

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF MONTROSE

REGULAR MEETING #32-2023

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Montrose held in Council Chambers at 565 11th Avenue, Montrose, BC on November 20, 2023.

Present Mayor M. Walsh
Councillor D. Berriault
Councillor P. Caron
Councillor C. Cook
Councillor R. Steep

CAO, L. Plotnikoff

Absent Nil

Media Nil

Public Nil

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Walsh called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

AGENDA

Agenda Moved by Councillor Cook
Seconded by Councillor Berriault

THAT the agenda for Regular Meeting #32-23 be adopted.

1-32-23 CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

Nil

REFERRALS FROM DELEGATIONS

Nil

MINUTES

Meeting #31-23 Moved by Councillor Steep
Seconded by Councillor Caron

THAT the Minutes of Regular Meeting #31-23 of November 6, 2023, be approved.

2-32-23

CARRIED

CONSENT CALENDAR

Moved by Councillor Berriault
Seconded by Councillor Cook

THAT the Consent Calendar:

- (1) Ministry of Forests – Kootenay Boundary Regional Drought Level Update
- (2) Selkirk College – State of the Basin – Stories of Well-Being in Our Region
- (3) BCSPCA – October Dispatch Summary
- (4) Interior Health – Healthy Communities Newsletter – November 2023
- (5) UBCM – The Compass – November 8/23
- (6) Ministry of Housing – New Legislation to Support Local government Housing Initiatives

be received.

3-32-23

CARRIED

MOTIONS & SUBMISSIONS

Nil

REFERRALS FROM PRIOR MEETINGS

Nil

CORRESPONDENCE

- (1) Minister of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness – Emergency and Disaster Management Act

ACKNOWLEDGED

- (2) Legislative Assembly of British Columbia – Municipal Affairs Amendments Part 1 of Bill 45

ACKNOWLEDGED

REPORTS & MEMORANDA

Bylaw Officer

A report from K. Warzocha, Bylaw Officer regarding bylaw activities for the period of October 23 to November 3, 2023.

Moved by Councillor Caron
Seconded by Councillor Cook

THAT the Bylaw activities report for the period of October 23 to November 3, 2023, be received.

4-32-23

CARRIED

CAO

A report from L. Plotnikoff, Chief Administrative Officer regarding recommendations about two residential driveway/boulevard restoration concerns from the Village’s 2020 9th Avenue Road/Underground Infrastructure Improvement Project

Moved by Councillor Caron
Seconded by Councillor Steep

THAT the Village re-pave the driveway at 870-9th Ave to help mitigate the steep swale and provide better drainage, AND THAT the Village reimburse the owners of 880-9th Ave. for the replacement of damaged curbs in the amount of \$246.04. and take action to smooth out the gravel swale at the estimated cost of \$150.

5-32-23

CARRIED

FINANCIAL MATTERS

Accounts Payable

Moved by Councillor Cook
Seconded by Councillor Berriault

#021456-021485

THAT the commitments and expenditures represented by the accounts payable listed below be authorized and that the payment in the amount of TWENTY-SEVEN THOUSAND NINE-HUNDRED and FORTY-NINE DOLLARS and NINETY-ONE CENTS be approved.

Cheques #021456-021485 and payroll direct deposits \$27,949.71

6-32-23

CARRIED

Dep. Clerk/Treasurer

A report from H. Knott, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer regarding the Bank Reconciliation reports for October 2023.

Moved by Councillor Berriault
Seconded by Councillor Steep

THAT the Bank Reconciliation Reports for October 2023 be received for information.

7-32-23

CARRIED

BYLAWS

#778 Adoption

Moved by Councillor Cook
Seconded by Councillor Caron

THAT Bylaw #778 – cited as the 2024 Water and Wastewater User Rates Bylaw, having been reconsidered and having met all prerequisites for final adoption, be now finally adopted, sealed and signed by the Mayor and the Clerk.

8-32-23

CARRIED

POLICIES

#2790

Summer Student Hiring Policy

Moved by Councillor Steep
Seconded by Councillor Caron

THAT Policy #2790, cited as the Summer Student Hiring Policy, be confirmed unchanged.

9-32-23

CARRIED

#5410

Snow Removal Policy

Moved by Councillor Cook
Seconded by Councillor Berriault

THAT Policy #5410, cited as the Snow Removal Policy, be confirmed unchanged.

10-32-23

CARRIED

MEMBER REPORTS AND INQUIRIES

Councillor Berriault

Committee Report

Nil

Member Inquiry

Nil

Councillor Caron

Committee Report

Nil

Member Inquiry

1. Expressed concern with vehicle parking on 7th St. and the potential for problems with snow-clearing. Staff to follow-up with the homeowner.

Councillor Cook

Committee Report

Nil

Member Inquiry

1. Advised that a resident has been putting out children’s play items on Village property by Frontier Park, and the items are being scattered and left to the elements. Staff to remove items and follow-up with resident.

Councillor Steep

Committee Report

Nil

Member Inquiry

1. Advised he has signed a letter addressed to the PMO's office to put pressure for a ceasefire in Gaza.

Mayor Walsh

Committee Report

Reported on:

1. The first draft of the Beaver Valley Recreation, Parks and Culture Master Plan is now available for Council comment.

Member Inquiry

1. Expressed concern with the slow construction progress on the WWTP Improvement Project.

CAO

Advised on:

1. Repairs to the tool-cat unit, the status of the HVAC Replacement Projects, fleet vehicle procurements and Firehall usage. Council advised that they support the usage of the firehall lounge by firefighter members for member related events, provided they follow Village and RDKB policies and bylaws as it relates to noise and alcohol.

ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Berriault moved adjournment at 6:47p.m.

I hereby certify the preceding to be a true and correct account of the Regular Meeting #32-23 of Council held on November 20, 2023.

Mayor

Corporate Officer