

VILLAGE OF FORT SIMPSON
Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting #RM15-2019 of August 6, 2019

AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING # RM15-2019
Visitors' Information Centre Theatre Room
Monday, August 6, 2019 @ 7:00 PM

Present:	Mayor	S. Whelly
	Deputy Mayor	C. Antoine via telephone
	Councillor	K. Groat
	Councillor	M. Lafferty
	Councillor	C. Moreau
	Councillor	M. Rowe
	Councillor	M. Hassan
	Councillor	T. Bellefontaine
	Councillor	L. McPherson

Also present:	A/SAO	B. Coffie
	Clerk	L. Beaulieu
		R. Bellefontaine
		Julia Tsetso

1) Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

2) Agenda Additions

- 6c) Reg Bellefontaine
- 9b) Sidewalk and stoplight update.
- 11g) Development Permits
- 11h) Employee Ambulance coverage

3) Adoption of the Agenda

Resolution #2019-139

Moved by: Councillor Bellefontaine

Seconded by: Councillor Lafferty

THAT Council adopts the agenda of Regular Council Meeting RM15-2019 as amended.

CARRIED

4) Declaration of Interest

Councillor Bellefontaine declared interest on Item 6c) and 15a)

Mayor Whelly declared an interest on item 6c) and 15a)

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5) Councillor Absences

None

6) Delegations

a) Byron Donovan - RCMP

Mr. Donovan did not show up at this meeting.

b) Julia Tsetso

Ms. Tsetso advised Council that she would like them to consider giving her a PT relief for 2018 and 2019 as she has been paying for a rate that is classified as R3 which is multi-unit 1 – 19 units. She advised that she has spoken to Kyle Galberansingh, whom is the Assessor, and he advised that the Village of Fort Simpson did not notify him of the development permit which was needed to change the assessment. Council recommended that this issue be returned after consideration to see what can be done. Ms. Tsetso also requested for a letter of support for an internet service business that she is developing. Council felt that this letter of support will be done by Mayor Whelly.

c) Reg Bellefontaine

Councillor Bellefontaine and Mayor Whelly declared interest and left Council chambers at 7:20 pm. Councillor McPherson took the chair of the meeting.

Mr. Bellefontaine addressed Council regarding the issue of his unpaid work a number of years ago. A/SAO Coffie advised Council that further information will be discussed in-camera item 15a).

Councillor Bellefontaine and Mayor Whelly returned at 7:37pm

7) Adoption of Minutes

a) RM13-2019 July 2nd, 2019

Resolution #2019-140

Moved by: Councillor Lafferty

Seconded by: Councillor Rowe

THAT Council approve the minutes of:

- Regular Council Meeting RM13-2019 of July 2, 2019 as amended.

CARRIED

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b) COW08-2019 July 8th, 2019

Resolution #2019-141

Moved by: Councillor Bellefontaine

Seconded by: Councillor Lafferty

THAT Council approve the minutes of:

- Committee of the Whole Meeting COW08-2019 of July 8, 2019 as presented.

CARRIED

c) RM14-2019 July 15th, 2019

Resolution #2019-142

Moved by: Councillor Moreau

Seconded by: Councillor Rowe

THAT Council approve the minutes of:

- Regular Meeting RM14-2019 of July 15, 2019 as presented.

CARRIED

8) Reports

a) Mayor's Report

Mayor Whelley did not have a report at this time.

b) SAO Report

A/SAO Coffie did not have a report at this time.

Councillor Groat inquired about the concrete at the arena and asked when this will be done as it is getting late in the year. A/SAO Coffie to follow up.

9) Tabled Items and Old Business

a) Strategic Plan

Mayor Whelley presented this item to Council as it has not been approved to date. This item needs to be put on the next COW meeting in order to finalize it. A/SAO to send prior to the council package as this will be a lot of reading.

b) Sidewalk/stoplight

Councillor Hassan requested for an update on the sidewalk project from the main road to the hospital and the stoplight project as well. A/SAO Coffie advised that he will pass on this information to SAO White to bring an update to the COW meeting.

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10) Committee Recommendations

None.

11) New Business

a) Julia Tsetso – Re-zoning

Resolution #2019-143

Moved by: Councillor Hassan

Seconded by: Councillor Moreau

THAT the property of Julia Tsetso Lot 584, Plan 3952 be rezoned from multi-use R3 to R1 and be read a first time, however,

Moved by: Councillor Groat

Seconded by: Councillor Bellefontaine

Moved the motion to table this item.

TABLED

b) CAP Contribution Agreement

Resolution #2019-144

Moved by: Councillor Hassan

Seconded by: Councillor Groat

THAT Council approve the GNWT Dept. of Infrastructure Contribution agreement for \$54,000 under the CAP Program to cover the cost of procuring and installing three new solar lights along the Deneyoua Drive access road.

CARRIED

c) Fitness Centre Air Conditioning

Resolution #2019-145

Moved by: Councillor Rowe

Seconded by: Councillor McPherson

THAT Council approve the Proposal from Central Mechanical Systems in the amount of \$23,950 plus GST, to install air conditioning in the fitness centre.

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d) Rec Centre Sprinkle System Review and Recommendation

Resolution #2019-146

Moved by: Councillor Rowe

Seconded by: Councillor Groat

THAT Council approve the work to be done on the Rec Centre Sprinkler System for the amount of \$212,696.80.

CARRIED

e) Community Planning

This item was presented to council as there is budgeted monies that Council needs to schedule for work to be done. This item will also be presented to a COW meeting for discussion.

f) Bridge Study – Village position

Mayor Whelly advised that with the elections coming up, that Council ask for support for a Bridge Study or tunnel study. This item to be presented as the next COW meeting.

g) Development Permits

Councillor Hassan presented this item in order to gain some insight as to the elevation of a property. Is there a development permit required? How does the Village deal with this? As this will cause more water pooling at certain lots. A/SAO Coffie to return to the COW meeting with more information.

h) Employee Ambulance Coverage

Councillor Hassan presented this item to find out who pays for the Village of Fort Simpson employee ambulance coverage. A/SAO advised that the employee pays the fee and that the fee is then reimbursed by their health coverage.

12) Bylaws

None

13) Correspondence and Information

None

14) Council Matters and Concerns

a) Councillor McPherson

Advised Council that she will be away until September 16, 2019 meeting.

b) Councillor Hassan

Advised that the grass and shrubs at the McPherson house has been cleaned.

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- c) Councillor Groat
Advised that he is a bit embarrassed about the park bench by the riverbank and that there is a flower bed weeds that are growing 4 feet high. These have to be cut or the flower box taken away. Another site is the old gas station, which needs to be cleaned up. Council would like to see if there is an option to acquire this lot as it will be going up as a tax sale.
- d) Councillor Moreau
Would like to agree with Councillor Groat about the unsightly old gas station.
- e) Councillor Rowe
Mentioned that the responsibility course did not have many attendees. He also mentioned that motions can be put forward under this topic and requested a motion as follows:
Resolution #2019-147
Moved by: Councillor Moreau
Seconded by: Councillor Groat
- To cut the grass along the riverbank to the edge from the sewer treatment plant all the way to the lookout by the ball field and that it be maintained to no higher than 8 inches.
- CARRIED**
- Councillor Rowe also mentioned that he has not heard any mention to date about the concrete slab project for the curling club.
- f) Councillor Lafferty
Had one issue which is that there is an overgrown tree near Wolverine Air. A/SAO will remind homeowners to maintain this so as not to impede traffic on Antoine drive. Councillor Lafferty also advised that she will be away on holiday until September 16, 2019.
- g) Councillor Bellefontaine
None.
- h) Deputy Mayor Antoine
Advised that she has not heard back about the review of piping water from Wildrose and Four mile. A/SAO Coffie advised that there has been a study done in the Capital plan and this will be introduced at the next COW meeting.

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15) In Camera

Councillor Bellefontaine and Mayor Whelly declared interest and left Council chambers at 7:20 pm

a) Contract

Councillor Bellefontaine and Mayor Whelly returned at 7:37pm

b) Staff

c) Great Slave Helicopters

Resolution# 2019-148

Moved by: Councillor Hassan

Seconded by: Councillor McPherson

THAT Council MOVE into In-Camera at 8:47 pm.

CARRIED

COUNCIL MEMBER	FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mayor Whelly				
Deputy Mayor Antoine	X			
Councillor Bellefontaine	X			
Councillor Groat	X			
Councillor Hassan	X			
Councillor Lafferty	X			
Councillor McPherson	X			
Councillor Moreau	X			
Councillor Rowe	X			
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Resolution# 2019-149

Moved by: Councillor McPherson

Seconded by: Councillor Hassan

THAT Council Move out of In-Camera AT 9:05 pm.

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16)Adjournment

Resolution# 2019-150

Moved by: Councillor McPherson

Seconded by: Councillor Hassan

THAT Council adjourn Regular Meeting RM15-2019 at 9:06 pm.

CARRIED

Sean Whelly
Mayor

Ben Coffie
Acting Senior Administrative Officer