

A regular meeting of the District of Wells Council was held Tuesday, April 15, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. in Council Chambers, 4243 Sanders Avenue, Wells, BC V0K 2R0

## MINUTES

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**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; Margaret Inoue, Acting Marketing and Economic Development Officer and Deborah McKay, Deputy Clerk.

**PUBLIC GALLERY:** 5 People

**A. CALL TO ORDER AND AGENDA ADOPTION:**

**14-51 MOVED** Councillor Wallace Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** the Agenda be adopted as amended as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

**B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:**

1. Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, March 18, 2014

**14-52 MOVED** Councillor Wallace Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting, March 18, 2014 be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

**C. DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS:**

1. Kathy Landry, Wells Resident re: Memorabilia about the Wells Community Hall on behalf of the family of Bea Dezell.

Ms Landry provided a verbal presentation about Bea Dezell and her husband who lived in Wells for two years and had a significant role in the building of and fundraising for the Wells Community Hall Ms. Landry noted that the family of Bea, who had recently passed away at 105 years old, had donated some items to be hung in the Wells Community Hall.

**14-53 MOVED** Councillor Campbell Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** the presentation by Kathy Landry, Wells Resident re: Memorabilia about the Wells Community Hall on behalf of the family of Bea Dezell be received.

Carried Unanimously

**14-54 MOVED** Councillor Campbell Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** a thank you card, which was signed by the residents of Wells, be sent to the Dezell family.

Carried Unanimously

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

**E. NEW BUSINESS:**

1. 2013 Wells Audited Financial Statement

The Administrator provided a brief verbal overview of the Financial Statement.

**14-55 MOVED** Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** Council receive the 2013 Wells Audited Financial Statement.

Carried Unanimously

2. West Fraser Harvest Areas

The Acting Marketing and Economic Development Officer provided a verbal overview of the Report. The Acting Marketing and Economic Development Officer noted that the Government is looking at rezoning areas and therefore it was important to implement these requested changes to the harvest areas as soon as possible.

**14-56** **MOVED** Councillor Wallace Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** Council receive the West Fraser Harvest Areas Report by Margaret Inoue.

Carried Unanimously

**14-57** **MOVED** Councillor Campbell Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** a letter be written to the Province supporting the proposal of West Fraser to take the harvest area on Richfield Mountain and Mount Proserpine out of the harvest area, trading it for a portion down near Swift River, as outlined on the maps, with the caveat that West Fraser continue to work with Wells and Barkerville regarding harvest areas on Mount Conklin.

Carried Unanimously

3. Regular Council Meeting Change

**14-58** **MOVED** Councillor Wallace Seconded Councillor Campbell **THAT** Council receive the Regular Council Meeting Change report and **THAT** Council approve rescheduling the May 27, 2014 to May 13, 2104

Carried Unanimously

F. CORRESPONDENCE:

1. 14.04.15 Taya Whitehead, Early Childhood Educators of BC & Susan Harney, Coalition of Child Care Advocates of BC re: \$10/day Child Care Plan (please see Deputy Clerk for booklet)

**14-59** **MOVED** Councillor Wallace Seconded Councillor Campbell **THAT** the 14.04.15 letter from Taya Whitehead, Early Childhood Educators of BC & Susan Harney, Coalition of Child Care Advocates of BC re: \$10/day Child Care Plan be received.

Carried Unanimously

**14-60** **MOVED** Councillor Campbell Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** Council send a letter of support to endorse the Community Plan for a Public System of Integrated Early Care and Learning.

Carried Unanimously

G. BYLAWS AND RESOLUTIONS: NIL

H. REPORTS:

1. Marketing & Economic Development Officer Report  
The Marketing & Economic Development Officer  
Thanked Council for the opportunity to act as the Interim Marketing & Economic Development Officer and presented a verbal overview of her report.

**14-61** **MOVED** Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** the Marketing

and Economic Development Officer report be received.

Carried Unanimously

2. Superintendent of Public Works and Fire Chief Reports  
Superintendent of Public Works provided a verbal overview of his report.  
**14-62** **MOVED** Councillor Campbell Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** the Superintendent of Public Works and Fire Chief reports be received.  
Carried Unanimously
3. Cheque Register 14.03.01 to 14.03.31  
**14-63** **MOVED** Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** Council approve Electronic Fund Transfers and Cheques 3286 to 3316 from Integris Credit Union for the period of March 1, 2014 to March 31, 2014 for a total amount of \$58,313.16.  
Carried Unanimously

I. CONSENT CALENDAR:

- 14-64** **MOVED** Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** the Consent Calendar be adopted as circulated.
1. 14.03.14 Coralee Oakes, Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development re: Community Amenity Contributions.
  2. 14.03.14 Derek R. Corrigan, Mayor, City of Burnaby re: Fire Department Response to Medical Emergencies.
  3. 14.03.21 Basia Ruta, Auditor General for Local Government re: Annual Service Plan for 2014/15 - 2016/17.
- Carried Unanimously

J. INFORMATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Council Members:

**Councillor Campbell** noted that the lunar eclipse on April 14, 2014 was spectacular.

**Councillor Wilkins** requested that a handrail be installed on the stairs leading to the upstairs meeting room at the District Office. Councillor Wilkins also noted that the interior of the District was badly in need of a paint job. The Administrator noted that the painting of the District was on the list of things to do. Councillor Wilkins noted that she would like to meet with Dr. Jago from Northern Health at the NCLGA. Lastly, Councillor Wilkins noted that a daycare teacher had not been hired yet for the Huckleberry Daycare.

2. Staff: NIL
3. Public Gallery:

**Cheryl Macarthy** requested that the District let the Bear's Paw know when the street sweeper came to town and the Superintendent of Public Works assured her that she would be notified.

**14-65** **MOVED** Councillor Campbell Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT**, pursuant to Section 90(1) (a) of the Community Charter, the following portion of this meeting is closed to the public.

Carried Unanimously

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ADJOURNMENT:

**14-66** **MOVED** Councillor Campbell Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** the meeting adjourn at 8:43PM.

Carried Unanimously

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Robin Sharpe, Mayor

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Gary Champagne, CAO