



MINUTES OF DISTRICT OF KITIMAT
REGULAR MEETING

MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
606 MOUNTAINVIEW SQUARE, ON MONDAY, JUNE 20, 2022 AT 7:00PM

Present: Mayor P. Germuth

Present: Councillors: E. Empinado M. Feldhoff, L.Gibson (In 7:05pm), R. Goffinet, T. Marleau, M. Zielinski,

Present: Staff:

W. Waycheshen, CAO
K. Enders, Director of Corporate Administration
T. Tavares, Deputy Director of Corporate Administration
A. Ramos-Espinoza, Director of Engineering
M. Gould, Director of Leisure Services
M. Hall, Director of Economic Development and Communications
C. McCulley, Director of Operations
T. Bossence, Fire Chief
M. Penner, Director of Human Resources
D. Rustatz, Director of Finance
J. Christiansen-Liptak, Environmental Services Manager

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Call to Order

Message from the Mayor

Mayor Germuth provided a message on Council activities over the recent past.

Delegations/Presentations

1. Dave Johnston – Concerns with off leash areas for dogs

Dave Johnston discussed with Council his concerns with off lease areas for dogs.

Moved and Seconded,
“THAT the presentation from Dave Johnston be received for information.”

Motion Carried Unanimously
Motion: R22-131

Public Input / Questions on Agenda Items

David Schiller provided input on Skeena Sawmills Tree Farm License 41 Management Plan #8.

Michael Langegger provided input on Skeena Sawmills Tree Farm License 41 Management Plan #8.

Moved and seconded,
“THAT the 19 June 2022 email from Mike Langegger regarding the Tree Farm License 41 be received for information.”

Motion Carried Unanimously
Motion: R22-132

Media Inquiries - For Clarification Only

Mayor Germuth called for any media inquiries. There were no media inquiries.

Call for New Business / Adoption of the Agenda

Mayor Germuth – Consent Agenda #7 - Correspondence from the Town of Whitecourt re: Endorsement of FCM Resolution: Federal support for Canadian consumption of Canadian oil and gas resources.

Moved and seconded,

“THAT the Regular Council Agenda for June 20, 2022, be approved as amended”.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R22-133

Consent Agenda

Moved and seconded,

“THAT the Consent Agenda for June 20, 2022, be approved as circulated.”

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R22-134

The following meeting Minutes were adopted:

Regular Meeting of Council Minutes – 16 May 2022

Special Meeting Minutes – 30 May 2022

Special Meeting Minutes – 08 June 2022

Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes – 13 June 2022

Special Meeting Minutes – 13 June 2022

All correspondence was received and filed.

Bylaws

1. Adoption – Signs Amendment Bylaw No. 2017, 2022

Moved and seconded,

“ THAT Signs Amendment Bylaw No. 2017, 2022, be adopted.”

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R22-135

Bylaw No. 2017, 2022 (1.1.3.0.12/7.17.24)

2. Adoption – Election Amendment Bylaw No. 2019, 2022

Moved and seconded,

“ THAT Election Amendment Bylaw No. 2019, 2022 be adopted.”

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R22-136

Bylaw No. 2019, 2022 (1.1.3.0.12)

Reports and/or Communications

1. 2022/23 BC Transit Annual Operating Agreement

Moved and seconded,

“THAT the 2022-2023 Annual Operating Agreement for BC Transit to provide the Kitimat Conventional Transit Service for the period April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023 and , the Kitimat Custom Transit Service for the period of April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023 agreement be approved; and further that the Mayor and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the Annual operating Agreement with BC Transit.”

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R22-137

2022/23 BC Transit Annual Operating Agreement (9.1.1)

2. Draft Correspondence to Chief Forester regarding Tree Farm License 41, Management Plan #8

Moved and seconded,

“THAT a letter be written to the Chief Forester regarding Tree Farm License 41, Management Plan #8, using the numbered items in the report Draft Correspondence to Chief Forester regarding Tree Farm License 41, management Plan #8 dated 15 June 2022 as a guide.”

Amendment:

Moved and seconded,

“THAT staff recommendation #2 on the draft correspondence to Chief Forester regarding Tree Farm License 41, Management Plan #8 report dated 15 June 2022 read as follows: THAT the overall health and integrity of the ecosystem and the water shed be the overriding objective in the planning of timber harvest areas.”

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R22-138

Tree Farm License 41, Management Plan #8 (1.4.2.18.2)

Main Motion as Amended

Moved and seconded,

“THAT a letter be written to the Chief Forester regarding Tree Farm License 41, Management Plan #8, using the numbered items in the report Draft Correspondence to Chief Forester regarding Tree Farm License 41, management Plan #8 dated 15 June 2022 as a guide.”

AND THAT staff recommendation #2 on the draft correspondence to Chief Forester regarding Tree Farm License 41, Management Plan #8 report dated 15 June 2022 read as follows: THAT the overall health and integrity of the ecosystem and the water shed be the overriding objective in the planning of timber harvest areas.”

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R22-139

Tree Farm License 41, Management Plan #8 (1.4.2.18.2)

Moved and seconded,

“THAT the province and forestry companies operating in unceded Haisla Nation territory work collaboratively with the Haisla Nation. And that the Province work towards an agreement with the Haisla Nation regarding forestry operations in their territory that is reflective of and protects the Haisla Nation’s rights and title.”

Tabling Motion:

Moved and seconded,

“THAT the following motion be tabled to a future meeting:

“THAT the province and forestry companies operating in unceded Haisla Nation territory work collaboratively with the Haisla Nation. And that the Province work towards an agreement with the Haisla Nation regarding forestry operations in their territory that is reflective of and protects the Haisla Nation’s rights and title.”

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R22-140

Tree Farm License 41, Management Plan #8 (1.4.2.18.2)

3. 2021 Annual Report

Moved and seconded,

“THAT the 2021 Annual Report be approved.”

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R22-141

2021 Annual Report (1.1.2.0)

4. 2021 Revised Financial Statement Approval

Moved and seconded,

“THAT the 2021 Financial Statements be approved.”

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R22-142

2021 Revised Financial Statements (2.1.0.2)

5. 2021 Statement of Financial Information

Moved and seconded,

“THAT the Statement of Financial Information be approved.”

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R22-143

2021 Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) (2.2.0.1)

6. Local Government Climate Action Program

Moved and seconded,

“THAT the District of Kitimat enter into the new Local Government Climate Action Program;

AND THAT the Director of Finance be authorized to complete the attestation.”

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R22-144

Local Government Climate Action Program (7.4.5.2)

7. Cancellation of Regular Council Meeting – July 4, 2022

Moved and seconded,

“THAT the 04 July 2022 Regular meeting of Council be cancelled.”

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R22-145

Cancellation of Regular Council meeting – July 4, 2022 (1.1.2.1)

8. Leisure Services Department Fee Schedule

Moved and seconded,

“THAT a bylaw be brought forward for consideration with the District of Kitimat Leisure Services Department Fee Schedule increased by 3%, with the exception of Shows/Concerts, Family Admission Fees, Advertising Rates, Park and Camping Fees;

AND FURTHER THAT Adult drop-in rate be reduced to \$7.00;

AND FURTHER THAT the Adult Leisure Access Drop-in rate be reduced to \$1.75;

AND FURTHER THAT THE Adult Day Pass rate be reduced to \$11.25;

AND FURTHER THAT Student Drop-in rate be reduced to \$4.40;

AND FURTHER THAT the Student Leisure Access Drop-in rate be reduced to \$1.10;

AND FURTHER THAT the Student Day Pass rate be reduced to \$7.05;

AND FURTHER THAT there be no increase in student membership rates;

AND FURTHER THAT there be no increase to Family Drop-in rate, Family Leisure Access rates, Family Day Pass rate and family Membership rates;

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R22-146

Leisure Services Fee Schedule 2022/2023 (4.2.4)

9. Riverlodge Sport Field Use and Fee Collection

Moved and seconded,

“THAT the current process for managing and charging users for accessing the Riverlodge Sports Fields remain in place.”

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R22-147

Riverlodge Sport Field Use and Fee Collection (4.3.0)

10. Special Olympics – No Charge Facility Use Request

Moved and seconded,

“THAT Council approve that the Special Olympics group receive no charge use of the Jim Linton Gymnasium at Riverlodge Recreation Centre on Tuesdays from 1:00 – 3:00 pm, 16 August 2022 to 25 April 2023;

AND THAT the Special Olympics group receive no charge use of the Riverlodge Soccer Field on Wednesdays from 7:30 – 8:30 pm, until 14 September 2022;

AND FURTHER THAT the continued no charge usage be reviewed at the end of April 2023.”

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R22-148

Special Olympics – No Charge Facility Use Request (2.8.3)

11. Men’s Soccer League – No Charge Riverlodge Soccer Field Use Request

Moved and seconded,

“THAT Council approve that the Men’s Soccer League receive no charge use of the Riverlodge Soccer Field on Friday’s and Sunday’s from 7:15 – 9:15 pm, until 16 September 2022.”

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R22-149

Men’s Soccer League – Soccer Field Use Request (4.3.0)

New Business

1. Mayor Germuth – Consent Agenda #7 - Correspondence from the Town of Whitecourt : Endorsement of FCM Resolution Federal support for Canadian consumption of Canadian oil and Gas resources

Moved and seconded,

“THAT a letter of endorsement be provided for the Town of Whitecourt’s Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) resolution regarding Federal support for Canadian consumption of Canadian oil and gas resources.”

Motion: **Carried**

In Favour: Mayor Germuth, Councillors Empinado, Feldhoff, Zielinski

Opposed: Councillors Gibson, Goffinet, Marleau

Motion: R22-150

FCM Resolution Federal Support for Canadian Consumption of Oil and Gas Resources (1.1.2.0)

Mayor and Council Reports

Call for New Business / Adoption of the Closed Agenda

Moved and seconded,

“THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated and Council deal with these matters in a closed session.”

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R22-151

Council moved into closed at 9:55 p.m.

Council moved into open at 11:01 p.m.

Adjournment

Moved and seconded,

“THAT this meeting adjourn.”

Motion Carried Unanimously

The meeting adjourned at 11:01 p.m.

CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT

Mayor

Corporate Officer