



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

March 28, 2022

6:00 pm

Council Chambers of City Hall

1100 Patricia Boulevard, Prince George, BC

PRESENT: Mayor Lyn Hall
Councillor Frank Everitt
Councillor Garth Frizzell
Councillor Murry Krause
Councillor Terri McConnachie
Councillor Cori Ramsay
Councillor Kyle Sampson
Councillor Susan Scott
Councillor Brian Skakun

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. Walter Babicz, City Manager
Ms. Deanna Wasnik, Director of Planning and Development
Mr. Kris Dalio, Director of Finance
Mr. Blake McIntosh, Director of Civic Operations
Mr. Andy Beesley, Director of Recreation and Events
Ms. Maureen Connelly, Manager of Legislative Services/Corporate Officer
Ms. Leslie Kellett, Deputy Corporate Officer

A. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Scott

That the agenda for the regular meeting of Council scheduled for March 28, 2022, BE ADOPTED.

Carried Unanimously

B. MINUTES

B.1 Adoption of Minutes – March 14, 2022

Moved By Councillor McConnachie

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That the attached minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held March 14, 2022, BE ADOPTED as read on this day and that such minutes as read set out all of the business before Council at that meeting and fully and properly record all of the resolutions and bylaws passed and adopted by Council at that meeting.

Carried Unanimously

C. REPORTS

MAYOR LYN HALL

C.1 The Rocky Mountain Rangers 10th Anniversary

Major Darcey Hormann, Deputy Commanding Officer; Captain Eric Depeneau, Second in Command; Honorary Colonel Tom Newell; and Master Corporal Kyle Limoges, The Rocky Mountain Rangers, provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Rocky Mountain Rangers' 10th Anniversary including information on the Primary Reserve, purpose of the Rocky Mountain Rangers, organization challenges and opportunities, local success, and the regimental gala celebrating the 10th anniversary of the regiment's return to Prince George.

Discussion commenced. Captain Depeneau and Master Corporal Limoges responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Skakun

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the presentation from the Rocky Mountain Rangers as attached to the report dated March 20, 2022 from Mayor Lyn Hall titled "The Rocky Mountain Rangers 10th Anniversary."

Carried Unanimously

CITY MANAGER – WALTER BABICZ

C.2 Legislative Amendments to Public Notice Requirements

Discussion commenced. M. Connelly, Manager of Legislative Services, W. Babicz, City Manager, and D. Wasnik, Director of Planning and Development, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That Council DIRECTS Administration to return a report with options for alternate means of public notice publishing for consideration at a future open Council meeting.

Carried Unanimously

C.3 Proposed Amendments to Local Election Related Bylaws

Discussion commenced and M. Connelly, Manager of Legislative Services, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Everitt
Seconded By Councillor Krause

That Council GIVES FIRST THREE READINGS to "City of Prince George Election and Other Voting Procedures Bylaw No. 9294, 2022."

Moved By Councillor Frizzell
Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council AMENDS section 4 of Bylaw No. 9294, 2022 by deleting the words "shall be ten (10)" and replacing it with the words "shall be two (2)."

Defeated

Mayor Hall and Councillors Everitt, Krause, McConnachie, Ramsay, Sampson, Scott, and Skakun opposed.

Main motion.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council GIVES FIRST THREE READINGS to "City of Prince George Election and Political Signs Bylaw No. 8867, 2017, Amendment Bylaw No. 9295, 2022."

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Scott
Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That Council GIVES FIRST THREE READINGS of "City of Prince George Bylaw Notice Enforcement Bylaw No. 8813, 2016, Amendment Bylaw No. 9282, 2022."

Carried Unanimously

F. FORMAL PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Regular Council Meeting adjourned to the Formal Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m.

F.1 Land Use Contract Discharge Application No. LU000050 (Bylaw No. 9244)

Applicant: Ray Olson for Dale and Georgina Olson
Location: 1312 Blackburn Road North

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Land Use Contract Discharge Application No. LU000050 (Bylaw No. 9244)" included:

- Previously submitted staff report dated January 18, 2022 from the Director of Planning and Development titled "Land Use Contract Discharge Application No. LU000050 (Bylaw No. 9244)" (Considered at the February 28, 2022 regular Council meeting);
- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Appendix "A" to Bylaw No. 9244;
- Exhibit "A" to LU000050; and

- Land Use Contract Bylaw No. 3109, 1977 (Land Title Office Document No. N29251).

Applicant:

The applicants were in attendance and available for questions.

Members of the Public:

There were no submissions from members of the public.

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Krause

That the Formal Public Hearing regarding “Land Use Contract Discharge Application No. LU000050 (Bylaw No. 9244)”, BE CLOSED.

Carried Unanimously

The Formal Public Hearing adjourned to the Regular Council Meeting at 7:03 p.m.

City of Prince George Authorization Issuance Land Use Contract No. LU 53-77, Bylaw No. 3109, 1977, Discharge Bylaw No. 9244, 2021

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council GIVES THIRD READING to “City of Prince George Authorization Issuance Land Use Contract No. LU 53-77, Bylaw No. 3109, 1977, Discharge Bylaw No. 9244, 2021” to discharge Land Use Contract Bylaw No. 3109, 1977, registered as Land Title Document No. N29251, as shown on Appendix “A” to Bylaw No. 9244, 2021 from the legal title of Lot 4, District Lot 633, Cariboo District, Plan 8698.

Carried Unanimously

DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT – DEANNA WASNIK

C.4 Civic Core Plan

T. Schaeffer, Manager of Infrastructure Planning and Engineering, provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Civic Core Plan including information on the downtown plan, current situation, emerging priorities, the civic core district, the civic core plan’s 10-year strategy for infrastructure and land use, and next steps including stakeholder engagement.

Discussion commenced and T. Schaeffer, Manager of Infrastructure Planning and Engineering, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council DIRECTS Administration to proceed with the next steps on the Civic Core Plan as described in the report dated March 9, 2022, from the Director of Planning and Development, titled “Civic Core Plan”.

Carried Unanimously

C.5 1595 Torpy Road Road Closure Bylaw No. 9286, 2022

Applicant: City of Prince George
Location: 1595 Torpy Road

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "1595 Torpy Road Road Closure Bylaw No. 9286, 2022" included:

- Previously submitted staff report dated February 14, 2022 from the Director of Planning and Development titled "1595 Torpy Road Road Closure Bylaw No. 9286, 2022" (Considered at the February 28, 2022 regular Council meeting);
- Appendix "A" - Proposed Road Closure;
- Exhibit "A" - Location Map;
- Exhibit "B" - Proposed Consolidation; and
- Exhibit "C" - Proposed Road Dedication.

Discussion commenced and D. Wasnik, Director of Planning and Development, responded to questions of Council.

City of Prince George 1595 Torpy Road Road Closure Bylaw No. 9286, 2022

Moved By Councillor Frizzell
Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council GIVES THIRD READING to “City of Prince George 1595 Torpy Road Road Closure Bylaw No. 9286, 2022”.

Carried Unanimously

C.6 Development Variance Permit Application No. VP100596

Applicant: Daryl Leiski for Cindy Zurowski
Location: 1510 Taylor Drive

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Development Variance Permit Application No. VP100596" included:

- Staff report dated March 3, 2022 from the Director of Planning and Development titled "Development Variance Permit Application No. VP100596";
- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Development Variance Permit No. VP100596; and
- Exhibit "A" to VP100596.

Moved By Councillor McConnachie
Seconded By Councillor Krause

That Council APPROVES Development Variance Permit No. VP100596 to vary “City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007” for the property legally described as Lot A, District Lot 343, Cariboo District, Plan 8944 as follows:

- a. Vary Section 10.2.5 5. by reducing the minimum front yard setback from 4.5 m to 3.0 m, as shown on Exhibit “A” to VP100596.*

Carried Unanimously**C.7 Development Variance Permit Application No. VP100609**

Applicant: Christopher Sexsmith and Tammy Pastor

Location: 3224 Blackburn Road South

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Development Variance Permit Application No. VP100609" included:

- Staff report dated March 3, 2022 from the Director of Planning and Development titled "Development Variance Permit Application No. VP100609";
- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Development Variance Permit No. VP100609;
- Exhibit "A" to VP100609;
- Exhibit "B" to VP100609; and
- Supporting Documents.

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council APPROVES Development Variance Permit No. VP100609 to vary "City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007" for the property legally described Lot 3, District Lot 1545, Cariboo District, Plan 13257, Except Plan EPP12201 as follows:

- a. Vary Section 9.4.6 2. by increasing the maximum height of an accessory building from 6.0 m to 7.4 m, as shown on Exhibit "A" to VP100609.*

Carried Unanimously**C.8 Rezoning Amendment No. RZ100733 (Bylaw No. 9274, 2021)**

Applicant: L&M Engineering Ltd. on behalf of Kelly Zammit

Location: 1613 5th Avenue

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Rezoning Amendment No. RZ100733 (Bylaw No. 9274, 2021)" included:

- Staff report dated March 3, 2022 from the Director of Planning and Development titled "Rezoning Amendment No. RZ100733 (Bylaw No. 9274, 2021)";
- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Appendix "A" to Bylaw No. 9274;
- Correspondence dated March 16, 2022 from Emma Hyette in support of the application;
- Handout: Correspondence dated March 25, 2022 from Robert Schuetz, President, Industrial Forestry Services Ltd., in opposition to the application;
- Handout: Correspondence dated March 28, 2022 from Megan Hickey, Planner, L&M Engineering Ltd. (Applicant), in support of the application; and
- Handout: Correspondence dated March 28, 2022 from Kelly Zammit (Applicant), in support of the application.

Discussion commenced. D. Wasnik, Director of Planning and Development, and M. Connelly, Manager of Legislative Services, responded to questions of Council.

City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9274 2021

Moved By Councillor Everitt

Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council GIVES FIRST AND SECOND READING to “City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9274, 2021”.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Scott

Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That Council PERMITS that consideration of Final Reading of proposed Bylaw No. 9274, 2021 BE WITHHELD until the following requirements have been met to the satisfaction of Administration:

- a. Receipt of confirmation that Lots 11 and 12, Block 160, District Lot 343, Cariboo District, Plan 1268 have been consolidated;*
- b. Receipt of a landscaping plan and security in the amount of 120% of the cost of the landscaping works identified on the landscaping plan;*
- c. Receipt of a paving plan and security in the amount of 120% of the cost of the paving works identified on the parking and paving plan; and*
- d. Receipt of Servicing Brief.*

In addition, any recommendations presented in the preceding items must be addressed to the satisfaction of the Director of Planning and Development.

Carried Unanimously

C.9 1652 Boundary Road Road Closure Bylaw No. 9276, 2022

Applicant: City of Prince George

Location: 1652 Boundary Road

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "1652 Boundary Road Road Closure Bylaw No. 9276, 2022" included:

- Staff report dated March 3, 2022 from the Director of Planning and Development titled "1652 Boundary Road Road Closure Bylaw No. 9276, 2022";
- Appendix "A" - Proposed Road Closure;
- Exhibit "A" - Location Map; and
- Exhibit "B" - Proposed Subdivision.

City of Prince George 1652 Boundary Road Road Closure Bylaw No. 9276, 2022

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council GIVES FIRST AND SECOND READING to “City of Prince George 1652 Boundary Road Road Closure Bylaw No. 9276, 2022”.

Carried Unanimously

C.10 214 Kelly Street Road Closure Bylaw No. 9272, 2021

Applicant: City of Prince George
Location: 214 Kelly Street

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "214 Kelly Street Road Closure Bylaw No. 9272, 2021" included:

- Staff report dated March 9, 2022 from the Director of Planning and Development titled "214 Kelly Street Road Closure Bylaw No. 9272, 2021";
- Appendix "A" - Proposed Road Closure;
- Exhibit "A" - Location Map; and
- Exhibit "B" - Proposed Consolidation.

City of Prince George 214 Kelly Street Road Closure Bylaw No. 9272, 2021

Moved By Councillor McConnachie
Seconded By Councillor Krause

That Council GIVES FIRST AND SECOND READING to “City of Prince George 214 Kelly Street Road Closure Bylaw No. 9272, 2021”.

Carried Unanimously

C.11 Section 219 Covenant Application No. RC000020 (Bylaw No. 9264)

Applicant: McCarthy Tetrault LLP for 4288 P.G. Holdings Ltd., Inc. No. 483735
Location: 4288 5th Avenue

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Section 219 Covenant Application No. RC000020 (Bylaw No. 9264)" included:

- Staff report dated March 9, 2022 from the Director of Planning and Development titled "Section 219 Covenant Application No. RC000020 (Bylaw No. 9264)";
- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Appendix "A" to Bylaw No. 9264; and
- Restrictive Covenant (Land Title Office Document No. PF28450).

City of Prince George Restrictive Covenant Discharge Bylaw No. 9264, 2021

Moved By Councillor Skakun
Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council GIVES FIRST AND SECOND READING to "City of Prince George Restrictive Covenant Discharge Bylaw No. 9264, 2021" to discharge the Section 219 restrictive covenant registered as Land Title Office Document No. PF28450 from Lot A, District Lot 2507, Cariboo District, Plan PGP36482, as shown on Appendix "A" to Bylaw No. 9264.

Carried Unanimously

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE – KRIS DALIO

C.12 Permissive Tax Exemptions for Places of Public Worship

Discussion commenced and K. Dalio, Director of Finance, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Everitt

Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council DIRECTS Administration to maintain the current process for adjudicating applications for Permissive Tax Exemptions in the Public Worship Category in accordance with the Permissive Tax Exemption Policy and Permissive Tax Exemption Administrative Procedure.

Carried Unanimously

C.13 Fortis Lease-In-Lease-Out (LILO) Agreement Termination

Discussion commenced and K. Dalio, Director of Finance, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Ramsay

Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council DIRECTS Administration to create an endowment reserve for the Fortis legacy funds that ensure the funds are revolving and ensures that future Councils will always have the ability to direct the use of these funds.

Discussion commenced.

The motion was withdrawn at the request of the movers and with the consent of Council.

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor Skakun

That Council APPROVES Option 1 as outlined in the report dated March 18, 2022 from the Director of Finance titled "Fortis Lease-In-Lease-Out (LILLO) Agreement Termination".

Carried Unanimously

Discussion commenced. K. Dalio, Director of Finance, and W. Babicz, City Manager, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Skakun

That Council DIRECTS Administration to schedule a Committee of the Whole meeting to discuss renaming the Fortis Reserve Fund.

Carried Unanimously

D. BYLAWS – FINAL READING AND ADOPTION

D.1 City of Prince George Land Use Contract Discharge Bylaw No. 9213, 2021

Moved By Councillor Scott

Seconded By Councillor Skakun

That Council GRANTS FINAL READING AND ADOPTION to "City of Prince George Land Use Contract Discharge Bylaw No. 9213, 2021."

Carried Unanimously

D.2 City of Prince George Pharaoh Road Road Closure Bylaw No. 9223, 2021

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council GRANTS FINAL READING AND ADOPTION to "City of Prince George Pharaoh Road Road Closure Bylaw No. 9223, 2021."

Carried Unanimously

E. CORRESPONDENCE

Mayor Hall requested further consideration of Correspondence item E.6.

E.1 Correspondence dated March 14, 2022 from Alisa Thompson, Corporate Administrator, City of Terrace: Resolution for Consideration by the North Central Local Government Association (NCLGA) Regarding BC Prosecution Service and the Public Interest

E.2 Correspondence dated March 10, 2022 from Mayor Henry Braun, City of Abbotsford: Resolution for Consideration by the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) Regarding Build Back Better Funding

E.3 Correspondence dated March 11, 2022 from Johnson Lee, Stakeholder Engagement Lead, BC Hydro: Peace to Kelly Lake Stations Sustainability Project

E.4 Correspondence dated March 15, 2022 from Mayor Dean McKerracher, District of Elkford: Milk Container Recycling in British Columbia

E.5 Correspondence dated March 16, 2022 regarding Reducing Patio Application Red Tape for BC's Hospitality Sector and Economic Recovery

E.6 Correspondence from the Cariboo Regional District requesting Support of Lobbying Efforts with the Province of BC and BC Hydro for Permanent Establishment of Three-Phase Power Along the Highway 26 Corridor to Wells

Councillor Krause declared a non-pecuniary conflict of interest as he owns property in the District of Wells and exited Council Chambers at 8:54 p.m.

Discussion commenced.

Moved By Councillor Skakun

Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council PROVIDES a letter of support to the Cariboo Regional District to assist in their lobbying efforts with the Province of BC for the permanent establishment of three-phase power along the Highway 26 Corridor to the community of Wells.

Carried Unanimously

Councillor Krause returned to Council Chambers at 8:55 p.m.

Moved By Councillor Scott

Seconded By Councillor McConnachie

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION correspondence items E.1 to E.6.

Carried Unanimously

I. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor Krause

That there being no further business the Regular Council Meeting, BE ADJOURNED.

Carried Unanimously

THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 8:55 P.M.

CHAIRPERSON

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