

**District of Mackenzie
Regular Council Meeting
Monday, August 09, 2021**

MINUTES of a Regular Meeting of the Council of the District of Mackenzie held electronically and in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Office.

PRESENT: Mayor J. Atkinson
Councillor A. Barnes
Councillor V. Brumovsky
Councillor P. Grogan
Councillor R. McMeeken
Councillor J. Wiens
Acting Chief Administrative Officer/
Senior Building Official
K. Gawryluk
Chief Financial Officer K. Borne
Director of Corporate Services
E. Kaehn
Director of Recreation Services
T. Gilmer
Director Operations T. Wall
Economic Development Coordinator
C. Ceder
Legislative Clerk/Executive Assistant
C. Gibbons

Mayor Atkinson acknowledged the land on which we gather is within the traditional territory of the Tse'khene People of the McLeod Lake Indian Band.

CALLED TO ORDER: 7:15 pm

32079.

Defer Closed Meeting

MOVED by Councillor McMeeken
THAT the Special Closed meeting be deferred until after the regular meeting and will be closed to the public;

AND THAT the basis of the Special Closed Meeting relates to Section 90 (i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

CARRIED

1. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Special Meeting held on July 21, 2021 were adopted as presented.

The minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on July 26, 2021 were adopted as presented.

The minutes of the Regular Meeting held on July 26, 2021 were adopted as presented.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

32080. MOVED by Councillor Barnes
Introduction of Late Items THAT the following late items be added to the agenda:

6. ACTION ITEMS

- a) *Request received from the Omineca Gold Mining Association requesting an in-kind grant to cover the fees for renting a room in the Recreation Centre for their Gold Panning Event that will be held August 27-29, 2021.*

7. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

- g) *THAT Council awards the contract to Mainline Roofing to replace portions of the roof at the Mackenzie Recreation Centre in the amount of \$332,837 plus GST;*

AND THAT the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to execute the contract and any related documentation.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

32081. MOVED by Councillor Wiens
Adoption of Agenda THAT Council replaces Administration Report 7. c) with the attached report dated July 29, 2021;

AND THAT Council adopts the agenda as amended.

CARRIED

4. PUBLIC COMMENT AND QUESTIONS

Nil

5. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

Frank Creasey, Director/Principal of C4 Strategies Inc., and Andrew Nickerson, Founder/Director of Uncorked Experiences Ltd., presented the 5-Year Tourism Plan to Mayor and Council.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

32082. MOVED by Councillor McMeeken
Receipt of Correspondence THAT the correspondence listed on the agenda be received.

CARRIED

Action Items:

32083. MOVED by Councillor McMeeken
Omineca Gold Mining Association - Gold Panning Event THAT the District support the request received from the Omineca Gold Mining Association for an in-kind grant to cover the fees for renting a room in the Recreation Centre for their Gold Panning Event that will be held August 27-29, 2021.

CARRIED

7. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

32084. MOVED by Councillor Wiens
District of Mackenzie - Tourism Plan THAT Council receives the District of Mackenzie – Tourism Plan.
CARRIED
32085. MOVED by Councillor Brumovsky
RFP # DOM-21-10 Snow Box Blade Attachment THAT Council awards the Request for Proposal # DOM-21-10 Snow Box Blade Attachment to The Inland Group for the amount of \$32,042 plus GST;
AND THAT Council approves an additional \$2,042 above the approved budget of \$30,000 to complete the purchase of the snow box blade attachment;
AND THAT Council authorizes the Chief Administrative Officer to award and execute the contract and any related documentation.
CARRIED
32086. MOVED by Councillor Barnes
Development Variance Permit # 3090-20-21-01 THAT Council authorizes approval in principle of Development Variance Permit # 3090-20-21-01.
CARRIED
32087. MOVED by Councillor McMeeken
Network Computer/GIS Services Renewal Agreement THAT Council approves the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George Network Computer/GIS Services Renewal Agreement for a period of two (2) years commencing on April 1, 2021 and terminating on March 31, 2023;
AND THAT Council authorizes the Chief Administrative Officer to execute the agreement and any related documentation.
CARRIED
32088. MOVED by Councillor Barnes
Business Walks 2021 Results THAT Council receives this report for information.
CARRIED
32089. MOVED by Councillor Wiens
Municipal Insurance Association of BC Voting Delegate THAT Council receives this report for information;
AND THAT Council approves Kerri Borne, Chief Financial Officer, and Ken Gawryluk, Senior Building Official/Project Manager, as the Municipal Insurance Association of BC Voting Delegate and Alternate.
CARRIED
32090. MOVED by Councillor Barnes
Recreation Centre Roof Replacement Contract Award THAT Council awards the contract to Mainline Roofing to replace portions of the roof at the Mackenzie Recreation Centre in the amount of \$332,837 plus GST;
AND THAT the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to execute the contract and any related documentation.
CARRIED

8. COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor's Report
Nil

Council Reports
Nil

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nil

10. NEW BUSINESS

32091. *Feasibility of Electrician on Staff* MOVED by Councillor Wiens
THAT Administration bring back a report regarding the feasibility to have an electrician on staff vs. contracting out and that the person would also carry the permits for the buildings.

CARRIED

11. BYLAWS

Nil

12. NOTICE OF MOTION

Nil

13. COMING EVENTS

Recreation Centre Summer Camps
July 5 - August 26, 2021

Week 6 (August 9-12) - BC Wildlife Week
Week 7 (August 16-19) - Magic & Mischief
Week 8 (August 23-26) - Splish Splash at 1st Beach

Call the Recreation Centre to book at 250-997-5283.

Recreation Fair
When: September 11, 2021
Time: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
Where: Community Hall at the Recreation Centre

If your organization wishes to participate, please email recoffice@districtofmackenzie.ca or call Recreation Services at 250-997-5283.

UBCM 2021 Virtual Convention September 14-17, 2021

Morfee Lake Scramble - August 28, 2021

14. INQUIRIES

Mackenzie resident, Kevin Joubert, brought up that it was suggested in the Tourism presentation that QR codes would be on signs at the Mackenzie Junction where residents could scan and receive more information and asked if the cell service at the Mackenzie Junction would be improving? Mayor Atkinson replied that Shaw cable is working to install Fibre cable along Highway 97. Improved cell coverage is expected along with it.

Janice Nelson, Publisher of the Macktown Buzette, noted that the Tourism Plan presentation suggested two main suggestions for tangible changes: a downtown Tourism District, and an Iconic Gateway experience at the Mackenzie Junction. Ms. Nelson asked if the District is currently or planning to act on? Emily Kaehn, Director of Corporate Services replied that this compliments the work completed by VDA+A and the Recreation Centre as well as the previous tourism analysis.

Ms. Nelson further asked how will the District come up with new creative tourism ideas? Ms. Kaehn replied that this would be the role of the advisory committee as well as any public engagement completed would assist with compiling new ideas. Council ultimately would approve any formal investment direction taken.

15. ADJOURNMENT

32092. MOVED by Councillor Wiens
Adjournment *THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:17 pm.*

CARRIED

I certify the foregoing to be the original true copy of the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting.

Signed:

Certified Correct:

Mayor

Corporate Officer