Village of Masset Regular Council Meeting of March 8, 2021

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held March 8, 2021 conducted via Zoom.

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 Williams, seconded by Councillor Johnston to adopt the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Council Meeting Minutes February 8, 2021

Moved by Councillor, Carty, seconded by Councillor Johnston that the February 8, 2021 Council meeting minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

MINUTES AND REPORTS OF OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

1. North Coast Regional District Board Highlights February 19, 2021

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

CARRIED

VERBAL REPORTS OF COUNCIL/CAO/CFO

Members of Council participated in a joint meeting with Old Masset Village Council. Major topics of discussion included the island rat problem, solar project, men's shelter, tourism, and emergency response planning.

Councillor Carty attended the All-Islands Protocol Table, where broadband was the main point of discussion. Councillor Carty also attended the Gwaii Trust AGM, and the Haida

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Gwaii Renewable Energy Symposium hosted by the Swiilawiid Sustainability Society and the Council of the Haida Nation.

Councillor Williams attended a MIEDS meeting, the School Transition Steering meeting, and the GwaiiTel AGM. A report from the latter will be circulated to members of Council. Councillor Williams obtained information regarding an LED sign for the front of the Village office that will also be sent to the CAO for circulation to Council members.

Councillor Johnston attended the Gwaii Trust meeting; and met with MP Bachrach on March 4th. Mayor Pages also attended the March 4th meeting with MP Bachrach, where the Northern Residence deduction was discussed. Mayor Pages also attended the All-Islands Protocol meeting, North Coast Regional District Board, and Northern Health. The latter meeting highlighted the Province vaccination process for remote communities. Five of these communities were identified, including Haida Gwaii, which would receive mass vaccination of residents beginning late March.

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

CARRIED

NB-1 Cleaning Contract Submissions

Moved by: Councillor Williams Seconded by: Councillor Williams

THAT Rhonda Bedard and Ted Bedard be selected to provide contracted janitorial services for the Village of Masset Airport for \$23,300 per year (not including taxes); and

THAT Natasha Williams and Richard Williams be selected to provide contracted janitorial services for all Village of Masset facilities, excluding the Airport, for \$21,600 per year, as described in the March 3, 2021, report submitted by the Chief Administrative Officer; and

THAT the Chief Administrative Officer be directed to sign the two contracts as described in the March 3, 2021, report submitted by the Chief Administrative Officer.

CARRIED

NB-2 Electronic Resolutions February 19th to 26th

Moved by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Williams that the three electronic resolutions approved during February 19th to 26th be received and filed.

CARRIED

NB-3 Draft letter from All-Island Protocol Table - Fiber Optic Connectivity on Haida Gwaji

At the February24th meeting of the All-Islands Protocol Table, a draft letter to the Hon. Lisa Beare, Minister of Citizen Services, was circulated that advocates a joint approach among island communities for internet connectivity for all residents within Haida Gwaii. The letter was to be first circulated to all island community councils in order to gain approval on this joint approach to have fiber to the premise in all communities.

Moved by Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Carty, that the Village of Masset supports the draft letter from the All-Islands Protocol Table to the Hon. Lisa Beare, Minister of Citizen Services, to advocate for fibre optic internet connectivity for all residents who live on Haida Gwaii.

CARRIED

NB-4 Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development – CHN Proposal to change names of geographical features on Haida Gwaii

The BC Geographical Names Office received a proposal from The Council of the Haida Nation to change the name of a few geographical features on Haida Gwaii (Delkatla Inlet to "Dal Kaahlii" and Harrison Point to "Dal Kun").

Moved by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Williams, that Village of Masset supports the proposal by the Council of the Haida Nation to change the names of geographical features on Haida Gwaii as outlined by the Province of British Columbia Geographical Names Office.

CARRIED

NB-5 GDMC Director Appointments

Moved by Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Johnston that Mayor Pages, Councillor Carty, Councillor Williams and Chief Administrative Officer Alan Smith be appointed to the Board of Directors for the Greater Masset Development Corporation.

NB-6 AP Cheque Listing December 2020

NB-7 AP Cheque Listing January 2021

NB-8 AP Cheque Listing February 2021

Moved by Councillor Johnston, Seconded by Councillor Carty, that the accounts payable cheque listing for December 2020, January 2021, and February 2021, be approved as presented.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Johnston, that the meeting be adjourned at 8:15 pm.

CARRIED

Mayor

Recording Secretary

Certified Correct, Administrator