400.60.01

THAT the letter from City of Burnaby, dated October 28, 2013, re: Renewal of Federal Gas Tax Agreement – UBCM Member Survey, be received for information.

CARRIED

CI-8
***0196/11/13
Talisman Energy
- Monkman
Information
Package
6850.50.10

MOVED by Coun. Galbraith, SECONDED by Coun. Pfanner

THAT the email from Sarah Desmeules, Talisman Energy, dated November 5, 2013, re: Talisman Energy Inc. – Monkman Public Information Package, be received for information; and

THAT Council direct staff to invite Talisman Energy to appear before Council as a delegation provide a presentation on Monkman Public Information and to update Council on projects in the area.

CARRIED***

CI-9
NCLGA
Newsletter
0230.40.03

MOVED by Coun. Pfanner, SECONDED by Coun. Galbraith

THAT the email from North Central Local Government Association (NCLGA), dated October 31, 2013, re: NCLGA Newsletter – November, be received for information.

CARRIED

9. Correspondence – Information Items

Information
Items I-1 – I-31
0570.02

MOVED by Coun. Nicholson, SECONDED by Coun. Brownlee

THAT Information Items I-1 to I-31 be received for information.

CARRIED

10. Reports – Discussion

NIL

11. Reports – Information

RI-1 MOVED by Coun. Weisgerber, SECONDED by Coun. Vezina
Accounts
Payable Cheque THAT the report dated November 4, 2013, re: October Accounts Payable
List Cheque List, be received; and
1630.01

 THAT the cheque register for the month of October 2013 totaling \$901,195.03
 be received.

CARRIED

RI-2 MOVED by Coun. Galbraith, SECONDED by Coun. Nicholson
Building Permit
Values THAT the report dated November 13, 2013, re: Building Permit Values, be
0640.20.03 received for information.

CARRIED

Council requested that staff provide a comparison of building permit values
between 2012 and 2013.

12. New Business

NIL

13. Question/Answer Period

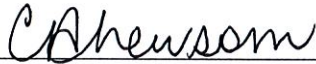
NIL

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

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.



Carol Newsom
Director of Corporate Administration



Merlin Nichols
Mayor

Certified a true and correct copy of the
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held on November 18, 2013 in the Council
Chambers.



Carol Newsom
Director of Corporate Administration