

Village of Masset Regular Council Meeting of October 11, 2022

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held October 11, 2022 in the Council Chambers.

Present:	Mayor:	B. Pages
	Councillors:	J. Currie, T. Carty, B. Johnston
	CAO:	J. Humphries
	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 7:03 pm.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Johnston to adopt the agenda as amended with the additions of NB-9 Roller Rink Defibrillator, NB-10 Travel Trailer on Spruce Crescent, NB-11 Fire Department Grant Application and NB-12 Liquor Licence Application.

CARRIED

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Council Meeting Minutes September 26, 2022

Moved by Councillor Currie, seconded by Councillor Carty that the September 26, 2022 Council meeting minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Heritage Conservation Act Transformation Project

Moved by Councillor Johnston, seconded by Councillor Currie that the report be received and filed.

CARRIED

VERBAL REPORTS OF COUNCIL/CAO/CFO

Councillor Johnston attended a Gwaii Trust Allocation meeting.

Councillor Carty attended a Steering Committee for a Renewable Energy Co-operative meeting.

Mayor Pages attended a Northern Development Initiative meeting as well as conducting interviews for the Northwest Regional Hospital District.

Josh Humphries reported that the Transport Canada airport inspection has been scheduled for October 24 – 26, 2022; a couple of people have been hired as casual positions to work in Public Works and the gardening needs in town; Gary Suha, Airport Manager has decided that he would like to move into the top of the PEP building; Harbour Committee meeting has be set up for Friday, October 14, 2022 at 2:00 pm; he has also been meeting with staff regarding technology needs in the offices and working on an application for an intern through NDI and OMVC had requested a joint council meeting when the new council is in place.

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

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

NB-1 Masset Airport Fees Analysis

The report and recommendations for airport fees prepared by Operations Economics Inc. was reviewed. It has been a couple of years since the fees have been reviewed and the Masset Airport fees are low compared to similar airports in the province. The recommendations from the report suggested that the fees be increased by either 2% - 5% and that a terminal fee be incorporated as well. Council also stated that they would like to see the airport fees be reviewed on an annual basis and that fuel fees be increased based on fuel costs.

Moved by Councillor Johnston, seconded by Councillor Carty that the airport fees be increased by 5% in addition to the terminal fee as recommended by the Operations Economics Inc. report.

CARRIED

NB-2 NCRD Draft Solid Waste Management Plan

A consultation meeting is being scheduled for October 24, 2022. It was decided that Councillor Carty attend the meeting.

NB-3 University of Victoria Erosion Questionnaire

A University of Victoria student is doing a research project and would like to interview members of council. Councillor Carty volunteered to do the interview.

CARRIED

NB-4 Roller Rink Washroom

There has been a request submitted by one of the user groups in the Roller Rink that a couple of showers be installed in the facility. It was recommended that a quote be prepared for the shower installation and have an application ready for the next application intakes for Gwaii Trust and NDI. It was also recommended that a quote be prepared for showers to be installed in the Fitness Center as well.

NB-5 GHD Website Quote

The Village of Masset website is no longer supported and needs to be updated and redone. Josh received a quote from GHD for \$18,500 plus taxes for the website design and \$6,300 plus taxes annually for support, bandwidth and backup storage. Council recommended that staff investigate website development grants with Andrew Hudson and include the technology needs for the Village of Masset offices as well.

NB-6 Christmas Decoration Contest

Josh recommended that the Village of Masset host a Christmas decorating contest for the community and requested that the Village of Masset donate \$1,500.00 to be used for prizes and lights to be put on municipal buildings in the community.

Moved by Councillor Johnston, seconded by Councillor Currie to approve \$1,500.00 for the Village of Masset Christmas Decorating Contest prizes and lights.

CARRIED

NB-7 Sidewalk Assessment

The sidewalk assessment prepared by the Public Works Supervisor was reviewed. Council recommended that this would be a useful tool for budget discussions. Council also suggested that the paving needs for the community be discussed with Adventure

Paving and get a quote for repaving Masset that can be used during budget and other future funding opportunities.

NB-8 2022 Gwaii Trust Grant Application Deadlines

Council reviewed the Gwaii Trust funding deadlines for the various Gwaii Trust programs. It was suggested that Josh talk to the GTN and Tahayghen principals about talking to the youth about what their needs are for programming and facilities in Masset. It was also suggested that shelf ready applications are needed for the application deadlines, in particular the Major Infrastructure and Community Innovations programs.

NB-9 Roller Rink Defibrillator

Councillor Currie was approached by one of the users of the roller rink about the need for a defibrillator in the facility. Staff will get the costs associated for getting defibrillators installed in the roller rink and Village of Masset office buildings and bring to the next council meeting.

NB-10 Travel Trailer on Spruce Crescent

Councillor Currie received a complaint about a travel trailer originally parked beside one of the PMQ's in Spruce Crescent. The owner is renovating the PMQ and staying in the travel trailer during the renovations. The trailer is slowly moving off of the owner's property and is encroaching Village of Masset property. It was requested that Josh look into the matter and report back to council.

NB-11 Fire Department Application

Moved by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Johnston that the grant application to UNBC for Fire Department equipment be approved.

CARRIED

NB-12 Liquor License Application – Singing Surf Inn & Pub

The Village of Masset has received notification of a liquor license application submitted by the Singing Surf Inn & Pub. The application has to be reviewed by the local government and can offer comments, or reject/accept the application depending on any issues that may be of concern. Council stated that this is basically a renewal for a pre-existing establishment and the application should be supported.

Moved by Councillor Currie, seconded by Councillor Johnston that the Village of Masset support the liquor license application as submitted by the Singing Surf Inn & Pub.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT


Moved by Councillor Carty the meeting be adjourned at 9:10 pm.

CARRIED



Recording Secretary

Mayor 



Certified Correct, Administrator