
Minutes of the Village of Chase Committee of the Whole Meeting
held in the Council Chamber of the Village Office at 826 Okanagan Avenue, Chase, BC,
on Tuesday, March 4, 2014 at 4:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor R. Anderson
Councillors R. Berrigan
R. Crowe
D. Lepsoe
S. Scott, Chairperson

Chief Administrative Officer J. Heinrich
Director of Financial Services L. Pedersen
Supervisor of Works P. Regush

3 Members of the Public

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Scott called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Crowe
Seconded by Councillor Berrigan

"That the agenda be adopted as presented."

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

Moved by Mayor Anderson
Seconded by Councillor Lepsoe

"That the Minutes of the February 4, 2014 Committee of the Whole meeting be adopted as presented."

CARRIED

4. DELEGATIONS

None.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Local Elections Reform to Include Four Year Terms – Press Release from the Ministry of Community Sport and Cultural Development

Mayor Anderson commented on this issue:

- Larger BC communities have been pushing for 4 year terms for a few years now
- 2 years ago the proposal was voted down at UBCM, in 2013 the proposal was brought back and was approved by the voting delegates
- Small communities did ask for an exemption to the 4 years but this request was not supported
- 4 year terms will have a negative impact on small communities in the Province to be able to recruit and retain people to run for office
- Large communities wanted this change because they typically have candidates with high cost campaigns

Moved by Councillor Crowe

Seconded by Councillor Berrigan

“That the press release from the Ministry of Community Sport and Cultural Development regarding Local Elections Reform to include Four Year Terms be received for information.”

CARRIED

6.2 Proposed Pellet Plant – David Suzuki Foundation

Chairperson Scott stated that the Director General of the Western Region of the David Suzuki Foundation has contacted Village of Chase Administration to confirm that the Foundation will not be taking on any campaign or legal action in relation to the proposed pellet plant project in Chase.

Moved by Councillor Berrigan

Seconded by Councillor Crowe

“That the information provided regarding the Proposed Pellet Plant and the confirmation from the David Suzuki Foundation that it will not be pursuing any sort of action in relation to the project be received for information.”

CARRIED

6.3 Municipal Finance Authority of BC – 2014 Financial Forum & Annual General Meeting

Moved by Councillor Berrigan
Seconded by Councillor Lepsoe

"That the information regarding the Municipal Finance Authority's 2014 Financial Forum & Annual General Meeting be received for information."

CARRIED

6.4 10th Annual BC Interior Stewardship Workshop

Recommendation to Council:

Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Councillor Crowe

"That the issue of attendance at the 10th Annual BC Interior Stewardship Workshop be referred to Administration to make arrangements for any members of Council wishing to attend and that costs for any members of Council attending be covered by the Village as per its expense reimbursement policy."

CARRIED

6.5 Fire Department – 1991 Old Unit #1 Ford Pickup

Recommendation to Council:

Moved by Councillor Berrigan
Seconded by Councillor Crowe

"That the 1991 Fire Department Old Unit #1 Ford Pickup, including the canopy, be sold to the Chase Firefighters Association for \$20, after which the society can dispose of the truck as they see fit."

CARRIED

6.6 Mayfest 2014 – Use of Curling Rink Parking Lot for dry RV Parking

Recommendation to Council:

Moved by Councillor Crowe
Seconded by Mayor Anderson

"That the request from the Mayfest Committee to utilize the Curling Rink parking lot for dry RV parking on May 2 and 3, 2014 be approved."

CARRIED

6.7 Working Together Pow-Wow Society – Request for Financial Support

Recommendation to Council:
Moved by Councillor Berrigan
Seconded by Mayor Anderson

“That the request from the Working Together Pow-Wow Society for financial support for their event to be held later in June 2014 be deferred to a future meeting of Council after the 2014 budget is finalized.”

CARRIED

6.8 New Building Canada Plan

Moved by Councillor Crowe
Seconded by Councillor Berrigan

“That the Fact Sheets regarding the New Building Canada Plan be received for information.”

The issue of the proposed sewer treatment upgrades was raised, and it was noted that the Adams Lake Indian Band has been informed of the upgrades and are willing to apply for funding to assist with the project's costs.

Opportunity for the Public to Discuss Local Government Issues of Interest and Concern

It was queried as to when the next budget meeting is to occur. The Director of Financial Services explained that there are only a few items left to discuss, so the final budget issues discussion will take place at the March 11, 2014 Council meeting.

It was queried as to whether the Village of Chase is paying for the Curling Club's hydro. The answer given was no.

It was queried as to whether the Mayfest organizers will be contacting the Curling Club for permission to use their portion of the parking area. The answer given was yes.

7. IN-CAMERA

No in-camera meeting.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Crowe
Seconded by Mayor Anderson

"That the Committee of the Whole meeting be adjourned." CARRIED

Chairperson Scott adjourned the meeting at 4:27 p.m.

These minutes were adopted by a resolution of the Committee of the Whole on April 1, 2014.

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Chairperson,
Councillor Scott

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Chief Administrative Officer,
Joni Heinrich