



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council of the Village of Chase
held in the Council Chamber of the Village Office at 826 Okanagan Avenue
on Tuesday, May 10, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

R. Berrigan
N. Egely
D. Lepsoe
A. Maki
S. Scott

FINAL

In Attendance:

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

Public Gallery:

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Press:

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1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Councillor Egely

“That the May 10, 2016 Village of Chase Regular Council Agenda be adopted as amended.”

CARRIED

#2016/05/10_001

3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Maki
Seconded by Councillor Egely

“That the minutes of the April 26, 2016 Regular meeting of Council be adopted as presented.”

CARRIED

#2016/05/10_002

Mayor Berrigan thanked the Chamber of Commerce for the excellent job they did on hosting the Tradeshow May 7, 2016. The event was a huge success and very well attended.

Moved by Councillor Maki
Seconded by Councillor Egely

“That Administration write a letter of thanks to the Village of Chase Chamber of Commerce for their excellent work on the recent Tradeshow.”

CARRIED

#2016/05/10_003

4. PUBLIC INPUT ON CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS

Len McLean – Items covered in the trial program for physician recruitment from Thompson Regional Hospital District are 95% what Lynn Moyer put in place during the recent recruitment in Chase with funding from the Village. Mayor Berrigan extended thanks to Ms. Moyer and the recruitment committee.

Graham Bell – Regarding Business Licences – he is of the opinion that if you are going to be in business there is a need to realize there are associated costs. By some businesses not paying for a Licence it places a burden on those businesses that do so no business should be exempt. The majority of the fees go to the Chamber of Commerce who use funds to try to attract other businesses to the area.

Graham Bell – Schedule B of Bylaw 816 – 2016 *2016 to 2020 Financial Plan* states “The Village will continue to increase the water utility rates until the revenues fully fund the costs of providing the service” but there seems to be an existing surplus. The Director of Financial Services explained that it is misleading when looking at the statements as that line item is actually only close to breaking even. He also clarified that it is tracked separately.

Bill MacPherson – Spoke in support of some planned improvements on the Hysop Road Right-of-Way.

Kelly Esslinger – Does not understand why, after all these years, changes are being discussed to the Hysop Road Right-of-Way (RoW) and isn't certain what exactly changes are being proposed.

- Mayor Berrigan – there have been issues regarding inappropriate usage of the RoW which were brought to Council's attention. Funds were budgeted to try and clean up this area and make it convenient for smaller boats to be launched.
- Kelly Esslinger – a picnic table is a good idea but spending money on items such as parking, signage, no-posts is a waste.
- Mayor Berrigan – this item was brought to Council's attention so they are looking at ways to enhance the Village's property, just as they do in similar situations.
- Kelly Esslinger – by putting these items in place there is the potential to invite more trouble into the area.
- Councillor Lepsoe – queried what Mr Esslinger thought about launching boats at that spot.
- Kelly Esslinger – has used that spot for launching both larger and smaller boats but cautioned that larger boats can only be launched during the right seasons. There have been problems in the past with people trying to launch larger boats at the wrong time of year. As a taxpayer his opinion is that it should be left the way it is with possibly a picnic table.

Jack Esner – Has used the Hysop Road access to launch boats a number of times and notes you can only launch in Spring. The access is very useful for those mending docks as they can float them to the access boat, bring wood to that point and mend on site.

Beverly Murphy – agrees that the Hysop Road is public and has no issue with improvements being made. She recently paid to have a survey done on the area and believes the survey done by the Village is not accurate.

- The CAO noted a legal survey was done, however, she will check with the Supervisor of Public Works.

Dave Smith – it was clarified that there is no intent to install fencing in the area and access to personal property will still be allowed to some extent.

- Councillor Lepsoe requested further explanation – the CAO noted the intent is not to restrict those who already have access but to restrict public usage.

Rus Berzins – commended the Village on the plan to improve the Hysop Road area and has already seen the planting of one fruit tree. He hopes there will be a variety of fruit trees planted. He also noted the neighbour on the other side of the RoW has taken the initiative to put out bags and signage reminding people about picking up dog waste.

Kelly Esslinger – sounds like people like the RoW just the way it is but just would like to see it cleaned up a bit.

5. **REPORTS**

a) Mayor and Council Reports

Mayor Berrigan

- April 28 – Thompson Nicola Regional District Board meeting
- April 28 – Chamber of Commerce dinner
- May 3 – Shuswap Watershed Council
- May 9 – Tax Exemption, Water Rate and financial discussions workshop

Councillor Egely

- April 28 – Chamber of Commerce dinner
- April 29 – Tradeshow meeting with Councillor Maki and DCO
- May 3 – Working with Councillor Maki on display boards for Tradeshow
- May 5 – Thompson Nicola Regional District library for a Seniors tea
- May 6 – Set up Tradeshow from 3:00 – 9:00 p.m.
- May 7 – Shuswap Experience Tradeshow from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- May 9 – Tax Exemption, Water Rate and financial discussions workshop

Councillor Lepsoe

- April 27 – Music on the Lake meeting
- April 28 – Shuswap Tourism meeting at Three Valley Gap
- April 28 – Chief Ahtem school open house
- April 28 – Chamber of Commerce dinner
- May 3 – Adams River Salmon Society meeting
- May 6 – dealt with Bylaw issue
- May 6 – assisted with setting up for Tradeshow
- May 6 – Victory in Europe ceremony at Legion
- May 7 – Attended Tradeshow as Chair of Shuswap Tourism and occasionally helping at the Village booth as well
- May 9 - Tax Exemption, Water Rate and financial discussions workshop

Councillor Maki

- April 27 - chaired Music On The Lake Committee Meeting which has now created a 7 member committee
- April 28th - attended Shuswap Tourism Meeting at 3 Valley Gap with Councillor Lepsoe
- April 28th - attended Chamber Dinner Meeting with guest speaker Robyn Cyr - Ec Dev Officer for CSRD and Shuswap Tourism
- April 29 - Trade Show Meeting with Ms. Pretty and Councillor Egely
- April 29 - chaired YAC meeting

- April 30 - attended a dinner with our Chase Excellence Program Candidates, Retiring Royalty, Visiting Royalty, Instructors and Chaperones
- May 2 - attended monthly Chamber of Commerce Meeting
- May 5 - attended a morning coffee/tea with a small group of seniors at the TNRD Chase Library
- May 6 - attended Shuswap Experience Trade Show Open House
- May 7 - attended the 1st Annual Shuswap Experience Trade Show
- May 9 - Tax Exemption, Water Rate and financial discussions workshop

Councillor Scott

- April 28 – Chamber of Commerce dinner
- May 6 – Candlelight Vigil at Legion
- May 9 - Tax Exemption, Water Rate and financial discussions workshop

b) Staff Reports

Director of Financial Services

Working on tax notices and the new utility rate structure

Fire Department

The CAO reported the Department has had one rescue call so far in May and responded to a gas leak at the Community Hall and one emergency lift assist in April. Training is ongoing with the expectation that all will be trained to exterior level in the next few months.

Public Works

The CAO report Public Works has been very busy with grass cutting and ongoing spring maintenance. Line painting has now been completed and stop signs have been ordered. Hydrant flushing will take place next week. Phase 1 of the sewer lagoon upgrade has now been completed.

Chief Administrative Officer

Working on small development and zoning changes. Has met with the Whitfield developers and received their subdivision application for development of 72 lots for modular homes.

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Egely

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

CARRIED

#2016/05/10_004

6. DELEGATIONS

Greg Witzky, Councill, Adams Lake Indian Band

Councillor Witzky noted he is the Natural Resources Officer with the Adams Lake Indian Band (ALIB) with responsibility for a very large area (from Cranbrook to Williams Lake). He presented Council with a letter of support from ALIB to work with the Village on the Rocky Road Trail initiative. The intent is to identify new trail development along the current lower switchback trails of Scatchard Mountain.

7. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

7.1 Shuswap Avenue Bridge Repairs

Moved by Councillor Maki

Seconded by Councillor Egely

“That the information regarding the Shuswap Avenue Bridge Repairs be received as information.”

**CARRIED
#2016/05/10_005**

7.2 Stop Signs on Pine Street

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Egely

“That resolution #2016/04/26_11 regarding installation of stop signs in both directions at the corner of Pine Street and 4th Avenue until the end of September be rescinded.”

**CARRIED
#2016/05/10_006**

Moved by Councillor Maki

Seconded by Councillor Egely

“That resolution #2015/11/10_009 regarding installation of stop signs at the corner of Pine Street and 5th Avenue be reinstated.”

**CARRIED
#2016/05/10_007**

For clarity, Resolution #2015/11/10_009 reads:

“That stop signs with “New” be installed on Pine Street in both directions at the corner of Pine Street and 5th Avenue, that these signs be temporary pending ongoing monitoring of speeds along Pine Street.”

7.3 Hysop Road Right-of-Way Improvements

Moved by Mayor Berrigan

Seconded by Councillor Maki

“That the matter regarding Hysop Road Right-of-Way improvements be referred back to Administration for further research.”

**CARRIED
#2016/05/10_008**

7.4 Fire Department Regulations Bylaw Amendment – Training Level

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Egely

“That Bylaw No. 818-2016 which sets the minimum level of training for Chase Volunteer Fire Department firefighters at Exterior Operations Level Firefighter and permits Interior Operations level training if pre-approved budget be adopted.”

**CARRIED
#2016/05/10_009**

7.5 2016 Revenue Anticipation Bylaw

Moved by Councillor Egely

Seconded by Councillor Scott

“That Village of Chase Bylaw No. 815-2016 Revenue Anticipation Bylaw be adopted.”

**CARRIED
#2016/05/10_010**

- 7.6 Property Tax Rates
Moved by Councillor Maki
Seconded by Councillor Egely
“That Village of Chase Bylaw No. 819-2016 to establish 2016 Property taxation rates for Municipal, Regional District and Regional Hospital District purposes be adopted.”
CARRIED
#2016/05/10_011
- 7.7 Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw
Moved by Councillor Lepsoe
Seconded by Councillor Scott
“That Village of Chase 2016 – 2020 Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 816-2016 be adopted.”
CARRIED
#2016/05/10_012
- 7.8 Correspondence from the Legion
Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Councillor Egely
“That the correspondence from the Legion thanking Council for their recent attendance at the Candlelight Vigil and for allowing the road closure during that event be received for information.”
CARRIED
#2016/05/10_013
- 7.9 Parcel Tax Bylaw
Moved by Councillor Lepsoe
Seconded by Councillor Maki
“That Resolution #2016/04/26_006 deferring the adoption of the Village of Chase Water & Sewer Frontage Tax Repeal be rescinded.”
CARRIED
#2016/05/10_014
- Moved by Councillor Maki
Seconded by Councillor Egely
“That Village of Chase Bylaw 814-2016 Water and Sewer Frontage Tax Repeal be adopted.”
CARRIED
#2016/05/10_015
8. **NEW BUSINESS**
- 8.1 Kids Don’t Float Initiative
Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Councillor Maki
“That the “Kids Don’t Float Initiative” idea be received for information.”
CARRIED
#2016/05/10_016
- 8.2 Thompson Regional Hospital District
Medical Professional Recruitment Fund Pilot Project
Moved by Councillor Maki
Seconded by Councillor Egely
“That the letter from the TRHD regarding medical professional recruitment fund pilot project be forwarded to the local physician recruitment committee.”
CARRIED
#2016/05/10_017

- 8.3 Local Government Conflict of Interest regulations
Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Mayor Maki
“That the update regarding new regulations for local government officials being able to serve on certain society or corporate boards, without risk of disqualification based on financial conflict of interest be received as information.”
CARRIED
#2016/05/10_018
- 8.4 Chase Excellence Royalty Oath
Moved by Mayor Berrigan
Seconded by Councillor Lepsoe
“That Administration write a letter to Chase Excellence confirming their attendance at the June 14, 2016 Council meeting where the Royalty Oath of Office will be administered.”
CARRIED
#2016/05/10_019
- 8.5 Business Licence requirements for Artists
Moved by Mayor Berrigan
Seconded by Councillor Scott
“That the matter regarding the requirement for Artists to hold a Business Licence be referred back to Administration for consideration when the Business Licence Bylaw is reviewed.”
CARRIED
Councillor Lepsoe opposed
#2016/05/10_020
- 8.6 Speed Signs along Hillside
Moved by Mayor Berrigan
Seconded by Councillor Lepsoe
“That Public Works install 2 additional 30/km per hour signs along Hillside Drive.”
CARRIED
#2016/05/10_021
- 8.7 Indigenous Cultural Competency Training
Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Councillor Egely
“That the memorandum regarding Indigenous Cultural Competency Training being held in Kamloops June 17, 2016 be received for information.” **CARRIED**
#2016/05/10_022
- 8.8 Financial Donation for Fort McMurray
Moved by Councillor Egely
Seconded by Councillor Scott
“That the correspondence from UBCM regarding the City of Cranbrook’s request that other municipalities donate to the recovery of Fort McMurray be received for information.”
UNANIMOUSLY DEFEATED
#2016/05/10_023

Moved by Councillor Egely
Seconded by Councillor Maki

“That the Village of Chase office continues to accept donations towards the recovery fund for Fort McMurray until July 8, 2016 and bring the matter back to Council July 12, 2016 for further discussion.”

**CARRIED
#2016/05/10_024**

8.9 Donation of Goods for residents of Fort McMurray

Moved by Councillor Maki
Seconded by Councillor Egely

“That fees and insurance for use of Room A of the Community Hall for 5 hours on May 12, 2016 in order to accept donations for Fort McMurray be waived.”

**CARRIED
#2016/05/10_025**

8.10 CSS Commencement Ceremony

Mayor Berrigan will attend the 2016 CSS Commencement Ceremony May 27, 2016.

RELEASE OF PREVIOUS IN CAMERA ITEMS

That Administration advertise two more times to invite local trades to submit letters regarding services they provide and that local tradespeople be given opportunities to quote on any contract work required by the Village of Chase.

9. IN CAMERA

Moved by Councillor Maki
Seconded by Councillor Egely

“That the notice of the Special In-Camera Meeting on Tuesday, May 10, 2016 of Village of Chase Council be waived.”

**CARRIED
#2016/05/10_026**

Moved by Councillor Maki
Seconded by Councillor Egely

“That Council recess to an In-Camera meeting pursuant to Section 90 (1) of the Community Charter, paragraph (g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality.”

**CARRIED
#2016/05/10_027**

10. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Maki
Seconded by Councillor Egely

“That the May 10 26, 2016 Village of Chase Regular Council meeting be adjourned.”

**CARRIED
#2016/05/10_028**

Mayor Berrigan adjourned the meeting at 5:52 p.m.

R. Berrigan, Mayor

J. Heinrich, CAO