

VILLAGE OF CACHE CREEK, BRITISH COLUMBIA
REGULAR MEETING HELD THE 16th OF FEBRUARY, 2021 VOLUME 36, PAGE 21

Present: Mayor Santo Talarico
Councillors Lisa Dafoe, Wendy Coomber, Sue Peters, and Annette Pittman

Staff:
Chief Administrative Officer Martin Dalsin

Press & Media:
Gareth Smart: The HUB Online Network
Jessica Clement: The HUB Online Network

1. **ORDER:**
Mayor Talarico called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

2. **PUBLIC HEARING:**

A) Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 6-001, 2021

This public hearing is being convened pursuant to Section 890 (1) of the Local Government Act in order to consider the proposed *Village of Cache Creek Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 6-001, 2021.*

At this Public Hearing, the public will be allowed to make presentations to Council. All persons participating who believe that their interest in property is affected by the proposed Bylaw shall be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard or to present written submissions respecting matters contained in the proposed Bylaw.

We will first hear from those persons that have requested in writing to address Council regarding this issue. We will then ask the general public participating online if there is any person who wishes to speak on the proposed Bylaw. Any questions or concerns must be typed in on the Facebook Live site, beginning with the first and last names of the person making the submission. You may then give us the benefit of your views concerning the proposed Bylaw.

Members of Council may, if they wish, ask questions of you following your presentation. However, the main function of Council members this evening is to listen to the views of the public. It is not the function of Council at this public hearing to debate the merits of the proposed Bylaw with individual citizens.

Everyone shall be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard at this meeting. No one will be, or should feel, discouraged or prevented from making their views heard.

Any written question, comment or concern about the proposed bylaw received prior to 12 noon, Tuesday February 16, 2021 will be read out at the Public Hearing. Late submissions may be heard if Council passes a motion to do so.

To maintain order during the Public Hearing and to ensure everyone has a reasonable opportunity to be heard, the following rules of procedure have been established for Public Hearings:

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1. Only the Village of Cache Creek Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 6-001, 2021 is being considered at this meeting.
2. Each Speaker will be permitted to address the hearing twice. Initial presentations will not be limited, providing your comments are relevant to the issues at hand and the hearing is not being obstructed.
3. After each person who wishes to speak has done so, a second opportunity to speak will be allowed, however each speaker will be limited to 10 minutes.
4. If further hearings are required we will reconvene additional hearings until each person has an opportunity to be heard.
5. To begin your presentation, please state your first and last names for the record. Your name and comments will be recorded in the Minutes of this meeting and any reports generated from this Meeting.

Please observe these rules. If you have any concerns with the manner in which this Public Hearing is conducted, please direct your comments to the Chair.

CAO Dalsin stated that there was a question received prior to the deadline that asked about the operation of a Cannabis retail store. CAO Dalsin stated that this hearing is to deal with adding retail cannabis sales and production to the Village of Cache Creek zoning bylaw, not for the operation of these businesses.

MOVED by Councillor Coomber

SECONDED by Councillor Dafoe

THAT the written submissions received after the posted deadline be added to the hearing.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CAO Dalsin read out the first question submitted by the Williams Lake First Nation. They ask that the 200 meter buffer zone around the school be reduced to 175 meters, or whatever would allow them to establish a cannabis retail store at 1153 Trans Canada Hwy, adjacent to Junctions Coffee Shop.

The second late submission was received from Chuck Pittman and was read out by CAO Dalsin: Please explain, in layman's terms, how and what are the specific effects of this proposed zoning bylaw amendment to my business, Chanor Truck Repairs and Pittman Properties Ltd. CAO Dalsin responded that there will not be any specific effects to these properties as they are included within the 200 meter buffer zone around the school.

Councillor Pittman asked what the protocol is for public hearing notifications, as she had been told that some residents did not receive notice until 4 days prior to the meeting. CAO Dalsin responded that the protocol is that notice must be given in two consecutive issues of a local newspaper, which it was in the Ashcroft Journal. In addition the notices were posted on the Village website and the Facebook page. The individual box stuffers were sent out the previous week.

Mayor Talarico read the following Closing Statement:

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Before closing this Public Hearing I'm going to call three times for any further speakers on any of the matters contained in the proposed Bylaws. Those who have previously spoken twice during this Public Hearing may not speak again, unless there is something new they wish to speak about.

For the first time, is there anyone who wishes to make any further representations?

For the second time, is there anyone who wishes to make any further representations?

For the third and final time, is there anyone who wishes to make any further representations?

There being no further speakers, I declare this Public Hearing closed.

Public Hearing closed at 6:16pm

3. **DELEGATION:**

- A) Thompson Nicola Regional District's Invasive Plant Program
Jamie Vieira of the TNRD Invasive Plant Program presented to Council via zoom. Copies of the presentation are on file at the Village Office.

4. **MINUTES:**

- A) February 1, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting

MOVED by Councillor Dafoe
SECONDED by Councillor Coomber
THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of February 1, 2021 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- B) February 1, 2021 Regular Council Meeting

MOVED by Councillor Peters
SECONDED by Councillor Dafoe
THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on February 1, 2021 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATION:**

- A) TNRD Invasive Plant Program

MOVED by Councillor Dafoe
SECONDED by Councillor Pittman
THAT a thank you letter be sent to Jamie Vieira for his presentation.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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6. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**

A) **Chief Administrative Officer Status Report**

MOVED by Councillor Coomber
SECONDED by Councillor Dafoe
THAT Council receive and file the Chief Administrative Officer's status report as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED by Councillor Peters
SECONDED by Councillor Pittman
THAT staff set up a virtual meeting with representatives of the Bonaparte Band regarding mutual aid and protocol engagements prior to freshet.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

A) **Economic Development**

- Councillor Peters and Councillor Coomber

B) **Budget & Administrative Services**

- Councillor Peters and Councillor Coomber

1) **Voyent Alert! Emergency Notification System**

MOVED by Councillor Coomber
SECONDED by Councillor Peters
THAT staff be authorized to enter into an agreement with Voyent Alert! Emergency Notification System for option 1.

MOVED by Councillor Pittman
SECONDED by Mayor Talarico
THAT the preceding motion be postponed until additional information can be obtained regarding options to utilize the TNRD system.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2) **Cost of Pool Replacement**

MOVED by Councillor Coomber
SECONDED by Councillor Dafoe
THAT senior staff be directed to develop a report for the March 15, 2021 Council meeting outlining options to determine a cost to replace the existing swimming pool facility with a new facility having the same features.

DEFEATED

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C) Policy & Bylaw Review

- Mayor Talarico and Councillor Peters

1) Animal Control Report

MOVED by Councillor Peters
SECONDED by Councillor Dafoe
THAT Council receive and file the report from Animal Control Officer Van Tine.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2) Inter-Community Bylaw Enforcement Working Group

Councillor Peters reported that the meeting originally scheduled for February 16 has been postponed, and as such, she has no report for this meeting.

D) Public Works & Community Facilities

- Mayor Talarico and Councillor Dafoe

E) Village Services & Liaison

- Councillor Dafoe and Councillor Coomber

1) Health Committee Reports

Councillor Coomber reported that the Health Committee Meeting originally scheduled was postponed due to technical issues, and as such, she has no report for this meeting.

2) Housing Needs Report

MOVED by Councillor Coomber
SECONDED by Councillor Dafoe
THAT Council adopt the Housing Needs Report as presented at the February 1st, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

F) Protective Services

- Mayor Talarico and Councillor Coomber

G) Intergovernmental Relations

- Mayor Talarico and Councillor Coomber

1) Thompson Nicola Regional District 2020 Regional Growth Strategy Monitoring report

MOVED by Councillor Peters
SECONDED by Councillor Dafoe
THAT Council receive and file the TNRD 2020 Regional Growth Strategy Monitoring Report.

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H) Landfill Advisory Committee

- Mayor Talarico and Councillor Coomber

I) Emergency Management Select Committee

- Councillor Coomber and Councillor Peters

1) Meeting with MLA Tegart

MOVED by Councillor Coomber

SECONDED by Councillor Dafoe

THAT Council receive the report on the meeting with MLA Tegart.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2) Creation of Standing Committee

Mayor Talarico opted to defer this decision to the next regular meeting of Council so he may consider who to appoint.

8. INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE:

A) Request for Letter of Support

MOVED by Councillor Coomber

SECONDED

THAT Council receive and file the request from the Ashcroft HUB Society.

MOTION FAILED

NO SECOND

MOVED by Councillor Peters

SECONDED by Councillor Pittman

THAT Council approves a letter of support for the Ashcroft HUB Society.

CARRIED

Councillor Coomber OPPOSED

9. NEW BUSINESS:

10. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Carmen Ranta asked has Council, not Administration, made any decisions regarding the Cache Creek pool, and also will the pool learn which Councillors supported opening the pool for the coming year? If the decision is pending will there be opportunity for public consultation on opening the pool before the decision is made; is there any hope that the pool will open in 2021? Mayor Talarico responded that these questions were addressed during earlier discussions this meeting.

Several members of the public asked if the pool will be opening this year. Mayor Talarico responded that the question cannot be answered right now.

A member of the public asked which grants the Council has looked at to fund the pool and when? Mayor Talarico responded that no grants have been applied for for upgrades or

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remedial action for the pool, and we won't know what the needs of the pool are until a study can be done to determine what is required. If Council wishes to go ahead with that, then budgets can be discussed moving forward.

Cheryl Milward asked why wasn't money budgeted yearly for the pool, if money was budgeted what has happened to it? Mayor Talarico responded that there was no money budgeted for the pool for the previous season except for operational.

A member of the public asked why did Council not allot money annually for the pool? Mayor Talarico responded that if anyone would like to look at the Village financial statements they will see the financial situation that the municipality is in.

Mayor Talarico stated that a decision regarding the pool will not be made until budgets for 2021, 2022 and 2023 are looked at closely. The municipality cannot continue to operate at a deficit.

A member of the public asked why was the pool free when lifeguards are very expensive? Mayor Talarico responded that the decision to make the pool free was made by previous Council and current Council cannot comment on the reasons, though he is sure they had valid reasons to make that decision.

11. QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS:

Barbara Roden of the Journal asked - in a May of 2019 Budget Meeting, a September of 2019 newspaper article and a May 2020 Budget Meeting, Council and/or staff promised a public meeting for residents to have their say about the pool. When will such a meeting take place to ascertain what residents actually want regarding the Cache Creek Pool and its future? Mayor Talarico responded that many things came up following that which we are still working through and yes, we are looking at our 2021, 2022, and 2023 budgets and that Ms. Roden should understand how budgets work and we have to be very careful how we move forward.

Barbara Roden asked – in the Budget Meeting in May of 2020 CFO Martini said there was \$40,000.00 in the budget for pool maintenance even though the pool was not open. Has the pool continued to be maintained to the best of the Village's ability? Mayor Talarico responded that of course it has, and the \$40,000.00 reflects that the pool is operational 365 days a year 24 hours a day. It needs maintenance, hydro, heat, chemistry, and repairs. It all falls into 365 days a year.

Barbara Roden – the Journal understands how budgets work, the question was about a meeting that had been promised for nearly two years. Mayor Talarico responded that the question was does Barbara understand how budgets work, not the Journal, but as to the meeting, again, we are doing our best to put something together for the public. The budget has to be finalized before we can go down the road of having a meeting. Questions will not be able to be answered if financial information is not on hand.

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12. **CLOSED SESSION:**

MOVED by Councillor Dafoe

SECONDED by Councillor Peters

THAT Council move to a CLOSED Session pursuant to Section 90 of the *Community Charter* to consider items relating to one or more of the following:

- 90 (1) A part of a council meeting may be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered relates to or is one or more of the following:
- (a) personal information about an identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the municipality or another position appointed by the municipality;
 - (b) personal information about an identifiable individual who is being considered for a municipal award or honour, or who has offered to provide a gift to the municipality on condition of anonymity;
 - (c) labour relations or other employee relations;
 - (d) the security of the property of the municipality;
 - (e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality;
 - (f) law enforcement, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the conduct of an investigation under or enforcement of an enactment;
 - (g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality;
 - (h) an administrative tribunal hearing or potential administrative tribunal hearing affecting the municipality, other than a hearing to be conducted by the council or a delegate of council;
 - (i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;
 - (j) information that is prohibited, or information that if it were presented in a document would be prohibited, from disclosure under section 21 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act;
 - (k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public;
 - (l) discussions with municipal officers and employees respecting municipal objectives, measures and progress reports for the purposes of preparing an annual report under section 98 [annual municipal report];

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- (m) a matter that, under another enactment, is such that the public may be excluded from the meeting;
 - (n) the consideration of whether a council meeting should be closed under a provision of this subsection or subsection (2);
 - (o) the consideration of whether the authority under section 91 [other persons attending closed meetings] should be exercised in relation to a council meeting.
- 91 (2) If all or part of a meeting is closed to the public, the council may allow a person other than municipal officers and employees to attend,
- (a) in the case of a meeting that must be closed under section 90 (2), if the council considers this necessary and the person
 - (i) already has knowledge of the confidential information

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council closed the meeting to the public at 7:32 pm

Council returned to an open meeting at 8:23 pm

13. **ITEMS RELEASED FROM THE CLOSED MEETING:**

14. **ADJOURNMENT:**

MOVED by Councillor Peters
SECONDED by Councillor Dafoe
THAT Council adjourn the meeting at 8:24 pm

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Santo Talarico, Mayor

Martin Dalsin, Chief Administrative Officer

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true recording of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held the 16th day of February, 2021 E. & O.E.E.

Corporate Officer