



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Chase
held at the Community Hall at 547 Shuswap Avenue
on Tuesday, August 11, 2015

PRESENT:

Acting Mayor: A. Maki
Councillors: N. Egely
D. Lepsoe
S. Scott

FINAL

In Attendance: J. Heinrich, Chief Administrative Officer
T. Pretty, Deputy Corporate Officer
L. Pederson, Director Financial Services

Public Gallery: 7
Press: 1
RCMP: 1

1. CALL TO ORDER

Acting Mayor Maki called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Egely

“That the August 11, 2015 Village of Chase Regular Council meeting agenda be adopted with the addition of items 8.22 Exploring Shuswap project and 8.23 attendance at Grand Entries at Neskonlith PowWow.”

CARRIED

#2015/08/11_001

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Lepsoe

Seconded by Councillor Egely

“That the minutes of the June 23, 2015 Special meeting of Council be adopted as presented.”

CARRIED

#2015/08/11_002

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Egely

“That the minutes of the July 13, 2015 Regular meeting of Village of Chase Council be adopted as presented.”

CARRIED

#2015/08/11_003

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

5. REPORTS

a) Mayor and Council Reports

Councillor Egely:

- Signing of the Communications Protocol with Neskonlith Chief and Council;

- Citizens on Patrol meeting;
- Sewer Treatment Plant announcement;
- Chase Health Centre tour and meeting with Interior Health representatives;
- Neskonlith Chief and Council Swearing-in Ceremony.

Councillor Lepsoe:

- Signing of the Communications Protocol with Neskonlith Chief and Council;
- Pictograph meeting at Little Shuswap Lake Indian Band – they have hired a company to undertake an initial assessment;
- Meeting with the Honourable Blake Richards, Chair of the Federal Tourism Strategy Committee;
- Celebration of BC on the Move for Highway #1 for the announcement of funding to extend the highway from 2 lanes to 4 between Hoffman's Bluff and the Village;
- Waste Water Tream Treatment Plant announcement;
- Chase Health Centre tour and meeting with Interior Health representatives;
- Neskonlith Chief and Council Swearing-in Ceremony.

Acting Mayor Maki:

- Signing of the Communications Protocol with Neskonlith Chief and Council;
- Three Skatepark Committee meetings –Committee is now the Chase & District Skatepark Society and are applying for Not for Profit status to assist with grant funding applications;
- Canada Day round up meeting;
- Provided a tour of Chase to the Cranbrook bugle band;
- Celebration of BC on the Move for Highway #1 for the announcement of funding to extend the highway from 2 lanes to 4 between Hoffman's Bluff and the Village;
- Waste Water Tream Treatment Plant announcement;
- Cornstock Committee meeting;
- Welcoming speech on behalf of Mayor and Council at Cornstock. Participated in the Cornstar Challenge;
- Chamber of Commerce meeting.

Councillor Scott:

- Signing of the Communications Protocol with Neskonlith Chief and Council;
- Celebration of BC on the Move for Highway #1 for the announcement of funding to extend the highway from 2 lanes to 4 between Hoffman's Bluff and the Village;
- Waste Water Tream Treatment Plant announcement;
- Met with Administration and Fire Department regarding budget items;
- Chase Health Centre tour and meeting with Interior Health representatives;
- Adam River Salmon Society meeting;
- Meeting with Administration regarding Fire Department queries and subsequent meeting with Fire Department to relay answers;
- Participated in Cornstock festival and Cornstar Challenge.

Moved by Councillor Egely

Seconded by Councillor Scott

“That Village of Chase Acting Mayor and Council reports be received for information.”

**CARRIED
#2015/08/11_004**

b) Staff Reports

CAO:

- Attended the Neskonlith/Village of Chase communications protocol signing ceremony at Neskonlith Arbour;
- Met with representatives of property owner wishing to develop property;
- Met with Public Works manager of ALIB with Village of Chase Supervisor of Public Works to discuss sewer agreement between ALIB and Chase;
- Participated in several meetings regarding building permits for new house construction, local area property condition complaints and attended the announcement for funding for the Sewer Upgrade project;
- Met with members of the public regarding dust issues, met with Fire Chief, Deputy Chief, Fire Department Council liaison and Director of Financial Services regarding general budget matters;
- Meeting with Council Liaison to Fire Department;
- Preparation of reports for Council and Committee of the Whole meetings;
- Approved payroll, accounts payable;
- Responded to several land use queries including development variance applications and zoning bylaw checks for building permits;
- Prepared and submitted application for funding for an Infrastructure Planning grant;
- Worked with Deputy Corporate Officer and Public Works Supervisor in drafting proposed water restriction levels for Council's consideration;
- Responded to several surveys regarding the Village of Chase's initiatives to address climate change.

Deputy Corporate Officer contractor reports:

Animal Control

- Impounded and released 2 dogs
- Conducted patrols of Village and Parks
- Discussed safety of having puppy on roof with resident

Bylaw Enforcement

- Patrolled parks
- Patrolled for sprinkler violations
- Dealt with several complaints (unlicensed vehicles on boulevard, unsightly premises)

Community Liaison

- Worked with Skatepark Committee to organize fundraising events. The Committee is now a Society so will soon be able to apply for funding
- Attended Canada Day round up meeting and provided recommendations
- Implementing two further Music in the Park initiatives
- Met with organizers of the Men's health forum for Chase and surrounding First Nation Communities in November

Deputy Corporate Officer:

- Set up Twitter account;
- Attended Canada Day Round up meeting;
- Drafted survey for business owners regarding TLO;
- Worked with office staff to coordinate Sewer funding announcement;
- Worked with Supervisor of Public Works and CAO drafting stricter water regulations;

- Dealing with MIA regarding a claim;
- Working on renewing two leases at rodeo grounds;
- Dealt with a number of complaint issues;
- Created insert for Sunflower this Friday;
- Preparation and follow up for meetings.

Director of Financial Services:

- Preparing a report on options for council when considering Permissive tax exemptions;
- Preparing Budget guidelines and timetable for the 2016 budget process;
- Analysis if the Water Treatment Plant project costing for the accounting presentation and amortization in our 2015 financial statements;
- Preparing guidelines for Grants in Aid.

Supervisor of Public Works:

- Continuing with regular summer maintenance of parks and other public amenities;
- Public Works staff recently re-painted the pier handrail;
- New employee, Brett York (Operator I) started July 27, 2015;
- Crew worked to replace an old valve on the water line near Chase Street at railway right of way – the valve will not shut off and needs to be replaced – may need to get outside assistance;
- Water Treatment Plant is operating very well;
- Some ongoing instrumentation works and safety platforms being installed in Water Treatment Plant;
- Working with CAO and consulting engineer on ALIB sewer agreement renewal;
- Will be working with Urban Systems' engineer on a process for the upgrade works at the sewer treatment facility.

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Egely

“That Village of Chase Administration reports be received as information.”

CARRIED

#2015/08/11_005

6. DELEGATIONS

Acting Mayor Maki recognized Sgt. Gary Heebner of the RCMP and gave him the floor. Sgt. Heebner gave a report on detachment statistics to August 11, 2015 and how they compared to the 2014 annual statistics.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 Committee of the Whole Recommendations – August 4, 2015

8.1.1 BC Hydro Funding – Beautification Fund

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Egely

**“That the costs of BC Hydro Beautification projects
(undergrounding electrical wiring/wrapping electrical kiosks with**

decorative wrap) be referred back to Administration to investigate and report back to a future Council meeting.”
CARRIED
#2015/08/11_006

8.1.2 Skate Daze Chase Weekend
Moved by Acting Mayor Maki
Seconded by Councillor Egely
“That the use of Memorial Park including the band shell at no cost be granted to the Skateboard Park Committee’s fundraiser to be held on Sunday August 16, 2016.”
CARRIED
#2015/08/11_007

Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Councillor Egely
“That Village of Chase streets be closed off Shuswap Avenue for two blocks from the Public Library to the Royal Bank on Saturday, August 15 2015 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.”
CARRIED
#2015/08/11_008

8.1.3 Music in the Park
Moved by Acting Mayor Maki
Seconded by Councillor Egely
“That the Village of Chase donate \$400 from its 2015 Parks budget to pay entertainers for two Music in the Park events to be held in August and September in Memorial Park.”
CARRIED
#2015/08/11_009

Moved by Councillor Egely
Seconded by Councillor Scott
“That the matter of funding for parks events/programming such as music in the park and other events organized by the Village be referred to the 2016 budget discussions for consideration.”
CARRIED
#2015/08/11_010

8.1.4 Electric Vehicle Charging Stations – Thompson Okanagan Tourism
Moved by Councillor Lepsoe
Seconded by Councillor Scott
“That a letter be written to the Thompson Okanagan Tourism Association informing them that the Village of Chase is working with BC Hydro to install an electric vehicle charging station in Chase.”
CARRIED
#2015/08/11_011

8.2 SILGA Finance 101 Seminars
Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Councillor Egely
“That any Council member who wishes to attend the SILGA Finance 101 Seminars has their expenses reimbursed as per Village of Chase policy.”
CARRIED
#2015/08/11_012

- 8.3 Chase and District Chamber of Commerce – Governance Workshop
Moved by Councillor Egely
Seconded by Councillor Lepsoe
“That any Council member who wishes to attend the Chamber of Commerce Governance workshop has their expenses reimbursed as per Village of Chase policy.”
CARRIED
#2015/08/11_013
- 8.4 Fire Department – Requesting Approval to Purchase items
Chief Lauzon noted that at the beginning of the year they had 7 volunteer firefighters and they are now up to 24. There are costs associated with outfitting each firefighter with the appropriate gear and, in addition, new pagers need to be purchased as parts are no longer available to fix the existing ones.

Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Councillor Egely
“That Village of Chase Council authorize an additional \$5,000 in spending under the Fire Department’s supplies budget for 2015.”
CARRIED
#2015/08/11_014
- 8.5 Raise a Reader 7th Annual Campaign
Moved by Councillor Lepsoe
Seconded by Councillor Scott
“That Village of Chase Council authorize a grant-in-aid of \$500 to the Raise a Reader program and that future grant requests be accompanied by a breakdown of where and how funds are utilized.”
CARRIED
#2015/08/11_015
- 8.6 BC Economic Development Association Membership
Moved by Councillor Egely
Seconded by Councillor Scott
“That Village of Chase obtain an “Organizational Membership” with the BC Economic Development Association and that the value of this membership be evaluated after one year.”
CARRIED
#2015/08/11_016
- 8.7 BC Economic Development Association Course
Moved by Councillor Lepsoe
Seconded by Councillor Egely
“That any Council member who wishes to attend the BC Economic Development Association – 5th Annual Western Economic Development course has their expenses reimbursed as per Village of Chase policy.”
CARRIED
#2015/08/11_017

8.8 Proposed Water Restriction levels

Moved by Councillor Egely

Seconded by Councillor Scott

“That the proposed water restrictions be referred back to Village of Chase Administration to make appropriate changes and bring forward as a bylaw to the next regular meeting of Council.”

CARRIED

#2015/08/11_018

Moved by Councillor Egely

Seconded by Councillor Scott

“That Administration proceed with a water reduction education program for the public and that Village of Chase public works moves to the Level 3 restrictions as soon as possible.”

CARRIED

#2015/08/11_019

8.9 Salmon Fishery Closures

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Egely

“That the Public Notice of Salmon Fishery closures be received as information.”

CARRIED

#2015/08/11_020

8.10 4-way Stop at Coburn and Okanagan

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Egely

“That the portion of Motion # 2015/07/13_006 that reads “That Village of Chase Public Works be directed to remove the 4-way signage at the intersection of Coburn and Okanagan and replace it with 2-way signage and “New” signage on the Okanagan side street only” be rescinded.”

CARRIED

#2015/08/11_021

Moved by Acting Mayor Maki

Seconded by Councillor Egely

“That the 4-way stop signage at the intersection of Coburn Street and Okanagan Avenue remain in place until there is a better understanding of what Highway 1 improvements will be in place for the Village of Chase; AND Further, Citizens on Patrol be asked if they would be willing to conduct traffic surveys in that area over the next year.”

CARRIED

#2015/08/11_022

8.11 Chase Lions Club – Annual Community Hall Rental Fee

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Egely

“That the matter regarding the Lions Club 2015 rental fees be referred back to Administration and bring forward once storage rental fees have been incorporated into the Village of Chase Community Hall rental policy.”

CARRIED

#2015/08/11_023

- 8.12 Gas Tax Agreement
Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Councillor Egely
“That the letters from UBCM regarding the Community Works Funds payment to the Village of Chase be received for information.” CARRIED
#2015/08/11_024
- 8.13 City of Armstrong and Township of Spallumcheen – Exhibition / Luncheon
Moved by Councillor Egely
Seconded by Councillor Lepsoe
“That travel costs associated with the member of Village of Chase Council who attends the City of Armstrong and Township of Spallumcheen – Exhibition / Luncheon be reimbursed in accordance with policy.” CARRIED
#2015/08/11_025
- 8.14 Complaints Report from Office of the Ombudsperson of BC
Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Councillor Egely
“That the complaint report from the Ombudsperson of BC for the Village of Chase for the period April 1, 2015 to June 30, 2015 be received as information.” CARRIED
#2015/08/11_026
- 8.15 Fire Department Member Assistance
Moved by Councillor Lepsoe
Seconded by Councillor Egely
“That the costs associated with provision of Critical Incident Stress Management Services for members of the Village of Chase Fire Department be approved.” CARRIED
#2015/08/11_027
- 8.16 Climate Action Report to the Public
Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Councillor Lepsoe
“That the Village of Chase report on actions being undertaken to address Climate Change be received for information.” CARRIED
#2015/08/11_028
- 8.17 International Day of Older Persons
Moved by Councillor Egely
Seconded by Councillor Lepsoe
“That the matter of planning an event to coincide with the International Day of Older Persons be referred back to Administration to do further research and bring back recommendations at the next regular meeting of Village of Chase Council.” CARRIED
#2015/08/11_029

- 8.17 International Day of Older Persons
Moved by Councillor Egely
Seconded by Councillor Lepsoe
“That the matter of planning an event to coincide with the International Day of Older Persons be referred back to Administration to do further research and bring back recommendations at the next regular meeting of Village of Chase Council.”
CARRIED
#2015/08/11_029
- 8.18 Consideration of Development Variance Permit – 319 Lakeshore Drive
Moved by Councillor Lepsoe
Seconded by Councillor Egely
“That Council authorizes Development Variance permit No. 73-2015 varying the front yard parcel line setback from 6 meters to 2.6 meters to permit the enclosure of a breezeway providing for the accessory building to become part of the principal building.”
CARRIED
#2015/08/11_030
- 8.19 Application for Development Variance Permit – 315 Lakeshore Drive
Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Councillor Egely
“That Council authorizes Administration to proceed with the required processes associated with the application to vary provisions of the Zoning Bylaw for 315 Lakeshore Drive.”
CARRIED
#2015/08/11_031
- 8.20 Application for Development Variance Permit – 1214 Okanagan Avenue
Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Councillor Egely
“That Council authorizes Administration to proceed with the required process associated with the application to vary provisions of the Mobile Home Park Bylaw for 1214 Okanagan Avenue.”
CARRIED
#2015/08/11_032
- 8.21 Application for Development Variance Permit – 117 455 VLA Road
Moved by Councillor Lepsoe
Seconded by Councillor Scott
“That Council authorizes Administration to proceed with the required processes associated with the application to vary provisions of the Zoning Bylaw for 117 – 455 VLA Road.”
CARRIED
#2015/08/11_033
- 8.22 Everything Shuswap Project
Moved by Councillor Egely
Seconded by Acting Mayor Maki
“That the Village of Chase contributes grant-in-aid in the amount of \$250 to the Everything Shuswap project.”
CARRIED
#2015/08/11_034

8.23 Attendance at 19th Annual Neskonlith Traditional PowWow

Moved by Councillor Egely

Seconded by Councillor Lepsoe

“That members of Village of Chase Council coordinate attendance at the Grand Entry events that are part of the 19th Annual Neskonlith Traditional PowWow being held August 21 – 23, 2015.”

CARRIED

#2015/08/11_035

9. IN CAMERA

None.

RELEASE OF IN CAMERA ITEMS

The Village of Chase has been granted funding from the Federal and Provincial Governments for the Sewer Treatment Facility Upgrade Project. The project will cost approximately \$1.6 million, 2/3 of which will be funded by the Federal and Provincial Governments.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Egely

“That the August 11, 2015 Village of Chase Council meeting be adjourned.”

CARRIED

#2015/08/11_036

The meeting was adjourned at 5:24 p.m.

R. Berrigan, Mayor

T. Pretty, Deputy Corporate Officer