



**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council**

**November 23, 2021, 7:00 p.m.**

**Council Chambers**

Members Present: Mayor D. Funk  
Councillor H. Wiebe – via Zoom  
Councillor C. Rensby – via Zoom  
Councillor K. White – via Zoom  
Councillor K. Bjarnason – via Zoom

Staff Present: CAO S. Worthing  
DCO, V. Anderson

Public Amy Wainwright, Plan North – via Zoom  
Eddie Huband, Lakes District News – via Zoom

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

"On behalf of Council, I would like to acknowledge the traditional territories of the area's Six First Nations."

Mayor D. Funk called the November 23, 2021 Regular Meeting of Council to order at 7:00 pm.

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

It was moved and seconded by Council:

**2021-11-23: 363**

**THAT the Agenda for November 23, 2021, Regular Meeting of Council is approved as presented.**

**CARRIED**

**3. PUBLIC AND STATUTORY HEARINGS AND READINGS OR ADOPTION**

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

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**5. DELEGATIONS AND PETITION**

**6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

It was moved and seconded by Council:

**2021-11-23: 364**

**THAT November 9, 2021, minutes of the Special Meeting of Council (5:30 pm) be adopted;**

**AND THAT November 9, 2021, minutes of the Special Meeting of Council (6:00 pm) be adopted;**

**AND THAT the November 9, 2021 minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council be adopted.**

**CARRIED**

**7. MAYOR, COUNCILLOR AND CAO REPORTS**

CAO S. Worthing

- CAO Worthing reported that the winter parade will now be a reverse parade.
- There will be fireworks organizers are encouraging residents to stay in their cars and view from anywhere in town.

Councillor C. Rensby

- The truck rally has been replanned for Dec. 11 in Prince George.
- Flying tomorrow to Victoria to talk forestry.

Councillor White

- Attended the Community Energy Association meeting, many topics of discussion.
- Encouraging 25 km reduction in kilometres driven by 2030.

It was moved and seconded by Council:

**2021-11-23: 365**

**THAT the Mayor, Councillor and CAO reports be received**

**CARRIED**

## **8. REPORTS**

### **8.a Development Variance Permit 2021-02 Hamp**

- A. Wainwright provided a recap of the permit request.
- The permit is required due to the inclusion of a storage facility within the fence.
- Pins were found, so the concern of 0-metre setback has been alleviated.
- There is a municipal right-of-way beside the fence.

It was moved and seconded by Council:

**2021-11-23: 366**

#### **Option 1**

**THAT Development Variance Permit 2021-02 for the property located at 230 Pioneer Way to vary Section 7.1.6(b)(ii) of the Zoning Bylaw to reduce the interior side yard setback from 1.5 metres to 0 metres and to vary Section 7.2.6(b)(iii) of the Zoning Bylaw to reduce the exterior side yard setback from 5 metres to 0 metres as shown on Schedule A, be approved.**

**CARRIED**

### **8.b Prince Rupert Port Authority - Export Development Fund Grant Application**

*Confirmation of matching funds.*

*EDO K. Guenter*

It was moved and seconded by Council:

**2021-11-23: 367**

**THAT \$10,000 be allocated from Comfor Reserves for matching funds for the Prince Rupert Port Authority Export Development Fund grant application.**

**CARRIED**

8.c Proposed 2022 Council Meeting Schedule

*DCO V. Anderson*

- No concerns were expressed.

It was moved and seconded by Council:

**2021-11-23: 368**

**THAT the following dates be set for the 2022 Regular Council Meetings at 7:00 pm:**

- **January 4 and 18**
- **February 1 and 15**
- **March 8 and 22**
- **April 5 and 19**
- **May 10 and 24**
- **June 7 and 21**
- **July 12**
- **August 16**
- **September 6 and 27**
- **October 11 and 25**
- **November 8 and 22**
- **December 6**

**AND THAT Closed Meetings of Council be held as required.**

**CARRIED**

**9. BUSINESS ARISING**

**9.a Lakes Resiliency Project**

*Appointment to Stakeholder Review and Input Group (SRIG)*

- November 9 delegation expressed an interest in having the municipality participate in the SRIG.

It was moved and seconded by Council:

**2021-11-23: 369**

**THAT Councillor Charlie Rensby be appointed as the Village of Burns Lake representative on the Lakes Resiliency Project - Stakeholder Review and Input Group (SRIG).**

**CARRIED**

**10. ORIGINAL COMMUNICATIONS ACTION**

**10.a The Link - Donor for a Day**

*Request from The Link to become a 'Donor of the Day' to support the food bank for the holiday season.*

- The Village has participated annually in this fundraiser.

It was moved and seconded by Council:

**2021-11-23: 370**

**THAT the \$500 is allocated from the COVID Relief Fund to become the 'Donor of the Day' in support of The Link's holiday fundraising campaign.**

**CARRIED**

**10.b BC Municipal Climate Leadership Meeting - Feb 22-24, 2022**

*The conference is held at UBC and is a collaboration between the BC Municipal Climate Leadership Council and the Community Energy Association.*

- This will be an in-person meeting.

It was moved and seconded by Council:

**2021-11-23: 371**

**THAT Mayor Dolores Funk attends the Climate Leadership Institute meetings held at UBC on February 22-24, 2022.**

**CARRIED**

10.c 2022 LGLA Leadership Forum

*Leadership Under Pressure - Reflections on an Extraordinary Term*

It was moved and seconded by Council:

**2021-11-23: 372**

**THAT Councillor Kristy Bjarnason and Councillor Charlie Rensby attends the LGLA Leadership Forum in Richmond on February 9-11, 2022.**

**CARRIED**

## **11. ORIGINAL COMMUNICATION RECEIVED AND FILED**

It was moved and seconded by Council:

**2021-11-23: 373**

**THAT Original Communications (a) through (g) be received and filed:**

- a) **Ministry of Municipal Affairs - *Oct Regional Meeting Summary***
- b) **BL Comfor Media Release - *VQO Request Approval***
- c) **J. Miller - *BC Cycling Coalition petition to increase funding for active transportation initiatives***
- d) **BL Public Library - *Thank you letter***
- e) **BC Natural Resources Forum - *Jan 18 - 22, 2022***
- f) **BC Crisis Line Network - *Mental Health Line in jeopardy***
- g) **Statistics Canada - *2021 Census a Success***

**CARRIED**

- Item (e) was brought forward - Mayor Funk and Councillor Rensby would like to attend the BC Natural Resources Forum

**12. NEW BUSINESS**

**13. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

The municipal accounts of \$357,665.60, dated November 18, 2021, were found to be in good order.

**14. READING FILE**

It was moved and seconded by Council:

**THAT the November Reading File be received and filed:**

1. BC Achievement Foundation - Nominate for the 2022 BC Reconciliation Award
2. CN Signs the Net Zero Commitment
3. CN Recognized for Sustainability Leadership
4. Northern BC Tourism Association - Provincial State of Emergency Declared
5. Coastal GasLink Statement RE: Work Site Access
- 6.

**CARRIED**

**15. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD**

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**16. RELEASE OF CLOSED MEETING RESOLUTIONS**

**17. ADJOURN**

It was moved and seconded by Council:

**2021-11-23: 374**

**THAT November 23, 2021, Regular Meeting of Council be adjourned at 7:19 pm.**

**CARRIED**



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MAYOR



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CORPORATE OFFICER

Certified to be a true copy of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council for the Corporation of the Village of Burns Lake held on Tuesday, November 23, 2021