

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF MONTROSE

REGULAR MEETING #35-08

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Montrose held in the Council Chambers on October 20, 2008.

Present Mayor A. Benzer
Councillor C. Cook
Councillor G. Parker
Councillor R. Schmidt
Councillor G. Welsh
Deputy Clerk A. Gurnett
RDKB Director Area 'A' – A. Grieve

Absent CAO B. Teasdale

CALL TO ORDER

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

AGENDA

Agenda Moved by Councillor Schmidt
Seconded by Councillor Parker

That the agenda for Regular Meeting #35-08 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

DELEGATION

Nil

MINUTES

Meeting #32-08 Moved by Councillor Schmidt
Seconded by Councillor Cook

That the Minutes of Regular Meeting #32-08 of October 6, 2008, be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

CONSENT CALENDAR

Moved by Councillor Welsh
Seconded by Councillor Schmidt

That the Consent Calendar including:

- (1) Teck – Launch of new simplified name and brand,
- (2) BCSPCA –Animal control summary for the months of August and September 2008,
- (3) Commissionaires – Report for August 11 thru October 15, 2008

be accepted as circulated.

CARRIED

MOTIONS & SUBMISSIONS

Nil

REFERRALS FROM PRIOR MEETINGS

Nil

REFERRALS FROM DELEGATIONS

Nil

CORRESPONDENCE

Min of Comm Dev. A letter from Minister B. Lekstrom, in principal, providing grant funding to support a study of governance in the Greater Trail Area.

ACKNOWLEDGED

A discussion took place on the contents of the Minister's correspondence. Director Grieve spoke about the potential issues that may arise from a referendum with respect to voting areas.

DELEGATION

MFD Montrose Fire Department Deputy Fire Chief Leavitt and Captain Volpatti requested to speak with Council concerning Halloween activities. Montrose Fire Department is willing to host the annual bon-fire at the Community Hall provided that the Village provide the wood.

Council directed Staff to ensure that wood is provided for the event. Council thanked the Montrose Fire Department for continuing to host the event.

CORRESPONDENCE CONTINUED

EMCON An invitation from EMCON Services to a Highway User Group meeting to be held on Thursday, October 23, 2008 at the Birchbank yard site.

ACKNOWLEDGED

Council acknowledged the intent of Councillor Cook, Councillor Welsh and Mayor Benzer to attend the event.

TDCOC A letter from the Trail & District Chamber of Commerce advising that the Tourism Funds in the amount of \$77,663.43 (seventy-seven thousand, six hundred and sixty-three dollars and forty-three cents) will be transferred to the custody of City of Trail on October 31, 2008.

Moved by Councillor Schmidt
Seconded by Councillor Parker

That the Village of Montrose's portion of the Tourism Funds be transferred to the City of Trail as the custodian of the funds.

1-35-08 CARRIED

RCL An invitation from the Royal Canadian Legion, Trail Branch #11 to attend the annual Remembrance Day Banquet on November 10, 2008.

ACKNOWLEDGED

Council acknowledged the intent of Mayor Benzer to attend the event.

L. Koerber/J. Schmidt A request from Ms. L. Koerber and Mr. J. Schmidt on behalf of the Antenna Trail Group to install a kiosk at the base of Antenna Trail.

Moved by Councillor Welsh
Seconded by Councillor Parker

That the Antenna Trail group be permitted to place a kiosk at the base of Antenna Trail.

2-35-08 Carried

531 TSC A letter from the 531 Trail Sponsoring Committee, Air Cadet League of Canada requesting the use of the Park Building for Effective Speaking and First Aid Classes.

Moved by Councillor Schmidt
Seconded by Cook

That the rental fee for the Park Building be waived for Effective Speaking and First Aid classes to be held by the 531 Trail Air Cadets provided that an Air Cadet Staff Member is present at all times.

3-35-08 Carried

IH A letter from Interior Health seeking support for UBCM Resolution – Dental Care Access.

ACKNOWLEDGED

REPORTS & MEMORANDA

MIA Assessment CAO – Memorandum concerning information on selecting a different deductible for the Village's general liability insurance with the Municipal Insurance Association.

Moved by Councillor Schmidt
Seconded by Councillor Parker

That Council reduce the deductible to \$5,000 (five thousand dollars) from the current \$10,000 (ten thousand dollars) for the 2009 General Liability Insurance with the Municipal Insurance Association of British Columbia.

4-35-08 CARRIED

Financial Matters

Accounts Payable
#9524-#9550

Moved by Councillor Welsh
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 TWO-HUNDRED and SEVENTY-FOUR THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED and EIGHTY-TWO dollars and FORTY-TWO cents be approved:

Cheques #9524-9550 and payroll direct deposits \$274,882.42.

5-35-08 CARRIED

Staff Report Deputy Clerk – Account Reconciliation for the month of September 2008.

ACKNOWLEDGED

BYLAWS

#671

Moved by Councillor Parker
Seconded by Councillor Cook

That Bylaw #671, cited as the 2009 Water and Sewer User Rates Bylaw, be now introduced and read a first time.

6-35-08 CARRIED

POLICIES

#5410

Snow Plowing Policy

Moved by Councillor Welsh
Seconded by Councillor Parker

That Policy #5410, cited as the Snow Plowing Policy, be confirmed unchanged.

7-35-08 CARRIED

MEMBER REPORTS & INQUIRIES

- Councillor Schmidt Committee Report
None.
Member Inquiry
1. Inquired on the status of the water transmission line replacement project. Requested that a report be submitted for the November 3, 2008 Council meeting.
- Councillor Cook Committee Report
1. Invited Council to attend the Halloween festivities at the Community Hall on October 31, 2008.
Member Inquiry
None.
- Councillor Parker Committee Report
None.
Member Inquiry
1. Reported that the apple tree at Viewmont Park has not been cut down as directed by Council at the September 15, 2008 meeting.
- Councillor Welsh Committee Report
1. Reported that there is interest by members of the current Regional Recreation Service to hold a meeting.
Moved by Councillor Welsh
Seconded by Councillor Parker
That a letter be sent to RDKB Chair Rotvold stating that the Village of Montrose is working with the Village of Fruitvale and Area 'A' to form the Beaver Valley Parks and Trails Commission; therefore, the Village is not interested in attending a meeting at this time.
- 8-35-08** CARRIED
2. Reported on attendance at the recent UBCM convention.
Member Inquiry
None.
- Mayor Benzer Committee Report
Publicity and Public Relations – A written report on recent activities including:
1. Attended events in Creston,
2. Active Communities meeting on October 28, 2008 and
3. 2010 AGM on October 29, 2008.
Member Inquiry
1. Extended invitation to Council to attend the 2008 Fortis BC Power Sense Conservation Excellence Awards luncheon to be held on October 30, 2008 in Castlegar.
- Deputy Clerk 1. Advised Council that S. Hohner has accepted Council's offer of employment for the position of CAO.

Moved by Councillor Welsh
Seconded by Councillor Parker

That the Village reimburse S. Hohner up to \$1,500 (one thousand and five hundred dollars) for relocation expenses on the submission of bona fide receipts.

9-35-08

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2. Reported that the Village has received \$300 (three hundred dollars) from the Plant a Tree for Tomorrow program. The amount is made up of \$20 (twenty dollars) a tree for a total of 15 trees.

ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Parker moved adjournment at 7:55 p.m.

I hereby certify the preceding to be a true and correct account of the Regular Meeting #35-08 of Council held on October 20, 2008.

Mayor

Deputy Clerk