

A regular meeting of the District of Wells Council was held Tuesday, February 7, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. in Council Chambers, 4243 Sanders Avenue, Wells, BC V0K 2R0

MINUTES

PRESENT: Mayor Robin Sharpe and Councillors Mike Wallace, Virginia Wilkins and Richard Wright

ALSO PRESENT: Gary Champagne, C.A.O., Jason Griffin, Marketing and Economic Development Officer and Deborah McKay, Deputy Clerk

PUBLIC GALLERY: 1 Person

A. CALL TO ORDER AND AGENDA ADOPTION:

12-22 MOVED Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** the Agenda be adopted as amended as follows:
I.7. 12.02.01 Alice Johnston, Corporate Officer, CRD re: Appointment of a CRD Representative to the NCLGA Board
Carried Unanimously

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

1. Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, January 17, 2012
12-23 MOVED Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting, January 17, 2012 be adopted as circulated.
Carried Unanimously

C. DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS: NIL

D. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES / UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Viewing DVD titled "Why Wouldn't We?" which came with the Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design
12-24 MOVED Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** Council view the DVD titled "Why Wouldn't We?" which came with the Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design.
Carried Unanimously

E. NEW BUSINESS:

1. (Wildfire) Fuel Management Demonstration Project
12-25 MOVED Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Wright **THAT** Council approve the submission of an application to UBCM for funding under the Fuel Management Demonstration Project Program for completion of an interpretive signage demonstration project in Barkerville.
Carried Unanimously

F. CORRESPONDENCE:

1. 12.01.16 Lance Loggin, Forestry Coordinator, Quesnel Division, West Fraser Mills Ltd. re: Development of a Pest Management Plan
Discussion ensued regarding the chemicals that would be sprayed.
12-26 MOVED Wright Councillor Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** Council receive

the 12.01.16 letter from Lance Loggin, Forestry Coordinator, Quesnel Division, West Fraser Mills Ltd. re: Development of a Pest Management Plan.

Carried Unanimously

- 12-27** **MOVED** Councillor Wallace Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** staff set up a meeting with Lance Loggin from West Fraser Mills Ltd. to review the Pest Management Plan document and to discuss any concerns Council may have.

Carried Unanimously

2. 12.01.26 Mike Bernier, Nominations Chair, Northern Central Local Government Association (NCLGA) re: Call for Nominations for 2012 - 2013 NCLGA Executive

- 12-28** **MOVED** Councillor Wallace Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** Council receive the 12.01.26 letter from Mike Bernier, Nominations Chair, Northern Central Local Government Association (NCLGA) re: Call for Nominations for 2012 - 2013 NCLGA Executive.

Carried Unanimously

3. 12.01.30 Mary Sjostrom, Mayor, City of Quesnel re: North Cariboo Multi-Centre NDI Application

Discussion ensued regarding the North Cariboo Multi-Centre NDI Application. The Administrator explained the history of the sustainability plan for the North Cariboo and how the District of Wells could fit into the plan.

- 12-29** **MOVED** Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** Council receive the 12.01.30 letter from Mary Sjostrom, Mayor, City of Quesnel re: North Cariboo Multi-Centre NDI Application.

Carried Unanimously

- 12-30** **MOVED** Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** Council endorses the sustainability plan for the North Cariboo Allocation of the Cariboo-Chilcotin/Lillooet Regional Development Account as proposed by the City of Quesnel and Cariboo Regional District.

Carried Unanimously

- 12-31** **MOVED** Councillor Wright Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** the District write a letter to the Mayor of the City of Quesnel and the Chair of the Cariboo Regional District regarding the desire of the District of Wells to be included in the approval process for future grant applications from the North Cariboo component of the NDI Trust fund and that a proportion of future funds and interest deposited into the North Cariboo grant account be reserved for applications from the Wells area on the same basis as the original allocation received by the District of Wells.

Carried Unanimously

G. BYLAWS AND RESOLUTIONS: NIL

H. REPORTS:

1. Marketing & Economic Development Officer Report

The Marketing & Economic Development Officer provided a verbal report in which he noted that work on the Community Forest Business Plan and Forest Management Plan continued. The Marketing & Economic Development Officer

also noted that the Curling Rink application had been re-configured to indicate that the budget to repair the rink was much less than initially anticipated. The Marketing & Economic Development Officer reported that the following grants have been approved: Tree Canada- \$5000 awarded; Age-friendly Grant - \$14,000 approved for health workshops, community directory and a covered structure at the trailhead; Housing Plan application- approved for the first \$10,000 from Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC). The Marketing & Economic Development Officer noted that the major grant applied for regarding the Mountain Caribou Project was denied but that there were other grants to apply for regarding the Project. The Marketing & Economic Development Officer noted that the following items in the category of media: new print run of trail map; mountain bike supplement; race event banners; ads in partnership with Wells and Barkerville. Finally, the Marketing & Economic Development Officer noted that the gas pricing strategy at the Wells Service Station is working very well.

12-32 **MOVED** Wilkins Councillor Seconded Councillor Wright **THAT** the Marketing & Economic Development Officer Report be received.

Carried Unanimously

2. Cheque Register 12.01.01 to 12.01.31

12-33 **MOVED** Councillor Wallace Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** Council approve Electronic Fund Transfers and Cheques 1933 to 1986 from Integris Credit Union for the period of January 1, 2012 to January 31, 2012 for a total amount of \$57,328.43.

Carried Unanimously

4. Outstanding Actions Item Report

12-34 **MOVED** Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** the Outstanding Actions Item Report be received.

Carried Unanimously

I. CONSENT CALENDAR:

12-35 **MOVED** Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** the Consent Calendar be adopted as circulated.

1. 12.01.02 Ronald E. Rasmussen, Chartered Accountant re: District of Wells audit for year ending December 31, 2011.
2. 12.01.10 Douglas Edgar, President, Retired Teachers' Association re: Survey conducted to assess the volunteer role of retired teachers in British Columbia.
3. 12.01.12 David Black, President, COPE 378 re: Smart Meters.
4. 12.01.16 Eric Pattison, President, Heritage BC re: Heritage Week 2012: February 20-26.
5. 12.01.23 Mary McNeil, Minister of Children and Family Development re: Fifth Annual Child Care Awards of Excellence.
6. 12.01.24 Barry O'Neill, President, CUPE BC Division re: Funding available for non- P3 (public private partnership) water infrastructure projects to the same degree as P3 infrastructure projects.
7. 12.02.01 Alice Johnston, Corporate Officer, CRD re: Appointment of a CRD Representative to the NCLGA Board.

Carried Unanimously

J. INFORMATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Council Members:
Councillor Wilkins would like a representative from BC Hydro to come to Wells to discuss the letter that the District of Wells received regarding the highway closure on September 26, 2011. The Deputy Clerk noted that the BC Hydro representative had been contacted.

Councillor Wright noted that he would be absent from the Council meetings on March 6, 2012 and March 20, 2012. Councillor Wright also noted that the speed sign is working although the sign may need some more brackets, which the Superintendent of Public Works would look into when he refreshed the batteries in the sign.

The Mayor noted that Tammy Brown's son wants to do some volunteer work in Wells. The Mayor noted that he would be away from February 8, 2012 until February 14, 2012. The Mayor also noted that the Cariboo Regional District (CRD) had approved the writing of a letter of support regarding the Purden Lake Road. The Mayor further noted that himself and John Massier would be attending the City of Quesnel Regular Council Meeting on March 26, 2012 to request a letter of support regarding the Purden Lake Road.

2. Staff:
The Administrator reminded Council that the Administrative Planning Session is on February 21, 2012 at 11:00 AM with lunch provided and the Session coming to a close by 7:00 PM. The Administrator also reminded Council to arrive at the Administrative Planning Session with their five top priorities. The Administrator noted that staff had been reviewing the 2012 Budget to bring to the Administrative Planning Session.

The Deputy Clerk noted that she spoke to Dave Mosure, Community Relations Coordinator Northern Region, BC Hydro regarding attending a meeting at the District of Wells. Mr. Mosure would prefer a day meeting and would like to bring his Field Operations Manager. Council discussed possible dates for the meeting and concluded that between March 23 and April 17, 2012 were the desirable dates. The Deputy Clerk will set up a meeting with Council and Dave Mosure. The Deputy Clerk also noted that a copy of the Campaign Financial Disclosures was available to each Council member and that the Campaign Financial Disclosures were due on March 19, 2012.

3. Public Gallery:
Aleta Wallace noted that Purden Lake is actually in the Fraser-Fort George jurisdiction and that Fraser-Fort George felt their District should have been approached first. Mrs. Wallace suggested that the District of Wells insured the City of Quesnel support regarding the Purden Lake Road. Mrs. Wallace further noted that Prince George changed its point of view once the Prince George Airport became international.

K. ADJOURNMENT:

12-36 **MOVED** Councillor Wallace Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** the meeting adjourn at 8:20 PM.

Carried Unanimously

Robin Sharpe, Mayor

Gary Champagne, CAO