



TOWN OF HINTON
Regular Council Meeting
April 16, 2013

- PRESENT:** Mayor Ian Duncan, Councillors Jane Macridis, Dale Currie, Lorraine Johnston-MacKay, Ryan Maguhn
- ABSENT:** Councillor Bill Bulger
- SECRETARY:** Rhonda West – Legislative & Administrative Services Coordinator
- ALSO PRESENT:** Bernie Kreiner – Town Manager
Denise Parent – Director of Corporate Services
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ORDER

Mayor Ian Duncan called the Regular Council Meeting to order. The time was 6:30 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

CURRIE - That the Agenda for the Regular Council Meeting Agenda of April 16, 2013 be adopted with the following change:

- Move Action Item #3 (Offsite Levy Collection of Fees) to Action Item #2

Carried

CITIZENS "MINUTE WITH COUNCIL"

Jan Vassbotn, President of the Hinton Mountain Bike Association, advised Council that the association received word they did not receive CFIP grant. Mr. Vassbotn asked Council that if there are any monies available left over from Quality of Life or Community Safety Initiative then if Council might give the association consideration.

David Robson, ex water treatment plant operator at the mill expressed his concerns to Council about the break in at the water reservoir. Mr. Robson did some research and asked questions and found it had been around two weeks between checks and that Council should consider having a camera system installed at the water reservoir. Mr. Robson's concern was that a contaminant would be in the Town's water in 48 hours or less and would be in the system before anyone picked up on it. A camera system is easy and efficient and would relieve the public's concerns.

DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Jasper National Park Fire Management Team – Presented by Kim Weir

Ms. Weir updated council on the parks' plans for prescribed burns for the summer. The work done to date has virtually eliminated the natural process of fire in the landscape. Older denser forest is a lot more healthy. Five prescribed fires planned for the year four of which will not affect Hinton whatsoever. The Vine Creek unit is the one that may have an impact on the community. Objectives of the burn are to restore Douglas Fir on the lower slopes, encourage Whitebark Pine, remove mountain pine beetle habitat, and create a barrier to wildfire burning eastward from the park. A strict set of conditions must be fulfilled


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before they can ignite a prescribed fire (winds, temp, relative humidity, how dry forest fuels are etc.) Smoke may drift up to 100 km downwind towards Brule, Entrance and Hinton. Highways 40 and 16 will be affected by smoke but they are not expecting any stoppage of traffic on Highway 16. It is important that people know well in advance and during the operation. Some 330+ stakeholders will be sent notifications. Prescribed burn to take place mid to late May if conditions allow.

2. 2013 Quality of Life Grant Funding Program – Presented by Ralph Underwood

Ralph Underwood, a member of the Hinton Grant Funding Advisory Committee, provided Council with a review of the process, criteria, etc. in their review of Quality of Life applications. He noted that some tough decisions were made but he still hoped that the recommendations will help the non-profit organizations. At the end of the day, the group wanted all projects to succeed.

COUNCIL MINUTES FOR ADOPTION

The following Minutes were presented to Council for their approval:

1. Regular Meeting of Council Minutes – April 2, 2013
2. Standing Committee of Council Minutes – April 9, 2013

MACRIDIS - That the Minutes listed above be approved as presented.

CARRIED

ACTION ITEMS

Refer to the Regular Council Meeting Agenda package for April 16, 2013 for detailed background information on these decisions.

1. 2013 Quality of Life Grant Applications

CURRIE - That Council approve the 2013 Quality of Life grant funding allocations totalling \$100,000 as recommended by the Hinton Grant Funding Advisory Committee.

CARRIED

MAGUHN – To direct Administration to lend assistance to the Hinton Mountain Bike Association by offering help in seeking out alternative grant sources.

MOTION WITHDRAWN

MACRIDIS – To direct Administration to prepare a report for Council evaluating the effectiveness of the current Quality of Life program with its terms of reference and purpose and make recommendations to address the greatest needs in the community.

CARRIED

2. Offsite Levy Collection of Fees

DUNCAN - That Council accept this report as information.

CARRIED


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3. Subdivision #125 for 160 Boutin Avenue Development Agreement

MACRIDIS - That Town Council support Administration's recommendation to remain with the standard provisions that are established with this "draft" Development Agreement for Tredwin Developments Inc. & Gilbertson Developments (1992) Inc.

CARRIED

MACRIDIS - That Town Council approve the Town's signing authority to enter into a Development Agreement with Tredwin Developments Inc. & Gilbertson Developments (1992) Inc.

CARRIED

The Mayor called a recess at 8:44 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 8:53 p.m.

4. Land Use Bylaw Amendment #960-49

JOHNSTON-MACKAY - That Council give Land Use Bylaw Amendment #960-49 First Reading.

CARRIED

5. Notice of Motion by Councillor Dale Currie

CURRIE – That Council rescind the motion to approve a \$5.00 minimum user fee for Hinton residential customers delivering waste to the landfill effective May 1, 2013.

CARRIED

JOHNSTON-MACKAY – That Council extend the time for the Regular Meeting of Council beyond 3 hours.

CARRIED

6. Tax Rate Bylaw #1082

CURRIE - That Council give the 2013 Tax Levy Bylaw #1082 first reading.

CARRIED

MAGUHN - That Council give the 2013 Tax Levy Bylaw #1082 second reading.

CARRIED

MAGUHN – That Council direct Administration to prepare a list and report on options relating to incentive programs to promote waste management strategies.

DEFEATED

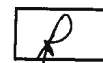
INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Council Information Package #1 - previously circulated April 4, 2013
2. Council Information Package #2 - previously circulated April 11, 2013

CURRIE - That Council Information Packages #1 and #2 be accepted for information.

CARRIED

Mayor Duncan read the proclamation for National Volunteer Week proclaiming April 21 – 27, 2013 as National Volunteer Week in Hinton.


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REPORTS FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL, TOWN MANAGER

Mayor Duncan reported:

- With respect to his meeting re the issue of West Fraser receiving only 80% of their allocated rail cars – he shared this concern with MP Rob Merrifield who assured Mayor Duncan that he would be taking the concern up with CN. Mayor Duncan received MP Merrifield's reply that he did bring it up with CN and they are committed to address the concern and that he is keeping his eye on CN's commitment to deliver rails cars

Councillor Macridis reported:

- Waste diversion – good session tomorrow night at the Teck Room at 7:00 p.m. re composting – phone and register

Councillor Johnston-Mackay reported:

- Volunteer dinner is April 25th – go to Guild and pick up your tickets
- Scheduled maintenance of pool area – went and listened to pool staff as to what is being done
- Hinton Art Club were honoured at the Arts on Fire event for long term service – Alicia Nielsen has requested copies of any photos taken during the evening as they would like to do a book on the evening

Councillor Maguhn reported:

- 2780 – that is the number of positive contacts recorded between Hinton RCMP and youth – goes to show community outreach program part of educational aspects – kudos to Cst. Alford and her efforts
- Policing Committee – looking at goals and moving into planning piece – June 5th is Family Health and Safety Night – lots of booths
- Remind citizens to move vehicles for street sweeping
- Expressed condolences and prayers to victims of Boston Marathon bombing and to the City of Boston

Town Manager Bernie Kreiner

Bernie Kreiner, Town Manager, reported:


- Tree clearing along Switzer drive – two storm ponds are required for management so that is why the area looks larger
- Note from Shaw – changed process so shouldn't be any more frozen frames during playback. Council meetings will be broadcast on Shaw weekdays at 12:30 p.m. and on the weekends at 8:00 a.m.

MOVE IN CAMERA

MACRIDIS -That the Regular Meeting of Council move in camera.

Carried

The time was 10:04 p.m.


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RECONVENE

MACRIDIS -That the Regular Meeting of Council reconvene.

The time was 10:45 p.m.

Carried

ADJOURN

CURRIE -That the Regular Meeting of Council adjourn.

The time was 10:45 p.m.

Carried



Mayor



Director of Corporate Services

