

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF MONTROSE

DRAFT **REGULAR MEETING #4 - 12** **DRAFT**

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Montrose held in the Council Chambers on February 6, 2012.

Present Mayor J. Danchuk
Councillor D. Berriault
Councillor C. Cook
Councillor D. Duclos
Councillor M. Gay
CAO K. Chartres

Media Nil

Residents – Six
Fortis Rep. - One

CALL TO ORDER

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

AGENDA

Agenda Moved by Councillor Cook
Seconded by Councillor Berriault

THAT the agenda for Regular Meeting #4-12 be adopted as circulated.

1-4-12 CARRIED

DELEGATION

M.Como Mario Como spoke on behalf of the delegation regarding the opposition of Advanced Metering (Smart Meters). Mr. Como provided documents from various sources relating to the safety and security of the metering technology. Mr. Como commented further on the roles of Council and FortisBC with regards to public consultation and public safety.

Mr. Como requested "that the Montrose Council send a communication to FortisBC and appropriate ministries requesting a moratorium on the installation of Smart Meters until further independent investigation of health, safety, and privacy concerns are addressed in a meaningful way and reasonable alternatives are found."

FortisBC Ian Dyck, Manager Electric Advanced Metering Infrastructure for FortisBC thanks the delegation for their attendance and provided a presentation on Advanced Metering Infrastructure.
Mr. Dyck responded to several questions from the delegation.

MINUTES

Meeting #2-12 Moved by Councillor Cook
Seconded by Councillor Berriault

THAT the Minutes of Regular Meeting #2-12 of January 16, 2012, be approved.

2-4-12 CARRIED

CONSENT CALENDAR

Moved by Councillor Cook
Seconded by Councillor Duclos

THAT the Consent Calendar including:

- 1) UBCM – Executive Release – UBCM Executive Appointments;
 - 2) Vancouver Island Health Authority – Memorandum – Healthy Families; and
 - 3) Commissionaires – Month-End Report – January 2012;
- be accepted as circulated.

3-4-12

CARRIED

MOTIONS & SUBMISSIONS

Nil

REFERRALS FROM PRIOR MEETINGS

Nil

REFERRALS FROM DELEGATIONS

Council agreed that the delegation would be better served by communicating directly with Fortis.

Discussion ensued on request for Council support on Moratorium on Smart Meter installations.

Moved by Councillor Berriault
Seconded by Councillor Cook

THAT the Council postpones the decision to support Mr. Como's request until such time that FortisBC applies to the BC Utilities Commission and Council has adequate relevant information for discussion.

4-4-12

CARRIED

Staff directed to respond to Mr. Como by letter with resolution.

Staff directed to investigate possible previous UBCM resolution relating to Smart Meters.

Staff directed to request that a Smart Meter discussion is included at the AKBLG conference in April.

CORRESPONDENCE

COPE

A letter from Canadian Office and Professional Employees Union President regarding an invitation to present information to Council about possible job losses due to the installation of smart meters.

ACKNOWLEDGED

Trail FAIR Society

An e-mail from the Trail FAIR Society regarding the absence of BV Recreation from the Kids Fun Zone event.

ACKNOWLEDGED

Councillor Duclos to request information regarding this e-mail at the next BV Recreation meeting.

AKBLG

A Notice of Annual General Meeting and Third Call For Resolutions from the Association of Kootenay Boundary Local Governments.

ACKNOWLEDGED

BC BSSB

A Notice from the BC Building and Safety Standards Branch regarding a deadline extension for Solar Hot Water Ready Regulation.

ACKNOWLEDGED

A Discussion ensued.

UBCM Member Release from the UBCM regarding a recent Supreme Court Decision on property tax bylaws.

ACKNOWLEDGED

A Discussion ensued.

Scouts Canada A letter from the Rossland Trail Scouts inviting a member of Council to attend the annual Baden Powel Banquet on February 23rd, 2012

ACKNOWLEDGED

Councillor Gay stated her intentions to attend.

BC Min. of Health A letter from the Ministry of Health inviting Council and staff to attend and participate in a Healthy Families BC Communities consultation session.

ACKNOWLEDGED

Mayor Danchuk and Councillors Duclos and Berriault stated their intentions to attend. Requested that Staff confirm their attendance at a date closer to the event.

UBCM A letter from the UBCM inviting Council and staff to attend and participate in a Healthy Families BC Communities consultation session.

ACKNOWLEDGED

FortisBC A letter from FortisBC (Gas) informing the Village of upcoming Public Information Sessions to provide customers and stakeholders an overview of the common rates proposal before the BC Utilities Commission.

ACKNOWLEDGED

City of Trail An invitation from the host for Council participation in the Annual AKBLG convention and AGM to be held in the City of Trail from April 19th – 21st.

ACKNOWLEDGED

All members stated their intentions to attend. Requested that staff provide further information on the partner program as it becomes available.

CUPE A letter from the Canadian Union of Public Employees regarding public private partnerships and the proposed Canada European Union Trade Agreement (CETA).

ACKNOWLEDGED

RDKB Chair A letter from RDKB Chair Larry Gray inviting Council to attend the 2012 RDKB Service Presentation.

ACKNOWLEDGED

Mayor Danchuk, and Councillors Duclos and Berriault stated their intentions to attend.

FortisBC A letter from FortisBC (Gas) informing the Village of upcoming Public Information Sessions to provide customers and

stakeholders an overview of the common rates proposal before the BC Utilities Commission.

ACKNOWLEDGED

REPORTS & MEMORANDA

CAO Water Meter usage data.

ACKNOWLEDGED

- Council member queried the usage and cost to provide the service to the Trail Horsemen's Society. Council also queried the status of this service after the implementation of chlorination.
- Council member informed Staff that an Agreement was signed previously with the Horsemen's Society.
- Council member requested that staff add yearly totals to the metering data.

CAO PW Report for month-ending January 2012.

ACKNOWLEDGED

Council member queried options for mitigation of frozen bag-house sewer line.

Financial Matters

Accounts Payable
#012321-012369

Moved by Councillor Gay
Seconded by Councillor Duclos

That the commitments and expenditures represented by the accounts payable listed below be authorized and that the payment in the amount of ONE HUNDRED and FIFTY-FOUR THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED and EIGHTY-THREE dollars and NINETY-NINE cents be approved:

Cheques #012321-012369 and payroll direct deposits \$154,383.99.

5-4-12 CARRIED

BYLAWS

#694 Moved by Councillor Cook
Seconded by Councillor Berriault

THAT Bylaw #694, cited as the Zoning Amendment Bylaw (Temporary Shelters) (2012) be now read a third time.

6-4-12 CARRIED

POLICIES

#1690 Investment and Loan Policy
Moved by Councillor Berriault
Seconded by Councillor Cook

That Policy #1690, cited as the Investment and Loan Policy, be confirmed unchanged.

7-4-12 CARRIED

#6030 Park Maintenance Policy
Moved by Councillor Gay
Seconded by Councillor Duclos

That Policy #6030, cited as the Park Maintenance Policy, be confirmed unchanged.

8-4-12

CARRIED

MEMBER REPORTS AND INQUIRIES

Councillor Gay

Committee Report

- 1) Councillor Gay reported that she has received numerous calls in opposition to chlorination. She is happy to see that there will be professionals at the Public Information Meeting.

Member Inquiry

Nil

Councillor Berriault

Committee Report

- 1) Councillor Berriault spoke to a submitted Alternate Directors Report on January meetings

Member Inquiry

Nil

Councillor Cook

Committee Report

- 1) Nil

Member Inquiry

- 1) Councillor Cook expressed the importance for Council to move forward with the protection of the Village aquifer.

Moved by Councillor Cook

Seconded by Councillor Gay

That the Council continues to move forward with the municipal boundary extension through the continuation of the current process.

9-4-12

CARRIED

Councillor Duclos

Committee Report

- 1) Councilor Duclos submitted a written report detailing his January activities as Regional Director.
- 2) Councillor Duclos spoke with Environmental Officer Terry Parsons regarding an offer to present Bear Aware principles to Montrose residents. Council was open to this presentation. Councillor Duclos to contact Mr. Parsons to discuss.

Member Inquiry

Nil

Mayor Danchuk

Committee Report

- 1) Mayor Danchuk submitted a written Mayors report for the month of January.
- 2) Mayor Danchuk Reported the following items:
 - Meeting with Columbia Power for a tour of the Waneta Expansion Project.
 - Village received a thank-you card from Rhona Martin for hospitality received during the Gas Tax media event.
 - Staff Sargeant Rob Houghton sent the Village the RCMP Strategic Plan and objectives for 2012 and beyond.
- 3) Mayor Danchuk received an invitation for Council to meet with MP Atamanenko.

Staff directed to schedule meeting for February 22 or 23 around 10:00 a.m.

- 4) Mayor Danchuk requested council approve his attendance at the Columbia River Conference in Spokane with costs to include registration and milage expenses.

Moved by Councillor Duclos
Seconded by Councillor Cook

That Council approves the attendance of Mayor Danchuk at the Columbia River Conference in Spokane.

10-4-12

CARRIED

- 5) Mayor Danchuk reported that he believes the mayor requires a computer for day to day activities.

Staff directed to purchase a reasonably priced notebook style computer for use by the Mayor.

Member Inquiry

Nil

CAO

- 1) CAO requested that Mayor Danchuk and Councillor Gay provide dates of availability for a short Water Smart Committee Meeting before CBT meeting on March 27th.

Staff directed to arrange meeting for after week ending March 10th, 2012.

- 2) CAO informed Council of invitation to attend the RCMP Change of Command Ceremony to be held in Vancouver.

ACKNOWLEDGED

- 3) CAO requested direction from Council for dates and times for the continuation of Strategic Planning and Budget Committee appointments.

It was agreed to hold the meeting on Monday, February 13 at 3:00pm.

- 4) CAO requested direction from Council regarding the Woodstove Exchange Program for 2012.

Moved by Councillor Cook
Seconded by Councillor Gay

That Council approves participation in the Woodstove Exchange Program by committing \$750 for five woodstove exchanges in 2012.

11-4-12

CARRIED

- 5) CAO updated Council on the expected Agenda for the Public Information Meeting to be held on February 8th, 2012 and asked for Council's input on the meeting format.

- 6) CAO requested participation from Council regarding GHG emission reduction planning. Mayor Danchuk appointed Councillors Gay and Cook to a Community/Corporate GHG Reduction Action Committee.

Deputy Clerk

Nil

ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Duclos moved adjournment 10:05 p.m.

I hereby certify the preceding to be a true and correct account of the Regular Meeting #4-12 of Council held on February 6, 2012.

Mayor

Corporate Officer