Village of Masset Regular Council Meeting of October 24, 2022

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held October 24, 2022 in the Council Chambers.

Present:

Mayor:

B. Pages

Councillors:

R. Williams, 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 7:00 pm.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Johnston, seconded by Councillor Currie to adopt the agenda as amended with the additions of NB-8 Regional Community Forum Program.

CARRIED

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Council Meeting Minutes October 11, 2022

Moved by Councillor Currie, seconded by Councillor Carty that the October 11, 2022 Council meeting minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

PETITIONS AND DELEGATES

Sgt. Damon MacDonald Community Policing Report

Sgt. MacDonald presented the RCMP's 2nd Quarterly Report to council. He stated that calls were up by approximately 10% compared to before the pandemic. Their detachment is continuing their foot patrols as well as the Offender Management Program. He discussed the possibility of removing the bench by Mile Zero. The bench has been left in its location in commemoration of Ryan Smith but they have been talking to the individuals that sit in the area about other options if the bench needs to be removed. The 4-plex on Widgeon Boulevard is starting to become a problem building. The building was sold recently to the Old Massett Village Council and is not supposed to have liquor or drugs on the premises and RCMP have been monitoring it.

Two of the detachment's members will be transferring out within the next couple of months but will be replaced.

CORRESPONDENCE

C-1 Minister of Municipal Affairs

Moved by Councillor Johnston, seconded by Councillor Currie that the correspondence from the Minister of Municipal Affairs be received and filed.

CARRIED

C-2 Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure

Council requested that the correspondence be advertised on the Village of Masset's Facebook page and website.

Moved by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Currie that the correspondence from the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure be received and filed.

CARRIED

VERBAL REPORTS OF COUNCIL/CAO/CFO

Councillor Johnston attended a Gwaii Trust meeting for the Major Infrastructure Programs applications were reviewed; there will be an increase to the travel fund; the staycation grant has been closed and the remaining money will be used as a contingency fund and the Aathlii Gwaii funds are close to being released.

Councillor Currie attended Harbour Committee and Community Futures Board meetings.

Councillor Carty attended the Gwaii Trust and Harbour Committee meetings.

Jo-Ann Brown has been working on project claims and reporting, taxation webinars.

Josh Humphries has been working with airport staff to get ready for the Transport Canada inspection happening on October 24, 2022 and the mock accident exercise on October 26, 2022 involving RCMP, VOM & OM Fire Departments, BC Ambulance and VOM staff.

Mayor Pages attended a North Coast Regional Board meeting and participated in RBA discussions with Nathan Cullen to sign an MOU to receive \$100,000 seed money to assist with staffing etc.

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

CARRIED

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BYLAWS

Bylaw No. 654 A Bylaw to Amend Zoning Bylaw No. 422

Moved by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Currie to schedule a public hearing prior to the Council Meeting scheduled in the future to amend Bylaw No. 422 that will discuss rezoning 2463 Harrison Avenue – Lot 31 & 32 from RR1 to Residential (R2).

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

NB-1 NDI Business Façade 2023

Moved by Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Carty that the Village of Masset submit an application for the 2023 NDI Business Façade Improvement Program.

CARRIED

NB-2 NDI Local Government Internship and First Nations Government Internship

The deadline for this year's NDI Intern Program is at the end of December 2022. The Village of Masset is working on an application for \$50,000.00 for salary, training, travel and housing subsidy for an intern from NDI, the Village of Masset's contribution will be \$10,000.00.

Moved by Councillor Johnston, seconded by Councillor Currie, that the Village of Masset apply to the NDIT Local Government Internship Program for a grant of up to \$50,000 to hire an intern beginning in 2023: AND that the Village of Masset provides funding up to \$10,000 and 10 days' vacation over the 12-month term or 4% vacation pay; AND is committed to providing sufficient financial and staff resources to host an intern and provide appropriate training and professional development opportunities for the selected intern.

CARRIED

NB-3 Harbour Authority Minutes

Moved by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Johnston to receive the Harbour Authority Committee meeting minutes of December 06, 2021.

CARRIED

NB-4 Masset Volunteer Fire Department Level of Service Resolution

Moved by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councilor Johnston, the Village of Masset confirms the level of service of the Masset Volunteer Fire Departments to be exterior operations only.

CARRIED

NB-5 Aviation Fuel Solutions Training

The airport is planning to facilitate an aircraft fuel training program for the airport staff in March 2023. An instructor would come from Ontario and the cost would be approximately \$10,000.00.

Moved by Councillor Johnston, seconded by Councillor Currie to approve the airport fueling training session in March 2023 at a cost of \$10,000.00.

CARRIED

NB-6 AP Cheque Listing September 1-30, 2022

Moved by Councillor Currie, seconded by Councillor Carty that the cheque listing for September 1-30, 2022 be approved.

CARRIED

NB-7 BC Hydro DC Fast Charging Network

BC Hydro has suggested the location between Mile Zero Pub and the Causeway Store as a possible spot for the charging station. Other locations previously discussed did not meet the power requirements needed. Concerns were raised that the location would not have enough room for the charging stations and might impede traffic on either side of the location. Josh will get Public Works staff to look at the suggested location to see if any changes need to be made. Josh will get in touch with BC Hydro with council's concerns and report back.

NB-7 NCRD Community to Community Forum Program

Josh is working on an application to the Regional Community to Community Forum Program for \$5,000.00 to host a Housing Forum in Masset. The deadline for the application is December 02, 2022.

Moved by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Currie to approve the submission of the application for \$5,000.00 to the Regional Community to Community Forum Program to host a Housing Forum in Masset.

CARRIED

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

Members of the Canadian Rangers thanked the council for the work they do in the community and also thanked Josh for helping them find another location for their headquarters originally in the PEP building.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Carty the meeting be adjourned at 8:19 pm to a closed session.

CARRIED

Mayor

Recording Secretary

Certified Correct, Administrator