

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF MONTROSE

REGULAR MEETING #25-05

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Montrose held in the Council Chambers on September 6, 2005.

Present Mayor M. Walsh
Councillor A. Benzer
Councillor G. Parker
Councillor R. Schmidt
Councillor G. Welsh
Administrator A. Carrel

Absent Nil

CALL TO ORDER

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

AGENDA

Agenda Moved by Councillor Welsh
Seconded by Councillor Benzer

That the agenda for Regular Meeting #25-05 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

C. Gurnett Mr. C. Gurnett, representing USWA Local 480 and Local 9705, attended the meeting to make a presentation concerning the current labour dispute between Teck Cominco Ltd. and its employees in the context of the history of assistance from communities in the area in the past decades. Mr. Gurnett referred to the use by the company of the water license for power production rather than the production of metals, and asked for a letter of support concerning the water license issue.

MINUTES

Meeting #23-05 Moved by Councillor Benzer
Seconded by Councillor Welsh

That the Minutes of Regular Meeting #23-05 of August 15, 2005, be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

CONSENT CALENDAR

Moved by Councillor Welsh
Seconded by Councillor Benzer

That the Consent Calendar including:

- (1) RDKB – Contaminated Soil Shipment;
 - (2) Bylaw Enforcement – Incident Log;
 - (3) City of Trail – Appeal to the Premier on Cominco Strike;
 - (4) FCM – Gulf Coast Emergencies
- be accepted as circulated.

CARRIED

MOTIONS & SUBMISSIONS

Nil

REFERRALS FROM PRIOR MEETINGS

Nil

REFERRALS FROM DELEGATIONS

C. Gurnett

Moved by Councillor Parker
Seconded by Councillor Schmidt

Whereas Teck Cominco Ltd. has been granted a water licence by the Province of BC to generate power, and

Whereas Teck Cominco Ltd. sells power that is surplus to what it needs for local industrial and domestic consumption, and

Whereas Teck Cominco Ltd. is able to sell more power during a labour stoppage at its Trail Operations resulting in revenues exceeding what is normally achieved through the sale of surplus power;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Province be requested to amend the water licence issued to Teck Cominco Metals Ltd. to limit the amount of power that may be generated during a labour stoppage at its Trail Operations to the amount necessary to produce the average revenue derived from the sale of surplus power over the previous 12 months, subject to there being no significant environmental impact;

And be it further resolved that Council forward this resolution to the UBCM for consideration as an emergency resolution at the forthcoming Convention.

1-25-05

CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE

MIA

A memorandum from the Municipal Insurance Association to confirm the Village's voting delegates at the Annual General Meeting, and notice of renewal for the volunteer accident policy.

Acknowledged

UBCM

A memorandum from the Union of BC Municipalities with a request for expressions of interest in community health promotion pilot projects.

Acknowledged

Hope Ratepayers

Copy of a petition from the Hope & District Ratepayers' Association calling for a cap on gas and diesel prices.

Acknowledged

RDKB

Copy of a letter to the Union of BC Municipalities with a request for an extension under the 2004 Emergency Planning & Recovery Grant Program.

Acknowledged

UBCM

A letter from the Union of BC Municipalities serving notice of approval in principle of Council's 2005 Emergency Planning Grant application.

Acknowledged

BC Environment

An e-mail notice of a pending Application for an Environmental Assessment Certificate by the Waneta Expansion Power Corporation.

Acknowledged

Premier

Information from the Premier concerning fund raising activities for the Raise-a-Reader Day program.

Acknowledged

Conroy An e-mail from the office of K. Conroy, MLA, with suggested dates for a meeting with Council.
Council directed the Administrator to provide the MLA with a copy of Council's meeting schedule.

Terasen A letter from Terasen Gas with information submitted to the BC Utilities Commission in the matter of the proposed sale of the company to Kinder Morgan Inc.
Acknowledged

BC Environment An e-mail from the BC Environmental Assessment Office concerning the Waneta Expansion Power Corporation project.
Acknowledged

IHA A request from the Interior Health Authority to waive the Community Hall rental fee for a flu clinic.
Moved by Councillor Parker
Seconded by Councillor Benzer
That the request from the Interior Health Authority for the waiver of the Community Hall rental for a flu clinic be approved.

2-25-05 CARRIED

Winter Games An invitation to the Official Office Opening of the Greater Trail 2006 BC Winter Games.
Acknowledged

City of Trail An invitation from the City of Trail to the Induction Ceremony by the Greater Trail Home of Champions Society on October 22, 2005.
Acknowledged

Lindgren A request from Mr. Terry and Ms. Sharon Lindgren for a "No Through Road" sign at 9A Avenue.
Moved by Councillor Benzer
Seconded by Councillor Parker
That a "No Exit" sign be installed at 9A Avenue as requested.

3-25-05 CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Parker
Seconded by Councillor Schmidt
That "No Exit" signs be ordered and installed on all dead end streets and alleys.

4-25-05 CARRIED

TWU A request from Local 4, TWU, for a letter from Council to the Federal Minister of Labour requesting binding arbitration to resolve the Telus lockout.
Acknowledged

REPORTS & MEMORANDA

945-9th Administrator – Memorandum with recommendation to accept the proposed donation of Lot 1, Plan 10848 at a value of \$17,500.

Moved by Councillor Parker
Seconded by Councillor Benzer

That the land gifting offer be accepted and a receipt in the amount of \$17,500 be issued to Mr. & Ms. James.

5-25-05 CARRIED

- Community Seminar Administrator – Memorandum without recommendation with an outline for a series of Community Seminars.
Acknowledged
- Position Paper Administrator – Draft position paper providing background to the sub-regional recreation service withdrawal resolution.
Moved by Councillor Parker
Seconded by Councillor Schmidt
That the draft Position Paper stating background and reason for the request to withdraw the Village of Montrose from the sub-regional recreation service be approved.
- 6-25-05** CARRIED
- Service Withdrawal Administrator – A memorandum with supporting documentation for a service withdrawal resolution under section 813.08 of the *Local Government Act* from the sub-regional recreation service.
Moved by Councillor Parker
Seconded by Councillor Schmidt
Whereas recreation services provided on a sub-regional basis in the Greater Trail area serve the interests of the residents and taxpayers of the Village of Montrose, and
Whereas the governance of the sub-regional recreation service is not satisfactory due to deficiencies in accountability, responsibility, transparency, equity, consistency, and precedence, and
Whereas the deficiencies of the sub-regional recreation service create a liability for the residents and taxpayers of the Village of Montrose that exceeds the benefits of regionalization;
Therefore, in the interest of the residents and taxpayers of the Village of Montrose, Council hereby requests the withdrawal of the municipality from the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary's Greater Trail sub-regional recreation service pursuant to section 813.08 of the *Local Government Act*;
And further, Council hereby declares its willingness to reconsider the withdrawal from the service if the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary adopts service bylaws for sub-regional recreation services in the Greater Trail area to implement the goals defined in the Montrose Position Paper of September 6, 2005.
- 7-25-05** CARRIED
- Workshop Administrator – Draft notice for a Municipal Priority Planning Workshop.
Moved by Councillor Schmidt
Seconded by Councillor Parker
That the draft notice for the Municipal Priority Planning Workshop be approved, and that the workshop be scheduled for Thursday, October 6, 2005 from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- 8-25-05** CARRIED
- Financial Matters**
- Accounts Payable #7285-7302 Moved by Councillor Benzer
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 TWENTY-SIX THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED and NINETY-FIVE dollars and THIRTEEN cents be approved:
Cheques #7285-7302 and payroll direct deposits \$ 26,795.13
- 9-25-05** CARRIED

BYLAWS

- #630 Moved by Councillor Parker
Seconded by Councillor Benzer
That Bylaw #630, cited as the Property Tax Exemption (2006-2015) Bylaw" having been reconsidered and having met all pre-requisites for final adoption, be now finally adopted, sealed and signed by the Mayor and the Clerk.
- 10-25-05** CARRIED
- #634 Moved by Councillor Parker
Seconded by Councillor Benzer
That Bylaw #634, cited as the "Waterworks Expropriation By-law" be introduced and read a first time.
- 11-25-05** CARRIED
- #634 Moved by Councillor Schmidt
Seconded by Councillor Welsh
That Bylaw #634, cited as the "Waterworks Expropriation By-law," having been given due and detailed consideration, be now read a second time.
- 12-25-05** CARRIED
- #634 Moved by Councillor Benzer
Seconded by Councillor Parker
That Bylaw #634, cited as the "Waterworks Expropriation By-law," be now read a third time.
- 13-25-05** CARRIED

POLICIES

- #0480 Moved by Councillor Parker
Seconded by Councillor Schmidt
That Policy #0480, cited as the "Regional Director Appointment Policy," be confirmed unchanged.
- 14-25-05** CARRIED
- #0530 Moved by Councillor Benzer
Seconded by Councillor Parker
That Policy #0530, cited as the "Alcoholic Beverage Policy," be confirmed unchanged.
- 15-25-05** CARRIED
- #2730 Moved by Councillor Welsh
Seconded by Councillor Schmidt
That Policy #2730, cited as the "Staff Evaluation Policy," be confirmed unchanged.
- 16-25-05** CARRIED

MEMBER REPORTS & INQUIRIES

- Councillor Schmidt A verbal report on:
a) Regional District meetings and activities;
b) Changing the Montrose website address to Montrose.ca;
c) Tall tree on 11th leaning over the road allowance should be removed.
- Councillor Benzer A verbal report on:
a) Report on extended absence over the past weeks;
b) Notice of inability to attend the UBCM Convention.

Councillor Parker

A verbal report on:

- a) Selection of names for the new trails above Montrose;
- b) Ideas for the events on the trail for the 50th Anniversary.

Councillor Welsh

A verbal report on:

- a) Follow up required on street lighting program;
- b) Concern over the reported Montrose stand on CMON project;
- c) Installed water meters are rattling, noisy, and should be checked by public works.

Mayor Walsh

A verbal report on:

- a) Hall rental agreements, clean-up provision, to be placed on the next agenda;
- b) Airline service, request for information on minimum altitude for Northern Hawk flights, specifically on September 4, 2005.

Administrator

No report.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Councillor Parker the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

I hereby certify the preceding to be a true and correct account of the Regular Meeting #25-05 of Council held on September 6, 2005.

Mayor

Clerk