

VILLAGE OF RADIUM HOT SPRINGS

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FROM MAY 8TH, 2019.

PRESENT: Mayor Clara Reinhardt, Councillors Shudra, McCauley, Logan and Gray, Dave Dixon, Nick Brough, Krista Berg, Ken Becker, Inna Kniazeva, Dauna Ditson and Mark Read.

1. ORDER:

Mayor Reinhardt brought the meeting to order at 7:27 p.m.

2. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:

Resolved, that we add a letter of support to the agenda for the CV Greenways Trail Alliance application for funding for adaptive mountain biking trail development at Nipika Resort.
(Moved by Councillor Gray) Carried.

3. MINUTES:

Resolved, that we approve the Council meeting minutes from April 24th, 2019, as circulated.
(Moved by Councillor Logan) Carried.

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councillor Shudra noted that the Community Garden irrigation upgrades have been completed. Funding for the project was received from the Columbia Basin Trust.

Mayor Reinhardt provided a positive report on the most recent Columbia Valley Recreation Access Management Plan (CV RAMP) meeting, noting that all three levels of government were represented. Clara advised that \$10K has been allocated to hire a facilitator/consultant to develop an implementation plan and budget for the next phase of the process. Additional funding may be forthcoming through the Provincial government.

Councillor McCauley reported on the strategic planning session held by the Valley Visitor Services Advisory Committee. Tyler advised that the group will be exploring alternate governance options for delivery of the service, and that the final version of the plan will be submitted to the RDEK board, for their feedback.

5. MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE & REPORTS:

Mayor Reinhardt will attend the 2019 Army Cadet Ceremonial Review.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

Councillor Gray declared a conflict of interest with regard to the next two agenda items. Mike advised that he runs a competing business with respect to Development Permit No. 154, and that he is a lender to, and spouse of the owner of, the Segway business. Mike removed himself from Council Chambers.

Resolved, that we approve Development Permit No. 154, as presented.
(Moved by Councillor Logan) Carried.

Resolved, that for the agreed upon trial period, we permit Kootenay Segway Adventures non-exclusive use of up to one half of the ice rink space as a 'tour start point', and further, that we direct staff to establish an appropriate user fee for use of the space and for the electricity to be used charging Segway units. The permission to use park space for a 'tour start point' includes the former ball diamond area.
(Moved by Councillor McCauley) Carried.

Councillor Gray rejoined the Council meeting.

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6. NEW BUSINESS continued:

Resolved, that we provide a letter of support to the CV Greenways Trail Alliance for their application for funding for adaptive mountain biking trail development at Nipika Resort.
(Moved by Councillor McCauley) Carried.

7. SUNDRY MATTERS & QUESTIONS:

Councillor Logan advised that six volunteers helped clean up during our annual 'trash bash' event. Todd noted that there was a proliferation of cigarette butts to be picked up. Staff will review options and costs for the installation of 'butt out points'. Councillor Shudra also noted that Radium Rotary undertook their annual clean-up of the mile hill.

Councillor Gray provided highlights from the following sessions at this year's Association of Kootenay and Boundary Local Governments (AKBLG) AGM and convention:

- The importance of tourism was a prevalent theme at the convention;
- Code of conduct policies were discussed;
- Council communications and the potential for liability, especially with regards to development proposal scenarios, was an important session, and;
- Council members may access the Municipal Insurance Association Casual Legal Advice service.

Councillor Shudra followed up on the AKBLG report noting that the cannabis session was very informative. Dale advised that there is a movement to promote a small scale cannabis 'craft' industry, that could include tourism based farm tours.

Mayor Reinhardt noted that 166 of a potential 181 delegates attended AKBLG, and that the feedback was positive. Radium Hot Springs is scheduled to host the event in April 2020.

Mayor Reinhardt and Councillor Gray attended the BC Hydro annual update meeting. Snow packs in the region are below average, as are current reservoir levels. This past winter and summer saw the largest single demand days ever for hydro usage. Clara noted the BC Hydro initiative to replace streetlamps with LED's, and advised that there is a decorative wrap program for pad mounted transformers. Mike noted the funding programs for community tree plantings and the beautification program available to move overhead hydro lines underground. Clara added that education grants are available for programming to reduce hydro use.

8. NOTICE OF COMMITTEE, SPECIAL & CLOSED MEETINGS:

Resolved, that we go 'in camera' to discuss the proposed provision of a municipal service under Section 90 of the *Community Charter*.
(Moved by Councillor Gray) Carried.

9. ADJOURNMENT:

The open portion of the meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

HEREBY CERTIFIED CORRECT:



Mayor Clara Reinhardt



Clerk Mark Read