



MINUTES OF DISTRICT OF KITIMAT
REGULAR MEETING

MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
606 MOUNTAINVIEW SQUARE, MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2025, AT 7:00 P.M.

Present: Mayor: P. Germuth
Present: Councillors: E. Empinado, M. Feldhoff, G. Leibel T. Marleau, M. Martins, G. Pitzel

Present: Staff: W. Waycheshen, Chief Administrative Officer
K. Enders, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
A. Ramos-Espinoza, Director of Engineering
T. Tavares, Director of Corporate Administration
J. Stevenson, Deputy Director of Corporate Administration
A. Hansen, IT Technician
M. Gould, Director of Leisure Services
W. Tenshak, Director of Economic Development
Via WebEx R. Beaudry, Director of Planning
Via WebEx S. Tarnowski, Director of Finance
Via WebEx C. McCulley, Director of Operations

1. Call to Order

Mayor Germuth called the January 6, 2025, Regular Meeting of Council to order.

2. Message from the Mayor

Mayor Germuth provided a brief message on his activities since the last Regular Meeting of Council.

3. Delegations/Presentations

Kitimat Search and Rescue representatives Kelly Marsh and Julie Stevens presented an update on their Search and Rescue activities in 2024.

4. Public Input / Questions on Agenda Items

Mayor Germuth called for public input.

There was no input from the public.

5. Media Inquiries - For Clarification Only

Mayor Germuth called for media inquiries on agenda items.

There were no media inquiries.

6. Call for New Business / Adoption of the Agenda

Councillor Feldhoff requested that consent agenda item 7. 7, Correspondence dated December 17, 2024, from GeoScience BC requesting support of Northwest BC Geothermal and Carbon Capture, Utilization and Storage Assessment Project be moved to New Business.

Councillor Feldhoff requested that consent agenda item 7.9, Correspondence dated December 19, 2024, from Northern Regional Energy Dialogues project and invite to January 30, 2025, event be moved to New Business.

Moved and seconded,
THAT Council receive the supplemental information and adopt the January 6, 2025, Regular Agenda as amended.

Motion Carried Unanimously
Motion: R25-001

7. Consent Agenda

Moved and seconded,
THAT the Consent Agenda for January 6, 2025, be approved as amended.

Motion Carried Unanimously
Motion: R25-002

All correspondence was received and filed.

The following Council meeting minutes were adopted:

Special Meeting of Council Minutes, December 16, 2024
Public Hearing Minutes, December 16, 2024
Regular Meeting of Council Minutes, December 16, 2024
Special Meeting of Council Minutes, December 23, 2024

8. Notice of Motion

There were no Notices of Motion.

9. Bylaws

There were no Bylaws.

10. Reports and/or Communications

10.1. Report – Complete Communities Study and Housing Focused Official Community Plan Update

Moved and seconded,
THAT the Complete Communities Study and Housing Focused Official Community Plan Update report dated December 23, 2024, be received for information.

Motion Carried Unanimously
Motion: R25-003
Complete Communities Study and Housing Focused
Official Community Plan Update Report (7.2.59)

11. New Business

Consent Agenda Item 7.7

Correspondence dated December 17, 2024, from Geoscience BC requesting support of Northwest BC Geothermal and Carbon Capture, Utilization and Storage Assessment Project

Moved and seconded,
THAT the District of Kitimat endorse # 6 (letter of support) and #7 (sign up for notifications) of Geoscience BC's request for partner support.

Amendment

Moved and seconded
THAT the District of Kitimat support # 3 (in kind support), # 4 (regulatory and policy contributions) and # 5 (recommendations of future areas) of Geoscience BC's request for partner support.

Division of Question:

THAT the District of Kitimat support # 3 (in kind support) of Geoscience BC's request for partner support.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R25-004

Correspondence dated December 17, 2024, from Geoscience BC requesting support of Northwest BC Geothermal and Carbon Capture, Utilization and Storage Assessment Project (1.1.2.0)

THAT the District of Kitimat support # 4 (regulatory and policy contributions) of Geoscience BC's request for partner support.

In favour: Councillors Leibel and Martins

Opposed: Mayor Germuth, Councillors Empinado, Feldhoff, Marleau, Pitzel

Motion **Defeated**

Motion: R25-005

Correspondence dated December 17, 2024, from Geoscience BC requesting support of Northwest BC Geothermal and Carbon Capture, Utilization and Storage Assessment Project (1.1.2.0)

THAT the District of Kitimat support # 5 (recommendations of future areas) of Geoscience BC's request for partner support.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion: R25-006

Correspondence dated December 17, 2024, from Geoscience BC requesting support of Northwest BC Geothermal and Carbon Capture, Utilization and Storage Assessment Project (1.1.2.0)

Main Motion as Amended

THAT the District of Kitimat endorse # 3 (in kind support), # 5 (recommendations of future areas) # 6 (letter of support) and #7 (sign up for notifications) of Geoscience BC's request for partner support.

Amended Main Motion Carried Unanimously
Motion: R25-007

Correspondence dated December 17, 2024, from Geoscience BC requesting support of Northwest BC Geothermal and Carbon Capture, Utilization and Storage Assessment Project (1.1.2.0)

Consent Agenda Item 7.9

Correspondence dated December 19, 2024, from Northern Regional Energy Dialogues project and invite to January 30, 2025, event

Moved and seconded,
THAT Council receive the correspondence dated December 19, 2024, regarding the Northern Regional Energy Dialogues project.

Motion Carried Unanimously
Motion: R25-008

Correspondence dated December 19, 2024, from Northern Regional Energy Dialogues project and invite to January 30, 2025, event (1.1.2.0)

12. 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

Moved and seconded,
THAT Council move to a Closed Meeting for one or more items falling under:

- Section 90(1)(e), land;
- Section 90(1)(k), municipal services; and
- Section 90(1)(l), annual report.

Motion Carried Unanimously
Motion: R25-009

The Regular Meeting of Council was recessed and moved into a Closed Meeting of Council at 7:55 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of Council reconvened at 8:38 p.m.

Adjournment

Moved and seconded,
THAT the January 6, 2025, Regular Meeting of Council be reconvened and adjourned.

Motion Carried Unanimously
Motion: R25-010

The Regular Meeting of Council adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT COPY of
the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council
held Monday, January 6, 2025.

Philip Germuth
Mayor

Tracy Tavares
Corporate Officer