



MINUTES OF DISTRICT OF KITIMAT
REGULAR MEETING

MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
606 MOUNTAINVIEW SQUARE, MONDAY, MARCH 4, 2024, AT 7:00 PM

Present: Mayor: P. Germuth
Present: Councillors: E. Empinado M. Feldhoff, T. Marleau, M. Martins, G. Pitzel
Councillor via G. Leibel
WebEx
Present: Staff: W. Waycheshen, Chief Administrative Officer
K. Enders, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
T. Tavares, Director of Corporate Administration
A. Ramos-Espinoza, Director of Engineering Services
P. Rehal, IT Technician
S. Tarnowski, Director of Finance
W. Tenshak, Director of Economic Development
Via WebEx M. Penner, Director of Human Resources and Labour Relations

1. Call to Order

Mayor Germuth called the Regular Meeting of Council to order.

2. Message from the Mayor

Mayor Germuth provided a brief message.

3. Delegations/Presentations

There were no delegations.

4. Public Input / Questions on Agenda Items

Mayor Germuth called for public input on the Agenda Items.

There was no input from the public on Agenda Items.

5. Media Inquiries - For Clarification Only

Mayor Germuth called for any media inquiries on the agenda items.

There were no media inquiries.

6. Call for New Business / Adoption of the Agenda

Councillor Martins –Consent Agenda, Item 7.1, For information only – Report - Petition – Affordable Housing Development (1.1.2.3)

Councillor Feldhoff – Consent Agenda Item 7.4 Press Release dated February 22, 2024, regarding the Northwest Resource Benefits Alliance Agreement (1.5.1.15.1)

Moved and seconded,
THAT the March 4, 2024, Regular Meeting of Council Agenda be adopted as amended.

Motion Carried Unanimously
Motion: R24-047

7. Consent Agenda

Moved and seconded,
THAT the Consent Agenda for March 4, 2024, be approved as amended.

Motion Carried Unanimously
Motion: R24-048

All correspondence was received and filed.

8. Notice of Motion

There were no Notices of Motion.

9. Bylaws

There were no Bylaws.

10. Reports and/or Communications

10.1. Report – Union of British Columbia Municipalities Grant – Local Government Development Approvals

Moved and seconded,
THAT Council support the grant application to the Union of BC Municipalities Local Government Development Approvals Program to review and update the District of Kitimat's development approvals process;

AND THAT the District of Kitimat, if successful, will provide overall grant management.

Motion Carried Unanimously
Motion: R24-049

UBCM – Local Government Development Approvals Grant (7.1.14)

10.2. Report – North Central Local Government Association – Resolutions Report 3

Moved and seconded,
THAT the development of small scale commercial contaminated sites resolution in attachment A of the North Central Local Government Association – Resolutions Report 3, dated February 29, 2024 be approved for submission to the NCLGA 2024 conference.

Motion Carried Unanimously
Motion: R24-050
NCLGA – Resolutions Report 3 (1.5.2.4)

Councillor Empinado declared a conflict of interest as an employee of Northern Health Authority and left the meeting at 7:11 p.m.

Moved and seconded,
THAT the provincial vaccine mandate resolution in attachment B of the North Central Local Government Association – Resolutions Report 3, dated February 29, 2024, be approved for submission to the NCLGA 2024 conference.

Amendment:

Moved and seconded,
THAT the provincial vaccine mandate resolution wording, in Attachment B, be updated to include reference to the “provincial criteria”.

Amendment Carried Unanimously
Motion: R24-051
NCLGA – Resolutions Report 3 (1.5.2.4)

Main Motion as amended

THAT the provincial vaccine mandate resolution in attachment B of the North Central Local Government Association – Resolutions Report 3, dated February 29, 2024, be updated to include reference to the provincial criteria and be approved for submission to the NCLGA 2024 conference.

Main Motion as amended Carried Unanimously
Motion: R24-052
NCLGA – Resolutions Report 3 (1.5.2.4)

Councillor Empinado returned to the meeting 7:13pm.

New Business

10.3. Councillor Martins - Consent Agenda, Item 7.1 - For information only – Report - Petition – Affordable Housing Development

Moved and seconded,
THAT Consent Agenda, Item 7.1- For information only – Report - Petition – Affordable Housing Development be received for information.

Motion Carried Unanimously
Motion: R24-053
Petition – Affordable Housing Development (1.1.2.3)

10.4. Councillor Feldhoff – Consent Agenda Item 7.4 - Press Release dated February 22, 2024, regarding the Northwest Resource Benefits Alliance Agreement

Moved and seconded,
THAT Consent Agenda Item 7.4 - Press Release dated February 22, 2024, regarding the Northwest Resource Benefits Alliance Agreement be received for information.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R24-054

Northwest Resource Benefits Alliance Agreement Press Release (1.5.1.15.1)

11. Council Reports

Councillors Empinado, Feldhoff, Leibel, Marleau, 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

Moved and Seconded
THAT the March 4, 2024, Closed Meeting of Council Agenda be adopted as presented.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R24-055

The Regular Meeting of Council was recessed and moved into a Closed Meeting of Council at 7:27 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of Council reconvened at 7:49 p.m.

Adjournment

Moved and Seconded,
THAT the March 4, 2024, Regular Meeting of Council be reconvened and adjourned.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R24-056

The Regular Meeting of Council adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT COPY of
the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council
held Monday, March 4, 2024.

Philip Germuth
Mayor

Tracy Tavares
Corporate Officer