

**District of Mackenzie
Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, October 12, 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 A. Hipkiss (arrived at 7:40 pm)
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
Acting Director of Operations
K. Gawryluk
Fire Chief J. Guise
Economic Development Coordinator
C. Ceder

CALLED TO ORDER: 7:15 pm

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.

1. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on September 27, 2021 were adopted as presented.

The minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 27, 2021 were adopted as presented.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

Nil

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

32149. MOVED by Councillor Grogan
Adoption of Agenda THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

4. PUBLIC COMMENT AND QUESTIONS

Janice Nelson, Publisher of the Macktown Buzette, requested a clarification in the recorded minutes on September 27, 2021.

32150. MOVED by Mayor Atkinson
*Amending September 27th Council Minutes THAT Council amends the Inquiry section recorded in the September 27, 2021 Regular Meeting minutes be replacing the following sentence "Ms. Nelson asked if Mr. Wall was no longer employed by or at the District?" with:
"Ms. Nelson asked if Mr. Wall was no longer employed by or at the District?"*

CARRIED

5. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

Nil

6. CORRESPONDENCE

32151. MOVED by Councillor Wiens
Receipt of THAT the correspondence listed on the agenda be received.
Correspondence

CARRIED

7. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

32152. MOVED by Councillor Grogan
Temporary THAT the main motion be amended to authorize a two-year renewal of a
Use Permit Temporary Use Permit at 75 Centennial Drive.
Renewal -
75
Centennial
Drive

CARRIED
OPPOSED by Councillor Barnes

32153. MOVED by Councillor McMeeken
Temporary THAT Council authorizes Administration to commence the process for a two-year
Use Permit renewal of a Temporary Use Permit for the property legally described as Lot 1,
Renewal - Plan 18541, District Lot 12463, Cariboo District (75 Centennial Drive).
75
Centennial
Drive As
Amended

CARRIED

32154. MOVED by Councillor Barnes
2020 THAT Council approves the allocation of the 2020 general operating surplus
Surplus funds to the Financial Stability Reserve and the Vehicle & Equipment
Allocation Replacement Reserve;

AND THAT Council approves the allocation of the 2020 water utility surplus
funds to the Water Capital Reserve;

AND THAT Council approves the allocation of the 2020 sewer utility surplus
funds to the Sewer Capital Reserve.

CARRIED

32155. MOVED by Councillor McMeeken
Squash/Basketball THAT Council awards the Squash/Basketball Court project to Global Sports
Court Contract Products in the amount of \$90,000 plus GST;
Award

AND THAT Council approves an additional \$13,000 above the approved
budget of \$77,000 to complete Option A;

AND THAT Council authorizes the Chief Administrative Officer to award
and execute the contract and any related documentation.

CARRIED

32156. MOVED by Councillor McMeeken
Communicable THAT Council rescinds COVID-19 Safe Work Policy 1.21.
Disease Plan

CARRIED

32157. MOVED by Councillor Brumovsky
NDIT – Main Street Revitalization - Planning Program

THAT Council supports the application to the Northern Development Initiative Trust from the District of Mackenzie for a grant up to \$20,000 for the Main Street Revitalization - Planning Program to offset the costs of developing a Main Street Revitalization plan;

AND THAT Council authorizes Administration to commence the grant application and, if the application is successful, any related documentation.

CARRIED

Councillor Hipkiss joined the meeting at 7:40 pm.

32158. MOVED by Councillor Barnes
NDIT - Business Façade Improvement Program 2022

THAT the District of Mackenzie supports the application to the Northern Development Initiative Trust from the District of Mackenzie for a grant of up to \$20,000 for the Business Façade Improvement program from the Prince George Regional Development Account;

AND THAT the Council approves an expansion of the program to include upgrades to patios, and include businesses located on Mill Road, Sheppard Road, Coquiwaldie Road, Rutley Road, Ritchie Road, Cooper Road, Airport Road and Old Airport Road;

AND THAT the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to execute the grant application and, if the application is successful, any related documentation.

CARRIED

8. COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor's Report

Nil

Council Reports

Councillor McMeeken and Councillor Hipkiss provided verbal report.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Councillor Wiens asked for the status on an electrician report from the motion made in August. Mr. Gawryluk, Director of Operations, responded that a report will be brought forward to a further meeting.

Councillor Hipkiss asked about the unsightly property at the proposed Tim Hortons site. Mr. Gawryluk responded that contact has been made with the owner.

10. NEW BUSINESS

Nil

11. BYLAWS

Nil

12. NOTICE OF MOTION

Nil

13. COMING EVENTS

Haunted Maze

October 22 - 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm
October 23 - 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Mackenzie Community Arts Centre

National Lifeguard Course

October 22, 23, 24 & 29, 30, 31
Mackenzie Recreation Centre

Halloween Fireworks

October 31 - 7:00 pm
Mackenzie Recreation Centre Parking Lot

14. INQUIRIES

Mackenzie resident, Jesse Wright, asked for further clarification on what would happen with the climbing wall and if an alternate location has been considered? Terry Gilmer, Director of Recreation Services replied that ideally, the District would like to keep the climbing wall in the community.

Janice Nelson, Publisher of the Macktown Buzette, asked about the location of the squash court, as, initially, it was proposed for where the play gym had been and now it is being proposed for where the climbing wall currently is. Mr. Gilmer replied that the play gym was moved to provide better access for youth and viewing space for parents.

Ms. Nelson further asked if the climbing wall is moved to one of the schools would that create limited access? Mr. Gilmer replied that we have a joint use agreement with the schools that would allow programming to continue. Ms. Nelson noted that until recently, the Recreation Centre has reported that the amenity was popular and well used and asked for further details on registration numbers? Mr. Gilmer replied that in the last session there were eight registrants, previously 22 and he did not have the data at the moment to comment on previous reporting/use.

15. ADJOURNMENT

32159. MOVED by Councillor Wiens
Adjournment THAT the meeting be adjourned at 7:55 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