



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

December 20, 2021

6:00 pm

Council Chambers of City Hall

1100 Patricia Boulevard, Prince George, BC

PRESENT: Mayor Lyn Hall
Councillor Frank Everitt <via Zoom> <6:05 p.m. to 10:21 p.m.>
Councillor Garth Frizzell
Councillor Murry Krause
Councillor Terri McConnachie
Councillor Cori Ramsay
Councillor Kyle Sampson
Councillor Brian Skakun

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. Walter Babicz, City Manager
Ms. Deanna Wasnik, Director of Planning and Development
Mr. Kris Dalio, Director of Finance
Mr. Blake McIntosh, Director of Civic Operations
Mr. Adam Davey, Director of Public Safety
Ms. Maureen Connelly, Manager of Legislative Services
Ms. Leslie Kellett, Deputy Corporate Officer

A. ADOPTION OF THE AMENDED AGENDA

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Krause

That the agenda for the regular meeting of Council scheduled for December 20, 2021, be amended by moving agenda item E.9 to be considered immediately following agenda item E.2, and moving agenda item E.8 to be considered immediately following agenda item E.5, and that the agenda, BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED.

Carried Unanimously

Councillor Everitt entered the meeting via Zoom at 6:05 p.m.

B. MINUTES

B.1 Adoption of Minutes – December 6, 2021

Moved By Councillor Everitt

Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That the attached minutes of the regular Council meeting held December 6, 2021, be adopted as read on this day and that such minutes as read set out all of the business before Council at that meeting and fully and properly record all of the resolutions and bylaws passed and adopted by Council at that meeting.

Carried Unanimously

C. DELEGATION(S)

C.1 Prince George Air Improvement Roundtable

Presenters: Sherry McIntyre, Director, Fraser Basin Council, and Kim Menounos, Regional Manager, Fraser Basin Council

Topic: 2021 Activity Updates

Ms. Sherry McIntyre, Director, and Ms. Kim Menounos, Regional Manager, Fraser Basin, provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding an update from the Prince George Air Improvement Roundtable (PGAIR) including information on air quality management in Prince George, PGAIR's role and work, air quality trends and finds, and next steps for air quality.

Discussion commenced. Ms. Menounos and D. Wasnik, Director of Planning and Development, responded to questions of Council.

C.2 Pine Valley Golf Centre

Presenters: Keith Good, General Manager, and Julia Good, Comptroller

Topic: 2021 Year End Report

Mr. Keith Good, General Manager, and Ms. Julia Good, Comptroller, Pine Valley Golf Centre and GNR Property Management Ltd., provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Centre's 2021 year-end report including information on operations, events and programs, rounds, and state of the industry.

Discussion commenced. Mr. Good and K. Dalio, Director of Finance, responded to questions of Council.

D. CONSENT AGENDA (FOR INFORMATION)

Councillor Frizzell requested further consideration of consent agenda item D.1.

D.1 Monthly Building Permit and Development Permit Summary (November 2021)

Discussion commenced.

Moved By Councillor Ramsay
Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated December 1, 2021 from the Director of Planning and Development titled “Monthly Building Permit and Development Permit Summary (November 2021).”

Carried Unanimously

E. REPORTS

MAYOR LYN HALL

E.1 Gathering Restrictions in Northern Health

Councillor Everitt declared a non-pecuniary conflict of interest due to his position on the Board of Directors for the Northern Health Authority and exited the meeting at 6:52 p.m.

Discussion commenced.

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Skakun

That Council ADVOCATES to the Provincial Government, the Provincial Health Officer, and the Northern Health Authority by way of written correspondence that the current and future Covid-19 Public Health Restrictions in the City of Prince George be fair, equitable, and in-line with the rest of the province.

Carried Unanimously

Councillor Everitt returned to the meeting at 7:09 p.m.

H. FORMAL PUBLIC HEARING(S)

The Regular Council Meeting adjourned to the Formal Public Hearing at 7:09 p.m.

H.1 Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100709 (Bylaw No. 9235, 2021)

Applicant: P.W.R. Holdings Ltd., Inc. No. 65343
Location: 3300 Massey Drive

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100709 (Bylaw No. 9235, 2021)" included:

- Previously submitted staff report dated October 20, 2021, from the Director of Planning and Development, titled "Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100709 (Bylaw No. 9235, 2021)" (Considered at the November 8, 2021 regular Council meeting);
- Location and Existing Zoning Map; and
- Appendix "A" to Bylaw No. 9235.

Applicant:

A representative of P.W.R Holdings Ltd. was in attendance and available for questions.

Members of the Public:

There were no submissions from members of the public.

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That the Formal Public Hearing regarding Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100709 (Bylaw No. 9235, 2021), BE CLOSED.

Carried Unanimously

The Formal Public Hearing adjourned to the Regular Meeting of Council at 7:12 p.m.

Discussion commenced and D. Wasnik, Director of Planning and Development, responded to questions of Council.

City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9235, 2021

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Krause

That Council GIVES THIRD READING to "City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9235, 2021."

Carried Unanimously

The Regular Council Meeting adjourned to the Formal Public Hearing at 7:13 p.m.

H.2 Official Community Plan Amendment Application No. CP100175 (Bylaw No. 9218) and Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100704 (Bylaw No. 9219)

Applicant: L&M Engineering Ltd. on behalf of Niho Land (1986) Ltd., Inc. No. 311471
Location: 7920 Highway 97 S

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Official Community Plan Amendment Application No. CP100175 (Bylaw No. 9218) and Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100704 (Bylaw No. 9219)" included:

- Staff report dated November 26, 2021 from the Director of Planning and Development titled "Consultation for Official Community Plan Amendment Application No. CP100175 (Amendment Bylaw No. 9218)";
- Distribution Area Map (Exhibit "A" to CP100175);
- Request for Comment Letter;
- Newspaper Notice;
- Correspondence Received;
- L&M Engineering Consultation Report dated August 30, 2021;
- Servicing Brief dated October 4, 2021;
- Previously submitted staff report dated August 23, 2021 from the Acting Director of Planning and Development Services titled "Official Community Plan Amendment Application No. CP100175 (Bylaw No. 9218) and Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100704 (Bylaw No. 9219)" (Considered at the September 20, 2021 regular Council meeting);
- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Appendix "A" to Bylaw No. 9218;
- Appendix "B" to Bylaw No. 9218;

- Appendix "A" to Bylaw No. 9219;
- Appendix "B" to Bylaw No. 9219; and
- Exhibit "A" to Application No. CP100175.

Applicant:

Ms. Ashley Thandi, L&M Engineering Ltd. was in attendance via telephone and available for questions.

Members of the Public:

There were no submissions from members of the public.

Moved By Councillor Skakun

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That the Formal Public Hearing regarding Official Community Plan Amendment Application No. CP100175 (Bylaw No. 9218) and Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100704 (Bylaw No. 9219), BE CLOSED.

Carried Unanimously

The Formal Public Hearing adjourned to the Regular Meeting of Council at 7:18 p.m.

Moved By Councillor McConnachie

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated November 26, 2021 from the Director of Planning and Development titled "Consultation for Official Community Plan Amendment Application No. CP100175 (Amendment Bylaw No. 9218)."

Carried Unanimously

City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9218, 2021

Moved By Councillor Krause

Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council GIVES THIRD READING to "City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9218, 2021."

Carried Unanimously

City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9219, 2021

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council GIVES THIRD READING to "City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9219, 2021."

Carried Unanimously

STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND AUDIT – COUNCILLOR GARTH FRIZZELL,
CHAIR

E.2 Committee Recommendations regarding Proposed 2022 – 2024 Operating Budget

Discussion commenced. A. Davey, Director of Public Safety, W. Babicz, City Manager, and K. Dalio, Director of Finance, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Skakun

Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council DIRECTS Administration to prepare a report providing an option for a one million dollar reduction to the Police Services operating budget for Council's consideration.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Skakun

Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council DIRECTS Administration to prepare a report providing options for a 4.37% increase to the estimated general operating levy for Council's consideration, which is 2% less than the initial projections.

Carried Unanimously

DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT – DEANNA WASNIK

E.9 Organizational Capital Project Management Review & Framework (OCPMRF): Project Close-out

Mr. Arun Narayanan, Colliers Project Lead, and Mr. Bill Gilhooly, Colliers Advisor, OCPMRF Project, provided a PowerPoint presentation via Zoom regarding the closeout update for the 2021 Organizational Capital Project Management Review and Framework including information on the project overview and objectives, roadmap for action, authoritative statements and principles of the Council-approved "Organizational Capital Project Management Policy", methodology and key topics considered in the development of an Organizational Capital Project Management Manual, training sessions and next steps.

Discussion commenced. Mr. Gilhooly, Mr. Narayanan, T. Schaeffer, Manager of Infrastructure Planning and Engineering, and D. Wasnik, Director of Planning and Development, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Skakun

Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated December 6, 2021 from the Director of Planning and Development titled "Organizational Capital Project Management Review & Framework (OCPMRF): Project Close-Out".

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Mayor Hall

Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That Council AMENDS the agenda by moving agenda item E.5 to be considered immediately follow agenda item E.9.

Carried Unanimously

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY – ADAM DAVEY

E.5 Miracle Theatre’s Usage of the Prince George Playhouse

Mayor Hall declared a non-pecuniary conflict of interest due to his role on the Board of Directors for the Prince George Community Foundation and exited Council Chambers at 8:23 p.m.

Councillor Sampson, Acting Mayor, assumed the position of Chair for the duration of Mayor Hall’s absence.

Discussion commenced. K. Dalio, Director of Finance, W. Babicz, City Manager, and M. Connelly, Manager of Legislative Services, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Skakun

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council APPROVES the Miracle Theatre request to fund the balance of \$8,573.45 to a maximum of \$12,514.10 from the Council Contingency Fund towards the approximately five to six week production of the play, On Golden Pond, at the Prince George Playhouse.

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Skakun

That Council AMENDS the main motion by replacing the words “of \$8,573.45” with the word “up”.

Carried Unanimously

Main Motion as amended.

Carried

Councillor Sampson opposed.

Moved By Councillor Ramsay

Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That Council DIRECTS Administration to return a report to Council outlining options for an amendment to the Comprehensive Fees and Charges Bylaw addressing further rate subsidization for nonprofit use of the Prince George Playhouse for the duration of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Defeated

Councillors Everitt, Krause, McConnachie, and Skakun opposed.

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council DIRECTS Administration to create a framework for recognition and a report back to Council from organizations in receipt of financial support through the Council Contingency fund.

Mayor Hall returned to Council Chambers at 8:57 p.m.

Mayor Hall called a recess of the regular Council meeting at 9:01 p.m.

The regular Council meeting resumed at 9:09 p.m.

The attendance of Council and staff was the same as at the time the recess was called.

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Skakun

That Council POSTPONES consideration of the main motion to the January 10, 2022 regular Council meeting.

Carried Unanimously

CITY MANAGER – WALTER BABICZ

E.4 Downtown Arts Strategy

Discussion commenced. C. Bone, Senior Manager of Strategic Partnerships and Initiatives, and W. Babicz, City Manager, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Everitt
Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated December 10, 2021 from the City Manager, titled “Downtown Arts Strategy”.

Carried Unanimously

E.3 Inspiring Women Among Us – Request for Funding

Discussion commenced and C. Bone, Senior Manager of Strategic Partnerships and Initiatives, responded to questions of Council.

Councillor Skakun exited Council Chambers at 9:35 p.m. and returned at 9:40 p.m.

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated November 30, 2021 from the City Manager titled “Inspiring Women Among Us – Request for Funding.”

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Krause

That Council EXTENDS the regular Council meeting from 10:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE – KRIS DALIO

E.6 2021 Financial Report on Significant Capital Projects

Discussion commenced. W. Babicz, City Manager, K. Dalio, Director of Finance, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Frizzell
Seconded By Councillor Skakun

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated December 14, 2021 from the Director of Finance titled “2021 Financial Report on Significant Capital Projects”.

Carried Unanimously

DIRECTOR OF CIVIC OPERATIONS – BLAKE MCINTOSH

E.7 Downtown Pool Project Update

Discussion commenced and L. Hanson, Manager of Project Delivery, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Krause
Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated December 10, 2021 from the Director of Civic Operations titled “Downtown Pool Project Update – December 2021.”

Carried Unanimously

E.8 Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Transit System: Draft Five Year Agreement and Contribution Authorization

Mayor Hall declared a non-pecuniary conflict of interest due to his role on the BC Transit Board of Directors and exited Council Chambers at 10:04 p.m.

Councillor Sampson, Acting Mayor, assumed the position of Chair for the duration of Mayor Hall’s absence.

Discussion commenced and D. Bradshaw, Manager of Transportation and Technical Services, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Ramsay
Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council AUTHORIZES the Mayor and Corporate Officer to execute and affix the corporate seal on the proposed Community Transit Partnership Agreement as attached to the report dated December 2, 2021 from the Director of Civic Operations titled “Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Transit Funding Agreement Renewal.”

Carried Unanimously

Mayor Hall returned to Council Chambers at 10:12 p.m.

DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT – DEANNA WASNIK

E.10 Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100710 (Bylaw No. 9230)

Applicant: L&M Engineering Ltd. for 1168315 B.C. Ltd., Inc. No. BC1168315
Location: 4798 Martin Road

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100710 (Bylaw No. 9230)" included:

- Previously submitted staff report dated October 15, 2021, from the Director of Planning and Development, titled "Rezoning Amendment Application

No. RZ100710 (Bylaw No. 9230)" (Considered at the November 8, 2021 regular Council meeting);

- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Appendix "A" to Bylaw No. 9230; and
- Soil Tech Consulting Ltd. Field Review Memo dated September 29, 2021.

Discussion commenced and D. Wasnik, Director of Planning and Development, responded to questions of Council.

City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9230, 2021

Moved By Councillor Everitt

Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That Council GIVES THIRD READING to “City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9230, 2021.”

Carried Unanimously

E.11 Land Use Contract Discharge Application No. LU000047 (Bylaw No. 9213)

Applicant: Herbert J. Millar for Jack & Jill Laundry & Dry Cleaners Ltd., Inc.
No. BC0499912

Location: 2000 Victoria Street and 1495 20th Avenue

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Land Use Contract Discharge Application No. LU000047 (Bylaw No. 9213)" included:

- Staff report dated November 26, 2021 from the Director of Planning and Development;
- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Appendix "A" to Bylaw No. 9213; and
- Land Use Contract No. G1342.

City of Prince George Land Use Contract Discharge Bylaw No. 9213, 2021

Moved By Councillor Skakun

Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That Council GIVES FIRST AND SECOND READING to “City of Prince George Land Use Contract Discharge Bylaw No. 9213, 2021” to discharge Land Use Contract No. G1342, as shown on Appendix “A” to Bylaw No. 9213, 2021 from the following legal titles:

- Lot A, District Lot 932, Cariboo District, Plan 20192;
- Lot 37, Block 1, District Lot 932, Cariboo District, Plan 796; and
- Lot 38, Block 1, District Lot 932, Cariboo District, Plan 796.

Carried Unanimously

E.12 7920 Highway 97 Road Closure Bylaw No. 9245, 2021

Applicant: City of Prince George

Location: 7920 Highway 97

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "7920 Highway 97 Road Closure Bylaw No. 9245, 2021" included:

- Previously submitted staff report dated September 28, 2021 from the Director of Planning and Development title "7920 Highway 97 Road Closure Bylaw No. 9245, 2021" (Considered at the October 18, 2021 regular Council meeting);
- Appendix "A" – Proposed Road Closure;
- Exhibit "A" – Location Map; and
- Exhibit "B" – Proposed Consolidation.

City of Prince George 7920 Highway 97 Road Closure Bylaw No. 9245, 2021

Moved By Councillor Skakun

Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That Council GIVES THIRD READING to "City of Prince George 7920 Highway 97 Road Closure Bylaw No. 9245, 2021".

Carried Unanimously

F. BYLAWS – FINAL READING AND ADOPTION

F.1 City of Prince George Comprehensive Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 7557, 2004, Amendment Bylaw No. 9269, 2021

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council GRANTS FINAL READING AND ADOPTION to "City of Prince George Comprehensive Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 7557, 2004, Amendment Bylaw No.9269, 2021."

Carried Unanimously

F.2 City of Prince George 1655 Boundary Road Road Closure Bylaw No. 9194, 2021

Moved By Councillor Ramsay

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council GRANTS FINAL READING AND ADOPTION to "City of Prince George 1655 Boundary Road Road Closure Bylaw No. 9194, 2021."

Carried Unanimously

F.3 City of Prince George Tamarack/Spruce Street Road Closure Bylaw No. 9241, 2021

Moved By Councillor McConnachie

Seconded By Councillor Krause

That Council GRANTS FINAL READING AND ADOPTION to "City of Prince George Tamarack/Spruce Street Road Closure Bylaw No. 9241, 2021."

Carried Unanimously

G. CORRESPONDENCE

Mayor Hall requested further consideration of correspondence item G.1.

Councillor Frizzell requested further consideration of correspondence item G.4.

G.1 Correspondence dated December 15, 2021 from Mayor Lyn Hall to the Honourable Marco Mendicino, Minister of Public Safety: Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) Retroactive Pay Costs

Discussion commenced.

G.2 Correspondence dated December 13, 2021 from Catherine Pennington, President, Prince George Community Foundation: Follow Up to the Prince George Playhouse Subsidy Request from the December 6, 2021 Council Meeting Delegation Presentation

G.3 Correspondence regarding the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Board of Directors Meeting held November 24 - 25, 2021

G.4 Correspondence dated November 24, 2021 from Councillor Laurey-Anne Roodenburg, President, Union of BC Municipalities: 2021 Late Resolution Referred to UBCM Executive regarding Implementing No Barrier Housing

Discussion commenced.

G.5 Correspondence dated December 2, 2021 from Laurey-Ann Roodenburg, President, Union of BC Municipalities, and Garth Frizzell, Past President, Federation of Canadian Municipalities: Local Government Representation on the Joint Committee on Disaster Response and Climate Resilience

Moved By Councillor McConnachie

Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION Correspondence Items G.1 to G.5.

Carried Unanimously

I. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That there being no further business the Regular Meeting of Council, BE ADJOURNED.

Carried Unanimously

THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 10:21 P.M.

CHAIRPERSON

CERTIFIED CORRECT