

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village
of Fraser Lake Held January 27, 2010 in the Municipal Hall

Those in attendance were:

Mayor Lindstrom
Councillor Duncan
Councillor Jantz
Councillor Reyden

Staff:

Joe Pacheco, Fire Chief
Elizabeth Litke, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer
Donna Ward, Clerk/Treasurer

Mayor Lindstrom called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and welcomed those in attendance.

AGENDA

Resolution 2010-01-21 M/S Councillor Jantz/Councillor Duncan:

"That the agenda be adopted with the addition of the Minutes of the Informal Meeting of the Council of the Village of Fraser Lake and the Ministry of Transportation."

"Carried"

MINUTES OF THE
PREVIOUS MEETING

Resolution 2010-01-22 M/S Councillor Reyden/Councillor Jantz

"That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held January 13, 2010, the Budget Meeting held January 21, 2010 and the Informal Meeting held January 26, 2010 be adopted as presented."

"Carried"

BUSINESS FROM
THE MINUTES

Admin informed Councillor Reyden as to the details of the meeting with the Ministry of Transportation as he was unable to attend that meeting.

Councillor Jantz asked if Admin had looked up the details of the Purchasing Policy yet as had been discussed at the budget meeting. She said that she had not done so to date but would have the information for the next budget meeting.

Mayor Lindstrom said that CEAC is looking into recreation trail systems. Admir said that she will have the EDO speak to the Regional District as they had discussed recreation trail systems in the past.

Councillor Jantz asked if CEAC was looking into re-establishing old trails or making new ones and Mayor Lindstrom replied that it was just discussion to date but that he thought it was both varieties.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Councillor Reyden presented the Library 2009 financial report. He said that the Library was doing well.

Councillor Jantz attended the meeting with the Ministry of Transportation and said that it went well. He has also been working with the Torch Committee.

Resolution 2010-01-23 M/S Councillor Jantz/Councillor Duncan:

"That the Council reports be received as presented."

"Carried"

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Fire Chief Pacheco presented a written report to date including 2009 stats. He was asked how many MVA and First Responder calls were from outside the municipality. He said probably 99% of the MVA's and definitely a majority of the First Responder calls as well.

Discussion was held on the proposed referendum with information provided by the Regional District given to Council.

Councillor Jantz commented that the First Responder calls were not part of the referendum, just MVA's.

Councillor Reyden asked what the procedure was for commercial inspections that had deficiencies. Fire Chief Pacheco responded that usually the problems were fairly minor and he gave written instructions with a time line to have them corrected. He would then do a second inspection.

Resolution 2010-01-24 M/S Councillor Duncan/Councillor Jantz

"That the Fire Chief's report be received as presented."

"Carried"

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Resolution 2010-01-25 M/S Councillor Reyden/Councillor Jantz

"That the accounts payable in the amounts of \$280,881.50 and \$24,815.61 be approved as presented."

"Carried"

A number of questions were asked and answered about the various payables.

BUSINESS FROM
THE CLERK

The Clerk asked Council their opinion on the draft newsletter article regarding the behaviour to the Works Crew.

Mayor Lindstrom said that he did not think that the last sentence was necessary and he wanted it removed. Admin said that the wording came from the resolution passed on the subject.

Resolution 2010-01-26 M/S Mayor Lindstrom/Councillor Reyden

"That the last sentence of Resolution 2010-01-07 from January 13, 2010 minutes be revised to eliminate the last sentence which reads 'This includes plowing of seniors' driveways, pushing back of ridges across all driveways and pushing back of snow bank edges on private driveways'."

"Carried"

Discussion was held on renewing the real estate contract for the sale of the old Village Office, whether or not the price should be lowered and the possibility of leasing the building. Councillor Reyden asked the current assessed value of the building. Admin did not know this information but will provide it for the next meeting. Council agreed to continue to list the building at the current price of \$125,000 at this time.

Admin gave Council information on the upcoming Job fair. Councillor Reyden thought it was a good idea if the Village attend. Admin will endeavour to prepare some information for that day.

The Clerk informed Council that she will be on holidays from March 10, 2010 up to and possibly including March 24, 2010. The Deputy Clerk/Treasurer will prepare and attend the Council meetings in the Clerk's absence.

Admin reminded Council of the budget meeting on Feb 2nd.

Admin clarified with Council that the \$500 previously allotted to the Torch relay celebration was for any expenses incurred and that the expenses should be charged first to the grant obtained and then to the \$500 budgeted. Council said that this was the intent.

Resolution 2010-01-27 M/S Councillor Reyden/Councillor Duncan

"That the business from the Clerk be received as presented."

"Carried"

READING LIST

Mayor Lindstrom said that he is not in favour of the Carrier Sekani Tribal Council's request for all Mayors and representatives to abandon their support for the proposed Enbridge pipeline.

Councillor Reyden asked about proclaiming Feb as Heart and Stroke Month. Admin explained that for a great number of years Councils have not been making proclamations due to the cost of publishing them in a newspaper and the fact that the community has not had functions related to the reason for the proclamation. Admin was asked to include the information on Heart and Stroke month in the newsletter rather than an official proclamation.

Councillor Jantz said that the Chamber will also be having a membership drive during their meeting at the Legion when MLA John Rustad makes a presentation on HST.

Councillor Jantz took the DVD provided on the Fire Services Liaison Group report.

Councillor Lindstrom asked whether we had the NDI funding for the EDO position. Admin said that no official letter yet but yes we had the funding.

Resolution 2010-01-28 M/S Councillor Reyden/Councillor Jantz

"That the reading list be received as presented."

"Carried"

NEW BUSINESS

Admin said that she had not put two bylaws on the agenda as she did not think they would be ready in time for the meeting but since they were would Council please consider them now.

Resolution 2010-01-29 M/S Councillor Reyden/Councillor Duncan

"That Bylaw No. 712, 2010 being a bylaw to amend the Village of Fraser Lake Water Connection and Rental Charges Bylaw No. 447, 1994 be given first three readings."

"Carried"

Resolution 2010-01-30 M/S Councillor Reyden/Councillor Jantz

"That Bylaw No. 713, 2010 being a bylaw to amend the Waste Collection and Disposal Amending Bylaw No. 628, 2004 be given first three readings."

"Carried"

Councillor Reyden received a request from a concerned citizen regarding the intensity of the outside lights at the new water plant. Could we put them on a motion detector or tone them down somewhat. Admin will pass the request or to the Works dept.

Councillor Reyden also said that he had received a letter from a citizen regarding the spelling of the word "center" at the arena. All Council members have received the same letter. Admin said that the change had already been made. Council was asked to ratify that change with a resolution as the original spelling was done by resolution.

Resolution 2010-01-31 M/S Councillor Reyden/Councillor Jantz

"That the spelling of the word "Center" on the recreation building be changed to "Centre".

"Carried"

Councillor Reyden complimented the Clerk on the quality of the letters she has written on Council's behalf.

Councillor Duncan asked if the letter copies could be sent to Council electronically rather than copied in order to have less consumption of paper. It was decided to have one copy of the letters available at the meeting and listed on a "letter list" in the same format as the Reading List. Purchase of notebooks for Council was also discussed and will be incorporated into the budget discussions.

Councillor Jantz presented some requests for the Works Dept from the Torch Relay Committee. All the Council members present said they would be at the celebration and available to help wherever needed.

It was mentioned that Council should have some name tags to wear at different functions. Admin will look into getting some.

Councillor Jantz commended Sylvia and Amber on their great job with the Torch Relay Celebration. They have both worked very hard and deserve a huge thanks.

Mayor Lindstrom gave Council some information on OBAC and their work with community forests and small airport infrastructure.

Mayor Lindstrom has some information on changes to legislation for small water systems and was concerned about the effects of these changes. It will be discussed at the Regional District meeting and he will bring back more information.

Mayor Lindstrom reported that the Regional District has developed a website on local mining that is very well done.

IN-CAMERA

Resolution 2010-01-32 M/S Councillor Jantz/Councillor Duncan:

"That the meeting go in-camera under Section 90 of the Community Charter.
Time 8:20 pm."

"Carried"

Regular meeting resumed at 9:54 pm.

ADJOURN

Resolution 2010-01-33 M/Councillor Jantz

"That the meeting adjourn. Time 9:54 pm."

"Carried"

CERTIFIED CORRECT

MAYOR LINDSIROM

DONNA WARD, CLERK/TREASURER