

**THE CORPORATION OF THE  
VILLAGE OF HAZELTON**

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Hazelton held on March 17, 2015, in the Riverboat Building at 4265 Government Street, Hazelton, BC.

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**PRESENT:**

**Mayor:** Alice Maitland

**Councillors:** Nick Marshall  
Charles Smith  
Wendy Blackstock

**Staff:** Tanalee Hesse, Chief Administrative Officer  
Kelsey Green, Finance and Administration Clerk  
Dominique Melanson, Administrative Assistant

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Maitland called the Regular Meeting of Council to order at 7:52 pm.

**2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**2.1** MOVED by Councillor Blackstock and SECONDED by Councillor Smith, THAT the Agenda be approved with the addition of:  
- Kispiox Valley Rodeo Club as item 9.1.  
- Report from CAO, dated March 17, 2015 RE: Asset Management Planning Grants as item 9.2.

**CARRIED**

**3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**3.1 Minutes of the Regular Meeting – February 17, 2015**

MOVED by Councillor Blackstock and SECONDED by Councillor Marshall, THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on February 17, 2015, be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**4. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS**

n/a.

**5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**5.1 Upper Skeena Development Centre**

In response to Councillor Marshall's query the CAO noted that she and Mr. Krekic had met with a representative of USDC regarding the Senden Phase 2 Project. A letter will be sent to the USDC outlining the next steps.

**6. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

**6.1 Report from CAO, Dated March 12, 2015 RE: 2015 Sewer Rates and Billing**

MOVED by Councillor Marshall and SECONDED by Councillor Blackstock, THAT the report from the Chief Administrative Officer be received; AND THAT a policy be established that all utilities (water, sewer and garbage) be invoiced to the users twice per year; and that a discount of 10% will be applied to the total amount of the yearly billing if the invoice is paid by the due date establish the by administration.

**CARRIED**

**6.2 Application to the Federal Gas Tax Fund – Resolution of Support for the Upper Skeena Recreation Centre**

MOVED by Councillor Smith and SECONDED by Councillor Marshall, THAT

“WHEREAS the Ken Trombley Memorial Arena has served the Hazeltons since 1972 as the “Heart of the Hazeltons”, providing hockey, figure skating and other forms of recreation to a large area of small communities with extremely limited facilities and recreational opportunities;

AND WHEREAS the current building has deteriorated to a condition that will necessitate its closure to the near future;

AND WHEREAS the Village of Hazelton, District of New Hazelton, Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine Area B, the Skeena Ice Arena Association, the Gitxsan Treaty Office, the Gitxsan Government Commission and the Wetsewet’en Chiefs formed the Upper Skeena Recreation Centre Owners Committee to provide leadership in pursuing the fundraising, design and construction of a new recreation facility for the Upper Skeena area;

NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED THAT the [Council of the Village of Hazelton] confirms that the Upper Skeena Recreation Centre is a priority for our community and we fully support participation in the development and operation of a new regional recreation center”.

**CARRIED**

**7. BYLAWS**

**7.1 Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 473, 2015**

MOVED by Councillor Marshall and SECONDED by Councillor Smith, THAT Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 473, 2015, be read a THIRD time.

**CARRIED**

MOVED by Councillor Marshall and SECONDED by Councillor Blackstock, THAT Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 473, 2015, be finally considered and adopted.

**CARRIED**

**7.2 Sewer User Rates Amendment Bylaw No. 474, 2015**

MOVED by Councillor Smith and SECONDED by Councillor Marshall, THAT Sewer User Rates Amendment Bylaw No. 474, 2015, be read a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time.

**CARRIED**

**8. CORRESPONDENCE**

MOVED by Councillor Smith and SECONDED by Councillor Marshall, THAT correspondence items 8.1-8.9 be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**8.1 Nathan Cullen, Member of Parliament** RE: Request for Letter of Support for Bill C 628, an Act to Defend the Pacific Northwest

**8.2 Anne Docherty, THRIVE** RE: Request for Financial Support

MOVED by Councillor Marshall and SECONDED by Councilor Blackstock, THAT staff be requested to meet with Ms. Docherty to discuss options for support.

**CARRIED**

**8.3 Emergency Management BC** RE: Senior and Elected Officials Workshop

MOVED by Councillor Marshall and SECONDED by Councillor Blackstock, THAT the Chief Administration Officer and Councillor Nick Marshall be authorized to attend the Emergency Management Workshop in Terrace May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

**CARRIED**

**8.4 Union of British Columbia Municipalities** RE: UBCM Membership

**8.5 Jennifer Rice, MLA** RE: Health Care Services

**8.6 Port Moody** RE: Declaration of the Right to a Healthy Environment

**8.7 Todd Stone, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure** RE: Submission to BC on the Move

**8.8 Selina Robinson, MLA** RE: Questions for the BC Minister Responsible for Local Government

**8.9 The Literacy Opportunity Group (LOGS)** RE: Thank-you for the Community Enhancement Grant

**9. LATE ITEMS**

**9.1 Kispiox Valley Rodeo Club** RE: "Rodeo Week"

MOVED by Councillor Marshall and SECONDED by Councillor Blackstock, THAT a letter of support be forwarded to the Kispiox Rodeo Club; AND THAT the Club be informed of Council's policy regarding events.

- 9.2 Report from CAO, Dated March 17, 2015** RE: Asset Management Planning Grants  
MOVED by Councillor Marshall and SECONDED by Councillor Smith, THAT the report from the Chief Administrative Officer be received;

**CARRIED**

**Application to UBCM Asset Management Planning Grant**

MOVED by Councillor Marshall and SECONDED by Councillor Smith, THAT:

‘WHEREAS The Village is committed to building its capacity in terms of asset management planning; AND WHEREAS an Asset Management Plan provides strong capacity to provide overall grant management; AND WHEREAS the Village of Hazelton limited in developing this plan without the benefit of assistance from the UBCM funding opportunity;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the grant writer proceed with developing the UBCM Asset Management Planning grant application to undertake an asset management assessment strategy and action plan as the first phase to a phased approach to developing a comprehensive long-range infrastructure and asset management plan”.

**CARRIED**

**Application to Gas Tax Strategic Priorities Capacity Building Grant**

MOVED by Councillor Smith and SECONDED by Councillor Blackstock, THAT:

WHEREAS The Village recognizes the importance of building its capacity in terms of asset management planning, which has a strong capacity to provide overall grant management; AND WHEREAS the Village of Hazelton is limited in developing a long term plan without the assistance of the Gas Tax Strategic Priorities Fund opportunity;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the grant writer proceed with developing the Gas Tax Strategic Priorities capacity building grant application to undertake a comprehensive long-range infrastructure and asset management plan, as the second phase of the asset management strategy, and a project to implement the actions recommended from the Asset Management Assessment and Action Plan that will be undertaken in the Summer of 2015.

**CARRIED**

**10. COUNCIL REPORTS**

**10.1 Skeena Ice Arena Association**

Councillor Smith and Councillor Marshall discussed the recent Skeena Ice Arena Association costs associated with the closure of the arena. Councillor Marshall noted that this was the first year in some time the SIAA was to make a profit but funds will be required to demolish the building.

**11. RESOLUTIONS FROM CLOSED MEETING**

**4.1 Community Enhancement Grants**

The following motion was adopted at the Closed Meeting of Council March 17, 2015:  
*“THAT the LOGS Literacy Opportunity Group be granted \$250 for the Gift of Literacy Event.”*

**12. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD**

**Alisha Bridges, Interior News** queried:

- The differences between the old OCP and the new OCP
- The costs at the Skeena Ice Arena.
- The propane leak that took place at the Skeena Place approximately a month ago.

Councillor Marshall responded to the query regarding the propane leak and outlined the procedure the Fire department followed.

**Darwin Ferster, Point One 8 Clothing** queried the closure of the Skeena Ice Arena and what plans are in place for users for 2015.

**13. CLOSED COUNCIL MEETING**

MOVED by Councillor Marshall and SECONDED by Councillor Blackstock, THAT the meeting be closed to the Public to consider matters relative to section 90 (1) (a), (e), (i) and (l) of the *Community Charter*.

**CARRIED**

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED by Councillor Marshall and SECONDED by Councillor Blackstock, THAT the Regular Meeting of Council be adjourned. 8:55 pm.

**CARRIED**

**CERTIFIED CORRECT:**



Tanalee Hesse  
Chief Administrative Officer



Alice Maitland  
Mayor