

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF MONTROSE

**REGULAR MEETING #19 - 2022**

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Montrose held in Council Chambers at 565 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Montrose, BC on May 16, 2022.

Present Mayor M. Walsh  
Councillor D. Berriault  
Councillor P. Caron  
Councillor R. Steep (via Zoom)

Deputy Clerk A. Gurnett

Absent Councillor C. Cook

Media Nil

Public Six

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Walsh called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**AGENDA**

Agenda Moved by Councillor Berriault  
Seconded by Councillor Caron

THAT the agenda for Regular Meeting #18-22 be adopted.

**1-19-22** CARRIED

**DELEGATIONS**

T. Vanness Mr. Tom Vanness addressed Council concerning a sewer line blockage in the sewer line on Village property that serves his residence. Mr. Vanness believes he has done his due diligence. He has had a plumber and the Village Crew camera the sewer line. Both parties determined that the issue is on the Village side and that his line is in good condition. He requested Council to consider changing the policy that guides sewer blockages.

W. Molnar Mr. Wayne Molnar spoke to Council concerning the repair of the sewer line that serves his residence located on Village property. He has had issues with the line for two years. In that time, he has removed two blockages outside of his property line. Mr. Molnar's insurance company has advised that they provide coverage to the lot line. He believes that the Village should be responsible for the repair.

Flower Committee Mr. Neil Fricke and Mr. Willard White provided Council with an update on the Committee's activities. They have secured funds from the Columbia Basin Trust Community Initiatives Program. The group is requesting a loan of \$3,000 from the Village. They intend to put a bench by the pickle ball court. The group will be waiting to plant because the Village has been unable to hire a summer student. They won't proceed until the watering situation can be rectified.

**REFERRALS FROM DELEGATIONS**

Vanness/Molnar Council discussed Policy #5340 – Sewer Blockage Policy. Matter to be decided under Reports and Memoranda section of the Council meeting.

Flower Committee Moved by Councillor Berriault  
Seconded by Councillor Caron

THAT the Village loan the Montrose Community Action Team Society \$3,000 and THAT a grant of \$150 be provided.

**2-19-22** CARRIED

Staff directed to find out if the Flower Committee would be permitted to use the Might-E truck for watering.

### **MINUTES**

Meeting #16-22 Moved by Councillor Caron  
Seconded by Councillor Berriault

THAT the Minutes of Special Meeting #16-22 of May 2, 2022, be approved.

**3-19-22** CARRIED

Meeting #17-22 Moved by Councillor Berriault  
Seconded by Councillor Caron

THAT the Minutes of Regular Meeting #17-22 of May 2, 2022, be approved.

**4-19-22** CARRIED

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Moved by Councillor Caron  
Seconded by Councillor Berriault

THAT the Consent Calendar including:

- (1) UBCM – The Compass – April 27 & May 4, 11/22,
- (2) Selkirk College – State of the Basin Focus-Our Aging Population & Implications for the Labour Force,
- (3) Township of Spallumcheen – Luxury Tax on Recreational Boats, and
- (4) BCSPCA – April 2022 Animal Control Summary

be accepted as circulated.

**5-19-22** CARRIED

### **MOTIONS & SUBMISSIONS**

Nil

### **REFERRALS FROM PRIOR MEETINGS**

Nil

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Atco A letter from Atco Wood Products providing notice of their draft Forest Stewardship Plan #921 for public review and comment.

ACKNOWLEDGED

FAN A letter from the Family Action Network requesting the Village to join the Gold Membership of FAN.

ACKNOWLEDGED

**REPORTS & MEMORANDA**

Bylaw Officer A report from Bylaw Officer K. Warzocha for April 19 - 29, 2022.  
 Moved by Councillor Berriault  
 Seconded by Councillor Caron

THAT the Bylaw Services Report for the period of April 9 – 29, 2022 be received for information.

**6-19-22** CARRIED

PW Foreman An operations report from the Public Works Foreman for the month of April 2022.

Moved by Councillor Caron  
 Seconded by Councillor Berriault

THAT the March 2022 operations report be accepted.

**7-19-22** CARRIED

Deputy Clerk A memo from the Deputy Clerk containing Policy #5340 – Sewer Blockage Policy.

Moved by Councillor Berriault  
 Seconded by Councillor Caron

THAT Council amend Policy #5340 – Sewer Blockage Policy by taking responsibility from the property line to the main and THAT if the owner can prove that the issue is on Village property, the Village will pay the costs for the repair.

**8-19-22** CARRIED

Operations Manager A report from Operations Manager, L. Plotnikoff, presenting the 2021 Annual Water Monitoring Report.

Moved by Councillor Berriault  
 Seconded by Councillor Caron

THAT Council receive the 2021 Annual Water Monitoring Report.

**9-19-22** CARRIED

Operations Manager A report from Operations Manager, L. Plotnikoff, concerning a steep slope development review for the Waste Water Treatment Plant Project.

Moved by Councillor Berriault  
 Seconded by Councillor Caron

THAT Council receive the Montrose Waste Water Treatment Plant Field Review.

**10-19-22** CARRIED

**FINANCIAL MATTERS**

Accounts Payable Moved by Councillor Berriault  
 Seconded by Councillor Caron

#020215-020252 THAT the commitments and expenditures represented by the accounts payable listed below be authorized and that the payment in the amount of ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND AND ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINE DOLLARS and EIGHTY-SIX CENTS be approved.

Cheques #020215-020252 and payroll direct deposits \$100,129.86.

**11-19-22** CARRIED

Deputy Treasurer A report from Deputy Clerk/Treasurer January & February 2022.

Moved by Councillor Caron  
Seconded by Councillor Berriault

THAT the January and February 2022 Bank Account Reconciliation Report be received for information.

**12-19-22** CARRIED

**BYLAWS**

Nil

**POLICIES**

#1791 Office Purchasing Policy

Moved by Councillor Berriault  
Seconded by Councillor Caron

THAT Policy #1791, cited as the Office Purchasing Policy, be confirmed unchanged.

**13-19-22** CARRIED

**MEMBER REPORTS AND INQUIRIES**

Councillor Berriault Committee Report

Nil

Member Inquiry

Nil

Councillor Caron Committee Report

Nil

Member Inquiry

1. Requested that the speed reader be moved in front of 915 7<sup>th</sup> Street.
2. Reported to Council that Fortis closed 7<sup>th</sup> Street without consulting with the residents.
3. Requested that the Bylaw Officer speak to the contractors building the three new houses in the 7<sup>th</sup> Street / 8<sup>th</sup> Street area. The employees vehicles are causing the area to become congested.

Councillor Cook Committee Report

Nil

Member Inquiry

Nil

Councillor Steep Committee Report

Nil

Member Inquiry

Nil

Mayor Walsh

Committee Report

1. The Village Square will have a Grand Opening on June 4 at noon. Requested that Council members be in attendance.
2. Planning is proceeding for Family Fun Day.
3. Electric locks will be installed at the Village Square.

Member Inquiry

1. Inquired if Council had any desire to change the current yard waste pickup. Council members stated that they did not want to change the current system.

Deputy Clerk

Nil

**ADJOURNMENT**

Councillor Berriault moved adjournment at 7:08 p.m.

I hereby certify the preceding to be a true and correct account of the Regular Meeting #19-22 of Council held on May 16, 2022.

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Mayor

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Deputy Clerk