

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF MONTROSE

**REGULAR MEETING # 27-03**

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Montrose held in the Council Chambers on December 2, 2003.

Present: Mayor M. Walsh  
Councillor A. Benzer  
Councillor G. Parker  
Councillor R. Schmidt  
Councillor G. Welsh  
Administrator A. Carrel

Absent: Nil

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

**AGENDA**

Agenda Moved by Councillor Benzer  
Seconded by Councillor Parker  
That the revised agenda for Regular Meeting # 27-03 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

**DELEGATIONS**

W. White Mr. W. White made a presentation to Council on behalf of the Montrose Citizens Association on the topics of water meters and the school board property.

**MINUTES**

Meeting # 26-03 Moved by Councillor Welsh  
Seconded by Councillor Benzer  
That the Minutes of Regular Meeting # 26-03 of November 18, 2003, be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Moved by Councillor Schmidt  
Seconded by Councillor Welsh

That the Consent Calendar including:

- (1) UBCM – Member Release;
- (2) S. McNaughten – CPC Terms of Reference;
- (3) IH – COO Report;
- (4) R. Gaudart – Contaminated Soil Delivery;
- (5) CUPE – Bill 65 & 75 Safety Standards Act;
- (6) KBRFS – Sep/03 Incident Report;
- (7) SD # 20 – Board Minutes Nov/17 & Nov/24/03;
- (8) Ministry of Transportation – Opening up BC;
- (9) LCCDT – Update & Nov/26/03 Minutes;
- (10) BC Govt Caucus – News Release;
- (11) SD # 20 – Board Update;
- (12) M. Krussse – Outlook 2004;
- (13) MIA – Risk Management Tidbits, and
- (14) Greater Trail Health Watch Minutes

be accepted as circulated.

CARRIED

**MOTIONS & SUBMISSIONS**

- Committees
- Mayor Walsh appointed the following Committee Chairs:
- Councillor Parker
- Protective Services, Parks & Playgrounds, Bargaining;
- Councillor Parker
- Finance & School
- Councillor Schmidt
- Administration & Bylaws
- Councillor Welsh
- Community Relations & Public Works
- Mayor Walsh
- Municipal Buildings
- RD Director
- Moved by Councillor Welsh  
Seconded by Councillor Parker
- That Councillor Benzer be appointed to serve as Director for the Village of Montrose on the Board of the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary for one year.
- CARRIED
- Moved by Councillor Benzer  
Seconded by Councillor Schmidt
- That Councillor Welsh be appointed to serve as Alternate Director for the Village of Montrose on the Board of the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary for one year.
- CARRIED
- Signatures
- Moved by Councillor Schmidt  
Seconded by Councillor Parker
- That the signatures required to validate cheques and other instruments for payment issued on behalf of the Village of Montrose include:
- a) the Mayor or any one Councillor on behalf of Council, and
  - b) the Treasurer, or Deputy Treasurer, or one Administration Clerk on behalf of the administration.
- CARRIED
- Auditors
- Moved by Councillor Benzer  
Seconded by Councillor Welsh
- That the firm of Soligo & Associates Ltd. be appointed to serve as auditors for the Village of Montrose.
- CARRIED
- Moved by Councillor Benzer  
Seconded by Councillor Parker
- That a policy be drafted to provide for the periodic review of professional and similar services of a continuous nature.
- CARRIED

**REFERRALS FROM PRIOR MEETINGS**

Nil

**REFERRALS FROM DELEGATIONS**

Nil

**CORRESPONDENCE**

- PHSA A letter of invitation to attend a reception in conjunction with the Provincial Health Services Authority Board Meeting on Dec/11/03 in Kelowna.  
Acknowledged
- City of Nelson Copy of a letter to the Premier on the subject of Bill 79, the Columbia Basin Trust Amendment Act.  
Acknowledged
- LCCDT An e-mail from Mr. E. Lalonde, Lower Columbia Community Development Team, confirming the approval of a \$50,000 grant for the North-South transportation corridor study.  
Acknowledged
- City of Nelson Copy of a letter to the Premier on the subject of Bill 75, the Significant Projects Streamlining Act.  
Acknowledged
- HR Canada An Nomination package for the 2004 Thérèse Casgrain Volunteer Award.  
Council requested a report on the feasibility of a local nomination.
- MCA A letter from the Montrose Citizens Association stating the Association's position on funding for Montrose School building and property, Promotional Committee, and taxation for promotional purposes.  
Acknowledged
- UBCM Copy of a letter from the Union of BC Municipalities to the Hon. K. Falcon, Minister of State for Deregulation, on the subject of Bill 75, the Significant Projects Streamlining Act.  
Moved by Councillor Benzer  
Seconded by Councillor Parker  
That a letter be written to the UBCM in support of their position on Bill 75.  
CARRIED
- Belcarra A letter of support for the City of Coquitlam resolution on Age of Consent.  
Acknowledged
- PEP Registration information from the Provincial Emergency Program on Emergency Management Training in the South East Region.  
Referred to the meeting of Jan/06/04.
- West Vancouver Copy of a letter to the Premier on the subject of Bill 75, the Significant Projects Streamlining Act.  
Acknowledged
- Port Alberni Copy of an e-mail to the Hon. K. Falcon, Minister of State for Deregulation, on the subject of Bill 75, the Significant Projects Streamlining Act.  
Acknowledged

- Aquila A letter from Aquila Networks Canada (BC) informing Council of an application to the British Columbia Utilities Commission for a rate increase of 3.4% effective January 1, 2004.  
Council requested additional information.
- AKBM Copy of a letter to the Hon. K. Falcon, Minister of State for Deregulation, on the subject of Bill 75, the Significant Projects Streamlining Act.  
Acknowledged
- MCA Copy of a letter to the Ministry of Highways concerning the lack of winter road maintenance.  
Acknowledged
- Gas Committee A memorandum from the Terasen Gas Franchise/Operating Agreement Committee.  
Acknowledged
- Interior Health An e-mail from the Interior Health Planning and Project Coordinator concerning the draft report on Health Services in Rural and Remote Communities.  
Acknowledged
- RDKB A letter from the RDKB Resource Recovery Coordinator, inviting the appointment of a staff member to a Public Advisory Committee on the Waste Management Plan.  
Council requested additional information on the municipal appointment
- Burnaby A request from the City of Burnaby for support of their resolution on Bill 75, the Significant Projects Streamlining Act.  
Acknowledged
- RDKB A notice from the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary concerning the cancellation of the Dec/4/03 Waste Management and Recreation Service Review meetings.  
Acknowledged

#### **REPORTS & MEMORANDA**

- Staff Report Deputy Clerk – A report on action take by staff in response to Council directives from Meeting # 26-03 of November 18, 2003.  
Moved by Councillor Parker  
Seconded by Councillor Schmidt  
That the Village contribute to the removal of trees at 610-7<sup>th</sup> Avenue.  
DEFEATED  
Council requested a price quote on a standing ad for the rental of the Community Hall in the "Pennywise" publication.  
Council requested a staff recommendation on providing a wine glass rental option for the Community Hall.  
Moved by Councillor Benzer  
Seconded by Councillor Schmidt  
That Board of Variance incumbents Messrs. D. Mailey and W. White be reappointed for a three-year term.  
CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Welsh  
Seconded by Councillor Schmidt

That Mr. R. Dale-Johnson be appointed to the Board of Variance for a three-year term.

DEFEATED

Moved by Councillor Parker  
Seconded by Councillor Benzer

That Mr. P. Terness be appointed to the Board of Variance for a three-year term.

CARRIED

Council directed that letters of appreciation be sent to the retiring Board of Variance member and to the volunteers who offered to serve on the Board.

Council agreed by consensus to close the Village Office on Dec/24/03, Dec/31/03, and Jan/2/04, and to close the Public Works Department on Jan/2/04.

Energy Cons. Urban Systems Ltd. – A preliminary report on optimizing utility charges for the water system.  
Referred to next meeting

### **Financial Matters**

Accounts Payable # 6218-6238 Moved by Councillor Benzer  
Seconded by Councillor Parker

That the commitments and expenditures represented by the accounts payable listed below be authorized and that the payment in the amount of SEVENTY-ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED and ELEVEN dollars and SIXTY-SEVEN cents be approved:

Payroll direct deposits and cheques # 6218-6238	\$	71,711.67
TOTAL NET CURRENT EXPENDITURE	\$	71,711.67

CARRIED

### **BYLAWS**

Nil

### **POLICIES**

# 0330 Moved by Councillor Parker  
Seconded by Councillor Benzer

That the staff recommendation for the amendment of Policy #0330, being the Community Recognition Policy, be adopted and that the policy be confirmed as amended.

CARRIED

# 1240 Moved by Councillor Parker  
Seconded by Councillor Welsh

That Policy # 1240, being the Equipment Loan Policy, be confirmed unchanged.

CARRIED

# 1730 Moved by Councillor Schmidt  
Seconded by Councillor Welsh

That Policy # 1730, being the Cheque Cashing Policy, be confirmed unchanged.

CARRIED

# 7130                    Moved by Councillor Welsh  
 Seconded by Councillor Parker  
 That Policy # 7130, being the Emergency Call-Out Policy, be confirmed unchanged.  
 CARRIED

**MEMBER REPORTS & INQUIRIES**

Councillor Schmidt    A verbal report on:  
 a) MIA Board meeting report;  
 b) Request for a supply of Wilderness Committee calendars;  
 c) BV Community Policing Xmas party;  
 d) Border crossing study funding;  
 e) CMON school project.

Councillor Benzer     A verbal report on:  
 a) KAST meeting report;  
 b) LCCDT meeting report;  
 c) RDKB meeting report.

Councillor Parker     A verbal report on:  
 a) Community policing consultative meeting report;  
 b) Winter road maintenance conditions

Moved by Councillor Parker  
 Seconded by Councillor Benzer  
 That a letter be written to the Ministry of Transportation concerning the level of winter road maintenance during the week of November 24, with copies to the MLA, Emcon, the RCMP, School District # 20, and the Interior Health Authority.  
 CARRIED

Councillor Welsh     A verbal report on:  
 a) Water meter report in The Province newspaper.

Mayor Walsh            A verbal report on:  
 a) Volunteers' dinner  
 b) Award presentation for MYATS  
 c) Rearranging Council pictures in Council Chambers;  
 d) Need for earlier winter road maintenance response on weekends.

Administrator        No report.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion by Councillor Parker the meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

I hereby certify the preceding to be a true and correct account of the Regular Meeting # 27-03 of Council held on December 2, 2003.

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 Mayor

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 Clerk