



MINUTES

of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Chase
held in the Council Chamber at the Village office at 826 Okanagan Avenue
on Tuesday, February 13, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor David Lepsoe
Councillor Colin Connett
Councillor Jane Herman
Councillor Dan Stevens
Councillor Fred Torbohm

In Attendance: Joni Heinrich, Chief Administrative Officer
Sean O'Flaherty, Director of Corporate Operations
Deb Lovin, Chief Financial Officer
Mike Baker, Manager of Public Works
Mike McLean, Deputy Corporate Officer

Public Participants: 17 in-person, 6 virtual

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Lepsoe called the meeting to order at 4:03 pm.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Herman

Seconded by Councillor Torbohm

"THAT the agenda of the February 13, 2024 Regular Meeting be adopted as presented."

CARRIED
#2024/02/13_001

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 Minutes of the January 23, 2024 Regular Meeting

Moved by Councillor Connett

Seconded by Councillor Torbohm

"THAT the minutes of the January 23, 2024 Regular Meeting be adopted as presented."

CARRIED
#2024/02/13_002

3.2 Minutes of the February 6, 2024 Special Meeting

Moved by Councillor Stevens

Seconded by Councillor Herman

"THAT the minutes of the February 6, 2024 Special Meeting be adopted as presented."

CARRIED
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4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

5. PUBLIC INPUT ON CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS

James Mintz of 813 Okanagan Avenue spoke about Item 9.3, expressing his desire for more information regarding the location, path and composition of the Coburn Street Multi-Use Pathway.

6. DELEGATIONS

6.1 Jean Holt – 235 Willow Street

Ms. Holt read out a statement she had prepared and highlighted various issues including the water minimum consumption charge being too high for many seniors who are water conscious and seniors on fixed incomes cannot afford these continual increases.

6.2 Don Cavers & Thompson-Okanagan Co-Op Housing Society – 116 MacPherson Street Development

Don Cavers spoke about his proposal for low income housing and how the need is great in Chase and he has people waiting to move into units when they are completed. He said that the Village has held him up on numerous occasions and he wants to get this development underway.

Michael Shapcott representing the Thompson Okanagan Co-Op Housing Society urged Council to direct staff to move more quickly on this project, to follow the Village's housing needs assessment, and to work creatively with the developer regarding surety bond as tying up this much money will certainly kill the project.

7. REPORTS

a) Mayor and Council Reports

Mayor Lepsoe

February 1 – Attended Adams Lake Indian Band fire department open house

February 6 – sat in on Broadband meeting with staff

February 6 – had a lunch meeting with Neskonlith Kukpi7 Irvin Wai

February 6 – Special meeting of Council for swearing in of new Councillor Dan Stevens

February 7 – had lunch meeting with Mayor of Salmon Arm

February 13 – Special Council meeting

February 13 – Participated in meeting with Neskonlith Council members regarding setting up a monthly meeting with Mayor and CAO as well as discussion regarding broadband performance test and support from Neskonlith for funding application

Councillor Connett

January 23 – Attended Regular meeting of Council

February 6 – Attended Special meeting of Council

February 12 – Attended Climate Action Committee meeting

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Councillor Herman

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Councillor Stevens

February 6 – Attended Special Meeting of Council
February 13 - Attended Special Meetings

Councillor Torbohm

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Spoke recently with Sargeant Kennedy regarding speed sign locations and requested Citizens on Patrol speed tests for 2nd Avenue, Pine Street and Shuswap Avenue.

Ongoing review of agenda, monitoring emails, answering questions from local residents, and consulted with staff.

Staff reports were included in the agenda package.

Moved by Councillor Torbohm
Seconded by Councillor Stevens

“THAT the reports from Council and staff members be received for information.”

CARRIED
#2024/02/13_004

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8.1 Zoning Amendment Bylaw – 743 Cedar Avenue

Moved by Councillor Connett
Seconded by Councillor Herman

“THAT the Village of Chase Zoning Amendment Bylaw 934-2024 be adopted.”

CARRIED
#2024/02/13_005

8.2 Bylaw 935-2024 2023-2027 Amended Financial Plan Bylaw

Moved by Councillor Stevens
Seconded by Councillor Herman

“THAT the Village of Chase 2023-2027 Amended Financial Plan Bylaw 935-2024 be adopted.”

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9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 Report of Official 2024 Local By-Election Results

Moved by Councillor Torbohm
Seconded by Councillor Herman

“THAT the report on the 2024 By-Election results for the Village of Chase be received for information.”

CARRIED
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9.2 Lagoon Headworks Improvements Grant – Village Representative

Moved by Councillor Herman

Seconded by Councillor Stevens

“THAT Council award the Village Representative for the Lagoon Headworks Improvements Grant to TRUE Consulting in the amount of \$67,000.”

CARRIED

#2024/02/13_008

9.3 Award of Contract for Coburn Street Multi-Use Pathway – Phase 1&2

Moved by Councillor Connett

Seconded by Councillor Herman

“THAT Council award the Contract for Coburn Street Multi-Use Pathway – Phase I&II to General Assembly Excavating Ltd. in the amount of \$151,010.75; AND,

THAT the project be funded from the 2023 BC Active Transportation Infrastructure grant, with the remainder funded from the Local Government Climate Action Program grant.”

CARRIED

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9.4 UBCM Local Government Program Services

Community Emergency Preparedness Fund

Emergency Operations Centre Equipment and Training

Moved by Councillor Herman

Seconded by Councillor Stevens

“THAT the Village of Chase Council supports the current proposed application for funding to purchase a generator for use primarily at the Village office during an activated Emergency Operations Centre; AND,

THAT the Village of Chase will provide overall grant management.”

CARRIED

#2024/02/13_010

9.5 Bill 34 – District of Sicamous – Request for Support

Moved by Councillor Herman

Seconded by Councillor Torbohm

“THAT the letter from the District of Sicamous regarding Bill 34 be received for information.”

CARRIED

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10. NOTICE OF MOTION

None

11. IN CAMERA

None

12. RELEASE OF IN CAMERA ITEMS

None

14. ADJOURNMENT


Moved by Councillor Torbohm

Seconded by Councillor Stevens


“THAT the February 13, 2024 Regular Meeting be adjourned.”

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The meeting concluded at 4:45 p.m.



David Lepsoe, Mayor



Sean O'Flaherty, Corporate Officer