



AGENDA

Special Meeting of the Council of the Village of Chase held
at the Community Hall at 547 Shuswap Avenue, Chase, BC and virtually via Zoom
on Monday, March 21, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Resolution:

“THAT the March 21, 2022 Village of Chase Special Council meeting agenda be adopted as presented.”

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Resolution:

Pages 1-3

“THAT the January 17, 2022 Village of Chase Special Council Minutes be received as information as they were adopted at the February 8, 2022 Regular Council meeting.”

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

5. PUBLIC INPUT ON CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS

6. DELEGATIONS

None

7. REPORTS

No reports

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8.1 Identifying and Registering Vulnerable Individuals

Discussion amongst attendees.

Recommendation:

“THAT the Village of Chase make available a self-registration form on the Village of Chase website, in digital format that can be emailed, and in hardcopy that can be picked up from the Village office”

8.2 Pre-Planning and Public Education

Discussion amongst attendees.

Recommendation:

“THAT the Village of Chase develop a Neighbourhood Emergency Preparedness program (NEP) that identifies sections of the Village that can be assigned to a community group for the purpose of evacuating vulnerable individuals.”

8.3 Evacuation-Transportation/Destination

Recommendation:

“THAT the following be discussed at future meetings:

- **Matching Neighbourhood areas with community groups**
- **Development of a transportation plan**
- **Educating the public on the NEP**

8.4 Vulnerable Population Evacuation Planning – Set Next Meeting Date

Options for a third meeting:

- Monday, May 2, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.
- Monday, May 9, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.
- Monday May 16, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.

9. NEW BUSINESS

10. NOTICE OF MOTION

11. IN CAMERA

None

12. RELEASE OF IN CAMERA ITEMS

None

13. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution:

“THAT the March 21, 2022 Village of Chase Special Council meeting be adjourned.”



Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Council of the Village of Chase
held at the Chase Community Hall, 547 Shuswap Avenue on
Tuesday, January 17, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.

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

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

Public Participants: 31 (14 in person, 17 virtually)

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 January 17, 2022 Village of Chase Special Council meeting agenda be adopted as presented."

CARRIED

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3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

None

4. PUBLIC HEARING

None

5. PUBLIC INPUT ON CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS

None

6. DELEGATIONS

None

7. REPORTS

None

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 Evacuation Strategy Discussion

Mayor Crowe welcomed everyone and noted:

- We are here to discuss the implementation of a strategy for the 100-200 people in Chase that we know do not have their own transportation or anyone to assist them in the case of an evacuation

Main themes for discussion:

1. Identifying Vulnerable Individuals
2. Pre-Planning and Public Education
3. Evacuation – Transportation/Destination

Comments included:

- The Chase Lions Club has their “clients” logged into their own system – perhaps each group/organization could utilize their own system to capture their clients which would likely capture most if not all of the vulnerable people in Chase
- Suggestion to split the municipality into sections and have one or two people per section and be responsible for the vulnerable individuals in that section
- Should we rely on school busses or should we contract a service?
- Logan Lake’s efforts including coordination, continuing education well in advance of events were referenced and a suggestion was made to have an emergency coordinator for Chase
- Lions Clubs in most communities including Ashcroft, Clinton, Lytton were involved in emergency situations – Lions can assist in identifying individuals needing assistance
- A core committee should be struck to work through this with representatives from each group to provide some oversight
- EMBC has great experience with BC Transit in 2021 for transportation – people and animals were transported – mobilization was very efficient
- People and problems need to be identified
- Non-ambulatory individuals will have supports (e.g. Interior Health)
- Some people can be moved out during alert stages of emergency
- Various groups can be involve including Better at Home, Homecare Services, Seniors Centre, Rotary, Food Bank
- Suggestion for a part-time coordinator perhaps shared between Village of Chase and 3 local area bands
- Helpful to have a central registry in place
- Quadrants or ‘sections’ have been proposed in the Village’s draft evacuation plan – these could be utilized for the purpose of evacuating vulnerable individuals
- The Shuswap Emergency program has developed a Neighbourhood Emergency Preparedness program – NEP – areas are sectioned out by neighbourhoods whose residents look after each other
- Registry takes a lot of time and responsibilities – NEP provides more buy-in and interest
- Need to plan for where people are going and for their needs – medicines, mental illness, drug dependencies
- Personal preparedness is also a big piece
- The Lakes Division Emergency group was referenced
- Various alert systems can be one of many communications tools
- Should consider a local coordinator with a small committee to make this happen
- Need a comprehensive strategy for public education
- UBCM may have funding for a part-time coordinator
- Other communities have valuable information we can obtain

Comments from this meeting will be categorized for an upcoming meeting on this topic so we can begin to narrow down the necessary tasks and assign them to various groups/representatives.

Another meeting will take place sometime in February. Everyone in attendance at this meeting will be notified.

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 Torbohm

“THAT the January 17, 2022 Village of Chase Special Council meeting be adjourned.”

CARRIED

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The meeting concluded at 5:40 p.m.

Original signed

Rod Clowe, Mayor

Original signed

Sean O'Flaherty, Corporate Officer