

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Council of the Village of Chase held
in the Council Chambers of the Village Office at 826 Okanagan Avenue
on Tuesday, April 16, 2013 at 3:30 p.m.

Present:	Mayor	R. Anderson
	Councillors	R. Berrigan
		R. Crowe
		D. Lepsoe
		S. Scott
	Chief Administrative Officer	J. Heinrich
	Director of Financial Services	L. Pedersen
	Supervisor of Works	P. Regush
	Corporate Officer	L. Randle
	Fire Chief	B. Chamberlain
	Fire Department	5 Officers/members
	Members of the Public	1 member
	Media	1 member

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Anderson called the meeting to order at 3:40 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Resolution: Moved by Councillor Berrigan
Seconded by Councillor Crowe

"That the agenda be amended by adding item 4 (a) Invitation to "Save the WILD Salmon Gathering" and that the agenda be adopted as amended."

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 Special Council Meeting of April 8, 2013

Resolution: Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Councillor Berrigan

"That the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of April 8, 2013 be adopted as presented."

CARRIED

4. NEW BUSINESS:

4(a) Invitation to "Save the WILD Salmon Gathering"

Resolution: Moved by Councillor Crowe

Seconded by Councillor Berrigan

"That the invitation to attend the Save the Wild Salmon Gathering be received for information."

CARRIED

Five Year Financial Plan/Annual Budget – Fire Department

Tim Kenning, Maintenance Officer for the Fire Department showed several photographs highlighting rusty areas on Unit 3 (the staging area cube van) and Unit 1 (Ford truck). He also read a letter written by a local auto repair business that stated units 1 and 3 are mechanically unreliable.

The Director of Financial Services reviewed the Preliminary Capital Budget Detail Expenditure for the 2013 - 2017 period.

Fire Chief Chamberlain explained some of the pros and cons of various new Fire Department vehicle acquisition options, stating that it his opinion and that of the officers that two new vehicles are needed, one to replace Unit 1 and one to replace Unit 3. A vehicle is needed to transport air cylinders to and from fire scenes to refill, and a small vehicle such as the Village office car would not accommodate 4 fire fighters, their gear and luggage for out-of-town training.

Resolution: Moved by Councillor Berrigan

Seconded by Councillor Scott

"That the Fire Department's \$5000.00 Thermal Imaging Camera capital acquisition item be moved from the 2013 budget year to the 2014 budget year."

CARRIED

The Fire Chief will acquire additional quote information for trucks to replace Units 1 and 3, will provide that information to the Director of Financial Services who will then add it into the proposed 2013 Fire Department Budget for final discussion at the anticipated last budget meeting prior to the bylaws being prepared.

Mayor Anderson suggested that the Fire Chief write a letter clearly explaining the reasons why the Rescue Department needs a \$175,000 4x4 truck and then the Village can take that letter to seek financial support from the surrounding rural response areas of the TNRD and the CSRD.

Councillor Berrigan noted that he believes more grant money and fundraising opportunities are available to a Society than to a municipality in providing Road Rescue Services.

Deputy Chief Amanda Turcotte explained that the Rescue department has received rope training in order to satisfy liability requirements and that this has to be done periodically in order to train new members etc. She explained that no excessive or lavish equipment or training for the Road Rescue Service has occurred.

Councillor Berrigan suggested that the Village should consider hiring an independent contractor to assess the equipment needs of the Fire and Rescue Departments.

Discussion also took place regarding a mutual aid agreement between the Village and the Adams Lake Indian Band. The Chief Administrative Officer explained that she would be meeting with the Adams Lake Indian Band Manager this week and will discuss the possibilities of developing a fire services mutual aid agreement between the Band and the Village.

It was generally agreed among Council members that the Capital items in the 2014-2017 years presently included in the Five Year Financial Plan will be considered and discussed further in future years rather than in 2013.

The Fire Chief explained that the increase in Fire Hall maintenance costs are a result of a number of factors including interior painting, pest control, furnace servicing, etc.

Fire and Rescue Department vehicle maintenance costs increased last year as a result of servicing requirements for aging vehicles and the requirement to have some vehicles re-certified. It was noted that the supplies budget line item has been reduced from the original request to \$15,000 for 2013.

Resolution: Moved by Councillor Berrigan
Seconded by Councillor Crowe

"That the Fire Department's proposed 2013 Operating Budget be approved as presented at the April 16, 2013 Special Budget meeting."

CARRIED

5. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution: Moved by Councillor Berrigan
Seconded by Councillor Crowe

"That the meeting be adjourned."

CARRIED

Mayor Anderson declared the Special Meeting concluded at 4:41 p.m.

These minutes were adopted by a resolution of Council this **30th** day of **APRIL,**
2013.



Mayor,
R. Anderson



Corporate Officer
L. Randle