

**Village of Fort Simpson**  
**Committee of the Whole Meeting #COW04-2019 of April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019**  
**Minutes**

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**Present:**

Mayor	S. Whelly
Councillor	M. Hassan
Councillor	M. Lafferty
Councillor	C. Moreau
Councillor	K. Groat
Councillor	L. McPherson
Councillor	T. Bellefontaine
Councillor	M. Rowe

**Absent** Deputy Mayor C. Antoine

**Also Present:** D. White  
L. Beaulieu

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Whelly called the meeting to order at 7:04pm.

**2. Agenda Additions**

Public Meeting of April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019. To be added to 6 a) Reports - Finance

**3. Adoption of the Agenda**

As presented

**4. Declaration of Interest**

None.

**5. Councillor Absences**

Deputy Mayor C. Antoine

**6. Reports**

a) Finance

An overview of the Village of Fort Simpson quarterly report was presented to Council. The General O&M forecast for the year ending December 31, 2019 shows a surplus of \$33,061. There was nothing unusual about the report and the first overall projections will become more accurate with time.

SAO White advised Council of the following:

1. Vet Clinic – will be setup for mid-May and will be done once per year. Will advise public and encourage early registrations which would help with a list for appointments. Other ways could include the Bylaw Officer stopping to introduce himself to people with pets, a BBQ, and announcements.
2. Jeff Phillip – this meeting is postponed till May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

3. MacKenzie Valley Highway – GNWT is in the region and wishes to meet with Council. Meeting date will be April 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm. Some topics for questioning will be the Bridge Study, new ferry location, and street lighting on the highway.
4. Brush cutting – a brush cutting opportunity exists for a person with community service hours. Generally thought to be a good idea but suggesting talk to the local band councils for input, etc.
5. Public Mtg. – Council discussed matters around meeting protocols, chairperson (mayor) and general expectations and messages.

b) Recreation

With this being the second report for recreation, a question regarding the slab replacement for the curling rink was brought up. SAO White advised that once an engineer firm is acquired, more information will be available. There will be stats presented for the fitness centre in the next report but so far there are 100 registrants. Ballfield upgrades are also on the agenda. Some Councillors felt that another position is required for the Recreation department as they take on more responsibilities. A full operational review would be a benefit. Also the urgency has been recognized for the pool to open by May 1, 2109.

c) Fire

This report saw an increase in total billable ambulance invoices for 2019. Insurance for the fire fighters is also something that the Council would like to see. SAO White will explore the opportunities and bring forward.

d) Public Works

The Public Works report was presented. The thought is to present more upcoming items so that reports can become public reports. Street lighting has also been allotted for the 4 mile access road near Villeneuve Vista. There is also some talk of a solar wind project. Another item brought up is the street light/pedestrian light for in front of the school. SAO White will obtain more information on this and information on angle parking for the front of the recreation centre. A thought of a Library report was also presented here and will be presented at the next meeting.

**7. In Camera**

None.

**8. Adjournment – 8:03 pm**

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Sean Whelley  
Mayor

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Darrell White  
Senior Administrative Officer