

DISTRICT OF CHETWYND

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting

Date: October 19, 2020
Time: 4:30 p.m.
Location: Electronic Zoom Meeting

Present: Mayor Courtoreille
Coun. Bassendowski
Coun. Deck
Coun. Disher
Coun. Galbraith
Coun. Wark
Coun. Weisgerber
C. Newsom, Chief Administrative Officer
K. Franson, Director of Financial Administration
A. Adams, Director of Engineering & Public Works
E. McAvany, Economic Development Officer
L. Wilfur, Executive Assistant (Recording Secretary)

Absent: Nil

1. **Call to Order** Mayor Courtoreille called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m. and an opening statement was read.

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

THAT the Regular Council Meeting Agenda for October 19, 2020 be amended to include the addition of Items NB-1 Shortage of Doctors and NB-2 Northern Health Letter to the Public; that the Council Meeting be conducted electronically via Zoom due to the prevalence of Covid-19 and the Provincial State of Emergency, but noting that the Zoom meeting details have been shared with the public so that any who wish may join the meeting electronically; and that the agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

Please note: A public message has been circulated on social media and the District of Chetwynd's web page requesting any public inquiries pertaining to today's agenda. The Zoom meeting log in/call in details were also provided on the District of Chetwynd Facebook page prior to the meeting to permit public attendance. A recording of this meeting will be publicly available on the District's webpage to promote openness, transparency and accountability.

3. Minutes

M-1
Minutes of the
Regular
Council
Meeting

MOVED by Coun. Bassendowski, SECONDED by Coun. Galbraith

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on October 5, 2020 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

4. Delegations & Presentations

The delegation scheduled for this meeting was cancelled at the request of the delegate.

5. Bylaws

B-1
Bylaw No.
1123, 2020

MOVED by Coun. Galbraith, SECONDED by Coun. Bassendowski

THAT Bylaw No. 1123, 2020 cited as the “District of Chetwynd Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 1123, 2020” be adopted.

CARRIED

B-2
Bylaw No.
1124, 2020

Councillor Deck declared a perceived personal conflict of interest with regard to his employment and left the meeting at 4:39 p.m.

MOVED by Coun. Weisgerber, SECONDED by Coun. Wark

THAT Bylaw No. 1124, 2020 cited as the “District of Chetwynd Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1124, 2020 (5244 42 Street NE - Young)” be given third reading and adoption.

CARRIED

Councillor Deck returned to the meeting at 4:41 p.m.

6. Council Committee and Liaison Reports

CR-1
Regional
District Report

Mayor Courtoreille advised that he will speak with PRRD Electoral Area “E” Director Dan Rose and inquire about the status of the Regional District Waste Bylaw and provide an update to Council regarding plans for solid waste in the area.

CR-2
Councillor
Reports

Coun. Bassendowski provided the following Chetwynd Communications Society Update:

- The Society is revamping and updating financial records, services to towers and inspections.
- The Society is reworking the vision of the Chetwynd Communications Society.

7. Discussion Items

DI-1 MOVED by Coun. Galbraith, SECONDED by Coun. Disher
PRRD Zoning
Bylaw No. THAT the email from Peace River Regional District dated October 2, 2020 re:
1343, 2001 Zoning Bylaw No. 1343, 2001 Housekeeping Amendment, PRRD File No. 20-
Housekeeping 013-ZN, be received for information.
Amendment,
File No. CARRIED
20-013-ZN

8. Correspondence

Nil

9. Information Items

II-1 MOVED by Coun. Weisgerber, SECONDED by Coun. Galbraith
Information
Items THAT Information Items I-1 – I-8 be received for information.
I-1 – I-8

CARRIED

10. Reports for Action

RA-1 MOVED by Coun. Weisgerber, SECONDED by Coun. Galbraith
Investing in
Canada THAT the report dated October 14, 2020 re: Investing in Canada Infrastructure
Infrastructure Program – Rural and Northern Communities Infrastructure Funding
Program – Application prepared by the Engineering / Public Works Department, be
Rural and received; and
Northern
Communities THAT Council authorize staff to submit an application for grant funding for the
Infrastructure 51st Street NW Road Reconstruction project through the *Investing in Canada*
Funding *Infrastructure Program – Rural and Northern Communities*; and
Application

THAT Council support the project and commit to its share of \$300,000 of the
project, as well as potential cost overruns.

CARRIED

11. Reports for Information

Nil

12. New Business

NB-1
Shortage of
Doctor's

Council discussed:

- The Shortage of Doctors in Chetwynd.
- How Northern Health is not meeting the needs of Chetwynd residents.
- How Council has cooperated with Northern Health (built and leased the medical clinic to Northern Health along with housing) to help retain Doctors.
- The need to address Doctor Shortage concerns with higher levels of government including Federal & Provincial Health Ministers, MP Bob Zimmer, MLA Mike Bernier etc.
- Next steps in having concerns heard.

NB-2
Northern
Health Letter
to the Public

MOVED by Coun. Bassendowski, SECONDED by Coun. Galbraith

Council directed Administration to draft a letter advising that Northern Health is not meeting health care needs in Chetwynd as mandated by the Federal and Provincial Governments.

CARRIED

13. Public Question Period

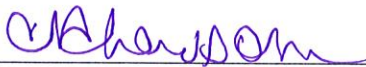
Nil

14. Adjournment MOVED by Coun. Galbraith, SECONDED by Coun. Bassendowski

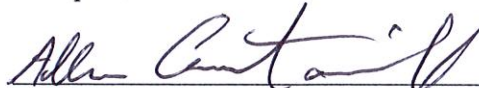
THAT the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 p.m.



Carol Newsom
Corporate Officer



Allen Courtoreille
Mayor

Certified a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on October 19, 2020 via Electronic Zoom Conference.



Carol Newsom
Corporate Officer