

Village of Masset Regular Council Meeting of May 10, 2021

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held May 10, 2021 conducted via Zoom.

Present:	Mayor:	B. Pages
	Councillors:	T. Carty, R. Williams, J. Currie
	CAO:	A. 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 Carty to adopt the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Council Meeting Minutes April 26, 2021

Moved by Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Carty that the April 26, 2021 Council meeting minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

PETITIONS AND DELEGATES

1. Shirley Kircheldorf Update Virtual Harbour Days

Ms. Kircheldorf reviewed her plans for a Virtual Harbour Days with the theme of Birds, Boats and Blooms. Although termed ‘virtual’, the event involves a walk and a scavenger hunt. The Village of Masset will assist with printing and will provide some giveaways like t-shirts for example.

Moved by Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Carty that the presentation by Shirley Kircheldorf be received and filed.

CARRIED

2. Alec Tsang – BC Hydro Public EV Infrastructure Program

An overview of BC Hydro’s plan to have Fast Chargers throughout the province was provided to Council. Part of this plan includes having EV stations in Haida Gwaii, with Masset being one location. Installation would begin in the spring of 2022. The next step for the Village of Masset would be to sign an MOU with BC Hydro.

Moved by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Williams that the presentation by Alec Tsang – BC Hydro Public EV Infrastructure Program – be received and filed.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Emergency Shelter Housing

The CAO reached out to the Village of Old Masset’s administrator, Patricia Moore, and to UBCM regarding the application that was submitted by Old Masset Village Council (OMVC) for the Emergency Shelter project. Based on these discussions, in order to have this project be considered for funding, requires the Village of Masset submitting the application to UBCM’s Strengthening Communities’ Services program. The current application requires revision and submission by May 14th. The role of the Village of Masset would be to manage the grant as OMVC would be responsible for the actual implementation of the initiative.

Moved by Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Carty, that the Village of Masset supports a partnership with the Old Masset Village Council for the Emergency Shelter Housing project; and

THAT a revised application be submitted to the Strengthening Communities’ Services program; and

THAT the Village of Masset be responsible for management of the Strengthening Communities’ Services grant while Old Masset will undertake the implementation of the Emergency Shelter Housing project.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

C-1 MIEDS Board Highlights May 2021

Moved by Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Currie that the MIEDS correspondence be received and filed.

CARRIED

VERBAL REPORTS OF COUNCIL/CAO/CFO

Councillor Williams attended the MIEDS AGM. MIEDS will present an update of their activities to Council on May 25th. Councillors Williams and Carty attended the Harbour Management Committee. The latter attended the Gwaii Trust AGM. However, a quorum was not present. Councillor Carty also attended the All-Islands Protocol meeting. The CHN presented a draft visitor's pledge to the Committee which will eventually be circulated to the communities for comment. The Terms of Reference for the Committee was also discussed. Committees for Councillor Currie to join will be explored.

The CAO updated Council on some of the projects that are underway. The solar project is progressing - waiting for a response from Transport Canada that will help determine next steps in the project. The filter issues with the Water Plant are being addressed. The CFO informed Council that taxes will be mailed by the end of next week.

Mayor Pages attended a meeting hosted by the Honourable Josie Osborne Minister of Municipal Affairs. Connectivity issues were discussed. Mayor Pages thanked the Minister for funding Citywest.

Moved by Councillor Williams, seconded by Council Currie that the verbal reports be received.

CARRIED

BYLAWS

Bylaw No. 646 A Bylaw to Amend Zoning Bylaw No. 422

Moved by Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Carty that Bylaw No. 646 A Bylaw to Amend Zoning Bylaw No. 422 be read a third time.

CARRIED

Bylaw No. 647 A Bylaw of the Village of Masset respecting the 5 Year Financial Plan for the year starting 2021

Moved by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Williams that Bylaw No. 647 be reconsidered and adopted.

CARRIED

Tax Rates Bylaw No. 648, 2021

Moved by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Williams that the Tax Rates Bylaw No. 648, 2021 be read a first, second, and third time.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

NB-1 BC Hydro Public EV Infrastructure Program Memorandum Of Understanding

Although Council supports signing of the MOU and the EV Infrastructure project, concerns of the charging station location were expressed by members. Alternative locations will be explored with BC Hydro by the CAO.

Moved by Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Currie that the Chief Administrative Officer be directed to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the British Columbia Hydro & Power Authority for the Village of Masset's participation in the EV Infrastructure Program.

CARRIED

NB-2 All Islands Protocol Table Terms of Reference

Moved by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Williams that the All-Islands Protocol Table Terms of Reference be Tabled to the May 25th, 2021 Council meeting.

CARRIED

NB-3 MVFD Fire Chief

Moved by: Councillor Williams
Seconded by: Councillor Currie

THAT a letter be send to Micha Sakalauski thanking Ms. Sakalauski for her service as Fire Chief for the Village of Masset Volunteer Fire Department; and

THAT Sylvan Daugert and John Thorgeirson be appointed Co-Fire Chiefs for the Village of Masset Volunteer Fire Department as described in the May 6, 2021 Council report titled *Fire Chief*; and

THAT the Chief Administrative Officer revisit the Co-Fire Chief arrangement at the end of the year to determine the status of the Fire Chief position.

CARRIED

NB-4 By Election Update

Moved by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Williams that the May 6th, 2021 Council report titled *2021 By-Election Report* from the Chief Administrative Officer and the Deputy Chief Elections Officer be received and filed.

CARRIED

NB-5 Northern Health Safe Restart/ NB-6 Literacy Haida Gwaii PGI Sponsorship

Moved by: Councillor Williams
Seconded by: Councillor Currie

That due to budget considerations the grant request by the Northern Health Authority Mental Health & Addictions Advisory Committee and sponsorship request by the Literacy Haida Gwaii PGI be denied; and

THAT a community grant policy and evaluation system be developed by the Chief Administrative Officer.

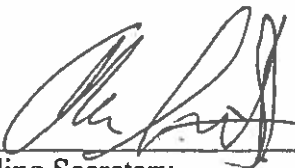
CARRIED

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Carty, that the meeting be adjourned at 9:15pm.


CARRIED



Recording Secretary



Mayor



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