

**District of Mackenzie
Regular Council Meeting
Monday, January 25, 2021**

Council Chambers of the Municipal Office, 1 Mackenzie Boulevard, Mackenzie, BC.

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 A. Hipkiss
Councillor R. McMeeken
Councillor J. Wiens
Chief Administrative Officer
D. Smith
Chief Financial Officer K. Borne
Director of Corporate Services
E. Kaehn
Director of Recreation Services
T. Gilmer
Director of Operations T. Wall
Senior Building Official/
Project Manager K. Gawryluk
Fire Chief J. Guise
Legislative Clerk/Executive Assistant
C. Gibbons

CALLED TO ORDER: 7:15 pm

1. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Regular Meeting held on January 11, 2021 were adopted as presented.

The minutes of the Special Meeting held on January 18, 2021 were adopted as presented.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

31795. MOVED by Councillor Barnes
Introduction of Late Items THAT the following late item be added to the agenda:

6. ACTION ITEM

f) Prince George Cougars, in partnership with the Prince George Spruce Kings, are asking Council to consider supporting their application to the Province of BC's COVID-19 Recovery Fund either verbally or by letter of support.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

31796. MOVED by Councillor Wiens
Adoption of Agenda THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

4. PUBLIC COMMENT AND QUESTIONS

Nil

5. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

Jesse Wright, Regional Business Liaison - Mackenzie Area, and Krystin Dubuc, Project Coordinator, from Community Futures Fraser-Fort George presented to Mayor and Council on the findings from the Community Futures Regional Business Liaison program and upcoming plans for 2021. The presentation was based on 25 interviews with local businesses in Mackenzie.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

31797. MOVED by Councillor Hipkiss
Receipt of Correspondence THAT the correspondence listed on the agenda be received.

CARRIED

31798. MOVED by Councillor McMeeken
Mackenzie Golf and Country Club Letter of Support THAT the District of Mackenzie supports the application to the Northern Development Initiative Trust Recreational Infrastructure program, from the Mackenzie Golf and Country Club, for a grant up to \$16,000 for the Mackenzie Golf and Country Club Infrastructure Upgrade (aerator), from the Regional Infrastructure Account.

CARRIED

31799. MOVED by Councillor McMeeken
Girl Guides of Canada Request for Support for World Thinking Day
THAT Council approves the request from the Girl Guides of Canada to light up the Municipal Office in blue and the Recreation Centre, if possible, on February 22nd in support of World Thinking Day.

CARRIED

31800. MOVED by Councillor Hipkiss
2021 LGLA Leadership Forum
THAT Council members be authorized to attend the LGLA Virtual Leadership Forum to be held February 3-4, 2021.

CARRIED

OPPOSED by Councillor Grogan

31801. MOVED by Councillor Brumovsky
CivicInfo BC Annual Membership Dues
THAT Council approves the annual membership dues in the amount of \$280.35 for the CivicInfo BC 2021 membership.

CARRIED

31802. MOVED by Councillor Grogan
Military Service Recognition Book
THAT Council approves the purchase of a colour Business Card sized ad at a cost of \$325 in the Military Service Recognition Book in support of the Royal Canadian Legion's annual Remembrance Project.

CARRIED

31803. MOVED by Councillor Hipkiss
Prince George Cougars Request for Support
THAT Council consider supporting the Prince George Cougars, in partnership with the Prince George Spruce Kings, towards their application to the Province of BC's COVID-19 Recovery Fund either verbally or by letter of support.

DEFEATED

7. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

31804. MOVED by Councillor Brumovsky
Water Conservation Rebate Program Policy 6.7
- CARRIED
31805. MOVED by Councillor Wiens
2021 Water, Sewer and Garbage Rates
- CARRIED
31806. MOVED by Councillor Barnes
Airport Improvement Project - Cost Overruns
- CARRIED
31807. MOVED by Councillor Hipkiss
Supporting the Local Economy - Airport Project Update
- CARRIED
31808. MOVED by Councillor McMeeken
Progressive Discipline Policy 5.20
- CARRIED

31809. MOVED by Councillor Brumovsky
2021 Visitor Services Agreement - Mackenzie Chamber of Commerce
THAT Council approve the 2021 Visitor Services agreement with the Mackenzie Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$30,000;
AND THAT the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to execute the agreement.

CARRIED
OPPOSED by Councillor Grogan

31810. MOVED by Councillor Barnes
CVRIS - Arena Ice Slab and Boards/Glass
THAT Council supports the District's application to the COVID-19 Resilience Infrastructure Stream for the Arena Ice Slab and Boards/Glass replacement project;
AND THAT Council commits to finance any unanticipated cost overruns, ineligible expenses, and any ongoing maintenance and operating costs associated with the operations of the completed project;
AND THAT the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to execute the grant application and, if the application is successful, any related documentation.

CARRIED

31811. MOVED by Councillor Wiens
Library Board of Directors
THAT Council appoints Jimi Ademuyiwa to the Mackenzie Library Board of Directors for a term expiring December 31, 2022.

CARRIED

8. COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor's Report
Nil

Council Reports
Councillor Barnes and Councillor Hipkiss provided verbal reports.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nil

10. NEW BUSINESS

Nil

11. BYLAWS

31812. MOVED by Councillor Wiens
Bylaw No. 1455 *THAT Bylaw No. 1455 cited as "Water Rates and Regulations Amendment Bylaw No. 1455, 2021" be given first three readings.*

CARRIED

31813. MOVED by Councillor McMeeken
Bylaw No. 1456 *THAT Bylaw No. 1456 cited as "Sewer Rates and Regulations Amendment Bylaw No. 1456, 2021" be given first three readings.*

CARRIED

31814. MOVED by Councillor Brumovsky
Bylaw No. 1457 *THAT Bylaw No. 1457 cited as "Garbage Rates and Regulations Amendment Bylaw No. 1457, 2021" be given first three readings.*

CARRIED

12. NOTICE OF MOTION

Nil

13. COMING EVENTS

Nil

14. INQUIRIES

JD Mackenzie, with CHMM, asked if \$10,000 was enough for the Water Conservation Rebate Program? Mayor Atkinson replied yes. Mr. Mackenzie further asked if there is any preference for purchasing locally? Mayor Atkinson replied that we cannot require people to shop local, but we will definitely promote it. Diane Smith, Chief Administrative Officer, added that we have been in discussion with local suppliers to ensure they will have stock available or can order it in.

Janice Nelson, Publisher of the Macktown Buzette, asked about the Visitor Service Agreement and if the groups were dictating the services that are required from the District, and why they were not all the same? Ms. Smith replied that yes, we have been working with the groups individually but, in the end, the services listed are what the District is expecting and would like to see. Ms. Nelson further asked if there was consultation with the groups? Ms. Smith replied that yes there was.

15. ADJOURNMENT

31815. MOVED by Councillor Wiens
Adjournment THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:31 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