

Village of Masset Regular Council Meeting of February 8, 2021

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held February 8, 2021 in the Council Chambers.

Present:	Mayor:	B. Pages
	Councillors:	B. Johnston, T. Carty, R. Williams
	CAO:	T. Jarvis/Alan Smith
	CFO:	J. Brown

CALL TO ORDER

The Village of Masset acknowledges the un-ceded traditional territory of the Haida Nation on which this meeting is held.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Johnston, seconded by Councillor Williams to adopt the agenda as amended with the addition of NB-6 and NB-7.

CARRIED

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Council Meeting Minutes January 25, 2021

Moved by Councillor Johnston, seconded by Councillor Carty that the January 25, 2021 Council meeting minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

Council Meeting Minutes January 27, 2021

Moved by Councilor Williams, seconded by Councillor Johnston that the January 27, 2021 Special Council meeting minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

MINUTES AND REPORTS OF OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

1. North Coast Regional District Board Highlights January 22, 2021

Moved by Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Carty that the report be received and filed.

CARRIED

VERBAL REPORTS OF COUNCIL/CAO/CFO

Councillor Johnston attended a Gwaii Trust meeting.

Councillor Carty attended a Youth Board meeting and a Library Board meeting.

Councillor Williams attended a MIEDS meeting.

Mayor Pages attended a Protocol meeting. Two representatives from the District office were in attendance. The importance of having a unified approach to address internet concerns regarding fiber “last mile” was a main point of discussion. Mayor Pages also attended a CHN meeting. Visitor reopening was discussed. A contract position was recommended to assist with the planning for reopening once COVID-19 restrictions are eased.

Moved by Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Carty that the verbal reports be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

NB-1 Village of Masset Water Quality Report 2020

This yearly report is required to be submitted to the Environmental Health Officer. Northern Health is satisfied with the report.

Moved by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Williams, that the Village of Masset Water Quality Report be approved and made available to the public.

CARRIED

NB-2 Letter of Support MIEDS CHN Clean Coast, Clean Waters Initiative Fund

The Village of Masset received a request from the Misty Isles Economic Development Society (MIEDS) to provide a letter of support for their application with the Haida Nation to the Clean Coast, Clean Waters Initiative fund for two economic stimulus projects.

Moved by Councillor Johnston, seconded by Councillor Carty, that the Village of Masset provide a letter of support as requested by MIEDS for their application to the Clean Coast, Clean Waters Initiative fund.

CARRIED

NB-3 Business Recovery Program

The Province has made some adjustments to the Small and Medium Sized Business Recovery Grant Program. Staff will promote the updated program to the local business community.

NB-4 TELUS Letter of Support

TELUS requested the Village of Masset provide a letter of support to the federal government's Universal Broadband Fund to improve upgrades to infrastructure that would ultimately improve wireless service to the Village. Council's preference is to have a coordinated approach among island communities to support the improvement of internet service.

Moved by Councillor Williams, and seconded by Councillor Carty, that the Correspondence from TELUS requesting a letter of support to the Universal Broadband Fund be received and filed as information.

CARRIED

NB-5 Airport Solar

The Village of Masset was approached by a representative for a solar project to be undertaken by the Old Masset Village Council (OMVC); enquiring of the availability of land that would meet the project's land requirements of 10 acres. Staff suggested the Airport lands might meet the requirements. Council directed staff to explore this option in greater detail.

NB-6 Former Weight Room Building

Councillor Carty discussed using the former weight room building to start growing seedlings which would then be planted in the boxes within the community garden. This would require the purchasing and installation of florescent tubes costing approximately \$300.

NB-7 Plaques

Councillor Carty discussed the concept of a plaque by well-known Haida artist Jimmy Hart. The plaque would be 80 inches in height by 16 ft in length. Council suggested approaching grant writer Andrew Hudson to enquire if there is any funding available to assist with this initiative.


Councillor Williams suggested having a plaque near the door of the Roller Rink. Councillor Williams will explore pricing and design.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Williams, that the meeting be adjourned at 8:19 pm to a closed meeting in accordance with Section 90 of the Community Charter.

CARRIED

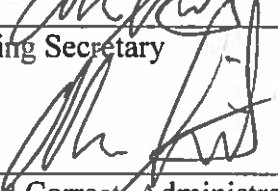
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Recording Secretary



Mayor



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