



Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Village of Chase  
held at the Chase Community Hall, 547 Shuswap Avenue and via Zoom  
on Tuesday, November 30, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Rod Crowe  
Councillor Alison (Ali) Lauzon  
Councillor Ali Maki (virtual)  
Councillor Steve Scott  
Councillor Fred Torbohm

In Attendance: Joni Heinrich, Chief Administrative Officer  
Sean O'Flaherty, Corporate Officer (virtual)  
Joanne Molnar, Chief Financial Officer

Public Participants: 1

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

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

**2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

**“THAT the November 30, 2021 Village of Chase Special Council meeting agenda be adopted as presented.”**

**CARRIED**

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**3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

No minutes

**4. PUBLIC HEARING**

No Public Hearing

**5. PUBLIC INPUT ON CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS**

None

**6. DELEGATIONS**

**6.1 Christina Benty, Strategic Leadership Solutions**

Ms. Benty shared her expertise with Council and the public in attendance regarding asset management for Local Governments. Highlights of her presentation included:

- In order to have sustainable service delivery, local governments need sustainable asset management practices – Asset management is a formalized plan and process for managing the infrastructure and services
- It is important for Councils to have honest conversations with the public about the need for infrastructure renewal and funding for same
- Local governments have an obligation to maintain and ultimately replace aging infrastructure
- Beneficial for local governments to change the ‘narrative’ around public negativity toward government – local government represents the provision of civilized services and systems

- It is common that in most communities across Canada, taxes and fees have not kept up with the cost to provide the services and 1/3 of the assets in Canadian communities are in poor or very poor condition
- Need to ensure we are providing appropriate services and at the right levels
- Assets are only useful if they are providing a service – the services they provide are not just pavement and pipes, they are parks, green infrastructure and humans
- Asset management includes risk assessment – how much life do certain assets have left in them? If an asset fails, what is the cost and level of service disruption? It also includes a financial plan to pay for maintenance and replacement
- An important part of this strategy is educating the public about the need for planning ahead for our assets – taxpayers need to know the costs for the services they receive

**6.2 Dave Underwood, TRUE Consulting**

Dave Underwood shared with Council and the gallery what information has been gathered to date regarding the water, sewer and road assets in the Village of Chase and what are the highest criticality areas for replacement in each of the three asset areas.

**7. REPORTS**

None

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

None

**10. NOTICE OF MOTION**

None

**11. IN CAMERA**

None

**12. RELEASE OF IN CAMERA ITEMS**

None

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

**“THAT the November 30, 2021 Village of Chase Special Council meeting be adjourned.”**

**CARRIED  
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The meeting concluded at 5:37 p.m.

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Rod Crowe, Mayor

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Sean O'Flaherty, Corporate Officer