

Village of Masset

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held 26 Oct, 2015 in the Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

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| Present: | Mayor: | A.Merilees |
| | Councillors: | B.Pages, T.Tyler, B.Johnston, J.Thompson |
| | Chief Administration Officer: | T Jarvis |
| | Chief Financial Officer: | J.Brown |

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Johnston, seconded by Councillor Pages, that October 26, 2015 agenda be adopted with the addition of New Business #3 BC Hydro.

CARRIED

DELEGATE

1. Haida Gwaii Hydrogen

Representatives Rick Grange and Brian Bussiere, spoke about their frustration with the lack of process that BC Hydro seems to have for evaluating proposals submitted after the 2012 call for alternative energy generation projects. It was their understanding that the Sheltair report of 2008 had laid the groundwork for the call for proposals and the evaluation of those proposals. They also raised concerns about the possibility of bias created when CHN is apparently involved as both a proponent and a decision maker. Mr. Grange referred to a Band Council Resolution they had recently received supporting their project and asked the Village of Masset Council for a similar resolution.

The Delegation departed the council chambers at 7:20 PM

2. RCMP-Masset's Police Report, April-September 2015

Sgt. Drouin reviewed the April – September 2015 Police Report as circulated with the agenda. He felt that the number of files in general was on par with previous years except for the area of break and enter crimes. He was able to report that they had recently made some significant progress on that front with one individual who is a known repeat offender having been arrested. Sgt. Drouin also commented on the lack of security practices at some businesses and suggested that a more concerted effort on their part with lighting cameras and safes may help to reduce these types of crimes further. The breach of conditions was also up and Sgt. Drouin attributed the majority of that to increased monitoring by RCMP.

Council asked about specific services from other agencies such as parole, mental health & addictions, youth initiatives that may be lacking. Sgt. Drouin agreed that improvements in those areas may have some effect on reducing crime and that substance abuse was likely one of the biggest drivers of crime in the area.

Sgt. Drouin departed the council chambers at 7:40 pm

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MINUTES AND REPORTS OF OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

1. Skeena Queen Charlotte Regional District-Board Highlights September 18, 2015 Board Meeting

Moved by Councillor Tyler, seconded by Councillor Pages to receive and file the SQCRD Board Highlights September 18, 2015 Board Meeting.

CARRIED

2. MIEDS, EDO Report

Moved by Councillor Pages, seconded by Councillor Thompson, that the MIEDS, EDO Report be received and filed as presented.

CARRIED

3. MIEDS, The “Ec Dev” Update- Quarterly News

Moved by Councillor Tyler, seconded by Councillor Pages, that the MIEDS, The “Ec Dev” Update Quarterly News be received and filed as presented.

CARRIED

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

1. Council Meeting Minutes September 28, 2015

Moved by Councillor Thompson, seconded by Councillor Pages, that the Council Meeting Minutes, September 28, 2015 be received and filed as presented.

CARRIED

VERBAL REPORTS OF COUNCIL/CAO/CFO

Councillor Pages attended the SQCRD meeting and a meeting with Haida Gwaii Fitness Association.

Councillor Johnston attended the UBCM Meeting and a Haida Gwaii Fitness Association meeting.

Councillor Tyler attended a Greater Massett Development Corporation meeting and a Vancouver Island Regional Library Public Meeting.

Mayor Merilees attended a Greater Massett Development Corporation meeting he also attended Credit Union Day, Haida Gwaii Fitness Association and the Vancouver Island Regional Library public meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

NB-1 Gwaii Trust- Christmas Fund Allocation

Moved by Councillor Pages, seconded by Councillor Johnston, that the Village of Masset apply for funding to repeat the distribution of Christmas Turkeys.

CARRIED

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NB-2 Accounts Payable Cheque Listing 01-September, 2015 to 30-September, 2015

Moved by Councillor Tyler, seconded by Councillor Johnston, that the Accounts Payable Cheque listing for September 2015 be approved as presented..

CARRIED

NB-3 BC Hydro

Moved by Councillor Pages, seconded by Councillor Thompson that a letter to BC Hydro be sent regarding the lack of progress on selecting an alternative energy project, the lack of communication in that regard and the apparent lack of a clear, transparent and accountable evaluation process.

CARRIED

In regards to Hada Gwaili Hydrogen's proposal to BC Hydro it was moved by Councillor Pages, seconded by Councillor Tyler that the Village of Masset supports the use of wood waste and municipal waste for conversion into bio diesel and energy and further supports projects that will create jobs in the community.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Recording Secretary

Mayor

Certified Correct, Administrator