



MINUTES OF DISTRICT OF KITIMAT
REGULAR MEETING

MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
606 MOUNTAINVIEW SQUARE, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2024, AT 7:00 PM

Present: Acting Mayor: T. Marleau
Present: Councillors: M. Feldhoff, G. Leibel, M. Martins, G. Pitzel
Absent: Mayor: P. Germuth
Councillor: E. Empinado
Present: Staff: W. Waycheshen, Chief Administrative Officer
K. Enders, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
T. Tavares, Director of Corporate Administration
J. Stevenson, Deputy Director of Corporate Administration
A. Ramos-Espinoza, Director of Engineering Services
M. Gould, Director of Leisure Services
A. Hanson, IT Manager
M. Penner, Director of Human Resources and Labour Relations
F. Sinclair, Interim Director of Planning
W. Tenshak, Director of Economic Development
C. McCulley, Director of Operations

Via WebEx

1. Call to Order

Acting Mayor Marleau called the Regular Meeting of Council to order.

2. Message from the Mayor

Acting Mayor Marleau provided a brief message.

3. Delegations/Presentations

3.1. Delegation – Nanci Warren, Community Grant Writer – District of Kitimat Grant Writing Overview

Nanci Warren, Community Grant Writer, provided an overview of the District of Kitimat grant writing activities and answered questions from Council.

4. Public Input / Questions on Agenda Items

Acting Mayor Marleau called for public input on the Agenda Items.

There was no input from the public on Agenda Items.

5. Media Inquiries - For Clarification Only

Acting Mayor Marleau called for any media inquiries on the agenda items.

There were no media inquiries.

6. Call for New Business / Adoption of the Agenda

Councillor Pitzel –Consent Agenda, Item 7.5, For information only – Report - Backyard Hen Keeping in Residential Zones Pilot Project.

Councillor Martins – Consent Agenda Item 7.6, Copy of Correspondence, letter dated February 02, 2024, from Campbell River to Minister Farnworth regarding the *Community Safety Act*.

Councillor Feldhoff – Consent Agenda Item 7.7, Correspondence email from the Kitimat Chamber of Commerce requesting a letter of support for the Destination BC – Enhancement of Visitor Experience Funding Opportunity.

Item 7.4 – For information only – Report – Crown Land Wind Power Investigative License from the Consent Agenda was removed as the applicant withdrew the application.

Moved and seconded,
THAT the February 20, 2024, Supplemental agenda and additional agenda items be received, and the February 20, 2024, Regular Meeting of Council Agenda be adopted as amended.

Motion Carried Unanimously
Motion: R24-033

7. Consent Agenda

Moved and seconded,
THAT the Consent Agenda for February 20, 2024, be approved as amended.

Motion Carried Unanimously
Motion: R24-034

All correspondence was received and filed.

The following Minutes were adopted:

February 5, Regular Meeting of Council

8. Notice of Motion

There were no Notice of Motion.

9. Bylaws

9.1. Bylaw – Adoption, Repeal of Part 1, Division 11 Advisory Commission for Persons with Disabilities Bylaw No. 2046, 2024

Moved and seconded,
THAT Repeal of Part 1, Division 11 Advisory Commission for Persons with Disabilities Bylaw No. 2046, 2024, be adopted.

Motion Carried Unanimously
Motion R24-035
Bylaw No. 2046, 2024 (1.6.3.16)

10. Reports and/or Communications

10.1. Report – District of Kitimat Accessibility and Inclusion Plan

Moved and seconded,
THAT the District of Kitimat 2023-2026 Accessibility and Inclusion Plan be approved.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R24-036

District of Kitimat Accessibility and Inclusion Plan (1.6.3.16)

10.2. Report – Liquor and Cannabis Licensing Application – Patron Participation Entertainment Endorsement

Moved and seconded,
THAT the District of Kitimat not comment on the application by PF Pizzeria & Bistro to allow for a patron participation entertainment endorsement on their Provincial Liquor License.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R24-037

Liquor and Cannabis Licensing Application – Patron Participation Entertainment Endorsement (1.4.2.1)

10.3. Report – North Central Local Government Association Resolution Report 2

Moved and seconded,
THAT the Small Scale Multi Unit Housing Resolution in Attachment A of the North Central Local Government Association – Resolutions Report 2 dated February 14, 2024, be approved for submission to the NCLGA 2024 Conference.

In favour: Councillor Feldhoff, Councillor Pitzel

Opposed: Acting Mayor Marleau, Councillor Liebel, Councillor Martins

Motion Defeated

Motion: R24-038

North Central Local Government Request for Resolutions (1.5.2.4)

Moved and seconded,
THAT the District submit a resolution to North Central Local Government Association (NCLGA) to ask the Province to clarify what criteria needs to be met in order for the COVID vaccine mandate for health care workers to be removed.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R24-039

North Central Local Government Request for Resolutions (1.5.2.4)

Moved and Seconded

THAT staff bring back a draft North Central Local Government Association (NCLGA) resolution to the March 4 Regular Meeting of Council to provide more options for development of small scale commercial contaminated sites.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R24-040

North Central Local Government Request for Resolutions (1.5.2.4)

11. New Business

11.1. Councillor Pitzel - Consent Agenda, Item 7.5, For Information Only Report Backyard Hen Keeping in Residential Zones Pilot Project

Moved and seconded,

THAT the application period for households to the Backyard Hen Keeping in Residential Zones Pilot Project be extended to March 1, 2024, on a first come-first served basis to a maximum of (12 households or 4 households per neighbourhood).

Amendment:

Moved and seconded,

THAT the extension to the Backyard Hen Keeping in Residential Zones Pilot Project application and registration period be amended to March 31, 2024.

Amendment Carried Unanimously

Motion: R24-041

Backyard Hen Keeping in Residential Zones Pilot Project (7.2.45)

Main Motion as Amended:

THAT the application and registration period for households to the Backyard Hen Keeping in Residential Zones Pilot Project be extended to March 31, 2024.

AND THAT the applications for the Backyard Hen Keeping in Residential Zones Pilot Project be on a first come-first served basis to a maximum of 12 households or 4 households per neighbourhood.

Main Motion as Amended Carried Unanimously

Motion: R24-042

Backyard Hen Keeping in Residential Zones Pilot Project (7.2.45)

11.2. Councillor Martins – Consent Agenda Item 7.6, Copy of Correspondence, letter dated February 2, 2024 from Campbell River to Minister Farnworth regarding the Community Safety Act.

Moved and seconded,
THAT Consent Agenda Item 7.6 Copy of Correspondence, letter dated February 2, 2024, from the City Campbell River to Minister Farnworth regarding the Community Safety Act be received for information.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R24-043

Copy of Correspondence, letter dated February 2, 2024 from Campbell River to Minister Farnworth regarding the Community Safety Act. (1.1.2.0)

11.3. Councillor Feldhoff - Consent Agenda, Item 7.7, Correspondence email from the Kitimat Chamber of Commerce requesting a letter of support for the Destination BC – Enhancement of Visitor Experience Funding Opportunity.

Moved and seconded,
THAT a Letter of Support be written to Destination BC for the Kitimat Chamber of Commerce's application to the Enhancement of the Visitor Experience funding opportunity for entry-way signage.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R24-044

Letter of Support for Chamber of Commerce (5.13.3)

12. Council Reports

Acting Mayor Marleau and Councillors Feldhoff, Leibel, Martins and Pitzel provided a report on their activities since the last Regular Meeting of Council.

Move to Closed/Adoption of Closed Meeting of Council

Move and seconded,
THAT notice be waived, and pursuant to S.92 of the Community Charter, an agenda item under Legal S. 90(1)(e) be added to the February 20, 2024, Closed meeting of Council agenda.

Moved and Seconded
THAT the February 20, 2024, Closed Meeting of Council Agenda be adopted as amended.

Motion Carried Unanimously

R24-045

The Regular Meeting of Council was recessed and moved into a Closed Meeting of Council at 8:25 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of Council reconvened at 9:45 p.m.

Adjournment

Moved and Seconded,
THAT the February 20, 2024, Regular Meeting of Council be reconvened and adjourned.

Motion Carried Unanimously
Motion: R24-046

The Regular Meeting of Council adjourned at 9:46 p.m.

CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT COPY of
the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council
held Tuesday, February 20, 2024.

Philip Germuth
Mayor

Tracy Tavares
Corporate Officer