

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF MONTROSE

REGULAR MEETING #01-07

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Montrose held in the Council Chambers on January 08, 2007.

Present Mayor A. Benzer
Councillor R. Schmidt
Councillor C. Cook
Councillor G. Parker
Councillor G. Welsh
CAO B. Teasdale

Absent Nil

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Benzer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA

Agenda Moved by Councillor Schmidt
Seconded by Councillor Cook

That the agenda for Regular Meeting #01-07 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

Nil

MINUTES

Meeting #41-06 Moved by Councillor Parker
Seconded by Councillor Welsh

That the Minutes of Regular Meeting #41-06 of December 18, 2006, be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

CONSENT CALENDAR

Moved by Councillor Cook
Seconded by Councillor Parker

That the Consent Calendar including:

- (1) UBCM/LGMA/CivicinfoBC – Associations Partner on Surveys,
- (2) Teck Cominco – Update on Rossland Land Assessments,
- (3) Ministry of Forests and Range and Minister Responsible for Housing – Slope Stability and the 2006 Building Code,
- (4) FCM – Call to Action regarding contacting MP's and the 2007 federal budget,
- (5) CBT – Board of Directors Meeting Synopsis,
- (6) BC Commissionaires – Month-End Report for December.

be accepted as circulated.

CARRIED

MOTIONS & SUBMISSIONS

Nil

REFERRALS FROM PRIOR MEETINGS

Policy #6030 Refer to Policies.

Recreation Commission Refer to Reports.

REFERRALS FROM DELEGATIONS

Nil

CORRESPONDENCE

City of North Vancouver	A letter from City of North Vancouver requesting support to encourage the Federal Government to develop adequate standards and regulations for the welfare of farm animals. Acknowledged
City of Coquitlam	A letter from the City of Coquitlam regarding the Kyoto Protocol and Climate Change. Acknowledged
Trail & District Chamber of Commerce	A letter from the Trail & District Chamber of Commerce thanking the Village for supporting Trails to Toyland 2006. Acknowledged
Village of Warfield	A letter from the Village of Warfield to the City of Trail urging that Trail reconsider it's intention to withdrawal from the Regional Recreation and Cultural Services. Acknowledged
Village of Warfield	A letter from the Village of Warfield to the Regional District Community Services Commission (Greater Trail) stating the Village's support of Option 3C. Acknowledged
Columbia Basin Trust	A letter from the Columbia Basin Trust informing that the newly created position of Vice President-Community Partnerships in the organization has been filled. Acknowledged
Ministry of Community Services	A letter from Minister Chong informing the Village that a final extension to December 31, 2007 has been granted to conclude the service withdrawal mediation process, however, if an agreement cannot be reached by this time, the matter is to be settled by binding arbitration. Acknowledged
RDKB	A letter from the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary advising of an upcoming meeting with Ministry of Community Services staff to discuss all aspects of the service withdrawal, mediation and arbitration process. Acknowledged Council directed staff to inform the RDKB that the Mayor, all Councillors and the CAO will attend the meeting.
Alex Atamanenko, MP	An email from Mr. Atamanenko inviting Council to an upcoming End Poverty Forum scheduled for Castlegar. Acknowledged
Royal Canadian Legion Trail Branch	A letter from the Royal Canadian Legion, Trail Branch #11, announcing their hosting of the 2007 Provincial Legion Curling Championships in February, and inviting the Village to participate in the opening ceremonies and attend the banquet. Moved by Councillor Parker Seconded by Councillor Welsh That the Village will cover the expenses for the Mayor to attend both the opening ceremonies and the banquet.

Councillor Schmidt stated that a resolution was not required and asked the CAO to review Bylaw #590 - Expenses (Council/Staff) Bylaw.

The CAO reviewed Bylaw #590 and informed Council that no resolution is required, as the requested expense reimbursement is covered by the Bylaw.

Councillor Parker rescinded the resolution with the consent of the seconder.

The Mayor will attend both the opening ceremonies and the banquet.

Ministry of Community Services A letter from Minister Chong regarding the official launch of the following programs: Towns of Tomorrow, LocalMotion and Spirit Squares extension to December 31, 2007 has been granted to conclude the service withdrawal mediation process, however, if an agreement cannot be reached by this time, the matter is to be settled by binding arbitration.

Council directed staff to prepare a list of suitable projects that would qualify for funding under the programs and report back to Council.

Ministry of Community Services A letter from Minister Chong regarding the official launch of the Towns of Tomorrow Capital Grant Program.

Acknowledged

City of North Vancouver A letter from City of North Vancouver advising of their resolution to support the renewal of funding for the National Homelessness Initiative.

Acknowledged

City of Trail A letter from the City of Trail to the RDKB outlining an alternate proposal to those presented by the Regional District Services Commission (Greater Trail) that the City would like the Commission to consider.

Acknowledged

City of Trail A letter from the City of Trail regarding the establishment of Regional Library Service.

Moved by Councillor Welsh
Seconded by Councillor Schmidt

That Council receive the letter for information and will consider the service in later deliberations.

1-01-07

CARRIED

Village of Fruitvale A letter from the Village of Fruitvale requesting funding in the amount of SEVEN THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED dollars (\$7,500) to relocate or rebuild the cenotaph closer to the Fruitvale Memorial Hall.

Moved by Councillor Schmidt
Seconded by Councillor Cook

That Council is interested in exploring participating in the project and that Councillor Schmidt be appointed to the Cenotaph Relocation Committee.

2-01-07

CARRIED

Ministry of Health A letter from the Ministry of Health with information on the recently launched Conversation on Health program.

Acknowledged

BC Assessment A letter from BC Assessment with information in respect to the 2007 Assessment Roll.

Acknowledged

REPORTS & MEMORANDA

- P. Ostlund Memorandum summarizing the Horticultural activities of 2006 and outlining key outstanding projects.
Acknowledged
Council directed staff to investigate any other work that is outstanding from Ms. Ostlund and bring it back to first regular meeting of February.
Council would also like to review contract options for Ms. Ostlund for the 2007 fiscal year.
Council directed staff to look into new carved cedar entry signs plates for the Village.
- New Grant Programs CAO – Memorandum regarding the launching of three new provincial funding programs.
Acknowledged
- Regional Recreation Administrator – Memorandum regarding regional recreation and notes with respect to a sample service bylaw.
Acknowledged
- Fire Hall CAO – Memorandum outlining the quote supplied by J. Balfour and Sons Ltd. on the supply and installation of an air conditioning unit for the Montrose Fire Hall.
Council directed staff to identify and price out alternative options to that of a rooftop cooling unit and report back to Council.
- Staff Report Deputy Clerk – Memorandum outlining 2007 Utilities information, post-employment benefits and security for the Parks Building.
Acknowledged
- Staff Report Deputy Clerk – Memorandum outlining individuals interested in sitting on the Montrose Recreation Commission.
Moved by Councillor Parker
Seconded by Councillor Schmidt
That the appointment of Bev Thatcher, Theresa Edmonson, Eric Volpatti, and Maureen Blundell to the Montrose Recreation Commission be confirmed;
That the appointment of Councillor Cook as the Village Council representative to the Montrose Recreation Commission for 2007 be confirmed.
- 3-01-07** CARRIED

Financial Matters

- Accounts Payable #8164-8185 Moved by Councillor Schmidt
Seconded by Councillor Parker
That the commitments and expenditures represented by the accounts payable listed below be authorized and that the payment in the amount of THIRTY-FOUR THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED and NINETEEN dollars and FIFTY-FOUR cents be approved:
Cheques #8164-8185 and payroll direct deposits \$34,519.54
- 4-01-07** CARRIED

BYLAWS

- #651 Moved by Councillor Parker
Seconded by Councillor Cook
That Bylaw #651, cited as the Untidy or Unsightly Premises Bylaw, having been reconsidered and having met all prerequisites

for final adoption, be now finally adopted, sealed and signed by the Mayor and the Clerk.

5-01-07

CARRIED

#652

Moved by Councillor Parker
Seconded by Councillor Welsh

That Bylaw #652, cited as the Consolidation and Revision By-law, having been reconsidered and having met all prerequisites for final adoption, be now finally adopted, sealed and signed by the Mayor and the Clerk.

6-01-07

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Parker
Seconded by Councillor Cook

That Council Authorize the CAO to provide an additional note, as per Bylaw #652, to Bylaw #566 – Recreation Commission Bylaw allowing non-residents of the Village to be members of the Commission, but not be eligible for the position of Chair of the Commission.

7-01-07

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Schmidt
Seconded by Councillor Parker

That the appointment of Ken McLean to the Montrose Recreation Commission be confirmed.

8-01-07

CARRIED

POLICIES

#6030

Moved by Councillor Parker
Seconded by Councillor Schmidt

That Policy #6030, cited as the Park Maintenance Policy, be confirmed as amended.

9-01-07

CARRIED

Council directed the CAO to develop a policy to review policies and to ensure that policy objectives are met.

MEMBER REPORTS & INQUIRIES

Councillor Schmidt

A verbal report on:

- a) New CAO,
- b) Municipal Insurance Association,
- c) Water festival,

Moved by Councillor Schmidt
Seconded by Councillor Welsh

That the Village register in the Berkley Springs International Water Tasting Festival.

10-01-07

CARRIED

Councillor Cook

A verbal report on:

- a) Recreation Commission use of supplies from the Parks Maintenance Building.

Councillor Parker

A verbal report on:

- a) Milky Water,
- b) Upgrading of the Village office phone service.

Councillor Welsh

A verbal report on:

- a) 2-line phone system,
- b) Olympic Committee.

Mayor Benzer

A written report on:

- a) Signs on 3rd Street, possibility of adding an arrow marker,
- b) Regional water service meeting,
- c) FortisBC tree removal program update,
- d) Letter from Pam Lewin regarding Spirit of BC grant approval,
- e) AKBLG January meeting,
- f) January recreation review meeting with Ministry of Community Services,
- g) Ms. Terness farewell luncheon,
- h) Update contact telephone numbers for emergencies.

CAO

A verbal report on:

- a) A private offer for the Village's Bobcat,

Moved by Councillor Parker

Seconded by Councillor Cook

That Council approve the CAO to advertise the selling of the 1997- 753 Bobcat, and that the Village will accept bids on the unit on an "as is, where is" basis until 4:30 pm, January 18, 2007.

11-01-07

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Parker moved adjournment at 8:50 p.m.

I hereby certify the preceding to be a true and correct account of the Regular Meeting #01-07 of Council held on January 08, 2007.

Mayor

Corporate Officer