

A regular meeting of the District of Wells Council was held Tuesday, April 3, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. in Council Chambers, 4243 Sanders Avenue, Wells, BC V0K 2R0

MINUTES

PRESENT: Mayor Robin Sharpe and Councillors Judy Campbell, Mike Wallace and Virginia Wilkins

ALSO PRESENT: Gary Champagne, C.A.O., Dennis Manuel, Superintendent of Public Works and Deborah McKay, Deputy Clerk

PUBLIC GALLERY: 3 People

A. CALL TO ORDER AND AGENDA ADOPTION:

12-64 MOVED Councillor Wallace Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** the Agenda be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

1. Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, March 20, 2012

12-65 MOVED Councillor Campbell Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting, March 20, 2012 be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

C. DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS: NIL

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

E. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Fire Hazard Properties

The Administrator provided an overview of the Fire Hazard Properties Report. Councillor Wilkins inquired if there is a new policy in regards to property clean-up for residential and commercial. The Administrator responded that if property clean-up is the direction that Council desired to take, staff could start drafting a Bylaw to include vacant properties. The Administrator also noted that some crown lots will be for sale. Discussion took place in regards to the lots that are unsightly and it was noted that the annual spring clean-up was a way to positively reinforce clean-up in Wells.

12-66 MOVED Councillor Campbell Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** Council receive the report regarding Fire Hazard properties in Wells.

Carried Unanimously

12-67 MOVED Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Campbell **THAT** the Untidy and Unsightly Premises Bylaw be redrafted to include vacant lots.

Carried Unanimously

2. Gym Membership Summer 2012

12-68 MOVED Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** Council give approval for the District of Wells to offer a four (4) month Gym Membership as a

Summer Special at a cost of \$50.00, which works out to \$12.50 per month.
Carried Unanimously

F. CORRESPONDENCE:

1. 12.03.21 Bill Horne, Amazing Space Studio re: Wells & District Chamber of Commerce
Discussion took place regarding business licenses. The Treasurer of the Wells Chamber of Commerce, Dennis Manuel, suggested that the Chamber of Commerce needed some time to discuss the letter.
12-69 MOVED Councillor Campbell Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** Council receive the letter from Bill Horne, Amazing Space Studio re: Wells & District Chamber of Commerce be received.
Carried Unanimously
- 12-70 MOVED** Councillor Campbell Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** the Wells Chamber of Commerce meet and make the necessary proposal in regards to the letter from Bill Horne in regards to business licenses.
Carried Unanimously

G. BYLAWS AND RESOLUTIONS: NIL

H. REPORTS:

1. Superintendent of Public Works and Fire Chief Reports
12-71 MOVED Councillor Wallace Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** the Superintendent of Public Works and Fire Chief reports be received.
Carried Unanimously

I. CONSENT CALENDAR:

- 12-72 MOVED** Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Campbell **THAT** the Consent Calendar be adopted as amended as follows:
 2. 12.03.15 David Sparanese, President Public Works Association of British Columbia (PWABC) re: National Public Works Week, May 20-26, 2012 – "Public Works: Creating a Lasting Impression".
 3. 12.03.21 Gary Champagne, Chief Administrative Officer District of Wells re: Election Campaign Finance Disclosure Statements Report.
 4. 12.03.26 Glen Brown, Executive Director Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development re: Approved Community Recreation Program Application.
Carried Unanimously
1. 12.03.08 Tony Bensted, Chair Quesnel Community and Economic Development Corporation re: Letter of Support – three-phase power extension on the Nazko Highway and the Barkerville Highway (Hwy 26).
12-73 MOVED Councillor Wallace Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** a letter be sent by staff to Premier Clark in support of the three-phase power extension on the Nazko Highway and the Barkerville Highway (Hwy 26) .
Carried Unanimously

J. INFORMATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Council Members:

Councillor Wilkins noted that the Wells Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion is considering putting a patio outside the front door of the Legion. An application to the Liquor Control and Licensing Branch is in process by the Legion. A sliding glass door must be installed out to the patio as it is a Liquor Control Board issue. The plan is to have tables on the patio and a fence enclosing the whole patio. Once the application is accepted by the Liquor Control and Licensing Branch the issue goes before Council and the RCMP.

Councillor Wallace noted that he is going to build the window and fence for the new patio at the Legion.

Councillor Campbell noted that there is talk in Wells of forming a co-operative and further noted that she believes Council should participate in the steering committee that is being formed in regards to the co-op. Councillor Campbell also noted that the Economic Development Officer should be involved. A meeting will be called soon to discuss the possibility of forming a co-op and a community survey may be sent out.

The Mayor noted that he would be away for Easter weekend as he would be driving his mother to the Vancouver Airport and Julia to the Kamloops Airport.

2. Staff:

The Administrator noted that our MLA, Bob Simpson would be at the Wells Community Hall on April 4, 2012 at 7:00 PM.

The Deputy Clerk noted that the District of Wells had received an invitation to 2015 Canada Winter Games "Brand Launch and Volunteer Drive" on April 14, 2012 at the Pine Centre Mall.

3. Public Gallery: NIL

K. ADJOURNMENT:

12-74 **MOVED** Councillor Wallace Seconded Councillor **THAT** the meeting adjourn at 7:38 PM.

Carried Unanimously

Robin Sharpe, Mayor

Gary Champagne, CAO