



MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL FOR THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF BURNS LAKE HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON Tuesday, December 08, 2020 AT 6:00 PM

PRESENT

Meeting held via Zoom

Mayor D. Funk – *in Chambers*
Councillor H. Wiebe
Councillor K. White
Councillor C. Rensby
CAO Worthing – *in Chambers*
Deputy Corporate Officer V. Anderson – *in Chambers*
EDO L. Watson

GUESTS

No guests

PUBLIC

0 members of the public

MEDIA

Priyanka Ketkar – *Lakes District News* via Zoom

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Funk called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

“On behalf of Council, I would like to acknowledge the traditional territories of the area’s Six First Nations.”

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved and seconded by Council

2020-12-08: 387

THAT the agenda for December 8, 2020, Special Meeting of Council be approved as presented.

CARRIED

PUBLIC AND STATUTORY HEARINGS; AND READINGS OR ADOPTIONS

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

DELEGATIONS

None

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

None

MAYOR AND COUNCILLOR REPORTS

None

REPORTS

Housing Needs Report 2020 Village of Burns Lake– Lorraine Copus, sparc bc

- L. Copus. gave an overview of the 2020 Housing Needs Report
- The report follows the guidelines provided by UBCM.
- 162 responses to the survey were received.
- Housing issues are unique to each community.
- Growth and pipeline construction have created rental pressures.
- Overview of population and household data, housing choices.
- Slow population growth is expected.
- Housing demands continue to grow.
- The continued growth of the senior population.
- Increased need for supply and diversity in the existing housing stock.
- Both supply and demand solutions are needed.
- Over 50% of household maintainers are 44 plus
- Requirements in the community, more affordable housing, more entry-level housing, housing for key workers moving to the community, more choices for seniors and those experiencing homelessness.
- The municipality does not have enough smaller rental units for professionals and seniors.
- In 2016 average rental units were \$776/month, currently, rates are \$1,000 to \$1,200 or higher. Stats are not current enough to adequately show the effect of the pipeline project.
- Burns Lake has lower ownership rates than the average community.
- Discussion of the mix of housing types in the community.
- Much of the housing stock was constructed before 1980
- Stats were gathered from StatsCan and BC Stats estimates. BC stats estimates are more accurate for smaller communities.
- Exploration of strategies to address the shortage of rental housing. The municipality can support through regulatory changes regarding secondary suites and coach houses.
- Collaboration with developers to encourage construction.
- Discussion of the building step-code and the effect on small communities and what the municipality can do.

- L. Copus will put Council in contact with Shane Ramsey from BC Housing to discuss step-coded concerns.

Mayor Funk thanked the sparc bc representative for the presentation.

It was moved and seconded by Council:

2020-12-08: 388

THAT the *Housing Needs Report 2020 – Village of Burns Lake* be approved.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING None

ORIGINAL COMMUNICATIONS – ACTION None

ORIGINAL COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED AND FILED None

NEW BUSINESS None

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE None


PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD None

ADJOURNMENT It was moved and seconded by Council

2020-12-08: 389

THAT December 8, 2020, Special Meeting is adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

CARRIED



MAYOR



CORPORATE OFFICER

Certified to be a true copy of the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council for the Corporation of the Village of Burns Lake held on Tuesday, December 08, 2020.