

**District of Mackenzie
Regular Council Meeting
Monday, December 10, 2018**

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

PRESENT: Mayor J. Atkinson
Councillor A. Barnes
Councillor V. Brumovsky
Councillor P. Grogan
Councillor A. Hancock
Councillor R. McMeeken
Councillor J. Wiens
Chief Administrative Officer
D. McKinley
Chief Financial Officer K. Borne
Director of Operations S. Drysdale
Building Inspector/Project Manager
K. Gawryluk
Director of Recreation Services
S. Miranda
Director of Corporate Services
D. Smith
Local Government Management
Intern R. Dubman

CALLED TO ORDER: 7:15 pm

1. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Committee Meeting held on November 26, 2018 were adopted as presented.

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2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

Nil

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

30812. MOVED by Councillor Wiens
Adoption of Agenda THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

4. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

Michele Waite and Thomas Sikora with the Mackenzie Library Board presented a request for an increase in funding of \$39,250 over their 2018 grant amount for wage and benefit increases as well as general inflationary increases.

Councillor Brumovsky left the meeting in order to not place himself in a conflict of interest position.

Scott Carlson, President of the Rocky Mountain Riders Snowmobile Club discussed the club's concerns with the current caribou recovery process. He asked Council to advocate for the snowmobile club's interest and for the club to be a part of the consultation process.

Mayor Atkinson provided an update on the caribou recovery process. She advised that the Government of Canada has the power to issue a "Species at Risk" order which means they may intervene in land management decisions when a threat to a species has been identified. The Government of BC has asked for an opportunity to come up with a solution so the Federal Government is not making the decision without British Columbia's input. This resolution would come in the form of a Section 11 Agreement which is a bi-lateral agreement between Canada and BC and would be the first Section 11 agreement in Canada.

The Federal and BC governments have agreed to the Section 11 in principle but one of the conditions is that the province enters into a Caribou Recovery Partnership with the West Moberly and Sauteau First Nations. If an agreement is not made the option of a Section 11 is no longer on the table.

It is hoped that this agreement will be made in the near future and once that is done the provincial government will engage in public consultation with interest groups and stakeholders. It is anticipated that this engagement will not start until February 2019.

Councillor Brumovsky returned to the meeting.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

30813. MOVED by Councillor Hancock
Receipt of THAT the correspondence listed on the agenda be received.
Correspondence

CARRIED

Mayor Atkinson asked staff to look into funding with regard to the letter from the Minister of Citizens' Services about connectivity to the District of Mackenzie. The Chief Administrative Officer, Dean McKinley advised that discussions have taken place with Northern Development Initiative Trust (NDIT) and the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George (RDFFG) in order to prepare an application for funding. Discussions with Telus are also taking place about possible switching upgrades that could increase our internet speeds.

6. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

30814. MOVED by Councillor McMeeken
Mackenzie THAT Council receives the report from Recreation Services dated December 5,
Recreation 2018 for information regarding the hours of the Mackenzie Recreation Centre for
Centre December 24 up to and including December 28, 2018.
Christmas
Week
Closure

CARRIED
Councillor Grogan OPPOSED

30815. MOVED by Councillor Hancock
Mackenzie *THAT the report from Recreation Services dated December 5, 2018 be received;*
Community *AND THAT Council renames the Mackenzie Community Parks and Trails*
Parks & *Advisory Committee to the Outdoor Recreation Advisory Committee;*
Trails *AND THAT Council adopts the revised committee Terms of Reference.*
Advisory
Committee

CARRIED

30816. MOVED by Councillor Wiens
Business *THAT Council receives the report from Administration dated November 29, 2018*
Walks 2018 *for information.*
Results

CARRIED

30817. MOVED by Councillor Barnes
Yellowhead *THAT Council receives the report from Administration dated December 4, 2018;*
Helicopters *AND THAT Council authorizes the Administration to pursue a three-year lease*
Ltd. - Airport *agreement with Yellowhead Helicopters Ltd.*
Lease

CARRIED

30818. MOVED by Councillor McMeeken
Zoning *THAT Council receives the report from Administration dated December 5, 2018*
Amendments *for information.*
(Breweries,
Distilleries,
Wineries &
Cideries)

CARRIED

7. COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor's Report

Nil

Council Reports

Councillor McMeeken provided a verbal report

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nil

9. NEW BUSINESS

Nil

10. BYLAWS

30819. MOVED by Councillor Wiens
Bylaw 1405 *THAT Bylaw No. 1405 cited as "Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1405, 2018" be*
given first two readings.

CARRIED

11. NOTICE OF MOTION

Nil

12. COMING EVENTS

BC Hydro Open House to discuss the Williston Reservoir - Community Hall at the Recreation Centre on December 17, 2018 at 7:00 pm.

The District Office will be closed from December 24 to 28, 2018 for the Christmas break.

13. INQUIRIES

Janice Nelson with the Macktown Buzzette asked if the Recreation Centre closure is typical. Mayor Atkinson advised that this is the first closure of this kind she is aware of but the report contains good reasons for the closure.

Ms. Nelson also asked if Council appoints the Outdoor Recreation Advisory Committee. Mayor Atkinson advised that members of the committee have already been appointed by Council for this term.

Ms. Nelson asked if the amendment to the Zoning Bylaw for breweries, distilleries, wineries and cideries is the result of a business application. Chief Administrative Officer, Dean McKinley advised that the District wants to be in a position to approve an application should one be forthcoming.

14. ADJOURNMENT

30820. MOVED by Councillor Barnes
Adjournment THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:04 pm.

CARRIED

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

Mayor

Corporate Officer