



CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF POUCE COUPE

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Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting September 15, 2008 Held in the Village Council Chambers

ATTENDANCE: Councillor Peter Kut (Acting Mayor)
Councillor Christabelle Kux-Kardos
Councillor Malcolm Supernault
Councillor Donna White

Peter Thomas, Chief Administrative Officer

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Michael Helfin, Northeast News
Nadine Gagne, Resident
Sue Kenny, Community Futures
Vi Robb, Resident

1. CALL TO ORDER

Acting Mayor Kut called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by Councillor White and seconded, THAT
the Agenda for the Regular Council meeting of September 15, 2008 be adopted as
presented. **CARRIED**

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- a) Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of September 2, 2008.
MOVED by Councillor Kux-Kardos and seconded, THAT
the Minutes for the Regular Council Meeting of September 2, 2008 be adopted with the
following amendment: 11 j) the Museum organizes the Harvest Tea, not the Library.
CARRIED

4. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

- 7a) Ministry of Transportation Re: Bisette Bridge Re-Build Contract, Article 5.
- 8m) BC Ombudsman Re: Early Resolution Process.
- 8n) Municipal Pension Retirees' Association Re: UBCM Resolution.
- 8o) NRAHTA Re: October 24 and 25 Planning Session.
- 8p) Council of Canadians Re: Resolution B38 "Private Power Projects."
- 8q) PRRD Re: Draft Regional Solid Waste Management Plan.
- 11h) Surplus Equipment Disposal
 - Report of CAO and Public Works Supervisor

5. PUBLIC HEARING - NIL

6. DELEGATIONS

- a) Community Futures, Re: Economic Development Study Update, Sue Kenny
Sue Kenny from Community Futures updated Council on the Economic Development

Strategy project. They are planning on meeting with the business community again September 23-25. They are considering getting some conceptual drawings on potential improvements on the highway corridor. She hopes to have a draft plan in early October. They are researching other communities similar in geographical area to Pouce Coupe.

Council **DIRECTED** Administration to ensure that Community Futures is considered for the joint tourism committee. Acting Mayor Kut thanked Ms. Kenny for her presentation.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES – NIL

- a) Ministry of Transportation Re: Bisette Bridge Re-Build Contract, Article 5.

At the previous meeting, Council tabled this item and directed Administration to arrange another public meeting with the Ministry of Transportation. That meeting was advertised and held on September 11, 2008. The meeting outcome was a positive one.

Council also requested that the Ministry of Transportation add an indemnity clause to the contract that relieves the Village of Pouce Coupe of all liability while the bypass is on our land. This has been done.

MOVED by Councillor Kux-Kardos and seconded THAT

Council enter into an agreement with the Ministry of Highways to allow them to access and use our land in the construction of a bypass bridge to the Bisette bridge to July 31, 2010, AND THAT the CAO and Mayor sign the agreement.

CARRIED

8. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) PRRD Re: Development Variance Permit #166/08 To Vary the Maximum Allowable Floor Area of Accessory Buildings from 232 m² to 318 m² to Allow for an Additional 223 m² Shop, North of Fort St. John, Dated September 4, 2008.

Council **DIRECTED** Administration to advise that Council has no objection to Application for Development Variance Permit #166/08.

- b) PRRD Re: "Seniors in Communities" Dialogue.

Council **DIRECTED** Administration to ensure Mayor Smith is aware of the meeting, as well as our local seniors: Tremblay House, Gatekeepers, and the Pouce Coupe Foundation.

- c) Dawson Creek and District Hospital Foundation Re: Donation to Charity Golf Tournament.

ACCEPTED for information by consensus of Council.

- d) Nadine Gagne, Resident Re: School Crossings.

Ms. Gagne made a presentation to Council, advising them that there are a number of children crossing Highway 2 and it is very unsafe. She proposes installing a pedestrian stop light across the road so everyone can cross safely, like the system in Taylor.

Council **DIRECTED** Administration to send this concern to the Ministry of Transportation. Copies of the letter are to be sent to Ms. Gagne, and Minister Lekstrom.

- e) CUPE BC Re: Trade Investment and Labour Mobility Agreement.

Councillor Kux-Kardos invited input from any Councillor for any UBCM resolutions that they would like her to take to the UBCM meetings.

ACCEPTED for information by consensus of Council.

- f) Canadian Office and Professional Employees Union Local 378 Re: Independent Power Projects.

ACCEPTED for information by consensus of Council.

- g) Fraser Basin Council Re: UBCM Breakfast September 24, 2008.
ACCEPTED for information by consensus of Council.
- h) Project Team, Site C Re: Notice of Consultation Meetings in October and November.
Mayor Smith will be unable to attend, as she will be at the Oil and Gas Conference in Fort St. John. There is a feedback form available online for the Site C Project.
- i) 2010 Legacies Now Re: 2010 Legacies Now Programs.
ACCEPTED for information by consensus of Council.
- j) EnCana Events Centre Re: Official Opening September 19, 2008.
Councillors White and Kux-Kardos will attend the EnCana Events Centre Grand Opening on September 19, 2008. Mayor Smith should also be advised of the invitation.
- k) Measuring Up the North Re: Year 2 Kick Start Workshop.
ACCEPTED for information by consensus of Council.
- l) Youth Parliament of British Columbia Alumni Society Re: British Columbia Youth Parliament, 80th Parliament.
ACCEPTED for information by consensus of Council.
- m) BC Ombudsman Re: Early Resolution Process.
ACCEPTED for information by consensus of Council.
- n) Municipal Pension Retirees' Association Re: UBCM Resolution.
Councillor White expressed an interest in supporting the resolution #120 in the B2 section at the UBCM meetings.
- o) NRAHTA Re: October 24 and 25 Planning Session.
MOVED by Councillor White and seconded THAT
Councillor Kux-Kardos attend the NRAHTA planning sessions in Fort St. John October 24 and 25, and that the expenses come from the Council Travel account.

CARRIED

Council **DIRECTED** Administration to follow up with NRAHTA as to whether Museum member Barb Frost is to be part of this initiative.

- p) The Council of Canadians Re: Resolution B38 "Private Power Projects."
ACCEPTED for information by consensus of Council.
- q) PRRD Re: Draft Regional Solid Waste Management Plan.
Council **DIRECTED** Administration to review the Solid Waste Management Plan to ensure the Village's interests are represented.

9. RESOLUTIONS

- a) Accounts Payable Report – September 4, 2008, \$22,460.36.
- b) Accounts Payable Report – September 11, 2008, \$19,166.59.
MOVED by Councillor White and seconded THAT
Council approves the Accounts Payable Reports from September 4, 2008 and September 11, 2008 in the amounts of \$22,460.36 and \$19,166.59 respectively.

CARRIED

10. BYLAWS

- a) Bylaw No. 918, 2008, Pedestrian Pathway Dedication Cancellation Bylaw, A Bylaw to Permanently Close and Remove a Highway (Pedestrian) Dedication Between 46th and 47th Avenue, Pouce Coupe, First Readings.
The CAO noted that the land title plan is Plan # 8565.

MOVED by Councillor Kux-Kardos and seconded THAT
Council approves the first two readings of Bylaw #918, A Bylaw to Permanently Close and Remove a Highway (Pedestrian) Dedication Between 46th and 47th Avenue.

CARRIED

11. REPORTS

- a) DPW Update Report
ACCEPTED for information by consensus of Council.
- b) Risk Assessment Report
- Report of Harry Hamilton
 - Report of the Municipal Insurance Association
- Council **DIRECTED** Administration to determine values and plans for all the outstanding items in the MIA reports, and report back to Council.
- c) Councillor Supernault Portfolio Report – Verbal
The Department of Public Works is having some issues with drainage sink holes and erosion by the CRS yard on 52nd Avenue, and is investigating.
- d) Councillor Kux-Kardos Portfolio Report – Verbal
Councillor Kux-Kardos attended the PRMA meeting in Tumbler Ridge on September 3. She also attended the Chamber Luncheon on September 11, 2008.
- e) Councillor Kut Portfolio Report – Verbal
Nothing to report at this time.
- f) Councillor White Portfolio Report – Verbal
Councillor White attended to an ESS meeting last week and they are planning to recruit some more members. She also attended Don Pettit's book signing.
- g) Mayor Smith Portfolio Report – Verbal
Mayor Smith was not in attendance.
- h) Surplus Equipment Disposal
- Report of CAO and Department of Public Works Supervisor
- It was noted that the Vactor vacuum does not work, but the truck runs fine. The truck has had new brakes and hydraulics completed recently, and those costs are to be recovered.

MOVED by Councillor Kux-Kardos and seconded THAT
Council approve the advertising in the Dawson Creek Daily News, Mirror, and the Northeast News; and the subsequent sale of the above mentioned surplus equipment.

CARRIED

12. REPORT OF CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

- Progress Report to September 10, 2008
- ACCEPTED** for information by consensus of Council.

13. **QUESTION PERIOD – NIL**

14. **NEW BUSINESS – NIL**

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Chairperson
Acting Mayor
Peter Kut

Recorder
Chief Administrative Officer
Peter Thomas

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