

A special meeting of the District of Wells Council was held Tuesday, May 3, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. in Council Chambers, 4243 Sanders Avenue, Wells, BC V0K 2R0

MINUTES

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

ALSO PRESENT: Andrew Young, C.A.O.; Margaret Inoue, Marketing and Economic Development Officer; and Deborah McKay, Deputy Clerk

PUBLIC GALLERY: 2 People

A. CALL TO ORDER AND AGENDA ADOPTION:

16-99 MOVED Councillor Wilkins, Seconded Councillor Kozar **THAT** the Agenda be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES: NIL

C. DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS: NIL

D. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES / UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NIL

E. NEW BUSINESS: NIL

F. CORRESPONDENCE: NIL

G. BYLAWS AND RESOLUTIONS:

1. District of Wells Financial Plan Bylaw No. 148, 2016

The Administrator provided a verbal overview of the District of Wells Financial Plan Bylaw No. 148, 2016 in which he noted that without the projected revenues from the Wells Community Forest and other potential revenue increases the District of Wells would be falling into a deficit. The Administrator also noted that there was no significant transfers projected from the Reserves fund after 2016. The Administrator further noted that there would be a District wide property tax increase this year because Barkerville Gold Mines had their Mosquito Creek property reclassified from industry to business, resulting in a reduction of \$21,000 of major industry taxation income which must therefore be collected from residential and business taxes. Lastly, the Administrator noted that the District will look into reviewing the classification and assessment of other properties in the District of Wells in order to address these impacts. Bill Horne asked if we could find another auditor since KPMG has been involved in off shore bank account scams. Mr. Horne also inquired about permissive tax exemptions, noting that it would be useful for tax payers to see the exemptions that are granted in the District of Wells.

16-100 MOVED Councillor Kozar, Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** Council receive the public comments regarding the District of Wells Financial Plan Bylaw No. 148,

2016.

Carried Unanimously

16-101 MOVED Councillor Wilkins, Seconded Councillor Kozar **THAT** Council approve the 3rd reading of the District of Wells Financial Plan Bylaw No. 148, 2016.

Carried Unanimously

16-102 MOVED Councillor Wilkins, Seconded Councillor Kozar **THAT** the final reading of the District of Wells Financial Plan Bylaw No. 147, 2016 and the final reading of the District of Wells Financial Plan Bylaw No. 148, 2016 be held on May 12th, 2016 at 1:00 PM.

Carried Unanimously

H. REPORTS: NIL

I. COMMITTEE REPORTS: NIL

J. CONSENT CALENDAR: NIL

K. ADJOURNMENT:

16-103 MOVED Councillor Wilkins, Seconded Councillor Kozar **THAT** the meeting adjourn at 7:16 PM.

Carried Unanimously

Robin Sharpe, Mayor

Andrew Young, CAO