



MINUTES

of the Special Meeting of the Council of the Village of Chase
held at the Community Hall at 547 Shuswap Avenue, and via Zoom
on Tuesday, September 20, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

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

In Attendance: Sean O'Flaherty, Director of Corporate Operations
Mike McLean, Deputy Corporate Officer

Public Participants: 6 in-person, 2 virtually

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Crowe called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mayor Crowe noted that Item 9.1 as it is written is being deleted, and replaced with, "Opportunity for members of Council who attended the 3 band/VoC meeting in July to report back to those members of Council that were not in attendance."

Also Mayor Crowe noted that he will give the public an opportunity to speak after Item 9.1.

Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Councillor Maki

"THAT the September 20, 2022 Village of Chase Special Council meeting agenda be adopted as amended to delete Item 9.1 as it is stated on the agenda and replace Item 9.1 with, "An update from the 3 Band/Village of Chase meeting that took place on July 25, 2022 for those Council members that did not attend."

CARRIED
#2022/09/20_001

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

None

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

5. PUBLIC INPUT ON CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS

This item will be considered after Item 9.1 as Item 10.

6. DELEGATIONS

None

7. REPORTS

None

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 July 25, 2022 Meeting with Neskonlith, Adams Lake and Little Shuswap Lake Chiefs and Councils and Village of Chase Council Member

Mayor Crowe noted that a meeting was held with the 3 Bands and Council members (Mayor Crowe, Councillors Lauzon and Scott and the CAO) were in attendance. Maybe different items were discussed including the opioid crisis and other matters that affect all of our communities. I will now ask Councillor Lauzon to speak to this matter.

Councillor Lauzon noted that:

- An idea was brought forward amongst our Council at a former discussion regarding an “Every Child Matters” project
- At the July 25, 2022 meeting the idea of an Every Child Matters project in Chase, with all four communities coming together by contributing to such a project would show collaboration amongst all our communities and show that the Village of Chase supports our local First Nations neighbours by an act of reconciliation
- Some ideas that were brought up at the July 25, 2022 joint meeting included a crosswalk, a mural, banners, a project (such as mural) with a QR code that tells the story of the project
- We were set to discuss this issue further at the September 2, 2022 joint meeting, however that meeting was cancelled due to a death in one of the communities
- Some of the members of one of the local Nations leadership perhaps misunderstood that the issue had not been fully decided, and they contacted the Village to commit funds towards a crosswalk project which as noted already has not been confirmed

It was further noted by members of Council that a crosswalk would not be suitable as a project due to ongoing costs, and that a mural, banner or some other project would be more appropriate.

Moved by Councillor Lauzon

Seconded by Councillor Maki

“THAT Council direct Administration to draft a letter to Neskonlith, Adams Lake and Little Shuswap Lake Chiefs and Councils regarding a joint project promoting reconciliation, clarifying the current misunderstanding that a project has not yet been decided upon, AND;

THAT the proposed project should be further discussed at a future meeting of the 3 Bands’ leadership and the Village of Chase Council; AND

THAT the draft letter be reviewed by Council prior to distribution; AND

THAT the Village of Chase raise the “Every Child Matters” flag on the Village Office’s flag pole on September 29, 2022 to pay tribute to the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation on September 30, 2022.”

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Moved by Councillor Scott
Seconded by Councillor Maki

“THAT Council defer a decision regarding a potential joint project with Neskonlith, Adams Lake and Little Shuswap Lake Chiefs and Councils promoting reconciliation until consideration by the incoming Village of Chase Council and further discussion with the 3 Bands.”

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10. PUBLIC INPUT ON CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS

Krystal Lалуha of 5958 Waterfront Lane noted that she recently spent time in Nelson, BC and they have a number of murals that really showcase the community and its history, and are painted by local artists. Additionally, the project does not have to be funded solely by the taxpayers.

Carolyn Parks-Mintz of 813 Okanagan Avenue stated the importance of inclusiveness in any project relating to reconciliation. Crosswalks can be expensive and murals or some other type of project is a great idea.

**During its October 25, 2022 Special Meeting, Council passed the following resolution:*

“THAT the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held September 20, 2022 be amended to include the comments from Carolyn Parks-Mintz regarding her and Mr. James Mintz’s support of an Every Child Matters project as well as an LGBTQ2S acknowledgement project.”

CARRIED
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Sandra Welton of 6377 VLA Road asked what the costs to upkeep a crosswalk might be. If an Every Child Matters crosswalk were done in Chase, Council would need to consider a Pride crosswalk as well.

It was noted that a crosswalk would require regular maintenance which would entail the cost of paint and the labour to have the paint refreshed, and as well a crosswalk would need to be installed in an appropriate location that ensured safety for vehicles and pedestrians.

11. NOTICE OF MOTION

None

12. IN CAMERA

None

13. RELEASE OF IN CAMERA ITEMS

None

14. ADJOURNMENT

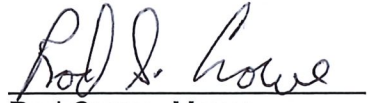
Moved by Councillor Scott

Seconded by Councillor Maki

“THAT the September 20, 2022 Village of Chase Regular Council meeting be adjourned.”

**CARRIED
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The meeting concluded at 5:26 p.m.



Rod Crowe, Mayor



Sean O'Flaherty, Corporate Officer