



MINUTES OF DISTRICT OF KITIMAT
REGULAR MEETING

MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
606 MOUNTAINVIEW SQUARE, ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2023 AT 7:00 P.M.

Present:	Mayor:	P. Germuth
Present:	Councillors:	M. Feldhoff, G. Leibel, T. Marleau, M. Martins, G. Pitzel
Absent:	Councillor:	E. Empinado
Present:	Staff:	W. Waycheshen, CAO K. Enders, Director of Corporate Administration T. Tavares, Deputy Director of Corporate Administration A. Ramos-Espinoza, Director of Engineering Services P. Rehal, IT Technician W. Tenshak, Director of Economic Development A. Anand, Planner F. Sinclair, Director of Planning Interim C. McCulley, Director of Operations M. Penner, Director of Human Resources and Labour Relations D. Rutsatz, Director of Finance
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Call to Order

Delegations/Presentations

1. Robin Lapointe – Request for Light Up Green and Green Shirt Day Proclamation

Robin Lapointe was in attendance and presented to Council on the importance of registering as an Organ Donor and promoting awareness for Light Up Green and Green Shirt Day – April 7.

2. Sanne Hogenbirk – Letter of Support for a Co-op Community Spaces Grant Application

Sanne Hogenbirk was in attendance to request a Letter of Support for a Co-op Community Spaces grant to cover the costs of designing, engineering and installing an auto-belay top-rope rock climbing wall.

Public Input / Questions on Agenda Items

Mayor Germuth called for any public input.

Jack Oviatt provided input on the Strawberry Meadows Neighbourhood Plan Update.

Councillor Pitzel declared a conflict of interest as a residential homeowner and investment property owner in Strawberry Meadows and left the meeting at 7:34 p.m.

Jack Oviatt then answered questions from Council.

Councillor Pitzel returned to meeting at 7:40 p.m.

April McLeod provided input on Consent Agenda # 7 – Correspondence 06 February 2023 – B.C. Great Blue Heron Society Herons Habitat Destruction.

Media Inquiries - For Clarification Only

Mayor Germuth called for any media inquiries.

Media from the Northern Sentinel asked Council questions on various items on the agenda.

Call for New Business / Adoption of the Agenda

Councillor Feldhoff – Delegation #1 - Robin Lapointe – Request for Light Up Green and Green Shirt Day Proclamation

Councillor Feldhoff – Delegation #2 – Sanne Hogenbirk – Letter of Support for a Co-Op Community Spaces Grant Application

Councillor Marleau – Consent Agenda #8 – Correspondence 08 February 2023 – Kitimat Airshed Group NDIT Northern Healthy Communities Fund Application

Councillor Martins – Consent Agenda # 7 – Correspondence 06 February 2023 – B.C. Great Blue Heron Society Herons Habitat Destruction

Moved and seconded,

“THAT the Supplemental Agenda for February 21, 2023, be received and the Regular Council Agenda for February 21, 2023, be adopted as amended.

Motion Carried Unanimously
Motion: R23-037

Consent Agenda

Moved and seconded,

“THAT the Consent Agenda for February 21, 2023, be approved as amended.”

Motion Carried Unanimously
Motion: R23-038

The following meeting Minutes were adopted:

Special Meeting Minutes of Council	02 February 2023
Regular Meeting of Council	06 February 2023
Special Meeting Minutes of Council	07 February 2023
Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes	13 February 2023
Special Meeting Minutes of Council	13 February 2023

All correspondence was received and filed.

Bylaws

1. Restriction of Use of the Illegal Substance – Subsection 56(1) Class Exemption Bylaw No. 2023, 2023

Moved and seconded,

“THAT Restriction of Use of the Illegal Substance – Subsection 56(1) Class Exemption Bylaw No. 2023, 2023 be adopted.”

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R23-039

Bylaw No. 2023, 2023 (1.2.1.3.1)

Reports and/or Communications

1. January 16, 2023 Regular Meeting of Council Minutes

Moved and seconded,

“THAT the January 16, 2023 Regular Meeting of Council minutes be amended as shown in red on Attachment A to the January 16, 2023 Regular Meeting of Council Minutes report dated February 13, 2023 and approved.”

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R23-040

January 16, 2023 Regular Council Minutes (1.2.1.11)

2. North Central Local Government Association – Resolutions

Moved and seconded,

“THAT the North Central Local Government Association resolution on the Provincial Vaccine Mandate be tabled and staff bring it to a future Council meeting before the March 10, 2023 deadline.”

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R23-041

NCLGA resolutions (1.5.2.4)

Moved and seconded,

“THAT the resolution on the electric vehicle sales be forwarded to North Central Local Government Association for deliberation and consideration at their 2023 Annual General Meeting.”

In favour: Mayor Germuth, Councillors Feldhoff, Marleau and Pitzel

Opposed: Councillors Leibel and Martins

Motion Carried

Motion: R23-042

NCLGA resolutions (1.5.2.4)

3. 2023 Budget Deliberations (Third Report)

Moved and seconded,

“THAT the 2023 Budget Deliberations (Third Report) be received for information.”

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R23-043

2023 Budget Deliberations (2.10.3)

4. Strawberry Meadows Neighbourhood Plan Update

Councillor Pitzel declared a conflict of interest as a residential homeowner and investment property owner in Strawberry Meadows and left the meeting at 8:27 p.m.

Moved and seconded,

“THAT the 5 major Themes as presented in the Strawberry Meadows Neighbourhood Plan Update report dated February 15, 2023, be approved;

AND THAT the revised Plan Process as presented in the Strawberry Meadows Neighbourhood Plan Update report dated February 15, 2023, be approved.”

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R23-044

Strawberry Meadows Neighbourhood Plan Update (7.2.51)

Councillor Pitzel returned to the meeting at 8:59 p.m.

New Business

1. Councillor Feldhoff – Delegation #1 - Robin Lapointe – Request for Light Up Green and Green Shirt Day Proclamation

Moved and seconded,

“THAT the District of Kitimat light up Tamitik and other facilities with green lights for Green Shirt Day – April 7, 2023.”

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R23-045

Light Up Green and Green Shirt Day (1.1.2.1.1)

2. Councillor Feldhoff – Delegation #2 – Saane Hogenbirk – Letter of Support for a Co-Op Community Spaces Grant Application

Moved and seconded,

“THAT a letter of support be written for the Co-op Community Spaces application for the auto-belay top-rope rock climbing wall at the Tamitik Jubilee Sports Centre.”

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R23-046

Letter of Support – Co-op Community Spaces Grant Application (4.2.8)

3. Councillor Marleau – Consent Agenda #8 – Correspondence 08 February 2023 – Kitimat Airshed Group NDI Northern Healthy Communities Fund Application

Moved and seconded,

“THAT a letter of support be written to Northern Development Initiative Trust (NDIT) for the Kitimat Airshed Group Society’s Northern Healthy Communities Fund Application .”

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R23-047

Letter of Support – NDI Northern Healthy Communities Fund Application (1.6.3.29)

4. Councillor Martins –Consent Agenda # 7 – Correspondence 06 February 2023 – B.C. Great Blue Heron Society - Herons Habitat Destruction

Moved and seconded,

“THAT the correspondence dated 06 February 2023 from the B.C. Great Blue Heron Society be received for information.”

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R23-048

BC Great Blue Heron Society – Herons Habitat Destruction (1.1.1.0)

Mayor and Council Reports

Call for New Business / Adoption of the Closed Agenda

Moved and seconded,

“THAT the February 21, 2023, Closed agenda be adopted and Council deal with these matters in a closed session.”

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: IC23-030

Meeting recessed into the Closed meeting at 9:22 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 10:59 p.m.

Adjournment

Moved and seconded,

“THAT this meeting adjourn.”

Motion Carried Unanimously

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT

Mayor

Corporate Officer