

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF MONTROSE

REGULAR MEETING #03-00

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Montrose held in the Council Chambers on February 1, 2000.

Present: Mayor M. Walsh
Councillor A. Benzer
Councillor R. Dostaler
Councillor G. Parker
Councillor P. Stone
Administrator A. Carrel

Absent: Nil

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Walsh called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

AGENDA

Agenda Moved by Councillor Dostaler
Seconded by Councillor Benzer

That the agenda for Regular Meeting #03-00 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

Nil

MINUTES

Meeting #02-00 Moved by Councillor Parker
Seconded by Councillor Benzer

That the minutes of Regular Meeting #02-00 of January 18, 2000, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

CONSENT CALENDAR

Moved by Councillor Stone
Seconded by Councillor Dostaler

That the Consent Calendar including:

- (1) SD #20 – Concerning the school questionnaire;
- (2) SD #20 – Board Minutes of January 10, 2000;
- (3) KBRFS – December 1999 Incident Report;
- (4) UBCM – Trade Negotiations Report;
- (5) AKBM – Convention Date Extension;
- (6) MIA – Insurance Rates, and
- (7) MIA – Risk Management Tidbits

be accepted as circulated.

CARRIED

MOTIONS & SUBMISSIONS

Moved by Parker
Seconded by Benzer

That Mr. Hans Korn be appointed to represent the Village of Montrose on the Regional Airport Advisory Committee.

CARRIED

REFERRALS FROM PRIOR MEETINGS

- Financial Plan Administrator – memoranda outlining a public consultation process for the Financial Plan.
Moved by Councillor Stone
Seconded by Councillor Dostaler
That a Financial Plan Workshop with participation by residents of Montrose be held on April 8, 2000.
CARRIED
- Community Award Nomination notice for Montrose Community Service Award.
Referred to next meeting
- BV Policing Request for a \$500 grant to fund projects pursued by the BV Community Policing Consultative Group.
Moved by Councillor Benzer
Seconded by Councillor Dostaler
That the resolution to approve a grant in the amount of \$500 for the Beaver Valley Community Policing Consultative Group be taken from the table.
CARRIED
Moved by Councillor Parker
Seconded by Councillor Stone
That Council approved the requested \$500 grant.
CARRIED
Mayor Walsh voted nay.
- AKBM Moved by Councillor Stone
Seconded by Councillor Benzer
WHEREAS early hospital discharges and delayed admissions to hospitals and facilities mean that individuals are living at home longer, with increasingly acute and complex care needs, and
WHEREAS the reduction in hospital facility capacity in British Columbia is now being followed by cuts in home support services,
BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of B.C. Municipalities urge the Premier of British Columbia and the Ministers responsible for home support services to first rescind the cuts in funding for home support applied in the past 12 months, and secondly to make a commitment to increase the funding for home support services commensurate with the proven need for the service in all British Columbia communities.
CARRIED
- AKBM Moved by Councillor Dostaler
Seconded by Councillor Benzer
WHEREAS the stewardship of public assets legislated by section 2(c) of the *Municipal Act* requires that municipal councils undertake long-term planning for municipal infrastructure maintenance and upgrading programs, and
WHEREAS the financial planning legislated by section 327 of the *Municipal Act* requires that municipal councils develop long-term financial plans and fiscal strategies to fund their infrastructure maintenance and upgrading programs,
BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of B.C. Municipalities urge the Minister of Municipal Affairs to revise municipal conditional grant program processes and procedures to enable municipal

councils to incorporate municipal conditional grant program revenues in their financial plans.

CARRIED

NHL Subsidy Draft letter to the Prime Minister on the subject of federal financial support for NHL hockey teams.

As the Federal Government's offer to subsidize NHL teams had been withdrawn, writing a letter was deemed by Council to be unnecessary.

CORRESPONDENCE

BV Youth Center Request for consideration of additional support for the programs supplied by the BV Youth Center.

Acknowledged

Church Invitation from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints to an Open House ceremony.

Mayor Walsh agreed to attend.

PEP Notice of a Basic Emergency Management Training Course scheduled in Kimberley on March 13 and 14, 2000.

Councillor Parker will refer this notice to PEP.

Recycling Letter from the RDKB in response to Council's letter on the subject of paying a rental fee for recycling depot in Fruitvale.

Acknowledged

Recreation Facility Letter from the RDKB informing Council that the request to fund a recreation facility study was denied by the Community Services Commission.

Acknowledged

BV Citizenship Request to participate in a BV Citizen of the Year recognition and award process.

Council requested information on the selection and presentation process and on Montrose's past involvement in this award.

UBCM Report on the status of the 1999 *Utilization of Rural Schools* resolution sponsored by Council.

Acknowledged

Crossroads Request for support for the Crossroads Detox service fund raising campaign.

Moved by Councillor Benzer
Seconded by Councillor Dostaler

That a letter of support for the Crossroads program be drafted for consideration by Council.

CARRIED

UBCM Notice of a New Local Government Legislation Symposium, March 1-2, 2000 in Richmond.

Acknowledged

MA Grant Notice from Minister J. Doyle approving a Community Facility Optimization Study grant in the amount of \$17,500.

Acknowledged. Council requested that confirmation of the Village's entitlement for the sewer infrastructure grant be

pursued.

IWA Request for support of the IWA position in the matter of endangered species legislation.

Moved by Councillor Stone
Seconded by Councillor Dostaler

That a letter of support be written to the IWA regarding their position on endangered species legislation.

CARRIED

RDKB Notice by chair Bill Baird of his intention to attend a Council meeting to discuss issues of mutual concern.

Moved by Councillor Benzer
Seconded by Councillor Stone

That an invitation be sent to RDKB Chair Baird, advising him of regular Council meeting dates.

CARRIED

REPORTS & MEMORANDA

#2 Lift Stn. Administrator – a memorandum with USL report on the transfer switch failure of the lift station, and report that a replacement switch has been ordered.

Acknowledged

Strategic Plan Administrator – report of draft primary and secondary objectives resulting from the January 15, 2000, Strategic Planning Workshop.

Moved by Councillor Stone
Seconded by Councillor Benzer

That the primary and secondary objectives of the 2000 Strategic Plan be approved.

CARRIED

Water Meters Urban Systems Ltd. – Issues report on the subject of water meters and water metering programs and policies.

Acknowledged

School Committee Copy of the report from the Montrose Elementary Future Use Joint Committee to the Board of School District #20.

Moved by Councillor Benzer
Seconded by Councillor Dostaler

That a positive letter in support of an early decision in the matter of the Montrose Elementary School be written to the Board of School District #20, referring to the difficulties encountered in planning for the future use of the school while its principal use as a public school remains uncertain.

CARRIED

Pool Funds Administrator – a report providing a summary of decisions, reports, and communications on the subject of the BV Pool insurance funds.

Council directed the administrator to draft a plan for the development of the pool property and its consolidation with Montrose Park.

Misc. Matters Deputy Clerk – report on Council inquiry of cheque #3898; Multiculturalism Week Proclamation; price quote by S. Crockett

to strip and wax the Community Hall floor, and Palliative Care Advisory Committee Swimathon.

Moved by Councillor Stone
Seconded by Councillor Parker

That S. Crockett be contracted to strip and wax the Community Hall floor.

CARRIED

Council directed that a letter be sent to Mr. John Orrell to thank him for representing the Village at the Palliative Care Committee Swimathon.

Moved by Councillor Benzer
Seconded by Councillor Stone

That the cost of replacing the Community Hall stove be investigated.

CARRIED

Mayor Walsh vote nay.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

Accounts Payable Moved by Councillor Stone
Seconded by Councillor Parker

That the commitments and expenditures represented by the accounts payable listed below be authorized and that their payment in the amount of TWENTY THOUSAND AND THREE HUNDRED TWENTY-TWO dollars and FIFTY-SEVEN cents (\$20,322.57) in total be approved:

Cheques #3901-3934 inclusive	\$
20,322.57	
TOTAL NET CURRENT EXPENDITURE	\$ 20,322.57

CARRIED

BYLAWS

Nil

POLICIES

Moved by Councillor Benzer
Seconded by Councillor Stone

That policy #1690, being the Investment & Loan Policy, be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

MEMBER REPORTS & INQUIRIES

Councillor Stone

A written report on:

- a) Preparations for the Financial Plan workshop;
- b) Pending events regarding publicity and public relations;
- c) Appointment of Mayor Nelson to chair the RDKB Waste Management Committee;
- d) Appointment of RDKB representative on the Columbia Basin Trust

Moved by Councillor Dostaler
Seconded by Councillor Parker

That the Community Hall rental be reduced to half price for employee L. Fitzpatrick's 25th Wedding Anniversary.

CARRIED

Councillor Benzer

A verbal report on:

- a) Delay in sending out utility bills.

Councillor Parker

A verbal report on:

- a) Icy road conditions over the weekend;
- b) Proposal for a task force on playground equipment, and a request that terms of reference for such a task force be drafted.

Councillor Dostaler

A verbal report on:

- a) Fire hydrants have been cleaned up;
- b) Street light at 455 – 11th Ave had been repaired, but it is still out and should be repaired fix;
- c) Concerns over severe cuts to home support services in view of surplus funds in other health budgets.

Mayor Walsh

A verbal report on:

- a) Montrose Recreation meeting held on January 19, 2000;
- b) Hands across the Valley project;
- c) Winter carnival date set for February 13
- d) Seniors' Dinner date set for March 27;
- e) Easter Hunt scheduled for April 22;
- f) Family Fun Day scheduled for June 9-10
- g) Responsibility for snow removal of recycling area, requesting that the responsibility for snow removal be investigated;
- h) The dispute over parking at 942 – 12th Avenue, requesting that the administrator look into the problem.

Administrator

Verbal report on:

- a) Absence from April 20 to May 11;
- b) Discussions with Mr. D. Dar on the possibility of exchanging land security for cash security for the Golden Acre Subdivision deficiencies, and that the developer had rejected the proposal.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Councillor Benzer, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

I hereby certify the preceding to be a true and correct account of the Regular Meeting #03-00 of Council held on February 1, 2000.

Mayor

Clerk

