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

> <u>Staff:</u> Chief Financial Officer Cristina Martini

<u>Press & Media:</u> Jessica Clement: The HUB Online Network

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

# 2. **DELEGATION:**

# 3. **<u>MINUTES:</u>**

A) June 21, 2021 Regular Council Meeting

MOVED by Councillor Dafoe SECONDED by Councillor Coomber THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on June 21, 2021 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

# 4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATION:

# 5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

# 6. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

# A) <u>Economic Development</u>

- Councillor Peters and Councillor Coomber
- Economic Development Action Plan Grant CFO Martini reported that the Request for Proposals for the Economic Development Action Plan had been posted with a closing date of July 23<sup>rd</sup>.

# B) Budget & Administrative Services

Councillor Peters and Councillor Coomber

# C) Policy & Bylaw Review

• Mayor Talarico and Councillor Peters

#### 1) Inter Community Bylaw Enforcement Councillor Peters reported that the Bylaw Enforcement

Councillor Peters reported that the Bylaw Enforcement Officer has a signed contract and it will take effect on August 15, 2021. He is currently looking for a place to live. Councillor Peters further reported that a draft ticketing bylaw should be ready for review for the next meeting of Council.

# D) Public Works & Community Facilities

Mayor Talarico and Councillor Dafoe

1) <u>Well Site Plans</u>

MOVED by Councillor Dafoe SECONDED by Councillor Pittman THAT Council direct staff to do the necessary research to prepare a report on the Village wells.

### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

 Swimming Pool It was noted for public information that all regular maintenance is continuing to be done on the Cache Creek Pool.

# E) <u>Village Services & Liaison</u>

Councillor Dafoe and Councillor Coomber

# F) <u>Protective Services</u>

Mayor Talarico and Councillor Coomber

# 1) <u>Thompson Nicola Regional District</u>

Mayor Talarico reported the TNRD is asking the Province to supply resources to staff a donation management centre for the region for wildfire support. Further, the TNRD did not vote to support pushing the Province to declare a Provincial State of Emergency. The third item voted on was a recommendation to request the Province to issue an ATV ban in fire affected areas. The United Way will be managing cash or gift card donations for fire evacuees.

# 2) <u>Wildfire Preparedness</u>

Mayor Talarico reported that he had met with Chief Moe of the Fire Department to have discussions regarding the current wildfire risk and to ensure the Fire Department is as prepared as possible. CFO Martini has also had conversations with Public Works who are working to clear long grass and fire hazards around town.

# G) Intergovernmental Relations

- Mayor Talarico and Councillor Coomber
- Provincial State of Emergency for COVID-19 Councillor Coomber reported that it seems likely the Province will not renew the current Provincial State of Emergency for COVID-19.
- 2) Northern Development Initiative Trust

Councillor Peters reported that she had attended an NDIT online meeting. The Fabulous Festivals grant funding is available again; these grants have not been available during the pandemic. She further reported that the Love Cache Creek program should be moving forward again now as well. Councillor Coomber will get in touch with them regarding this program.

During the roundtable of the call there was a lot of discussion of increased traffic in the area with tourists travelling again. There was also comments regarding increased real estate prices in every community. Discussion was initiated regarding the service changes to BC Ambulance.

### H) Landfill Advisory Committee

Mayor Talarico and Councillor Coomber

### I) <u>Emergency Management Committee</u>

- Councillor Dafoe and Councillor Peters
- 1) <u>Wildfire Preparedness</u>

Councillor Peters reported that the Fire Department is currently working on being as prepared as possible for wildfire. She also reported that the Emergency Operations Centre is not active, however Alana Peters sent out an email to anyone who had previously been involved in the EOC asking if they would be interested if the EOC activates in response to wildfire. There have also been daily information calls with Emergency Management British Columbia and BC Wildfire Service. Wildfire crews are being requested from across Canada. Councillor Dafoe and her Emergency Support Services team have assisted several evacuees, but the Cache Creek ESS Reception Centre is not active.

### 7. INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE:

8. **NEW BUSINESS:** 

# 9. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:

#### 10. QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS:

A member of the public asked if the best way to stay informed on any evacuation alerts or orders is through the Voyent Alert! system? Mayor Talarico responded that that is one of the ways, but also that the TNRD would issue statements on their website, their Facebook page and our Facebook page. Councillor Peters reported that in the event of an evacuation order, door to door notices will be delivered. Mayor Talarico also mentioned that community members must be registered with Voyent Alert! to receive the alerts.

#### 11. CLOSED SESSION:

MOVED by Councillor Dafoe SECONDED by Councillor Coomber 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;
- 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];
- (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 6:27 pm

Council returned to an open meeting at 8:06 pm

# 12. ITEMS RELEASED FROM THE CLOSED MEETING:

# 13. ADJOURNMENT:

MOVED by Councillor Peters SECONDED by Councillor Dafoe THAT Council adjourn the meeting at 8:06 pm

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Santo Talarico, Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true recording of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held the 5<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021 E. & O.E.E.

Corporate Officer