

VILLAGE OF RADIUM HOT SPRINGS

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 12TH, 2016.

PRESENT: Mayor Clara Reinhardt, Councillors Larsen, Logan, McCauley and Verboom, Torben Larsen, Dave Dixon, Karen Sharp, Eric Elliott and Mark Read.

1. ORDER:

Mayor Reinhardt brought the meeting to order at 8:30 p.m.

2. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:

Resolved, that we add the following items to the agenda:

- Community Hall funding options;
- Councillor Karen Larsen resignation letter, and;
- Youth Directed Funds meeting report.

(Moved by Councillor Verboom) Carried.

3. MINUTES:

Resolved, that we approve the Council meeting minutes from September 14th, 2016, as circulated.

(Moved by Councillor Logan) Carried.

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mayor Reinhardt provided written UBCM conference highlights. Councillor McCauley noted his attendance at the session on short term rentals and advised that we need to approach this issue carefully as every community is different.

The RDEK Board meeting highlights were circulated via email. Mayor Reinhardt noted the commitment from Area F to provide additional funding towards the Invermere Community Hall. Clara also provided an update on the "Fueling Change in the Kootenays" project noting that a level three electric vehicle charging station has been identified for Radium pending successful funding.

Councillor Larsen attended the Youth Directed Funds meeting. Karen advised that the initiative is moving forward to identify potential partners and to establish a legal entity that will deliver the program.

Councillor McCauley attended the School District consultation meeting regarding the assessment of education services.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS / BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

Resolved, that we direct staff to respond to the letter from Chris Knight, with the response to reflect the discussion and shared perspective of Council members.

(Moved by Councillor Verboom) Carried.

6. BYLAWS:

Resolved, that we reconsider and adopt Tax Exemption (Church Properties) Bylaw No. 424, 2016.

(Moved by Councillor Verboom) Carried.

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7. NEW BUSINESS:

Whereas the Board of the Regional District of East Kootenay proposes to adopt Bylaw No. 2667 cited as “Regional District of East Kootenay – Columbia Valley Economic Development Service Establishment Bylaw No. 2606, 2015 – Amendment Bylaw No. 1, 2016” which amends the provisions of Bylaw No. 2606.

Now therefore, pursuant to the Local Government Act, be it resolved that Council consents on behalf of the electors of the Village of Radium Hot Springs to the adoption of proposed Regional District of East Kootenay Bylaw No. 2667.

(Moved by Councillor McCauley) Carried.

Resolved, that our interests are unaffected by proposed RDEK Bylaws No. 2732, 2733 and 2734 regarding the keeping of backyard chickens, bees and wildlife exclusion fencing.

(Moved by Councillor McCauley) Carried.

Development Variance Permit No. 36, 2016 was tabled to the next meeting.

Resolved, that we accept the August cheque register in the amount of \$122,674.59.

(Moved by Councillor Verboom) Carried.

Resolved, that we accept the September cheque register in the amount of \$105,078.52.

(Moved by Councillor Verboom) Carried.

Council accepted Karen Larsen’s letter of resignation, effective immediately, and thanked her for her service to the municipality.

Council discussed staff’s recommendation that parcel taxes be the mechanism to fund the Community Hall debt. Council was supportive of the proposal.

8. SUNDRY MATTERS & QUESTIONS:


Mayor Reinhardt commended our medical First Responder unit for their actions at a recent event involving a resident who was extremely impressed by the team’s professionalism.

With respect to the new railway crossing regulations, Fire Chief Dave Dixon noted that the Horsethief Creek FSR crossing does not have gates, and that there has been at least one close call, at this location, that could have resulted in a fatality.

9. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

HEREBY CERTIFIED CORRECT:



Mayor Clara Reinhardt



Clerk Mark Read