

A regular meeting of the District of Wells Council was held Tuesday, August 20, 2013 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, Virginia Wilkins and Richard Wright

ALSO PRESENT: Gary Champagne, C.A.O.; Jason Griffin, Marketing and Economic Development Officer; Dennis Manuel, Superintendent of Public Works; Margaret Inoue, Grant Writer and Deborah McKay, Deputy Clerk

PUBLIC GALLERY: NIL

A. CALL TO ORDER AND AGENDA ADOPTION:

13-146 MOVED Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** the Agenda be adopted as amended as follows:

E. 3 Letter of Support for West Fraser Mills
Carried Unanimously

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

1. Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, July 16, 2013
13-147 MOVED Councillor Wright Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting, July 16, 2013 be adopted as circulated.
Carried Unanimously

C. DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS: NIL

D. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES / UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Maryke Dick, Training Coordinator, Targeted Skills Shortage Program Update
13-148 MOVED Councillor Campbell Seconded Councillor Wright **THAT** Council receive the Maryke Dick, Training Coordinator, Targeted Skills Shortage Program Update.

Carried Unanimously

2. Orange Shirt Day
13-149 MOVED Councillor Campbell Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** September 30th be declared Orange Shirt Day throughout the Cariboo Regional District annually, in recognition of the harm the residential school system did to children's sense of self-esteem and wellbeing, and as an affirmation of our commitment to ensure that everyone around us matters.

Carried Unanimously

3. "Freshinc" Invoice
13-150 MOVED Councillor Wallace Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** Council receive additional information on the "Freshinc" Invoice #6901 for advertising in the amount of \$442.40 as requested by Councillor Wallace.

Carried Unanimously

4. Proposed Zoning Bylaw Change-Modification or Elimination of Minimum Width for Buildings in North Wells

The Administrator provided a verbal overview of the report which Council discussed at length. An agreement was reached and the result was Resolution 13-152.

- 13-151** **MOVED** Councillor Wallace Seconded Councillor Wright **THAT** Council receive this report on options for changes to portions of the "Wells Zoning and Tree Protection Bylaw #26, 2000" affecting minimum building width in selected zones.
Carried Unanimously

- 13-152** **MOVED** Councillor Wright Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** staff proceed to prepare a Zoning Bylaw Amendment which incorporates the following points; removal of the minimum width requirement for "mobile homes"; inclusion of the four objectives set forth in the *Proposed Zoning Bylaw Change-Modification or Elimination of Minimum Width for Buildings in North Wells* report; implementation of a permitting process requiring Council's final approval.
Carried Unanimously

E. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Mid-Year Financial Review

CAO provided a verbal overview of the Mid-Year Financial Review.

- 13-153** **MOVED** Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** Council receive and approve the Mid-Year Financial Review.
Carried Unanimously

2. Cultural Spaces Fund support

The Grant Writer provided a verbal overview of the report.

- 13-154** **MOVED** Councillor Campbell Seconded Councillor Wright **THAT** Council support the application by the District of Wells for a grant to repair and upgrade the Wells United Church under Canadian Heritage's Cultural Spaces Fund.
Carried Unanimously

3. Letter of Support for West Fraser Mills

The Marketing and Economic Development Officer explained that the letter was needed because West Fraser wanted to move away from volume-based tenure and more into area –based tenure. The Marketing and Economic Development Officer noted that this would not affect the Community Forest.

- 13-155** **MOVED** Councillor Wallace Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** Council directs staff to forward a Letter in of Support of West Fraser Mills' interest in expanding to a larger area based tenure.

Carried Unanimously

F. CORRESPONDENCE:

1. 13.08.07 Selina Robinson, MLA, Official Opposition Critic for Local Government and Sport re: Official Opposition Breakfast and Meeting Requests during UBCM 2013

- 13-156** **MOVED** Councillor Wright Seconded Councillor Campbell **THAT** Council receive

the letter from Selina Robinson, MLA, Official Opposition Critic for Local Government and Sport re: Official Opposition Breakfast and Meeting Requests during UBCM 2013.

Carried Unanimously

2. 13.08.09 Mayor Galina Durant, District of Stewart, Small Community Representative, UBCM re: Small Talk Forum 2013
13-157 MOVED Councillor Wright Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** Council receive the letter from Mayor Galina Durant, District of Stewart, Small Community Representative, UBCM re: Small Talk Forum 2013.

Carried Unanimously

3. 13.08.13 Joy Stepan, Cariboo Joy Campground re: Visitors Camping on the "Heli-Pad"
The Administrator suggested that the District erect "No Camping" signs at the heli-pad.
13-158 MOVED Councillor Wright Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** Council receive the letter from Joy Stepan, Cariboo Joy Campground re: Visitors Camping on the "Heli-Pad".

Carried Unanimously

4. 13.08.13 Cathy Ulrich, President and Chief Executive Officer, Northern Health re: Invitation to meet with Cathy Ulrich and Dr. Charles Jago at the UBCM 2013
13-159 MOVED Councillor Wallace Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** Council receive the letter from Cathy Ulrich, President and Chief Executive Officer, Northern Health re: Invitation to meet with Cathy Ulrich and Dr. Charles Jago at the UBCM 2013.

Carried Unanimously

G. BYLAWS AND RESOLUTIONS: NIL

H. REPORTS:

1. Marketing & Economic Development Officer Report
The Marketing and Economic Development Officer provided a verbal overview of his report in which he updated to note that Cariboo Joy had withdrawn from the Façade Improvement Program.

- 13-160 MOVED** Councillor Wallace Seconded Councillor Campbell **THAT** the Marketing & Economic Development Officer Report be received.

Carried Unanimously

2. Superintendent of Public Works and Fire Chief Reports
The Superintendent of Public Works provided a verbal overview of his report. He also noted that four contractors came to Wells for the viewing of the foundation job at the Townhall. The Fire Chief noted in his report that campfires that were a half meter high by half meter wide were now allowed throughout the Cariboo. The Fire Chief also noted that the Forestry has done a very good job of dealing with the fires and bans this summer.

- 13-161 MOVED** Councillor Campbell Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** the Superintendent of Public Works and Fire Chief Reports be received.

Carried Unanimously

3. Cheque Register 13.07.01 to 13.07.31
13-162 **MOVED** Councillor Wright Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** Council approve Electronic Fund Transfers and Cheques 2818 to 2866 from Integris Credit Union for the period of July 1, 2013 to July 31, 2013 for a total amount of \$110,439.92.

Carried Unanimously

3. Outstanding Actions Item Report
13-163 **MOVED** Councillor Wright Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** the Outstanding Actions Item Report be received.

Carried Unanimously

I. CONSENT CALENDAR:

- 13-164** **MOVED** Councillor Wright Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** the Consent Calendar be adopted as circulated.
1. 13.07.18 Julian C. Paine, Assistant Deputy Minister, Local Government Division, Green Communities Committee re: Congratulations for reducing corporate greenhouse gas emissions for the 2012 reporting year.
 2. 13.07.19 Mayor Mary Sjostrom, President, Gas Tax Programming Services re: Gas Tax Agreement Community Works Fund Payment.
 3. 13.07.23 Amber Macarthy re: Bursary.
 4. 13.07.24 Claude Dauphin, President, Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) re: Your FCM Membership.
 5. 13.07.24 Gerry Furney, Mayor, Town of Port McNeill re: Lac-Megantic Rail Disaster.
 6. 13.07.29 Charley Beresford, Executive Director, Columbia Institute re: A Canadian Energy Strategy: Why should Local Government Care?
 7. 13.08.01 Gloria J. Valle, Manager, Client Relations, Business Management Services Branch, Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure re: Wells-UBCM Meeting.
 8. 13.08.12 Stewart Young, Mayor, City of Langford re: Downloading of Infrastructure Costs from BC Hydro
 9. 13.08.14 Jim Kincaid, Interim Chief Administrative Officer, District of Stewart re: Ambulance Services Resolution

Carried Unanimously

J. INFORMATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Council Members:

Councillor Wright noted that in regards to Item I. 7, Larry Gardner, Regional Manager of Environment Management, is conducting a quad tour of the Highway 16 Connector and that this may add information to the Purdon Lake issue. Councillor Wright also noted that ArtsWells was much better this year and that the debriefing meeting with IMA went very well. Councillor Wright noted that one outcome of the meeting was that "No Nude Bathing" signs would be erected at the Wells Info Centre at the Jack O' Clubs Lake.

Mayor Sharpe noted that would be attending the Cariboo Regional District (CRD) meeting on August 23, 2013.

2. Staff:

The Administrator noted that there was a bake sale immediately following the Council Meeting in the basement of the Hall and he also that noted that there are new movies at the Library.

3. Public Gallery: NIL

K. ADJOURNMENT:

13-163 MOVED Councillor Wallace Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** the meeting adjourn at 8:32 PM.

Carried Unanimously

Robin Sharpe, Mayor

Gary Champagne, CAO