



MINUTES

of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Chase
held at the Community Hall at 547 Shuswap Avenue, and via Zoom
on Tuesday, August 9, 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
Patricia Sibilleau, Interim Chief Financial Officer
Brian Lauzon, Fire Chief

Public Participants: 7 in-person, 1 via Zoom

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Crowe called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

Mayor Crowe announced that he had September 2022 as Literacy Month in the Village of Chase.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Torbohm

Seconded by Councillor Scott

"THAT the August 9, 2022 Village of Chase Regular Council meeting agenda be adopted with an additional item to provide an Opportunity for the Public to Speak on Municipal Matters."

CARRIED

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3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 Minutes of the Regular Meeting held July 12, 2022

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

"THAT the minutes of the Regular meeting of July 12, 2022 be adopted as presented."

CARRIED

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4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

5. PUBLIC INPUT ON CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS

None

6. DELEGATIONS

None

7. REPORTS

a) Mayor and Council Reports

Mayor Crowe

July 14 – Thompson-Nicola Regional District (TNRD) Board of Directors meeting.

July 25 – Meeting with Neskonlith, Adams Lake and Little Shuswap Lake Chiefs and Councils.

July 26 – Conference call with BC Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General Mike Farnworth on the heat outlook for the province.

August 4 – Contacted staff following reports of damage to properties from blasting operations related to highway construction; learned that multiple investigations are currently underway and spoke with residents impacted by rocks landing on properties.

Councillor Lauzon

July 7 – Reached out to CAO Joni Heinrich to discuss the speed limit at Brooke Drive, requesting that Council reduce the speed limit temporarily in light of the construction detour.

July 8 – Lakes Division Emergency Management meeting, discussions around the MOU.

July 22 – Received emails from a few residents regarding the early closures of the wading pool. Spoke to Mayor Crowe, who reached out to Council to discuss options to keep wading pool open later in the day. I have since received emails thanking Council for extending the hours.

July 25 – Tri Band & Village of Chase meeting – discussions around reconciliation and working collaboratively together, establishing a Memorandum of Understanding. Council brought forward the possibility of the Village & the 3 local Nations working on a project to produce either a mural or crosswalk in the Village to bring awareness to reconciliation.

August 4 – As per request of Chief Lynn Kenoras Duckchief, reached out to CAO Joni Heinrich to provide a briefing of the proposed Reconciliation crosswalk/Mural project. Thank you Joni for completing that.

August 5 – Lakes Division Meeting – discussed what each community is doing to prepare for emergency situations.

Councillor Scott

July 25 – Meeting with Neskonlith, Adams Lake and Little Shuswap Lake Chiefs and Council.

Councillor Torbohm

Read and responded to emails

Reviewed agenda package

b) Staff Reports provided on agenda.

Fire Chief Lauzon gave his report verbally.

Moved by Mayor Crowe

Seconded by Councillor Scott

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

CARRIED
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8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8.1 Zoning Amendment Bylaw for 909 Foothills Road

Moved by Councillor Torbohm

Seconded by Councillor Scott

“THAT the Village of Chase Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 912-2022 be read a third time.”

CARRIED

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Moved by Councillor Torbohm

Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

“THAT the Village of Chase Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 912-2022 be adopted.”

CARRIED

#2022/08/09_005

8.2 Climate Action – Request from Chase Environmental Action Group

Moved by Mayor Crowe

Seconded by Councillor Scott

“WHEREAS the Village of Chase Council recognizes that significant climate change is occurring on our planet, and we all have a role to play in helping to mitigate these changes wherever possible;

THEREFORE the Village of Chase Council acknowledges that Climate Change is real and poses a threat to the Village of Chase and all communities in BC, Canada and elsewhere; AND

THAT Chase Environmental Action Group be requested to raise the following suggestions with the new Council as follows:

- **That the Village of Chase consider forming a Community Climate Action Committee to develop a Climate Action Plan for the Village of Chase based partly on guidelines included in the Village’s Official Community Plan**
- **That Council continues to develop policy and demonstrate climate action mitigation by way of tangible actions the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions in Chase**
- **That Council consider placing Climate Change matters as a top priority in all decisions made by the Village of Chase**
- **That Council consider public engagement to educate, inform and advise the members of the community on how to mitigate climate change**
- **That Council consider providing incentives for energy home efficiency conversions such as solar hot water and solar panel installations**
- **That the new Council be asked to consider discussing climate change mitigation measures with the local three Indigenous communities of Adams Lake, Neskonlith and Little Shuswap Lake.”**

CARRIED

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9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 Official Community Plan (OCP) Amendment Bylaw No. 915-2022

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

“THAT Council consider consultation with persons, organizations and authorities as per section 475 of the Local Government Act it considers affected; AND

THAT the Village of Chase OCP Amendment Bylaw No. 915-2022 be read a first time.”

CARRIED

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Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Mayor Crowe

“THAT the Village of Chase OCP Amendment Bylaw No. 915-2022 be read a second time.”

CARRIED

#2022/08/09_008

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Torbohm

“THAT the Village of Chase OCP Amendment Bylaw No. 915-2022 be submitted to a Public Hearing.”

CARRIED

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9.2 Property Maintenance Amendment Bylaw No. 916-2022

Moved by Councillor Lauzon

Seconded by Councillor Scott

“THAT the Village of Chase Property Maintenance Amendment Bylaw No. 916-2022 be read a first time.”

CARRIED

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Moved by Councillor Torbohm

Seconded by Mayor Crowe

“THAT the Village of Chase Property Maintenance Amendment Bylaw No. 916-2022 be read a second time.”

CARRIED

#2022/08/09_011

9.3 Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 917-2022

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

“THAT the Village of Chase Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 917-2022 be read a first time.”

CARRIED

#2022/08/09_012

Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Lauzon

“THAT the Village of Chase Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 917-2022 be read a second time.”

CARRIED

#2022/08/09_013

Moved by Councillor Lauzon
Seconded by Councillor Scott

"THAT the Village of Chase Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 917-2022 be submitted to a Public Hearing."

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9.4 Development Variance Permit DVP #2-2022, 918 Sicamous Avenue

Councillor Torbohm expressed concerns about the variance for the proposed fence, that the bylaws of the Village should be upheld and not frequently varied.

The Director of Corporate Operations explained that in this case, the difference between the higher height of the sidewalk on Shuswap Avenue at the rear of the property, and the lower grade of the property, reduces the effective height of a standard fence.

Moved by Councillor Lauzon
Seconded by Councillor Scott

"THAT Council accept the application and direct staff to draft a Development Variance Permit and complete the referral process."

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9.5 Development Variance Permit, 424 Bay Street

Councillor Torbohm stated that the proposal includes excessive variation to the zoning requirements and noted that the drawings show a kitchen, which is indicative of a secondary suite. Mayor Crowe noted that the proposed accessory building appears to include a secondary suite, which is not permitted in that zone.

Moved by Councillor Lauzon
Seconded by Councillor Scott

"THAT Council accept the application and direct staff to draft a Development Variance Permit and complete the referral process."

DEFEATED

ALL OPPOSED

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Moved by Councillor Torbohm
Seconded by Councillor Scott

"THAT Council refer the matter back to Administration to obtain further information from the applicant."

CARRIED

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9.6 Village Green Mobile Home Park

Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Councillor Torbohm

"THAT the funding for the unpaved portion of Thompson Avenue be deferred to the 2023 budget deliberations."

CARRIED

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9.7 2022 Capital Project – Road Rehabilitation

Moved by Mayor Crowe

Seconded by Councillor Torbohm

“THAT Council award the 2022 Road Rehabilitation works contract to Okanagan Aggregates’ Ltd. in the amount of \$408,883.17.”

CARRIED

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9.8 Appointment of Chief Financial Officer for Village of Chase

Moved by Councillor Torbohm

Seconded by Mayor Crowe

“THAT Pat Sibilleau be appointed as the interim Chief Financial Officer for the Village of Chase effective July 27, 2022; and, THAT Joanne Molnar, former Director of Financial Services for the Village of Chase, be removed as an official signing authority for the Village of Chase.”

CARRIED

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9.9 Acknowledgement of Creekside Seniors Centre

Moved by Councillor Torbohm

Seconded by Mayor Crowe

“THAT Council acknowledge the generosity of the Creekside Seniors Centre and extend its gratitude on behalf of the community for providing access to a Cooling Centre during recent extreme high temperatures.”

CARRIED

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10. NOTICE OF MOTION

See below.

11. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO SPEAK ON MUNICIPAL MATTERS

Carolyn Parks-Mintz of 813 Okanagan Avenue expressed disappointment with Council’s decision not to declare a climate emergency as was urged by the Chase Environmental Action Group. She noted that 644 communities in Canada have declared a climate emergency and Chase needs to show leadership by declaring a climate emergency.

James Mintz of 813 Okanagan Avenue noted that there is no cost for Council to declare a climate emergency and noted that there are some things that Council could do in its remaining time related to climate action.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Councillor Lauzon gave notice that she will be bringing a resolution forward to the next Council meeting for Council to consider declaring a climate emergency.

12. IN CAMERA

None

13. RELEASE OF IN CAMERA ITEMS

None

14. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mayor Crowe

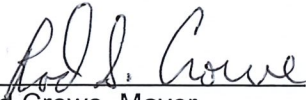
Seconded by Councillor Scott

**"THAT the August 9, 2022 Village of Chase Regular Council meeting be
adjourned."**

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The meeting concluded at 4:48 p.m.



Rod Crowe, Mayor



Sean O'Flaherty, Corporate Officer