

VILLAGE OF CACHE CREEK, BRITISH COLUMBIA
REGULAR MEETING HELD THE 20th OF SEPTEMBER, 2021 VOLUME 36, PAGE 120

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

Staff:
Chief Administrative Officer Damian Couture
Chief Financial Officer Cristina Martini

Press & Media:
Jessica Clement: The HUB Online Network

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

2. **DELEGATION:**

3. **MINUTES:**

A) September 7, 2021 Regular Council Meeting

MOVED by Councillor Dafoe
SECONDED by Councillor Coomber
THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on September 7, 2021 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED
Councillor Pittman OPPOSED

4. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATION:**

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

6. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

A) **Economic Development**

- Councillor Peters and Councillor Coomber

B) **Budget & Administrative Services**

- Councillor Peters and Councillor Coomber

C) **Policy & Bylaw Review**

- Mayor Talarico and Councillor Peters

1) **Bylaw Control Officer**

Councillor Coomber requested that the new Bylaw Enforcement Officer attend a meeting to introduce himself.

D) **Public Works & Community Facilities**

- Mayor Talarico and Councillor Dafoe

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E) Village Services & Liaison

- Councillor Dafoe and Councillor Coomber

1) Request for Letter of Support

MOVED by Councillor Coomber

SECONDED by Councillor Dafoe

THAT staff be directed to prepare a letter of support for the Gold Country Communities Society for their funding application to the Fairs Festivals Events Recovery Fund.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2) Fire Department Halloween Fireworks

MOVED by Councillor Dafoe

SECONDED by Councillor Coomber

THAT Council approve a donation of \$1000.00 toward the fireworks show, as has been done every year since at least 2012.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

F) Protective Services

- Mayor Talarico and Councillor Coomber

1) Fire Department By-Election Results

MOVED by Councillor Coomber

SECONDED by Councillor Dafoe

THAT Council accept the results of the Cache Creek Volunteer Fire Department By-Election.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

G) Intergovernmental Relations

- Mayor Talarico and Councillor Coomber

1) Letter from the Regional District of Mount Waddington

MOVED by Mayor Talarico

SECONDED by Councillor Dafoe

THAT the Village of Cache Creek donate \$963.00 (population as at 2016 census) to help rebuild the Village of Lytton.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2) Union of BC Municipalities Virtual Conference

Councillor Peters made a verbal report regarding the Ministers Meeting held prior to the UBCM conference. The Village presented issues related to Emergency Management; primarily related to the 80% funding for recovery projects. The remaining 20% is often a crippling amount for small communities with small tax bases. Councillor Coomber requested a change in definition for rural communities and adjust the percentage of responsibilities for communities with populations below 5000. The response was that Disaster Financial Assistance is regulated at 80% but the

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Emergency Program Act is being updated and new legislation is planned for October 2022.

Councillor Coomber made a verbal report regarding a call the Ashcroft Village Council had with Minister for Health Adrian Dix that she was able to take part in. They spoke about staffing challenges at the Ashcroft Hospital and elsewhere in the Province. There were discussions regarding the urgent primary care model that the Interior Health Working Group is working on with representatives from Ashcroft and other health care departments. Minister Dix reiterated that the NDP are committed to team-based care.

Councillor Coomber submitted a report outlining all of the workshops and meetings she took part in during the 2021 UBCM Virtual Conference. She stated that the Pathways to Truth and Reconciliation session was very good. Councillor Coomber stated that the September 30th Truth and Reconciliation Day gives an opportunity for local government to use their voices and add to the push forward. Copies of Councillor Coomber's report outlining the rest of the meetings and the resolutions of interest are available in the Village Office.

- H) **Landfill Advisory Committee**
 - Mayor Talarico and Councillor Coomber
- I) **Emergency Management Committee**
 - Councillor Dafoe and Councillor Peters

7. **STAFF REPORTS:**

- A) **Chief Administrative Officer Status Report**

MOVED by Councillor Peters

SECONDED by Councillor Dafoe

THAT Council receive and file the status report from CAO Couture.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. **INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE:**

9. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1) **Northern Development Initiative Trust Grant Opportunities**

Councillor Pittman presented regarding four funding programs the Village may be interested in applying for. The first is for a grant writer, the second is a recreation infrastructure grant that may be useful for the pool. Third would be an economic infrastructure grant to help with the pool or with building Village communications requirements. The fourth is the Economic Development Capacity Building program to pursue economic development activities for the community.

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MOVED by Councillor Pittman
SECONDED by Councillor Coomber
THAT senior staff be directed to apply for the Grant Writer funding program available from NDIT and review the other three granting opportunities to determine if any will be beneficial to the community.

NO VOTE CALLED

2) Cache Creek Activities Planning Group

MOVED by Councillor Peters
SECONDED by Councillor Pittman
THAT the Village allow the group to print colouring pages for the 2021 Halloween activities as well as allow painted rocks to be put in the Gateway Park as part of the same event.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:

11. QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS:

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:

- (c) labour relations or other employee relations;
- (d) the security of the property of the municipality;
- (g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality;

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council closed the meeting to the public at 6:27 pm

Council returned to an open meeting at 6:53 pm

12. ITEMS RELEASED FROM THE CLOSED MEETING:

13. ADJOURNMENT:

MOVED by Councillor Dafoe
SECONDED by Councillor Peters
THAT Council adjourn the meeting at 6:55 pm

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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Santo Talarico, Mayor

Damian Couture,
Chief Administrative Officer

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true recording of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held the 20th day of September, 2021 E. & O.E.E.

Corporate Officer