



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Chase
held in the Council Chamber of the Village Office at 826 Okanagan Avenue
on Tuesday, September 10, 2019, at 4:00 p.m.

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

In Attendance: Joni Heinrich, Chief Administrative Officer
Sean O'Flaherty, Corporate Officer
Joanne Molnar, Chief Financial
Clinton Wright, Manager of Public Works Officer
Brian Lauzon, Fire Chief

Public Gallery: ~30

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 September 10, 2019 Village of Chase Regular Council agenda be adopted as presented.”

CARRIED

#2019/09/10_001

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 Special Meeting of Council held August 19, 2019

Moved by Councillor Maki

Seconded by Councillor Torbohm

“THAT the minutes of the Special meeting of Council held August 19, 2019 be adopted as presented.”

CARRIED

#2019/09/10_002

3.2 Regular Meeting of Council held August 20, 2019

Moved by Councillor Torbohm

Seconded by Mayor Crowe

“THAT the minutes of the Regular meeting of August 20, 2019 be adopted as presented.”

CARRIED

#2019/09/10_003

3.3 Public Hearing held August 20, 2019

Moved by Councillor Lauzon

Seconded by Councillor Scott

“THAT the minutes of the Public Hearing held on August 20, 2019 be adopted as presented.”

CARRIED

#2019/09/10_004

4. PUBLIC HEARING

None

5. PUBLIC INPUT ON CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS

Trish Fernese, of 829 Okanagan Avenue, regarding item 8.8, recognized the Chase Lions' 53-year history in Chase and expressed shock that the Lions aren't being renewed. She stated that the process is not transparent and wanted to know which Councillors voted for the Request for Proposals process.

Carolyn Parks-Mintz, of 813 Okanagan Avenue, regarding item 8.2, said she agreed with 2 of the election recommendations, disagreed with 2 others. She supports using the provincial voters list which was 94.4% accurate at the last election. She is strongly against those who falsify their address. She is supportive of spending more money on the election process to improve accuracy. She supports prohibiting election signs on public property.

Virginia Barkman, of 1166 Okanagan Avenue, regarding item 8.8, said that the Lions provide a valuable service in the community and directly assisted her and her husband during her husband's illness.

Beverley Iglesias, of 621 3rd Avenue, regarding item 8.2, suggested that elections be staffed with those who know the community and the people.

Don Macdonald, of 229A Brooke Drive, regarding item 8.8, suggested the Lions deserve to operate the RV Park.

Shelley Van Dusen, regarding item 8.8, suggested the Lions run the RV Park professionally, and they want nothing back for it. Council's choice has to be about doing the right thing.

6. DELEGATIONS

6.1 Karen Bassett, Chase Lions Club

Ms. Basset, along with President Kevin Watt, member Jim Bryson, and member Jeannie Talbot presented to Council a snapshot of the history of the Lions including their numerous contributions to the community. Their request to Council was to retract the Request for Proposals process, or defer the matter pending more thorough consideration.

8.8 Mill Park RV Park – Request for Proposals

Moved by Mayor Crowe

Seconded by Councillor Scott

“THAT item 8.8, Mill Park RV Park – Request for Proposals, be deferred to the next meeting of Council.”

CARRIED

#2019/09/10_005

6.2 Jeff Conners, Tobacco Reduction Coordinator, Interior Health Authority

Mr. Conners presented to Council the benefits of adopting a bylaw prohibiting smoking, vaping, including cannabis use, in parks and upon civic properties.

Moved by Councillor Maki

Seconded by Mayor Crowe

“THAT Administration draft a smoke/cannabis/vape-free bylaw for Council's consideration.”

CARRIED

#2019/09/10_006

7. REPORTS

a) Mayor and Council Reports

Mayor Crowe

- August 22 – Met with Chase RCMP Staff Sergeant Barry Kennedy and CAO Heinrich
- September 4 – Met with CAO Heinrich and Dr. Don Patterson, a representative for federal election candidate Cindy Derkatz
- September 4 – Attended the Special Chamber of Commerce meeting to discuss the future of the Chamber
- September 9 – Attended a Common Objectives meeting at Quaaout Lodge with CAO Heinrich regarding the future of rural health care
- September 9 - Attended a meeting with the Chase and District Health Services Foundation Board and CAO Heinrich regarding the Shuswap Better at Home Program for Seniors and those with disabilities
- September 10 - Attended the Chase and District Health Services Foundation Board meeting

Councillor Lauzon

- August 26 – Met with Chase Lions Club Secretary Karen Bassett to discuss the proposed Request for Proposals for the Mill Park RV Park, and to discuss a donation that was made by the Lions to the Village for a proposed off leash dog park
- September 3 – Met with CAO Heinrich to discuss a municipal matter
- September 4 - Attended the Special Chamber of Commerce meeting to discuss the future of the Chamber
- September 6 – Met with CAO Joni Heinrich & Corporate Officer Sean O’Flaherty

Councillor Maki

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Councillor Scott

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Councillor Torbohm

- September 3 – Attended Music on the Lake
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b) Staff Reports

Fire Chief:

- Fire call outs: 7 (2 false alarms, 1 burning complaint, 1 public service call, 1 emergency lift assist, 1 carbon monoxide call, 1 structure fire)
- Rescue call outs: 4 (stood down on 2 calls, drivers vacated on 2 other calls)
- 276 Burning Permits have been issued to date
- There are 22 members and 4 junior fire fighters in the department; 1 member on leave
- Working on the Fire Department’s 2020 budget
- Flew flag at half-mast to recognize Fallen Fire Fighters Memorial Day. Almost 90 fire fighters died last year in Canada while on active duty.
- Annual Terry Fox run is on Sunday September 15 at 9:00 a.m.

Reports from the CAO, Corporate Officer, CFO, and Manager of Public Works were included in the agenda package.

Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

“THAT the reports from Council members and staff be received for information.”

CARRIED

#2019/09/10_007

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8.1 Streets and Parking Bylaw Amendment for Highway Closures – Delegation of Authority

Moved by Councillor Maki
Seconded by Mayor Crowe

“THAT Village of Chase Streets and Parking Bylaw Amendment No. 875-2019 be adopted.”

CARRIED

#2019/09/10_008

8.2 Election 2018 – Various Reports

Moved by Councillor Torbohm
Seconded by Mayor Crowe

“THAT Election Bylaw 848-2018 be amended to incorporate the use of the provincial voters list as supplied by Elections BC.”

CARRIED

#2019/09/10_009

Moved by Councillor Lauzon
Seconded by Councillor Torbohm

“THAT more intensive, advanced and ongoing advertising and promotion regarding voter eligibility requirements occur for future elections.”

CARRIED

#2019/09/10_010

Moved by Councillor Maki
Seconded by Councillor Scott

“THAT the report regarding identification requirements for voter registration, be received for information.”

CARRIED

#2019/09/10_011

Moved by Councillor Torbohm
Seconded by Councillor Scott

“THAT the report regarding the processing same-day voter registrants; separating voting areas (municipal, school district, regional district); knowledge base of Election Officials; and election resources for verifying a voter’s residence be received for information.”

CARRIED

#2019/09/10_012

Moved by Councillor Maki
Seconded by Mayor Crowe

“THAT Sign Bylaw 49-1992 be amended to emphasize the prohibition of election signage on all public property; AND,

THAT any mayoral candidate be restricted to placing no more than 30 display signs visible from public property; AND,

THAT any councillor candidate be restricted to placing no more than 20 display signs visible from public property.”
CARRIED
#2019/09/10_013

8.3 Variance of Zoning Regulations – 316 MacPherson Street
Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Councillor Maki
“THAT Council approves Development Variance Permit #2-2019.” **CARRIED**
#2019/09/10_014

8.4 Emergency Operations Centre
Moved by Mayor Crowe
Seconded by Councillor Scott
“THAT Council support the Emergency Operation Centre being located in the Public Works Building at 1067 Paquette Road.” **CARRIED**
#2019/09/10_015

8.5 Asset Management Planning Program Grant
Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Councillor Maki
“THAT the letter from the UBCM Local Government Program Services regarding the payment for the Village’s Asset Management Grant be received as information.” **CARRIED**
#2019/09/10_016

8.6 Rainbow Crosswalk
Moved by Councillor Maki
Seconded by Councillor Scott
“THAT the information pertaining to rainbow crosswalks included in the August 20, 2019 Regular agenda, be received for information.” **CARRIED**
#2019/09/10_017

8.7 Whistle Cessation at Pine Street in Chase
Moved by Councillor Torbohm
Seconded by Councillor Maki
**“THAT Administration conduct a community survey to attain feedback from residents as to their level of support for:
Train whistle cessation only at the Pine Street CP Rail crossing; OR,
Train whistle cessation only at the Aylmer Road CP Rail crossing; OR,
Train whistle cessation at both the Pine Street and the Aylmer Road CP Rail crossings; AND,
THAT the survey results be brought back to Council for consideration”**
CARRIED
#2019/09/10_018

8.8 Mill Park RV Park – Request for Proposals
Item was moved to 6.1

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 2020 4-Year Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 877-2019
Moved by Councillor Maki
Seconded by Mayor Crowe
“THAT the 2020 Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 877-2019 be given first reading.” **CARRIED**
#2019/09/10_019

Moved by Councillor Lauzon
Seconded by Councillor Maki

“THAT the 2020 Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 877-2019 be given second reading.”

**CARRIED
#2019/09/10_020**

9.2 2020 1-Year Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 876-2019

Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Councillor Maki

“THAT the 2020 Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 876-2019 be given first reading.”

**CARRIED
#2019/09/10_021**

Moved by Mayor Crowe
Seconded by Councillor Maki

“THAT the 2020 Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 876-2019 be given second reading.”

**CARRIED
#2019/09/10_022**

Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

“THAT the Chase Legion food service business, and the Sunshore Golf Course food service business be included in the 2020 Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 876-2019.”

**CARRIED
CROWE and MAKI OPPOSED
#2019/09/10_023**

9.3 UBCM – Municipal Insurance Authority

Moved by Mayor Crowe
Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

“THAT Councillor Fred Torbohm be appointed as the Village’s delegate for the Municipal Insurance Association AGM being held during the 2019 UBCM convention.”

**CARRIED
#2019/09/10_024**

9.4 Raise-a-Reader 2019 Fundraising and Awareness Campaign

Moved by Councillor Lauzon
Seconded by Mayor Crowe

“THAT the Raise-a-Reader 2019 Fundraising and Awareness Campaign be awarded a \$500 grant in aid.”

**CARRIED
#2019/09/10_025**

9.5 Commemoration of the 75th Anniversary of the Holland Liberation

Moved by Councillor Lauzon
Seconded by Councillor Torbohm

“THAT the Village purchase the remaining tulip bulbs from the Chase Legion and establish a flower bed in Commemoration of the 75th Anniversary of the Holland/Belgium Liberation.”

**CARRIED
#2019/09/10_026**

9.6 Notice of Intent – Medical Cannabis Facility at 987 Chase-Falkland Rd.

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

“THAT the Notice of Intent from Tumbleweed Farms advising the Village of Chase of their application to Health Canada to become a Licensed Producer at 987 Chase-Falkland Road, be received for information.”

CARRIED

#2019/09/10_027

9.7 Green Communities Committee

Moved by Councillor Maki

Seconded by Councillor Scott

“THAT the letter from Tara Faganello, Assistant Deputy Minister, Local Government Division, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, congratulating Council in their continued efforts in reducing greenhouse gas emissions, be received for information.”

CARRIED

#2019/09/10_028

10. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO SPEAK ON MUNICIPAL MATTERS

Don Macdonald, of 229A Brooke Drive, asked if there were any grants available to pay for road replacement.

Mayor Crowe responded that grants for road improvements were rare.

Carolyn Parks-Mintz, of 813 Okanagan Avenue, asked for a status update on the 3-hour parking limit signs on Thompson Avenue.

The Manager of Public Works replied that he is engaging with business owners prior to sign installation to ensure safe locations of the signs.

Beverley Iglesias, of 621 3rd Avenue, mentioned to Council that the 2015 5-year agreement between the Village and the Lions was not an ‘automatic renewal’ as it took a year to sort out, and the funds generated from most of that agreement term went into the Splash Pad construction project.

Dave Smith, of 423 Larch Street, commended Council on going smoke-free. He asked if IHA was paying for the improved smoke-free signage as it will cost for the signage improvements.

James Mintz, of 813 Okanagan Avenue, thanked Council for making changes to the election procedures.

Mr. Mintz also asked Council to consider a cat bylaw.

11. RELEASE OF IN-CAMERA ITEMS

None

12. IN CAMERA

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Maki

“THAT Council recess to an In Camera meeting pursuant to Section 90 (1) of the *Community Charter*, paragraph (k), negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service.”

CARRIED

#2019/09/10_029

13. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Maki

Seconded by Councillor Scott

“THAT the September 10, 2019 Village of Chase Regular Council meeting be adjourned.”

CARRIED

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The meeting concluded at 6:23 p.m.

Rod Crowe, Mayor

Sean O'Flaherty, Corporate Officer