



## VILLAGE OF CHASE MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING

Held on September 28, 2021 in the Chase Village  
Community Hall, 547 Shuswap Avenue, Chase, BC

**PRESENT:** Mayor Rod Crowe  
Councillor Alison 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 Officer

Public Gallery: 3

### **I. Call to Order**

Chair Crowe called to order the Public Hearing regarding "Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 896-2021" at 4:02 p.m.

### **II. Opening Statement on Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 896-2021**

Chair Crowe read the opening statement for the Public Hearing noting that all persons present who believe their interest in property is affected shall be given an opportunity to be heard or present written submissions.

### **III. Introduction**

Chair Crowe asked the Corporate Officer to provide the background.

The Corporate Officer introduced the bylaw and presented by PowerPoint.  
Some of the key features of the new Official Community Plan (OCP) include:

- Highest order document for a municipality. Council must refer to the OCP when making decisions on land use and all other municipal policies and bylaws must be consistent with the OCP
- Informs and guides how the community will grow and evolve over the next 20+ years
- Previous Chase OCP was adopted in 2002
- New OCP will enable the Village to access more funding opportunities – infrastructure grants, housing grants, DCCs

What was heard during the community consultation was that:

- The community wants more housing options
- Protection of our source drinking water is important
- Improvements to waterfront access should be a priority
- Active Transportation implementation should be accelerated
- There is a significant need for high-speed internet

**IV. Public Input**

The Corporate Officer confirmed that all statutory public notifications occurred and that there was one written submission received.

Chair Crowe called a first time for public input.

Anne Grube, of 5848 VLA Road, and on behalf of the Chase Environmental Action Group, indicated she identified a few typographical errors and would send a follow-up email to the Corporate Officer. Ms. Grube also stated that some of the statements of intent should be more action oriented; that she is in support of a linear park; that she appreciates the food production and sovereignty references; and that she would like to see more incentives for building practices that lower greenhouse gas emissions.

Chair Crowe called a second time for public input. None was forthcoming.

Chair Crowe called a third and final time for public input.

Linda Fleck, of 743 Okanagan Avenue, via email, stated she does not support any lands being removed from parks for other uses.

Hearing no further input, Chair Crowe called for a motion to close the input opportunity and adjourn the Public Hearing.

**V. Adjournment**

Moved by Mayor Crowe

Seconded by Councillor Scott

**“THAT the input opportunity to hear from affected persons regarding Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 896-2021 be closed; AND,**

**THAT the Public Hearing be adjourned.”**

**CARRIED**

The Public Hearing was concluded at 4:26 p.m.

These minutes were adopted by a resolution of Council this \_\_\_ day of October, 2021.

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Rod Crowe, Mayor

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Sean O'Flaherty, Corporate Officer