



**VILLAGE OF SAYWARD
MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 3, 2019
KELSEY CENTRE GYMNASIUM**

Present: Mayor John MacDonald
Councillor Joyce Ellis
Councillor Wes Cragg
Councillor Bill Ives

Absent: Councillor Norm Kirschner (authorized)

In Attendance: Lisa Clark, Acting CAO
John France, Consultant

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

2. Public Input (maximum 30 minutes)

Mayor stated all the questions from last meeting were answered and we would therefore move right into the public question period.

Debbie Coates	Questions asked about allowing campers to stay longer than one month, there are trailer parks for those wishing a longer stay.	Advised village will follow the bylaws and practices currently in place.
Irene Callaghan	Asked a question on the certain phrasing in two editions of the Daycare proposal being at odds.	Clir Cragg explained the perceived difference, both editions actually said the same thing.
Mark Baker	Question on revenue anticipation (RA) loan and status of dam project.	The village has not used the RA loan and does not intend to. Update on dam is coming later in agenda.
Debbie Coates	Campground issue, not OK to play favorites on who can stay, but sees the benefit of having the nurse there.	Issue is in agenda.
Irene Callaghan	Asked why the Kelsey Centre was closed but some people still get to use it.	Advised the Centre is closed except for the multipurpose room, which is used by the dominos club and others.

Mark Baker	Commented on the KC being closed in September.	Advised KC is not closed, only the pool is closed for swimming because we don't have a lifeguard.
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3. Introduction of Late Items - None

4. Approval of Agenda

MOTION R19/228

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council for September 3, 2019 be approved.

CARRIED

5. Minutes of Previous Meetings

MOTION R19/229

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the minutes from the Regular Council meeting held on August 13, 2019 be adopted.

THAT the minutes of the Special Council meeting held on August 19, 2019 be adopted as amended.

THAT the minutes of the Special Council meeting held on August 22, 2019 be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

6. Business Arising - None

7. Petitions and Delegations - None

8. Correspondence

MOTION R19/230

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the following correspondence be received.

a) Green Communities Committee – Level 1 achievement, Aug 15, 2019

CARRIED

9. Council Reports - None

10. Mayor's Report – None

11. Staff Reports

a) Staff Report: Social Procurement

MOTION R19/231

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT Council receives the report on Social Procurement for information and discussion;

And THAT Council authorizes membership in the CCSPI and payment of \$468, an amount equal to the annual AVICC member dues, for the period 2019 and 2020.

Councillor Cragg Opposed

CARRIED

b) Staff Report: Campground

MOTION R19/232

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT Council receives the report on the Campground for information and discussion, and, provide Staff with direction.

And THAT Council directs Staff to advise Mr. Pringle that his request to use the campground for longer than one month is not approved.

And THAT the campground policy dated 11/02 be rescinded,

And Finally, THAT Staff develop a new campground policy for deliberation at a future Council meeting.

CARRIED

c) Staff Report: SRD Municipal Services Agreement

MOTION R19/233

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT Council receives the report on the SRD Municipal Services Agreement,

And Further THAT Council authorizes the Mayor and Corporate Officer to sign the Municipal Services Agreement.

Councillor Cragg Opposed

CARRIED

d) Staff Report: Projects Update Report – September 2019

MOTION R19/234

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the Projects Update Report – September 2019 be received for information and discussion.

CARRIED

e) Staff Report: FTE Admin 2019

MOTION R19/235

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT Council receives the report on FTE Admin 2019 for information and discussion.

CARRIED

Note: Council wished to see this item brought back in October

f) Staff Report: Permissive Tax Exemptions 2019

MOTION R19/236

MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the report on Permissive Tax Exemptions (PTE) be received for information, discussion and direction;

And THAT the Royal Canadian Legion PTE be approved for the years 2020-2023.

And Further THAT the Sayward Futures Society PTE be approved for the years 2020 and 2021.

And Finally, THAT the Sayward Community Health Society PTE be approved for the years 2020 and 2021.

CARRIED

12. Old Business

UBCM Conference 2019:

Appointments requests have been made to the Premier, Minister Selina Robinson, Minister Jinny Sims, Minister Doug Donaldson, BC Hydro, BC Assessment, and Kathy MacNeil (VIHA).

Note: Staff advised work will begin on the UBCM binder next week.

13. Bylaws - None

14. Financial – None

15. New Business - None

16. Public Question Period (maximum 15 minutes)

Debbie Coates	Commented on the use of a headhunter for the CAO position, seems odd to hire someone you have to train, why not just hire a qualified CAO, thanked Lisa for her dedication to the Village.	Advised Council decided not to use a headhunter at this time and that a qualified CAO would be hired. At this time, we will have to wait to see the candidates that apply.
Debbie Coates	Commented on tax increases tied to increase in assessed values and increase in Mayor & Council stipends.	Advised Council uses a calculation which calculates taxes using last year's tax amount on current years assessed values then adds 2.5 % to each class rate. The rates dropped considerably in 2019 however assessments increased also. Stipend increase was done by the previous Council and is the normal practice.
Mark Baker	Commented on the use of DCC's to raise capital for infrastructure and that excessive DCC's can depress development. Also commented on the limited growth opportunities for the Village due to the water treatment facility capacity limit.	Village currently does not have DCC's but is looking into it. Funding infrastructure is a big challenge and options need to be explored. A second reservoir would alleviate growth and capacity issues in the Village.
Angie Hibbert	Asked Council to reconsider the permissive tax exemption for the Sayward Community Health Society. Requested that the exemption be granted for 4 years rather than 2.	Advised that the Society can apply again in 2 years for another PTE.

17. In-Camera

**MOTION R19/237
MOVED AND SECONDED**

Prepare to go In-Camera

THAT in accordance with Section 92 of the *Community Charter*, this Council meeting will be closed to the public at this time in order that Council may give consideration to matters in accordance with Section 90 (1)(c) of the *Community Charter* to discuss personnel issues.

CARRIED

18. Rise

19. Adjournment

**MOTION R19/238
MOVED AND SECONDED**

THAT the Regular Meeting of Council for September 3, 2019 be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM.



Mayor John MacDonald



Chief Administrative Officer