



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Chase  
held via Electronic Participation on Tuesday, April 28, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.

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

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

Public Participants: 0

**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 Torbohm

**“THAT the April 28, 2020 Village of Chase Regular Council agenda be adopted as presented.”**

**CARRIED**

**#2020/04/28\_001**

**3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

3.1 Regular Meeting held April 14, 2020

Moved by Councillor Lauzon

Seconded by Mayor Crowe

**“THAT the minutes of the April 14, 2020 Regular Meeting of Council be adopted as presented.”**

**CARRIED**

**#2020/04/28\_002**

**4. PUBLIC HEARING**

None

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

Comments submitted by Carolyn Parks-Mintz and James Mintz were summarized:

- Concerns about the decision to allow backyard chickens when the survey only hit 10% of the population of the Village
- Concerns that people will not adhere to requirements that are set out, that enough space will be provided, that neighbours will be negatively impacted
- Additional concerns regarding hen number limits, cleanliness, noise, licensing and fees, butchering, predators
- They also have concerns about shipping containers, that existing containers are not addressed in the proposed bylaw, concerns about the wall of shipping containers that has materialized on Aylmer Road, that other communities do not allow shipping containers at all

**6. DELEGATIONS**

None

## 7. REPORTS

### a) Mayor and Council Reports

#### Mayor Crowe

- April 14 – participated in a conference call with Cathy Thibault, Interior Health Manager, Clinical Operations and our CAO
- April 14 – discussion with Mayor of Salmon Arm regarding Covid-19 and impacts affecting each of our communities
- April 16 – Participated in a TNRD Board of Directors meeting via conference call
- April 22 – Was informed by Interfor, Adams Lake Lumber Division's Woodland Manger of the re-opening of the sawmill on Monday April 27 and relayed that information through to Council

#### Councillor Lauzon

- April 15 – Assisting in organizing and partook in the weekly "parade" showing support for frontline workers, emergency and medical personnel
- April 16 – Participated in a meeting with the Chase Legion Liberation of Holland Committee to arrange for a smaller scale event on May 2
- April 20 – Assisted the Chase Hamper Society with client intake at the Food Bank
- April 22 - Participated in weekly parade of support for frontline workers, emergency and medical personnel. Shaw Community Link was there to record the parade and interview some of the participants
- April 27 – Met with citizens over some concerns and am looking more into the matter

#### Councillor Maki

Was not yet on call during Council reports.

#### Councillor Scott

- Participated in a virtual Adams River Salmon Society meeting

#### Councillor Torbohm

- April 8 – Participated via Zoom in a Shuswap Regional Trails Working Group meeting
- Attended the unsightly property at 524 Hendry
- Received calls from citizens regarding a fallen tree in Chase Creek and a beaver dam – relayed these concerns to the CAO for follow up
- Reviewed agenda, discussed issues with staff and citizens as required

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Mayor Crowe

**"THAT the reports from Council members be received for information."** **CARRIED**  
**#2020/04/28\_004**

## 8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### 8.1 Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw

Moved by Councillor Torbohm

Seconded by Councillor Scott

**"THAT the Village of Chase Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw No. 890-2020 be adopted."** **CARRIED**  
**#2020/04/28\_005**

- 8.2 2020 to 2024 Financial Plan Bylaw  
Moved by Councillor Scott  
Seconded by Mayor Crowe  
**“THAT the 2020 to 2024 Financial Plan Bylaw No. 888-2020 be given third reading.”**  
**CARRIED**  
**#2020/04/28\_006**
- 8.3 Backyard Chickens – Report from the Corporate Officer – Survey Results  
Moved by Councillor Scott  
Seconded by Councillor Maki  
**“THAT the survey results for allowing backyard chickens in Chase be received as information.”**  
**CARRIED**  
**#2020/04/28\_007**
- Moved by Councillor Torbohm  
Seconded by Councillor Lauzon  
**“THAT backyard chickens be allowed in Chase, and that Administration be directed to draft a zoning amendment bylaw inclusive of all necessary criteria for Council’s future consideration.”**  
**CARRIED**  
**#2020/04/28\_008**
- 8.4 2020 Resolutions Submitted to SILGA  
No Motion

*< Councillor Maki joined the meeting at 4:23 p.m. >*

- 8.5 Request to Amend Resolution to UBCM regarding Highway Rescue Funding  
Moved by Councillor Torbohm  
Seconded by Councillor Scott  
**“THAT Council adopt the following enactment clause proposed by Village of Chase Administration:  
Therefore be it resolved that UBCM urge the Province of BC to commit additional funding for Highway Rescue Services to provide a more fair funding model that will ensure the continuation of these services that are vital for people travelling on provincial highways.”**  
**CARRIED**  
**#2020/04/28\_009**
9. **NEW BUSINESS**
- 9.1 524 Hendry Avenue  
Moved by Councillor Lauzon  
Seconded by Councillor Maki  
**“THAT Council approve issuing Notice to the owner or occupier giving them twenty-one (21) days to bring the property into compliance with the Property Maintenance Bylaw.”**  
**CARRIED**  
**#2020/04/28\_010**
- 9.2 Zoning Amendment – Shipping Containers  
Moved by Councillor Scott  
Seconded by Mayor Crowe  
**“THAT Village of Chase Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 887-2020 be given first reading.”**  
**DEFEATED**  
**ALL OPPOSED**  
**#2020/04/28\_011**

Moved by Councillor Scott  
Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

**“THAT the zoning amendment for shipping containers be referred back to Administration to provide more information on similar bylaws from other municipalities.”**

**CARRIED  
#2020/04/28\_012**

9.3 Village of Hazelton – Requesting support for Gaming Grant funds

Moved by Councillor Lauzon  
Seconded by Councillor Maki

**“THAT the Village of Chase supports the resolution of the Village of Hazelton to ask that the Provincial Government provide access to Gaming Grant funds for Local Governments in BC under 10,000 population.”**

**CARRIED  
#2020/04/28\_013**

9.4 Graduating Class – Banner Project

Moved by Mayor Crowe  
Seconded by Councillor Scott

**“THAT the Village of Chase supports the Chase Secondary School graduating class banner initiative, with banners, once produced by the School, to be hung in the downtown core by the Village’s public works staff for the month of June 2020.”**

**CARRIED  
#2020/04/28\_014**

9.5 Request from Dan Jackson, property owner on Hillside re: burning

Moved by Mayor Crowe  
Seconded by Councillor Scott

**“THAT Administration be directed to contact Mr. Jackson and suggest to him his options for reporting concerning outdoor burning observations.”**

**CARRIED  
#2020/04/28\_015**

9.6 TNRD Essential Service Workers - Mutual Aid Agreement Option

Moved by Councillor Scott  
Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

**“THAT the Village of Chase agrees to enter into the Mutual Aid Agreement with other member municipalities of the TNRD to formalize sharing of essential services resources where needed and available while Ministerial Orders 7.1 and 7.2 are in effect.”**

**CARRIED  
#2020/04/28\_016**

9.7 COVID-19 Signage at Entry Points to Village

Moved by Councillor Scott  
Seconded by Councillor Maki

**“THAT Administration be directed to install entrance signage to advise visitors that the Village of Chase is a COVID-19 aware community; AND,**

**THAT the costs for the project does not exceed \$2,000; AND,**

**THAT the costs be submitted to EMBC for reimbursement.”**

**CARRIED  
#2020/04/28\_017**

9.8 Water Rate Increases

Moved by Councillor Lauzon

Seconded by Mayor Crowe

**“THAT due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the increase to flat water rates scheduled for April 1, 2020 be delayed until July, 2020 billing and that prior to July 1, 2020 Council review the rate increase to determine whether the increase is appropriate at that time.”**

**CARRIED  
#2020/04/28\_018**

9.9 Tax Rates Bylaw

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Torbohm

**“THAT the Village of Chase 2020 Tax Rates Bylaw No. 889-2019 be read a first time.”**

**CARRIED  
#2020/04/28\_019**

Moved by Mayor Crowe

Seconded by Councillor Scott

**“THAT the Village of Chase 2020 Tax Rates Bylaw No. 889-2019 be read a second time.”**

**CARRIED  
#2020/04/28\_020**

The CFO noted that in light of the Province of BC delaying the penalty for property tax payments excluding Residential Class properties, Council may wish to provide for a delay to the penalties for property tax payments for Residential properties.

Moved by Mayor Crowe

Seconded by Councillor Maki

**“THAT Administration be directed to draft a bylaw that will alter the Village of Chase property tax penalty deadline specific to Residential class properties to October 1, 2020.”**

**CARRIED  
#2020/04/28\_021**

**10. NOTICE OF MOTION**

Councillor Torbohm provided Notice that a motion will appear on the May 12, 2020 Regular agenda to request the province purchase a replacement rescue truck for the Village of Chase.

Councillor Lauzon noted that the Lions Club intends to open the RV Park soon, and that they have engaged a caretaker. They will adhere to all the guidelines pertaining to private campgrounds during Covid-19 including larger separation between units. Washrooms will stay closed, only those park users with their own facilities will be permitted to stay at the RV Park.

It was noted that the Lions Club, being the lesee of lands owned by the municipality, should be connecting directly with Council on this matter.

Councillor Lauzon will ask the Lions to contact Council directly.

CAO will obtain private campground guidelines in light of Covid-19.

**11. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO SPEAK ON MUNICIPAL MATTERS**

A member of the public (Sandra Welton) submitted an email query asking that Council consider providing a portable toilet at the visitor information centre to make it easier for truckers to have washroom facilities.

It was noted that MOTI has opened most if not all of their rest stops for truckers. If this is the case it might not be necessary for the Village to provide a facility for truckers. Administration will follow up with MOTI.

**12. RELEASE OF IN CAMERA ITEMS**

None

**13. IN CAMERA**

None

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Torbohm

**“THAT the April 28, 2020 Village of Chase Regular Council meeting be adjourned.”**

**CARRIED**

**#2020/04/28\_022**

The meeting concluded at 6:37 p.m.

**Original Signed**  
Rod Crowe, Mayor

**Original Signed**  
Sean O'Flaherty, Corporate Officer