VILLAGE OF SAYWARD
MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
April 6, 2021
TEAMS Electronic Meeting

Present:	Mayor Mark Baker Councillor Norm Kirschner Councillor Sue Poulsen Councillor Tom Tinsley
Regrets:	Councillor Wes Cragg
In Attendance:	Ann MacDonald, CAO Lisa Clark, CFO Melissa Coates, Finance/Admin Clerk

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM.

2. Public Input

MOTION R21/95
MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the Public Input section be moved to the end of the meeting after Public Question Period.

CARRIED

3. Introduction of Late Items - BC Ambulance – planned assessment, verbal report from Cllr. Tinsley

MOTION R21/96
MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the BC Ambulance – planned assessment, verbal report from Cllr. Tinsley be added to Item 14. New Business.

CARRIED

4. Approval of Agenda

MOTION R21/97
MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council for March 16, 2021 be approved as amended.

CARRIED

5. Minutes of Previous Meetings

MOTION R21/98
MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the minutes from the Regular Council meeting held on March 16, 2021 be adopted.

CARRIED

6. Petitions and Delegations

a) Chan Nowosad Boates, to present the Village of Sayward 2020 Audited Financial Statements and Audit Findings Report

MOTION R21/99
MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the delegation and presentation by Chan Nowosad Boates be received, and;

THAT the Village of Sayward 2020 Audited Financial Statements be approved.

CARRIED

b) Urban Systems Planning Team (OCP Review) Meet and Greet (schedule, review of household survey, schedule, etc.) Sydney Rankmore, Jake Hughson, Zack Haigh

MOTION R21/100
MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the delegation and presentation by Urban Systems be received, and;

THAT Council approves the proposed household survey and proposed OCP public engagement schedule.

CARRIED

7. Correspondence

a) City of Prince George Re: Opioid Crisis and Call for Overdose Action Plan

b) Regional Calls with Minister Osborne – COVID-19

c) Aquatic Invasive Species Resolution Request – District of Sicamous

d) Raise Disability and Income Assistance to a Livable Rate – City of Langley

e) Joint Letter from BC MPs to Min. Jordan re: 2021 Mark Selective Fisheries

f) Endorsement of 9-8-8 Crisis Line Initiative – Village of Belcarra

g) Island MPs oppose DFO regulation change to prawn fishery

MOTION R21/101
MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT correspondence (a) to (g) be received, and;

THAT Council request that the Government of Canada declare the overdose crisis a national public health; and immediately seek input from the people most affected by this crisis and meet with provinces and territories to develop a comprehensive, Pan-Canadian overdose action plan, which includes comprehensive supports and full consideration of reforms that other countries have used to significantly reduce drug-related fatalities and stigma, and;

FINALLY THAT the Province of British Columbia permanently reinstate the automatic, $300/month benefit for people receiving disability benefits and income assistance and move to

raise disability and income assistance to a livable rate that is above the market basket measure (MBM).

CARRIED

8. Council Reports

a) Councillor Poulsen – Comox Strathcona Waste Management Board Report

MOTION R21/102
MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the report from Cllr Poulsen be received.

CARRIED

9. Reports of Committees - None

10. Mayor's Report – None

11. Unfinished Business – None

12. Staff Reports

a) Projects and Issues Workplan – Quarterly Update Dated March 31, 2021

MOTION R21/103
MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT Council receive the Projects and Issues Workplan, March 31, 2021, and;

THAT staff provide a monthly update of key initiatives and post on the Village of Sayward website.

CARRIED

b) Policy Update Project

MOTION R21/104
MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT Council receives the Policy Update Project report for information and discussion, and;

THAT Council approve Policy #300-03 - Credit Card Policy as amended.

CARRIED

c) Request for Tax Relief – Salmon River Inn

MOTION R21/105
MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT Council receives the Request for Tax Relief – Salmon River Inn report for information and discussion, and;

THAT the owner of the Salmon River Inn be invited to make a presentation to Council that includes details of planned startup costs, market research, source of funding for startup, building remediation costs following the closure, etc. as part of that presentation; and;

FINALLY THAT staff return to Council with details of the fee exemption for Sayward Mall for Council to reconsider that matter.

CARRIED

d) BC Building Code and Non-Compliant Properties – Update

MOTION R21/106
MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT Council receives the information and provide direction as required, and;

THAT staff be directed to add the tasks associated with following up on the non-compliant properties to the Project and Issues Workplan and provide an update at the next Quarterly update in August 2021, and;

FINALLY, THAT staff be directed to return to Council with recommendations for placing Notice on Title on non-compliant properties.

CARRIED

e) Review and Update of Council Procedure Bylaw No. 416, 2015

MOTION R21/107
MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT Council approves the revisions to Bylaw No. 416, 2015 as reviewed on March 2, 2021, and;

THAT Council considers the revisions to Bylaw No. 416, 2015 as tabled by Councillor Cragg on March 2, 2021 at a later date.

CARRIED

13. Bylaws

a) 2021-2025 Financial Plan Bylaw 472, 2021

MOTION R21/108
MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 472, 2021 be given fourth and final reading.

CARRIED

14. New Business

BC Ambulance – planned assessment, verbal report from Cllr. Tinsley

MOTION R21/109
MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT staff be directed to follow-up and report back to Council on any planned assessment and evaluation of the BC Ambulance Services located in the Village of Sayward.

CARRIED

15. Public Question Period (maximum 15 minutes)

a) Jackie Lyons, e-mail dated March 31, 2021

MOTION R21/110
MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT Mrs. Lyons request be addressed by the additional monthly update of key projects as addressed by Council in item 12 a) above.

CARRIED

16. In-Camera - None

17. Adjournment

MOTION R21/111
MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the Regular Meeting of Council for April 6, 2021 be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 PM.

Original signed by "M.Baker"
Mayor

Original signed by "A. MacDonald"
Corporate Officer