



## MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Chase  
was held at the Community Hall at 547 Shuswap Avenue, and via Zoom  
on Tuesday, March 22, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.

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

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

Public Participants: 21 (18 in person, 3 virtually)

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Councillor Lauzon presided over the meeting as Acting Mayor and called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

### 2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Torbohm

Seconded by Councillor Scott

**“THAT the March 22, 2022 Village of Chase Regular Council meeting agenda be adopted as presented.”**

**CARRIED**

**#2022/03/22\_001**

### 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 Minutes of the Regular meeting of Council held March 8, 2022

Moved by Mayor Crowe

Seconded by Councillor Torbohm

**“THAT the minutes of the Regular meeting of March 8, 2022, be adopted as presented.”**

**CARRIED**

**#2022/03/22\_002**

### 4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

### 5. PUBLIC INPUT ON CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS

None

### 6. DELEGATIONS

6.1 Ashton Sweetnam, Executive Director, Chase and Area Young Learners Society

Ms. Sweetman relayed the importance of programming in Chase for school aged children, and the real need for childcare. She requested that Council reinstate the summer recreation program and that the Chase and Area Young Learners Society (CAYLS) could offer some assistance to ensure the program can operate. She also requested that Council consider fully funding the Society's "Out of Smoke" program for 2022.

Councillor Lauzon noted that while the Village's Youth Action committee has not been active for two years due to Covid-19, there is money earmarked in the budget for youth oriented programs and activities which could assist the CAYLS.

Council advised Ms. Sweetnam that decisions are not typically made by Council at the time of delegation due to Council needing time to review all information prior to decision making.

Moved by Councillor Maki

Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

**“THAT the requests from the Chase and Area Young Learners Society be deferred to the next Regular Council meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 12, 2022.**

**CARRIED  
#2022/03/22\_003**

## 7. REPORTS

Mayor and Council Reports

### Mayor Crowe

March 8<sup>th</sup> – Attended the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Chase and District Health Foundation.

March 10<sup>th</sup> – Attended the TNRD Board of Directors meeting in Kamloops

March 21<sup>st</sup> – Attended a special meeting of Council around emergency evacuation preparedness planning.

### Councillor Lauzon

March 21<sup>st</sup> – attended the special meeting of Council – Vulnerable Population Evacuation Strategy. She is looking forward to working with the Administration team, local agencies, and Local First Nations

- For information purposes:
  - First Responder training was recently completed on the weekends of March 4<sup>th</sup> and March 11<sup>th</sup>. Seven new First Responders were added to the roster.
  - The Chase Lions club with the assistance of the Chase Firefighters Association will be hosting an Easter Eggstravaganza on Sunday April 17<sup>th</sup> at Willson Park. There will be a bike parade, games and races, and an Easter egg hunt. Hotdogs and snacks will be served.

### Councillor Maki

March 9 - Astrid from WOW - Wednesdays on the Wharf in Salmon Arm was in contact about collaborating on performances this season for Music on the Lake.

March 9 - spoke with Tanner Dawson about collaborating with the Festival Society on a larger scale event in Chase this summer.

March 10 - assisted the Chase Rotary Club on marketing material for this year's Rotary Auction.

March 10 - attended the ETSI-BC Info Session and Funding Announcement for this year's grant intake where it was announced that \$375,000 has been allocated this year and their funding intake will be from April 1 to May 1.

March 15 - Chaired the PNP-EIRP Select Committee meeting where the results of the Priority Sector Survey were shared:

The survey garnered 263 respondents. The types of businesses Chase needs were identified as:

- Retail/Department Stores - 43.30%
- Clothing - Men's/Women's - 36.02%
- Food & Beverage - 35.63%
- Entertainment - 32.95%
- Sports & Recreation - 32.57%

It was very clear from the survey that people in Chase want to support local - they want to do their shopping and recreation in Chase and do not want to drive to Salmon Arm or Kamloops for their family's needs. The community also wants to see updated modern choices; such as fresh farm produce, a quaint nightlife and a brewery/winery/cidery with improved customer service and consistency with hours of operations. Chase was recognized as a very friendly community with many tourist attractions but the lack of housing, cell/internet services and childcare were clearly identified as challenges.

March 16 - spoke to Kerri Lindsay, Manager of Interior Savings in Chase about their upcoming GoByBike program which is being held May 30 - June 5 and encourages British Columbians to ride their bike as much as possible during that week. Since this aligns with our newly revised Official Community Plan and the Chase Active Transportation Plan, Interior Savings would like to collaborate on this initiative with the Village. I encouraged them to connect with the Young Learner's Society - iBike program and Chase Sunflower Bicycle Shop for further collaborations.

March 21 - attended the Special Council Meeting for the Evacuation of Vulnerable Population.

#### Councillor Scott

March 21 – attended the Adams River Salmon Society meeting via zoom

March 21 – attended the Special meeting of council

#### Councillor Torbohm

Conducted regular day to day activities including reading emails, making and receiving phone calls, review meeting agendas, liaising with member of the public and meet with staff members as required.

March 21, 2022 – attended Council Meeting for the Evacuation of Vulnerable Population

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

**“THAT the reports from Council be received as information.”**

**CARRIED**  
**#2022/03/22\_004**

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

8.1 Notice of Motion – Councillor Maki - Grant in Aid Policy

Moved by Councillor Maki

Seconded by Councillor Scott

**“THAT the Village’s Grant-in-Aid policy be revised to clarify language relating to:**

- a. **Types of costs that may be considered can include operational costs**
- b. **That grants will be considered to organizations who have received grants in the past if the application is for a new service, program or event**
- c. **That grants may be used by a group to offset facility rental costs**
- d. **That the words, “A business plan showing” be removed from ‘Requirements for general applications’ and replaced with ‘documentation demonstrating’**
- e. **That the words, “not for targeted costs” under ‘other general criteria for grant considerations’ be removed from the policy as this language is unclear.”**

**CARRIED**

**#2022/03/22\_005**

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

9.1 Temporary Use Permit – 909 Foothills Road

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Torbohm

**“THAT Council approves Temporary Use Permit No. 1-2022.”**

**CARRIED**

**#2022/03/22\_006**

9.2 Application to Vary Regulations of Village of Chase Subdivision

Bylaw 116 MacPherson Street

Moved by Mayor Crowe

Seconded by Councillor Maki

**“THAT Council accepts the Development Variance Permit application for 116 MacPherson Street, and direct Administration to complete the referral process.”**

**CARRIED**

**#2022/03/22\_007**

9.3 Chief Election Officer and Deputy Chief Election Officer

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

**“THAT Joni Heinrich be appointed as the Chief Election Officer and Sean O’Flaherty be appointed as the Deputy Chief Election Officer for the 2022 Local Government Election.”**

**CARRIED**

**#2022/03/22\_008**

- 9.4 Chase & District Festival Society  
Moved by Councillor Torbohm  
Seconded by Mayor Crowe  
**“THAT Council approve the expenditure of \$19,000 to support the Chase and District Festival Society’s delivery of Canada Day and Music on the Lake events in Memorial Park in 2022.”**  
**CARRIED**  
**#2022/03/22\_009**
- 9.5 Rotary Club of Chase – 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Service Auction – April 30, 2022  
Moved by Councillor Scott  
Seconded by Councillor Lauzon  
**“THAT each Council member who wishes to attend the Rotary Auction purchase tickets at their own cost.”**  
**CARRIED**  
**#2022/03/22\_010**
- 9.6 UBCM – Provincial Response to 2021 Resolutions  
Moved by Councillor Torbohm  
Seconded by Councillor Scott  
**“THAT the Provincial Response to the Village of Chase 2021 UBCM resolution be received for information.”**  
**CARRIED**  
**#2022/03/22\_011**
- 9.7 Letter from City of Abbotsford – Build Back Better Funding  
Moved by Councillor Scott  
Seconded by Councillor Lauzon  
**“THAT Council support the resolution put forward to the Lower Mainland Local Government Association from the City of Abbotsford to urge the Provincial Government to provide robust and sustainable ‘Building Back Better’ funding at 100 per cent as part of the first phase of the updated Emergency Program Act in 2022; and additionally consider enhancing the Community Resiliency Investment Program to include funding programs for flood related infrastructure improvement.”**  
**CARRIED**  
**#2022/03/22\_012**
- 9.8 Resolution to NCLGA from City of Terrace – Prolific Offenders  
Moved by Mayor Crowe  
Seconded by Councillor Lauzon  
**“THAT Council support the resolution put forward to the North Central Local Government Association from the City of Terrace asking the NCLGA (and ultimately the UBCM) to lobby the Provincial Government to ensure BC Prosecution Service (Crown Counsel) lives up to its vision, mission and value statements and consider public safety and fairness when dealing with prolific offenders and to develop guidelines as to what constitutes “the public interest” with respect to pursuing charges for criminal offences.”**  
**CARRIED**  
**#2022/03/22\_013**

9.9 District of Elkford Letter regarding Milk Container Recycling in BC

Moved by Councillor Torbohm  
Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

**“THAT the letter from the District of Elkford requesting the Province of BC reconsider the deposit-refund system relating to milk container recycling in BC to ensure the system is equitable to all residents of BC be received as information.”**

**CARRIED  
#2022/03/22\_014**

9.10 BC Craft Brewers Guild, Restaurants Canada, Able BC, and BCRFA Letter regarding Reducing Patio Application Red Tape for BC’s Hospitality Sector and Economic Recovery

Moved by Mayor Crowe  
Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

**“THAT the letter from the BC Craft Brewers Guild Et Al. encouraging municipalities to consult directly with hospitality businesses and various associations be received as information.”**

**CARRIED  
#2022/03/22\_015**

**10. NOTICE OF MOTION**

Councillor Maki provided notice that she will be bringing a motion forward at the next Council meeting to apply for the Economic Trust of the Southern Interior (ETSI) grant to assist with building economic capacity within Chase.

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

None

**12. IN CAMERA**

Moved by Councillor Lauzon  
Seconded by Councillor Scott

**“THAT Council recess to an In Camera meeting pursuant to Section 90 (1) (c) labour relations or other employee relations.”**

**CARRIED  
#2022/03/22\_016**

**13. RELEASE OF IN CAMERA ITEMS**

None

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor Scott  
Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

**“THAT the March 22, 2022 Village of Chase Regular Council meeting be adjourned.”**

The meeting concluded at 5:59 p.m.

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Rod Crowe, Mayor

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Sean O’Flaherty, Corporate Officer