

A regular meeting of the District of Wells Council was held February 16, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. in Council Chambers, 4243 Sanders Avenue, Wells, BC V0K 2R0

MINUTES

PRESENT: Mayor Robin Sharpe; Councillors Mandy Kilsby, Lorraine Kozar and Virginia Wilkins

ALSO PRESENT: Gary Champagne, Interim C.A.O.; Margaret Inoue, Marketing and Economic Development Officer; John Aitken, Public Works Superintendent and Deborah McKay, Deputy Clerk

PUBLIC GALLERY: 4 People

A. CALL TO ORDER AND AGENDA ADOPTION:

16-36 MOVED Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Kilsby **THAT** the Agenda be adopted as amended as follows:

- D. 1 Update on Wells Primary Health Care
- E. 2 Logging in Lowhee Creek

Carried Unanimously

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

- 1. Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, January 19, 2016

16-37 MOVED Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Kozar **THAT** the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting, January 19, 2016 be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

- 2. Minutes of Special Council Meeting, February 1, 2016

16-38 MOVED Councillor Kilsby Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting, February 1, 2016 be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

- 3. Minutes of Special Council Meeting, February 8, 2016

16-39 MOVED Councillor Kozar Seconded Councillor Kilsby **THAT** the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting, February 8, 2016 be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

C. DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS: NIL

D. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES / UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- 1. Update on Wells Primary Health Care
The Marketing and Economic Development Officer (EDO) provided a verbal overview of the report.

16-40 MOVED Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Kilsby **THAT** Council receive the Update on Wells Primary Health Care.

Carried Unanimously

- 16-41** **MOVED** Councillor Kilsby Seconded Councillor Kozar **THAT** a letter be written by the District of Wells requesting funding from the Cariboo Chilcotin Regional Hospital District for 40% of the costs for the Wells Primary Health Care Clinic.
Carried Unanimously

E. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Grants-In-Aid 2016
- 16-42** **MOVED** Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Kilsby **THAT** Council receive and approve the 2016 Grants-In-Aid final recommendations.
Carried Unanimously
2. Logging in Lowhee Creek
The Mayor thanked Dave Jorgenson the letter writing he has done in regards to logging in Lowhee Creek. The Mayor noted that he will have a meeting with the Mayor of Quesnel, Bob Simpson; John Massier and the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations on March 24 or 25, 2016 to discuss the issues.
- 16-43** **MOVED** Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Kilsby **THAT** Council receive the Logging in Lowhee Creek report.
Carried Unanimously

F. CORRESPONDENCE:

1. 16.02.01 Shannon Wilwand, Save Kersley Elementary School Committee Member re: Save Kersley Elementary School.
- 16-44** **MOVED** Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Kozar **THAT** the 16.02.01 letter from Shannon Wilwand, Save Kersley Elementary School Committee Member re: Save Kersley Elementary School be received.
Carried Unanimously
- 16-45** **MOVED** Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Kilsby **THAT** staff write a letter of support to the Save Kersley Elementary School Committee re: Save Kersley Elementary School.
Carried Unanimously

G. BYLAWS AND RESOLUTIONS: NIL

H. REPORTS:

1. Marketing & Economic Development Officer (EDO) Report
Additions to the report include: the EDO is working on the Vancouver Foundation final report; the EDO has an initial phone meeting on February 19, 2016 in regards to the Mobile Medical Unit of BC. The EDO further noted that the Community Forest meeting went well with eight people in attendance.
- 16-46** **MOVED** Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Kilsby **THAT** the Marketing and Economic Development Officer report be received.
Carried Unanimously
2. Public Works Superintendent Report
The Public Works Superintendent added the following to his report: BGM is now drawing water out of the Jack O Clubs Lake; new locks have been installed in the

Wells Community Hall, District Office and the School. The Mayor thanked the Public Works Superintendent, Fred Schmode, Brad Gassoff and himself for taking care of the frozen culvert by Joey Only's house on Sunday, February 14, 2016. The Public Works Superintendent noted that he will keep his eye on this culvert and requested to be informed of other culverts that may be a problem.

- 16-47** **MOVED** Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Kozar **THAT** the Public Works Superintendent report be received.
Carried Unanimously

3. Fire Chief Report
Councillor Kilsby thanked the Fire Department for attending the false alarms in Barkerville.

- 16-48** **MOVED** Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Kilsby **THAT** the Fire Chief report be received.
Carried Unanimously

4. Cheque Register 16.01.01 to 16.01.31

- 16-49** **MOVED** Councillor Kilsby Seconded Councillor Kozar **THAT** Council approve Electronic Fund Transfers and Cheques 4495 to 4534 from Integris Credit Union for the period of January 1, 2016 to January 31, 2016 for a total amount of \$88,330.64.
Carried Unanimously

5. Outstanding Actions Item Report

- 16-50** **MOVED** Councillor Kozar Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** the Outstanding Actions Item Report be received.
Carried Unanimously

I. COMMITTEE REPORTS: NIL

J. CONSENT CALENDAR:

- 16-51** **MOVED** Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Kilsby **THAT** the Consent Calendar be adopted as amended as follows:

2. 16.02.02 Alice Johnston, Corporate Officer, Cariboo Regional District re: Previous Invitation to Attend May 13th CCRHD Board meeting.
3. 16.02.02 Alice Johnston, Corporate Officer, Cariboo Regional District re: Appointment of a CRD Representative to the NCLGA Board.
4. 16.02.02 Nancy Friesen, Executive Assistant to Mayor, City of Abbotsford re: Downloading of DNA Analysis Costs.
5. 16.02.04 Caroline Deakin, Assistant Corporate Officer, Port Coquitlam re: 2016 FCM Resolution- Build Canada Grant Funding.
6. 16.02.05 Steve Thomson, Minister of Forests, Land and Natural Resource Operations re: Williams Creek and Swift River areas.
7. 16.02.09 Brian Frenkel, President, NCLGA re: Press Release: Momentum Building for Upcoming Convention.

Carried Unanimously

1. 16.01.27 Rebecca Dyok, My Cariboo Now re: Provincial Tax on Propane Tanks.

Councillor Wilkins inquired if all propane tanks will be taxed, including individual homes. The Mayor noted that all tanks, residential and commercial, over 80 pounds will be taxed.

- 16-52** **MOVED** Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Kozar **THAT** staff write a letter of support to Rich Coleman, Donna Barnett and Minister of Energy re: Provincial Tax on Propane Tanks.

Carried Unanimously

K. INFORMATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Council Members:

Councillor Wilkins thanked Gary Champagne for stepping in as the interim CAO and Dave Jorgenson for the excellent report he presented to Council.

Councillor Kozar thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

The Mayor thanked everyone for attending the meeting. The Mayor noted that the Wells Barkerville Community School is holding an auction on February 25, 2016 to raise funds for a year-end field trip to Victoria. The School is accepting donations for the auction. The Mayor spoke about the tragic accident February 14, 2016 on Yanks Peak which took the life of Laura Storoschuk.

- 16-53** **MOVED** Councillor Kilsby Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** Council send a card from the District of Wells with condolences to the family of Laura Storoschuk who died in a tragic snowmobile accident on Yanks Peak on February 14, 2016.

2. Staff:

The Interim Administrator noted that Andrew Young has accepted the position of Chief Administrative Officer for the District of Wells and will begin on April 4, 2014.

The Deputy Clerk noted that there are new keys available for Council members as the locks have been changed on the municipal buildings.

3. Public Gallery:

Bill Horne noted that there was a lot of media coverage for his art show at the Two Rivers Gallery in Prince George and has left invitations for everybody at the District Office.

Dave Jorgenson noted that the Gourmet Ski is taking place on February 20, 2014 with the Mountain Film Festival being presented that night at the Sunset Theatre.

L. ADJOURNMENT:

- 16-54** **MOVED** Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Kilsby **THAT** the meeting adjourn at 7:48 PM.

Carried Unanimously

Robin Sharpe, Mayor

Gary Champagne, Interim CAO