



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

January 11, 2021

6:00 pm

Council Chambers of City Hall

1100 Patricia Boulevard, Prince George, BC

PRESENT:

Mayor Lyn Hall, Chair
Councillor Everitt <via Zoom>
Councillor Frizzell <via Zoom>
Councillor Krause
Councillor McConnachie <via Zoom>
Councillor Ramsay
Councillor Sampson
Councillor Scott
Councillor Skakun <via Zoom> <6:21 p.m. to 9:39 p.m.>

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr. Walter Babicz, Acting City Manager
Mr. Ian Wells, Acting Deputy City Manager
Ms. Maureen Connelly, Manager of Legislative Services
Ms. Leslie Kellett, Legislative Coordinator

A. ADOPTION OF THE AMENDED AGENDA

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Krause

That the agenda for the regular meeting of Council scheduled for January 11, 2021, be amended to add one item of correspondence at agenda item G.4 and a video at agenda item E.9, and that the agenda, BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED.

Carried Unanimously

B. MINUTES

B.1 Adoption of Minutes – December 21, 2020

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That the attached minutes of the regular Council meeting held December 21, 2020, 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 Chamber of Commerce, Downtown Prince George, and Gateway Business Association

Mr. Todd Corrigan, Chief Executive Officer, Prince George Chamber of Commerce, provided a presentation regarding the Prince George Chamber of Commerce, Downtown Prince George, and Gateway Business Association's feedback on opportunities to enhance participation and engagement with the business community including information on the Prince George Chamber of Commerce's Community Recovery Task Force.

Discussion commenced. Mr. Corrigan Chief Executive Officer, Prince George Chamber of Commerce and W. Babicz, Acting City Manager responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council APPOINTS the Mayor to the Prince George Chamber of Commerce's Community Recovery Task Force.

Carried Unanimously

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 (December 2020)

Discussion commenced.

Councillor Skakun entered the meeting at 6:21 p.m.

Moved By Councillor Krause
Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated January 11, 2021 from the Acting Deputy City Manager, titled "Monthly Building Permit and Development Permit Summary (December 2020)".

Carried Unanimously

D.2 Procurement Quarterly Report 2020 – Quarter Four (October – December)

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the staff report dated December 31, 2020, from the Acting City Manager, titled "Procurement Quarterly Report 2020 – Quarter Four (October – December)."

Carried Unanimously

E. REPORTS**SELECT COMMITTEE ON POVERTY REDUCTION – COUNCILLOR MURRY KRAUSE, CHAIR****E.1 Select Committee on Poverty Reduction – Preliminary Recommendations and Community Engagement Plan**

Ms. Sarah Brown, Supervisor of Community Well-being and Partnerships, provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Select Committee on Poverty Reduction's preliminary recommendations and community engagement plan including information on the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) Poverty Reduction Planning and Action Grant, an overview of the Committee's preliminary recommendations, proposed community engagement plan, timeline and next steps.

Discussion commenced. S. Brown, Supervisor of Community Well-being and Partnerships, and W. Babicz, Acting City Manager, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Krause

Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated December 16, 2020, from the Chair of the Select Committee on Poverty Reduction titled "Select Committee on Poverty Reduction- Preliminary Recommendations and Community Engagement Plan."

Carried Unanimously

SELECT COMMITTEE ON A SAFE, CLEAN, AND INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY – MAYOR LYN HALL CHAIR**E.2 Select Committee on a Safe, Clean, and Inclusive Community Report and Recommendations**

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

Moved By Councillor Krause

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated December 31, 2020, from the Chair of the Select Committee on a Safe, Clean, and Inclusive Community, titled "Select Committee on a Safe, Clean, and Inclusive Community Report and Recommendations."

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council APPROVES the recommendations of the Select Committee on a Safe, Clean and Inclusive Community, titled "City of Prince George – Key Commitments", in the attachment to the report dated December 31, 2020, from the Chair of the Select Committee on a Safe, Clean, and Inclusive Community, titled "Select Committee on a Safe, Clean, and Inclusive Community Report and Recommendations."

Carried Unanimously

ACTING CITY MANAGER – WALTER BABICZ

E.3 RCMP Year in Review 2020

Superintendent Shaun Wright, RCMP, provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Prince George RCMP's Year in Review for 2020 including information on comparative statistics from 2016 to 2020 regarding Prince George RCMP activities, highlights from 2020, pressures moving forward, and priorities for the Prince George RCMP in 2021.

Councillor Scott exited the meeting at 7:31 p.m. and returned at 7:32 p.m.

Discussion commenced. Supt. Wright, RCMP, and W. Babicz, Acting City Manager, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated January 5, 2021, from the Acting City Manager, titled "RCMP 2020 Year in Review."

Carried Unanimously

E.4 Downtown and Area Service Enhancement Package

Discussion commenced. W. Babicz, Acting City Manager, and A. Davey, Director of Community Services and Public Safety, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor McConnachie

Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council:

1. *RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated January 6, 2021, from the Acting City Manager, titled "Downtown and Area Service Enhancement Package"; and*
2. *APPROVES the reallocation of the \$400,000 annual budget from Civic Facilities for security service costs to Bylaw Services, to enable the hiring of four Bylaw Enforcement Officers, with a view to improving the management of social issues in the downtown and surrounding area.*

Carried Unanimously

E.5 2021 Council Meeting Schedule Update

Moved By Councillor McConnachie

Seconded By Councillor Krause

That Council APPROVES the revised 2021 Council Meeting Calendar, as attached to the report dated December 18, 2020, from the Acting City Manager, titled "2021 Council Meeting Schedule Update".

Carried Unanimously

ACTING DEPUTY CITY MANAGER – IAN WELLS

E.6 George Street Parkade

Discussion commenced. I. Wells, Acting Deputy City Manager, and K. Dalio, Director of Finance, responded to questions of Council.

Councillor Scott exited the meeting at 8:40 p.m. and returned at 8:44 p.m.

Moved By Councillor Ramsay

Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That Council DIRECTS Administration to return a report to Council itemizing the use of the City Manager's delegated authority for budget amendments in 2020 and ongoing reports on the use of this delegated authority on a quarterly basis.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council REFERS the matter of the George Street Parkade to a closed meeting of Council.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Everitt

Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the staff report dated December 31, 2020, from the Acting Deputy City Manager, titled "George Street Parkade."

Carried Unanimously

E.7 Official Community Plan Amendment Application No. CP100162 (Bylaw No. 9115) and Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100657 (Bylaw No. 9116)

Applicant: L&M Engineering Ltd. for Kidd Real Estate Holdings Ltd., Inc. No. BC821509
Location: 4114 Balsum Road

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Official Community Plan Amendment Application No. CP100162 (Bylaw No. 9115) and Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100657 (Bylaw No. 9116)" included:

- Staff report dated December 15, 2020, from the Acting Deputy City Manager, titled "Official Community Plan Amendment Application No. CP100162 (Bylaw No. 9115) and Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100657 (Bylaw No. 9116)";
- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Appendix "A" to Bylaw No. 9115;
- Appendix "A" to Bylaw No. 9116; and
- Exhibit "A" to CP100162.

City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9115, 2020

Moved By Councillor McConnachie

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council GIVES First Reading to "City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9115, 2020".

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Krause
Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council CONSIDERS “City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9115, 2020”, in conjunction with the current Financial Plan and confirms there are no issues.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council CONSIDERS “City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9115, 2020”, in conjunction with the current Regional District of Fraser Fort-George Solid Waste Management Plan and confirms there are no issues.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council CONSIDERS “City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9115, 2020”, in conjunction with the City of Prince George Strategic Framework for a Sustainable Prince George and confirms there are no issues.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Ramsay
Seconded By Councillor Krause

That Council GIVES Second Reading to “City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9115, 2020.”

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Everitt
Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council APPROVES the following public consultation process to fulfill the requirements of Section 475 of the Local Government Act:

- a. Two Citywide Newspaper advertisement requesting written comment; and*
- b. Request for written comment from properties identified on Exhibit “A” to CP100162.”*

Carried Unanimously

City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9116, 2020

Moved By Councillor Scott
Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council GIVES First and Second Reading to “City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9116, 2020”.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Krause
Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council PERMITS the Public Hearing for proposed Bylaw No. 9116, 2020 BE WITHHELD until the following requirements have been met to the satisfaction of Administration:

- a. *Receipt of Servicing Brief; and*
- b. *Receipt of a Traffic Brief.*

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Scott
Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council PERMITS that consideration of Final Reading of proposed Bylaw No. 9116, 2020 BE WITHHELD until the following requirements have been met to the satisfaction of Administration:

- a. *Registration of a Section 219 Covenant on the legal title of Lot A, District Lot 4047, Cariboo District, Plan 23955 that restricts secondary suites in two-unit dwellings; and*
- b. *Registration of a Section 219 Covenant on the legal title of Lot A, District Lot 4047, Cariboo District, Plan 23955 that restricts symmetrical façades for two-unit housing.*

In addition, any recommendations presented in the preceding items must be addressed to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Planning, Development, and Infrastructure.

Carried Unanimously

E.8 2851 Gogolin Road Closure Phase II Bylaw No. 9152, 2020

Applicant: City of Prince George
Location: 2851 Gogolin Road

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "2851 Gogolin Road Closure Phase II Bylaw No. 9152, 2020" included:

- Previously submitted staff report dated November 10, 2020, from the Acting Deputy City Manager, titled "2851 Gogolin Road Closure Phase II Bylaw No. 9152, 2020" (Considered at the December 7, 2020 regular Council meeting);
- Appendix "A" - Proposed Road Closure;
- Exhibit "A" - Previously Closed Road;
- Exhibit "B" - Proposed Consolidation; and
- Exhibit "C" - Location Map.

City of Prince George 2851 Gogolin Road Closure Phase II Bylaw No. 9152, 2020

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council GIVES THIRD READING to "City of Prince George 2851 Gogolin Road Closure Phase II Bylaw No. 9152, 2020."

Carried Unanimously

Councillor Skakun exited the meeting at 9:39 p.m.

ACTING DIRECTOR OF CIVIC OPERATIONS – BLAKE MCINTOSH

E.9 Update on the Substantial Completion of the New Fire Hall #1

A video presentation was provided on the newly constructed Fire Hall #1 and building features.

Discussion commenced. Chief John Iverson, Prince George Fire Rescue, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Krause
Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated January 4, 2021, from the Acting Director of Civic Operations, titled "Update on the Substantial Completion of the New Fire Hall #1."

Carried Unanimously

F. BYLAWS – FINAL READING AND ADOPTION

F.1 City of Prince George Transit Service Annual Operating Agreement 2020/2021 Authorization Bylaw No. 9169, 2020

Moved By Councillor Scott
Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council GRANTS FINAL READING AND ADOPTION to "City of Prince George Transit Service Annual Operating Agreement 2020/2021 Authorization Bylaw No. 9169, 2020."

Carried Unanimously

G. CORRESPONDENCE

Mayor Hall requested further consideration of Correspondence Item G.3.

Councillor Sampson requested further consideration of Correspondence Item G.2.

Councillor Ramsay requested further consideration of Correspondence Item G.1.

G.1 Correspondence dated December 18, 2020 from Cariboo Regional District and Mayors of the District of Wells, City of Quesnel, District of 100 Mile House, and City of Williams Lake: BC Hydro Streetlighting Rate Increase/Termination of Private Light System

Discussion commenced.

Moved By Councillor Ramsay
Seconded By Councillor Krause

That Council REFERS to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Resolutions the Correspondence dated December 18, 2020 from the Cariboo Regional District and Mayors of the District of Wells, City of Quesnel, and City of Williams Lake regarding BC Hydro street lighting rate increase and termination of private light system.

Carried Unanimously

G.2 Correspondence dated December 18, 2020 from Ken Christian, Mayor, City of Kamloops: Overdose Crisis and Call for Overdose Action Plan

Discussion commenced.

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council REFERS to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Resolutions the Correspondence dated December 18, 2020 from Ken Christian, Mayor, City of Kamloops regarding the overdose crisis and a call for an overdose action plan.

Carried Unanimously

- G.3 Correspondence dated December 24, 2020 from John Huybers, Past President, Caledonia Nordic Ski Club (CNSC): Request for Resolution in Support of a Northern Development Initiative Trust (NDIT) Application to Replace the CNSC Lodge Roof**

Moved By Councillor Krause
Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That the City of Prince George SUPPORTS the application to Northern Development Initiative Trust from the Caledonia Nordic Ski Club for a grant of up to \$30,000 for the replacement of the lodge roof at the Caledonia Nordic Ski Club from the Community Places program.

Carried Unanimously

- G.4 Correspondence dated January 8, 2021 from Walter Babicz, Acting City Manager, City of Prince George to the Prince George Chamber of Commerce, Downtown Prince George, and the Gateway Business Improvement Association: Response to December 11, 2020 Correspondence to City Council**

Moved By Councillor Scott
Seconded By Councillor Krause

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION Correspondence items G.1 through G.4.

Carried Unanimously

H. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Everitt

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

Carried Unanimously

THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 9:44 P.M.

CHAIRPERSON

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