



CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF POUCE COUPE

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Minutes of Regular Council Meeting February 15, 2010 Held in the Village Council Chambers

ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Lyman Clark
Councillor Ken Drover
Councillor Laura Hamann
Councillor Peter Kut
Councillor Red Merrick

Peter Thomas, Chief Administrative Officer

GALLERY:

Larry Fynn
Janet Farquhar
Claire Kirk
Brenda Kreutzer
Gerry Hunter
Linda Elsy
Mona McNalley

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Clark called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by Councillor Kut, and seconded, THAT
the Agenda for the Regular Council Meeting of February 15, 2010 be adopted as
presented. **CARRIED**

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- a) Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of February 1, 2010.
MOVED by Councillor Hamann and seconded THAT
the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of February 1, 2010 be adopted as
presented. **CARRIED**

4. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

ADD: 8c) Lagoon Grant Extension
11b) Email from Northern Health Authority re: Sani-dump
12) Preliminary Reservoir Plan
14a) Add 2 items under section 90 (1) g and (2) b.

5. PUBLIC HEARING - NIL

6. DELEGATIONS

- a) Step Up N Ride Society Re: Services Offered to Pouce Coupe
Mona McNalley and members of the Step Up and Ride Council advised Council that they are
having financial difficulty in supplying the service to customers in the Village. User fees have

risen to \$10 per one way trip. In 2009, there were 76 children rides that were funded by School District #59.

They need the Village of Pouce Coupe to provide financial assistance to keep the program going in the village. They are estimating that it costs them \$1.90/km to operate. At \$10/one way trip, they are losing money. There were about 538 adult rides from Pouce Coupe (one way) in 2009. Most trips are one person.

Councillor Kut asked how much money they were looking for. Ms. McNally noted that the City of Dawson Creek provides a \$25,000 grand annually. They would be very happy with a \$10,000 donation. A taxi was >\$20 the last time they checked, for a one way trip.

If the gaming funds were not granted, the program would be drastically reduced. The Pouce Coupe Community Society donated \$60,000 in 2007 that was used to purchase a new bus.

Mayor Clark thanked the group for their presentation.

- b) Gerdon Electric Re: Pouce Park Electrical Service
Gerry Hunter introduced himself to Council. He stated that he missed the settlement conference, and rather than make another court application, he decided to come to talk to Council about the Pouce Park electrical improvement job contract. He explained his perspective on how we arrived at this disagreement. He stated that he advised us to upgrade from single to three-phase, and build a service shed, then we used that information in advertising for bids. He feels he is owed a consulting fee as we used his information to set up the tender.

Councillor Drover thanked Mr. Hunter, and noted that the one this that he didn't agree with was that he took the Village to court prior to coming and talking to Council. Mr. Hunter commented that he sent a statement to the CAO.

The Mayor thanked Mr. Hunter for his presentation.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- a) Northern Rockies Alaska Highway Tourism Association Appointment.
MOVED by Councillor Hamann and seconded THAT
Mayor Clark is appointed as the representative for the Village of Pouce Coupe on the
NRAHTA Board. **CARRIED**

8. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Ministry of Community and Rural Development, Office of the Minister Re: Local Government Elections Task Force.
ACCEPTED for information by consensus of Council.
- b) Northern BC Tourism Association Re: Request Formal Support for the Nomination of the Alaska Highway as a National Historic Site.
MOVED by Councillor Hamann and seconded THAT
Council sends a letter of formal support for the nomination of the Alaska Highway as a
National Historic Site. **CARRIED**

- c) Building Canada Fund Re: Lagoon Berm Stabilization Grant Extension
MOVED by Councillor Hamann and seconded THAT
Mayor Clark and the CAO be authorized to sign the modification agreement to the lagoon berm stabilization grant extending the deadline to March 31, 2011.

CARRIED

9. RESOLUTIONS

- a) Accounts Payable Report, February 10, 2010, \$30,358.28.
MOVED by Councillor Hamann and seconded THAT
Council accepts the Accounts Payable Report from February 10, 2010 in the amount of \$30,358.28.

CARRIED

The CAO advised that the Visa bill and utility bills are all being registered for automatic payments.

10. BYLAWS – NIL

11. REPORTS

- a) Pouce Park Driveway
- Report of CAO
- The CAO reported that Lisa Miller from the Highways Department reported that it is their opinion that the South access is a safer option.

Council discussed the benefits of both road options. It was noted that we did have 2 park accesses prior to the job, and we would like to retain the 2 accesses.

MOVED by Councillor Merrick and seconded THAT
Council requests highways build the North access road to Pouce Park, and allows us to keep the South access for future usage.

CARRIED

- b) Sanitation Dump at Pouce Park
- Report of CAO
- Council discussed the pros and cons of the sani-dump option at Pouce Park.

Council **DIRECTED** Administration to find out what it would cost for an authorized party to install a 4000-5000 gallon tank sani-dump at Pouce Park.

- c) Councillor Hamann Portfolio Report – Verbal
Councillor Hamann had nothing to report at this time.
- d) Councillor Kut Portfolio Report – Verbal
Councillor Kut would like to see the two Public works Operators take some basic safety training courses (WHMIS, Transportation of Dangerous Goods, H²S, First Aid, etc.)
- e) Councillor Merrick Portfolio Report – Verbal
Councillor Merrick suggested Council should start considering if they are interested in taking over the garbage collection service when the current collector contract expires.

Councillor Merrick will be supplying some information on the foundation requirement for the new home in Dokesville for the Building Inspector's review.

- f) Councillor Drover Portfolio Report – Verbal
Councillor Drover suggested a fee waiver for a Pouce Park booking on the August long weekend. Council noted that they would entertain a request in writing.

- g) Mayor Clark Portfolio Report – Verbal
The PRRD is working with the Oil and Gas Commission on a standardized emergency plan for well sites, that physicians have specific oil and gas region training for medical situations, and that any 911 gas emergency call would go directly to the Oil and Gas Commission.

MOVED by Councillor Kut and seconded THAT the meeting proceeds past 9 p.m. as required.
CARRIED

12. REPORT OF CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

- Progress Report to February 11, 2010
Dayton and Knight has the reservoir preliminary plan design ready, and they are planning to drill some holes for a geotechnical survey Friday morning.
Golder and Associates has to complete 2 more consultations with Native Bands, and they have to complete some minor redesigns for the Ministry of Environment. They plan to tender the project in the near future.

13. QUESTION PERIOD

Consultant Peter Scholz updated Council on the OCP and Zoning Bylaw process. The OCP Charette is scheduled for Tuesday, February 16, 2010 at 7 p.m. at the Village Office.

14. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Motion to move to a Closed meeting of Council, as per section 90 (1) (c)-(labour), 90 (1) (g)-(litigation) and 90 (2) (b)-(negotiations) of the *Community Charter*.

Mayor Clark called a recess at 9:25 p.m.
The Regular Meeting resumed at 9:30 p.m.

MOVED by Councillor Hamann and seconded THAT
Council move to a Closed meeting of Council, as per section 90 (1) (c)-(labour), 90 (1) (g)-(litigation) and 90 (2) (b)-(negotiations) of the *Community Charter*.

CARRIED

The Regular Meeting resumed at 10:36 p.m.

15. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:36 p.m.

Chairperson
Mayor Lyman Clark

Recorder
Chief Administrative Officer
Peter Thomas

CERTIFIED a true copy of the Minutes of the Corporation of the Village of Pouce Coupe from a meeting held in Council Chambers, Pouce Coupe, B.C.

Chief Administrative Officer
Peter Thomas