

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF WARFIELD

REGULAR MEETING #18-14

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Warfield held in the Council Chambers on Tuesday, October 14, 2014.

Present: Mayor B. Crockett
Councillor D. Baggio
Councillor J. Crozier
Councillor T. Milne
Councillor J. Nelson

CAO V. Morelli

Call to Order

Mayor Crockett called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Agenda #18-14 Moved by Councillor Baggio/Seconded by Councillor Crozier

THAT the agenda for Regular Meeting #18-14 be adopted as circulated.

Carried

2014-206

Delegations

Tara Howse – The Women creating change project will focus on working with local organizations, businesses and groups to develop and implement policies, action plans and initiatives that will:

1. Encourage and support the entry and retention of women in sustainable, non-traditional employment.
2. Identify and encourage the implementation of mechanisms to make education and training more accessible and affordable to women living at or below the living wage.

Graham West – Fortis and Bernie Penner – Pennco – came to discuss the connection for the Fortis Building on Bingay Road to the Village of Warfield sewer system.

Minutes

Moved by Councillor Nelson/Seconded by Councillor Milne

THAT the Regular Meeting Minutes 17-14-September-8-14

are adopted as circulated.

Carried

2014-207

Moved by Councillor Baggio/Seconded by Councillor Milne

THAT the Special Meeting Minutes 17S-14-September-11-14

are adopted as circulated.

Carried

2014-208

Consent Calendar

Moved by Councillor Milne/Seconded by Councillor Crozier

THAT the Consent Calendar including:

Auditor General for Local Governments – Annual Report
available on website

The KBRH Health Foundation – The Snowflake Gala – November
22, 2014

Columbia Basin Trust – Warfield Community Hall Upgrade –
Community Development Program

Columbia Basin Trust – Engagement Overview

BC/Yukon Command Royal Canadian Legion – “Military Service
Recognition Book”

RDKB – Building Permits Report – August

RCMP – Crime Statistics

Teck – News Release – Reduce Dust and Improve Air Quality

Reconciliation of Community Hall Contract

John Horgan, Selina Robinson – Official Opposition – Thank-you

Webster School – Newsletter

Commissionaires Report – September 2014

Castlegar/Warfield Lymphodema Support Group Meeting
Minutes

RDKB – Building Permits Report – September

Warfield Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

Fisheries & Oceans Canada – Regional Consultation Cutthroat
Trout

is accepted as circulated.

Carried

2014-209

Referrals from Delegations

Fortis connection to Warfield sewer system.

Moved by Councillor Baggio/Seconded by Councillor Nelson

That Council of the Village of Warfield agrees in principle with Fortis proceeding with the connection to the sewer. The sharing of costs for the line to be upgraded just beyond the connection point is to be determined in the future.

Carried 2014-210

Correspondence

Trail & District Chamber of Commerce – Warfield Candidates Forum Monday, November 3, 2014

Moved by Councillor Nelson/Seconded by Councillor Milne

That the Hall rental fee for the Trail & District Chamber of Commerce Candidates forum is waived.

Carried 2014-211

Warfield PAC – Donation toward Picnic Tables and Benches

Moved by Councillor Nelson/Seconded by Councillor Crozier

That the request for contributions towards the purchase of picnic tables and benches is referred to committee for discussion in next year's budget.

Carried 2014-212

Webster School – Donation towards Christmas Lights

Moved by Councillor Nelson/Seconded by Councillor Crozier

That Council will donate one hundred (\$100.00) dollars towards the purchase of LED lights for the school.

Carried 2014-213

231 Currie Street – reply to sharing of costs on retaining walls

The property owner was not in agreement with the idea of cost sharing of the retaining wall. Council has requested more

information.

837 Forrest Drive – Request for Development Variance Permit

Moved by Councillor Milne/Seconded by Councillor Baggio

That the request for a development variance to reduce the front yard setback for construction of the carport is approved.

Carried

2014-214

Reports & Memoranda

Reports From Committee Meetings

The Regional District of Kootenay Boundary is requesting permission from the Village of Warfield to cross the Village of Warfield property adjacent to the public works building for sewer monitoring purposes, as required under the new agreement for sewer charges based on flows.

Moved by Councillor Milne/Seconded by Councillor Crozier

That the Village of Warfield grant permission to the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary to cross Villager property to install the flow meter on the regional sewer line and provide access for monitoring..

Carried

2014-215

Regional Sewer – Council expressed concern as to what could happen regarding the Regional Sewer. Council decided to meet with Ministerial Staff at UBCM to discuss their concerns. A meeting with Lois Leah Goodwin of the Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development was set up.

LCCDT and Hall rental fee - Council is recommending that the rental for the Community Hall is waived for the Lower Columbia Community Development Team Society to engage the community in the allocation of funds under the CBT Community Directed Funds.

Moved by Councillor Milne/Seconded by Councillor Crozier

That the Village of Warfield grant permission to the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary to cross Villager property to install the flow meter on the regional sewer line and provide access for monitoring..

Carried

2014-216

. Fortis connection to Warfield sewer and condition of the existing sewer main. Council is in agreement in principle but some work is required to be done to the existing main. A meeting is scheduled for October 14, 2014.

Storm Sewers and Easements – work is needed on sanitary and storm sewer lines throughout the Village. There are areas in which right of ways are required. The surveyor has been busy, but he will proceed to this work as soon as they are finished with the work they are doing for Teck.

Public Sector Compensation Review – Council discussed the study that was commissioned by the province which will be discussed at UBCM.

LCCDT – the following option is recommended for adoption:
Option 3 – No elected Officials, Staff representatives

Economic Development Services Structure

Moved by Councillor Milne/Seconded by Councillor Crozier

The economic development service shall be overseen by a committee to be known as "Lower Columbia Initiatives" (LCI") and appointed by the Service Stakeholders. The LCI shall be made up of eleven members to be appointed as follows:

Ten members to be nominated by the LCCDT and appointed by the Service Stakeholders. The nominees cannot be members of the LCCDT.

One staff representative appointed by the Service Stakeholders.

The Council of the Village of Warfield recommends also that the term is set for three (3) years with an annual review.

Carried

2014-217

Regional Sewer – An agreement has been reached by the member municipalities regarding the Columbia River crossing for the sewer main. The total contribution shall be \$4,200,000. A loan authorization bylaw will be initiated by the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary, which will require are approval by the sewer service member municipalities. Council recommends approval of this agreement.

Moved by Councillor Baggio/Seconded by Councillor Crozier

That the Village of Warfield agrees in principle with the sewer agreement which has been negotiated that the regional district contribute \$4,200,000 all inclusive for the Columbia River Crossing.

Carried

2014-218

Apparently some springs have popped up while property owners have been doing renovations along Forrest Drive. Investigation needs to be done to insure that the water is not being directed into the sanitary sewer.

The Letter of Understanding regarding the Pool staff to be discussed on Thursday, October 23, 2014.

Financial Matters

Payment Schedules

Moved by Councillor Baggio/Seconded by Councillor Crozier

That the commitments and expenditures represented by the accounts payable listed below be authorized and that their payment in the amount of One Hundred Fifty Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Six Dollars and Forty Eight Cents (\$158,706.48) in total be approved:

Payable Cheque #002965	VOIDED
Payable Cheque #002966	\$ 260.00
Payroll Cheque # 002967 to #002976 inclusive	\$ 10,732.85
Payable Cheques #002977 to #002978 inclusive	\$ 100.00
Payable Cheque #002979	VOIDED
Payable Cheque #002980	\$ 50.00
Payable Cheque #002981	VOIDED
Payable Cheque #002982	\$ 50.00
Payroll Cheque # 002983 to #002989 inclusive	\$ 5,645.48
Payable Cheques #002990 to #002999 inclusive	VOIDED
Payable Cheques #001001 to #001002 inclusive	VOIDED
Payable Cheques #001003 to #001038 inclusive	\$ 141,868.15

TOTAL EXPENDITURE & PAYMENT APPROVED \$ 158,706.48

Carried

2014-219

Moved by Councillor Baggio/Seconded by Councillor Crozier

That the commitments and expenditures represented by the

accounts payable listed below be authorized and that their payment in the amount of Two Hundred Sixty Two Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty one Dollars and Eight Cents (\$ 262,961.08) in total are approved:

Payable Cheque #001040	\$528.00
Payroll Cheque # 001041 to #001046 inclusive	\$ 9419.07
Payable Cheques #001047 to #001050 inclusive	\$ 42,692.05
Payroll Cheque # 001051 to #001060 inclusive	\$ 12,100.17
Payable Cheques #001061 to #00111 inclusive	<u>\$ 198,221.79</u>

TOTAL EXPENDITURE & PAYMENT APPROVED **\$ 262,961.08**

Carried 2014-220

Bylaws

Bylaw #799 Property Tax Exemption 2015

Moved by Councillor Baggio/Seconded by Councillor Crozier

That Bylaw #799 Property Tax Exemption 2015 is hereby reconsidered and finally adopted.

Carried 2014-221

Member Reports & Inquiries

COUNCILLOR DONNA BAGGIO
2014 UBCM REPORT

Thank you once again for the opportunity to attend the 2014 UBCM conference in Whistler, B.C. I was hesitant in attending this conference as I had decided not to file nomination papers for this upcoming election but after knowing we were going to meet with the Deputy Minister on the sewer line/bridge issue I felt compelled to attend.

I was disappointed in the Whistler area as a host to the conference as getting from meetings and events at times was daunting to say the least.

I was very impressed with our meeting with Lois Leah Goodwin. After listening to our comments on the sewer versus bridge issue with the City of Trail she offered clear indications on what our options would be if we could not resolve the issue locally. Basically it would be more money spent fighting between municipalities with end results of a losing battle for the whole

area. More money wasted on egos and bullying basically (my opinion). She wrote down our comments and told us that our best plan of action was to get the affected municipalities talking and find a mutually accepted number that would be palatable to all. That started Bert chasing between Mayor Granstrom and to begin with Councillor Kevin Jolly trying to find dollar figures that were close to acceptable with both areas. I would scout out the victims and Bert would slide in for the political maneuvering. It was exhilarating to say the least. I commend Bert for all the work he did at the conference getting these two sides to at least talk and then when returning home sitting down and hammering out a deal that suits Trail, Warfield and Rossland.

I was disappointed with Small Talk this year. Lots of environmental issues and success stories but I did not feel as connected to the topics as I did in the past.

Resolutions were also an area that I did not connect to. I felt I could not vote on a lot of the issues as they were not a subject that I had a clear opinion on. Apparently there was a news release from a Mayor or Councillor dealing with the LNG issue that made that exact comment of "how could Elected Officials at the UBCM make any decisions on the LNG controversial subject when they are not adversely affected by the end result".

Enjoyed meeting with long time politicians and discussing a few of our on-going frustrations. The dynamics of the political area is about to change and there will be lots of new faces at the upcoming conferences. Good luck to all of our upcoming challengers. I will be watching in the background. It has been an interesting ride.

Councillor Baggio also attended a Restorative Justice Meeting in September.

Councillor Crozier UBCM Report

Long drive did not like Whistler. The Small talk session was disorganized confusion. Offloading nothing new. NO answers.

Rex Murphy the Key Note Speaker was excellent. Meeting with Ministry staff was sympathetic to our problems but had no answers for us. Fortis presentation, excellent motivational speaker. The resolutions session was boring, too many resolutions and the official opposition's message was that they can do better.

Councillor Milne was reelected to the Board of MIA. MIA will be

providing property insurance to municipalities this month. Fortis presentation was excellent, everything appeared disjointed, problems moving from one session to the next. The banquet was a disappointment.

Whistler is too expensive.

Mayor Crockett attended the Mayors' Caucus and their main topics of discussion were:

1. Ambulance
2. Aging Infrastructure
3. Auditor General
4. Adhoc Granting

Highways #3 Meeting the main concern was the Hope Princeton, needs more passing and signage. Highway #3 needs a better name and better signage.

The number of resolutions brought forward to the UBCM should be reduced. Some of the resolutions shouldn't be before UBCM.

Minimum wage need changing.

Adjournment

On a motion by Councillor Crozier the meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

I hereby certify the preceding to be a true and correct account of the Regular Meeting #18-14 October 14-14 of Council held on Tuesday, October 14, 2014.

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer