



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Chase
held virtually on
Tuesday, February 23, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.

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

Regrets: Councillor Ali Maki

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

Public Participants: 4

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 February 23, 2021 Village of Chase Regular Council meeting agenda be adopted as presented.”

CARRIED

#2021/02/23_001

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 Minutes of the Regular meeting of Council held February 9, 2021

Moved by Councillor Torbohm

Seconded by Mayor Crowe

“THAT the minutes of the Regular meeting of February 9, 2021 be adopted as presented.”

CARRIED

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4. PUBLIC HEARING

None

5. PUBLIC INPUT ON CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS

Carolyn Parks-Mintz, of 813 Okanagan Avenue, submitted comments lending her support for the conversion of the elevator shaft at the Chase Fire Hall to a hose drying tower.

6. DELEGATIONS

6.1 Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure – Chase West to Chase Creek Bridge

The MoTI project team, led by Lindsey LeBlanc, Assistant Project Manager, updated Council on the Chase Creek Road to Chase West phase, and the Chase West to Chase Creek Bridge phase. Mr. LeBlanc explained that the MoTI team has spoken with many residents and business operators about the proposed changes, and positive feedback has been received. He also explained that working with the Village's Administrative team, all project engineering challenges have been overcome.

6.2 Proposed Telecommunications Cellular Tower – Aylmer Road

Brian Gregg, SitePatch Consulting Ltd. (for TELUS) spoke to the rationale, the benefits, and the consultation process of a proposed telecommunications tower at 530 Aylmer Road. He asked that Council permit him to proceed with a public process to obtain feedback from the community before he readdresses Council regarding the siting of a tower.

Moved by Mayor Crowe

Seconded by Councillor Scott

“THAT SitePatch Consulting Ltd. be permitted to proceed with the referral process including newspaper advertising, related to a proposed telecommunications tower at 530 Aylmer Road.”

**CARRIED
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7. **REPORTS**

a) Mayor and Council Reports

Mayor Crowe

- February 11 – Attended a Special meeting of Council to discuss the Operating Agreement for Art Holding Memorial Arena with the Chase Recreation Society
- February 17 – Attended the Community Hall to witness the flood damage. Spoke with Maureen MacDonald of the Chase Food Bank to gain an understanding on how the water damage affected them
- February 18 – Attended a TNRD Board meeting
- February 19 - Attended a TNRD Committee of the Whole meeting

Councillor Lauzon

- February 10 – Met with the members of the Chase Recreation Society to discuss the pending Arena Operating Agreement
- February 11 – Attended a Special meeting of Council to discuss the Operating Agreement for Art Holding Memorial Arena with the Chase Recreation Society
- February 14 – Engaged some residents with concerns about the proposed residential uses on the Arena lands
- February 14 – Was made aware of an unsightly property uptown
- February 15 – Met with CAO Heinrich to discuss some citizen concerns about the proposed residential uses on the Arena lands
- February 18 – Met with a resident to share the information that CAO Heinrich provided me regarding the Oncore senior housing project
- February 19 – Followed up and addressed the unsightly uptown property concern. Assured the individual that the issue is being addressed.
- February 20 – Discussed the COVID19 funding with the Chase Legion Treasurer
- February 20 - Discussed with the Chase Hamper Society Chair a collaboration attempt to bring local service groups together to communicate, share ideas, and possibly form partnerships

Councillor Scott

- February 11– Attended a special meeting of Council and Recreation Society regarding the Partnering Agreement
- February 22 – Attended an Adams River Salmon Society meeting

Councillor Torbohm

- February 11 – Attended a Special meeting of Council to discuss the Operating Agreement for Art Holding Memorial Arena with the Chase Recreation Society
- February 15 – After receiving information of the Community Hall flooding, I advised CAO Heinrich. A water line feeding a sink burst and water leaked into the basement
- February 16 – Assisted the Chase Food Bank at the Community Hall to help clean up from the flood and raise anything up off the floor
- February 19 - received a complaint from a citizen regarding an issue over the cemetery bylaw 608-2001. Discussed same with the CAO and review the details of the entire bylaw
- February 22 - Met again with CAO Heinrich and discussed the contents of the bylaw and the matter was resolved and the complainant was notified and happy with the action taken
- Met with staff as required
- Read and responded to emails where required
- Reviewed agenda, respond to citizen inquiries

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Torbohm

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

CARRIED
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8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8.1 Council’s Strategic Plan 2021-2022

Moved by Councillor Torbohm

Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

“THAT Council’s 2021-2022 Strategic Plan be adopted.”

CARRIED
#2021/02/23_005

8.2 Letter from the Chase and District Museum & Archives – Grant

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

“THAT the letter from the Chase and District Museum & Archives thanking the Village for the recent grant-in-aid for the new security camera system be received as information.”

CARRIED
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8.3 SILGA Call for Resolutions for 2021 Convention

Moved by Mayor Crowe

Seconded by Councillor Scott

“THAT the Provincial government be asked to urge the fire underwriters to allow small municipalities with small geographic areas to operate their well maintained and low mileage fire apparatus beyond 20 years.”

CARRIED
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8.4 Art Holding Arena Operating Agreement

Council set a date for a Special meeting to discuss the Arena Operating agreement for Tuesday March 2, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 Zoning Amendment - 1162 Shuswap Avenue

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Mayor Crowe

“THAT the zoning amendment application for 1162 Shuswap Avenue be accepted; AND,

THAT the Village of Chase Zoning Amendment Bylaw 897-2021 be read a first time.”

CARRIED

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Moved by Councillor Torbohm

Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

“THAT the Village of Chase Zoning Amendment Bylaw 897-2021 be read a second time.”

CARRIED

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Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Torbohm

“THAT the Village of Chase Zoning Amendment Bylaw 897-2021 be submitted to Public Hearing.”

CARRIED

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9.2 Elevator at Chase Fire Hall – Conversion to Hose Drying Tower

Moved by Councillor Torbohm

Seconded by Mayor Crowe

“THAT the elevator shaft at the Chase Fire Hall be converted into a fire hose drying tower at a cost not to exceed \$2,000.”

CARRIED

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9.3 Community Emergency Preparedness Fund- Flood Risk Assessment, Flood Mapping & Flood Mitigation Planning

Moved by Mayor Crowe

Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

“THAT Council approves the submission of a grant application to the Community Emergency Preparedness Fund under the 2021 Flood Risk Assessment, Flood Mapping & Flood Mitigation Planning Program for the South Thompson River/Little Shuswap Lake floodplain mapping project for a maximum of \$150,000; AND,

That the Village of Chase will provide overall grant management for the project.”

CARRIED

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9.4 Canada Pharmacare Act – Bill C-213

Moved by Councillor Torbohm

Seconded by Councillor Scott

“THAT the Village of Chase support Bill C-213, an Act to enact the Canada Pharmacare Act; and that the resolution be forwarded to MP Peter Julian.”

CARRIED

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- 9.5 Low Income Seniors Housing Project at 221 Shepherd Road
Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Mayor Crowe
“THAT Administration be directed to provide a letter response to Ms. Campbell’s questions.”
CARRIED
#2021/02/23_014
- 9.6 Trans-Canada Highway 1 Chase Four Laning Project
Moved by Councillor Torbohm
Seconded by Councillor Lauzon
“THAT the letter from Jennie Wiebe, President, Sun Valley Housing Society, to the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure, requesting a wall be installed to separate their 48-unit senior housing complex and Brooke Drive, be received as information.”
CARRIED
#2021/02/23_015
- 9.7 3-Digit Suicide Prevention Hotline
Moved by Mayor Crowe
Seconded by Councillor Lauzon
“WHEREAS the Federal government has passed a motion to adopt 988, a National three-digit suicide and crisis hotline;

AND WHEREAS the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has increased the demand for suicide prevention services by 200 per cent;

AND WHEREAS existing suicide prevention hotlines require the user to remember a 10-digit number and go through directories or be placed on hold;

AND WHEREAS in 2022 the United States will have in place a national 988 crisis hotline;

AND WHEREAS the Village of Chase recognizes that it is a significant and important initiative to ensure critical barriers are removed to those in a crisis and seeking help;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Village of Chase endorses this 988 crisis line initiative; AND,

THAT Administration be directed to send a letter indicating such support to the local MP, MPP, Federal Minister of Health, the CRTC and local area municipalities to indicate our support.”
CARRIED
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- 9.8 Human trafficking/sexual exploitation, youth and child exploitation
Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Councillor Torbohm
“THAT the letter Cathy Peters, BC Anti-human trafficking educator, be received as information.”
CARRIED
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10. NOTICE OF MOTION

None

11. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO SPEAK ON MUNICIPAL MATTERS

Sandra Welton, of 6377 VLA Road, requested an update on the memorial bench and plaque in memory of her mother.

The Corporate Officer responded that installation will occur when the weather window is favourable and warm enough for the epoxy to bond.

Bruce Nelson, of 216 Ash Drive, expressed concern about students crossing Shuswap Avenue between Creekside Seniors and the Chase Legion.

Moved by Mayor Crowe

Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

“THAT Public Works be directed to install a crosswalk in a safe location for student crossing West of Veteran’s Bridge.”

CARRIED

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12. IN CAMERA

None

13. RELEASE OF IN CAMERA ITEMS

None

14. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mayor Crowe

Seconded by Councillor Torbohm

“THAT the February 23, 2021 Village of Chase Regular Council meeting be adjourned.”

CARRIED

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The meeting concluded at 5:11 p.m.

Original Signed

Rod Crowe, Mayor

Original Signed

Sean O'Flaherty, Corporate Officer