



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

March 8, 2021

6:00 pm

Council Chambers of City Hall

1100 Patricia Boulevard, Prince George, BC

PRESENT:

Mayor Lyn Hall, Chair
Councillor Everitt
Councillor Frizzell
Councillor Krause
Councillor McConnachie <via Zoom>
Councillor Ramsay
Councillor Sampson
Councillor Scott
Councillor Skakun <via Zoom>

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr. Walter Babicz, Acting City Manager
Mr. Ian Wells, Acting Deputy City Manager
Mr. Kris Dalio, Director of Finance
Mr. Blake McIntosh, Acting Director of Civic Operations
Mr. Adam Davey, Director of Community Services and Public Safety
Mr. Rob van Adrichem, Director of External Relations
Ms. Maureen Connelly, Manager of Legislative Services
Ms. Leslie Kellett, Legislative Coordinator

A. ADOPTION OF THE AMENDED AGENDA

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Krause

That the agenda for the regular meeting of Council scheduled for March 8, 2021, be amended by adding a PowerPoint presentation at agenda item E.9, five (5) items of correspondence at agenda items E.12 and E.12.1, and one (1) item of correspondence at agenda item G.1, and that the agenda, BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED.

Carried Unanimously

B. MINUTES

B.1 Adoption of Minutes - February 22, 2021

Moved By Councillor Everitt

Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That the attached minutes of the regular Council meeting held February 22, 2021, 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. DELEGATION(S)

C.1 FortisBC

Topic: FortisBC Greenhouse Gas Reduction Initiative, "30By30"

Presenter: Matt Mason, Community and Indigenous Relations Manager

Mr. Matt Mason, Community and Indigenous Relations Manager, joined the meeting via Zoom and provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding FortisBC's Greenhouse Gas Reduction Initiative, "30By30," including information on FortisBC's area of operations, 30By30 emission reduction target of 30% by 2030, and the four pillars of the Clean Growth Pathway.

Discussion commenced and Mr. Mason responded to questions of Council.

D. CONSENT AGENDA (FOR INFORMATION)

Councillor Frizzell requested further consideration of Consent Agenda Item D.1.

D.1 Monthly Building Permit and Development Permit Summary (February 2021)

Discussion commenced. I. Wells, Acting Deputy City Manager, and R. van Adrichem, Director of External Relations, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated March 2, 2021, from the Acting Deputy City Manager, titled "Monthly Building Permit and Development Permit Summary (February 2021)."

Carried Unanimously

E. REPORTS

MAYOR LYN HALL

E.1 Sustane Technologies Inc. and Arbios Biotech Presentation

Presenters:

- Peter Vinall, President, Sustane Technologies, Inc.
- Kevin Cameron, Vice President, Sales and Government Relations, Sustane Technologies, Inc.

- Alan Nicholl, Chief Financial Officer and Executive Vice President, Finance and Canfor Pulp Products, Inc., Canadian Forest Products Ltd.
- Sotirios Korogonas, General Manager, Energy and Biofuel Development, Canfor Pulp, Canadian Forest Products Ltd.
- Michelle Ward, Senior Director, Communications and Government Relations, Canadian Forest Products Ltd.

Councillor Skakun declared a non-pecuniary conflict of interest due to his employment at Canfor and exited the meeting at 6:19 p.m.

Mr. Peter Vinall, President, Sustane Technologies Inc., Mr. Kevin Cameron, Vice President, Sales and Government Relations, Sustane Technologies Inc., Mr. Alan Nicholl, Chief Financial Officer and Executive Vice President, Finance and Canfor Pulp Products, Inc., Canadian Forest Products Ltd., Mr. Sotirios Korogonas, General Manager, Energy and Biofuel, Development, Canfor Pulp, Canadian Forest Products Ltd., and Ms. Michelle Ward, Senior Director, Communications and Government Relations, Canadian Forest Products Ltd., attended the meeting via Zoom and provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding biomass including information on the history of biomass and biofuel and the benefits of a production facility in Prince George.

Discussion commenced. Mr. Vinall, Mr. Nicholl, Mr. Korogonas, and Ms. Ward responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Everitt

Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the presentation from Sustane Technologies Inc. and Canadian Forest Products Ltd. (Canfor) regarding proposed biomass/biofuel projects in the City of Prince George.

Carried Unanimously

Councillor Skakun rejoined the meeting at 6:48 p.m.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

E.2 Select Committee on a Safe, Clean, and Inclusive Community 2020 Annual Report (Verbal Report from Mayor Hall, Chair)

Mayor Hall, Chair, Select Committee on a Safe, Clean, and Inclusive Community, provided a verbal update regarding the work conducted by the Select Committee on a Safe, Clean, and Inclusive Community in 2020.

Discussion commenced. C. Bone, Senior Manager of Strategic Initiatives and Partnerships, and A. Davey, Director of Community Services and Public Safety, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the verbal report provided by Mayor Hall, Chair of the Select Committee on a Safe, Clean, and Inclusive Community, regarding committee activities in 2020.

Carried Unanimously

E.3 Select Committee on Poverty Reduction 2020 Annual Report (Verbal Report from Councillor Krause, Chair)

Councillor Krause, Chair, Select Committee on Poverty Reduction, provided a verbal update regarding the work conducted by the Select Committee on Poverty Reduction in 2020.

Discussion commenced.

Moved By Councillor Krause
Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the verbal report provided by Councillor Krause, Chair of the Select Committee on Poverty Reduction regarding committee activities in 2020.

Carried Unanimously

E.4 Advisory Committee on Accessibility 2020 Annual Report

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council:

1. *APPROVES the Advisory Committee on Accessibility 2021 Work Plan attached to the report dated February 4, 2021 from the Chair of the Advisory Committee on Accessibility; and*
2. *RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated February 4, 2021 from the Chair of the Advisory Committee on Accessibility titled “Advisory Committee on Accessibility 2020 Annual Report.”*

Carried Unanimously

E.5 Advisory Committee on Development Design 2020 Annual Report

Discussion commenced and I. Wells, Acting Deputy City Manager, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Krause
Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council APPROVES the 2021 Workplan as attached to the report dated February 17, 2021, from the Chair of the Advisory Committee on Development Design, titled “Advisory Committee on Development Design 2020 Annual Report.”

Carried Unanimously

ACTING DEPUTY CITY MANAGER - IAN WELLS

E.6 Prince George Heritage Commission 2020 Annual Report

Discussion commenced and I. Wells, Acting Deputy City Manager, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Everitt
Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council:

1. *RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated February 26, 2021, from the Acting Deputy City Manager, titled “Prince George Heritage Commission 2020 Annual Report”; and*
2. *APPROVES the Prince George Heritage Commission 2021 work plan as outlined in the report.*

Carried Unanimously

E.7 Integrated Stormwater Management Plan Overview & Technical Background

Ms. Kristy Bobbie, Asset Manager, attended Centre Table and provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Integrated Stormwater Management Plan including information on the purpose and benefits of a management plan and a technical background summary.

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

Moved By Councillor Frizzell
Seconded By Councillor Krause

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated February 26, 2021, from the Acting Deputy City Manager, titled “Integrated Stormwater Management Plan Overview & Technical Background.”

Carried Unanimously

E.8 Wildfire Mitigation Fuel Removal – Addition to the 2021-2025 Financial Plan

Discussion commenced. I. Wells, Acting Deputy City Manager, K. Dalio, Director of Finance, and A. Byrne, Environmental Coordinator, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council APPROVES the addition of the Wildfire Mitigation Fuel Removal project to the 2021 – 2025 Financial Plan for a total project budget of \$639,425 with \$555,625 funded by the Union of BC Municipalities Community Resiliency Investment Program – 2020 FireSmart Communities Funding & Supports and the remaining \$83,800 funded through the City of Prince George Crown Land Forest Reserve.

Carried Unanimously

E.9 2020 Climate Change Adaptation Report

Ms. Andrea Byrne, Environmental Coordinator, attended Centre Table and provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the 2020 Climate Change Adaptation Report including information on the change in Prince George's climate between 1942 and 2018, climate change definitions, and next steps in the Climate Action Work Plan.

Discussion commenced and A. Byrne, Environmental Coordinator, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Frizzell

Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council:

1. *RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the report dated February 10, 2021, from the Acting Deputy City Manager, titled “2020 Climate Change Adaptation Report”; and*
2. *APPROVES sharing the report with the Canadian Centre for Climate Services of Natural Resources Canada.*

Carried Unanimously

E.10 Official Community Plan Amendment Application No. CP100164 (Bylaw No. 9156) and Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100678 (Bylaw No. 9157)

Applicant: The Hub Collection Ltd.

Location: 4500 Ospika Boulevard

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Official Community Plan Amendment Application No. CP100164 (Bylaw No. 9156) and Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100678 (Bylaw No. 9157)" included:

- Staff report dated February 18, 2021, from the Acting Deputy City Manager, titled "Official Community Plan Amendment Application No. CP100164 (Bylaw No. 9156) and Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100678 (Bylaw No. 9157)";
- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Appendix "A" to Bylaw No. 9156;
- Appendix "A" to Bylaw No. 9157; and
- Exhibit "A" to CP100164.

City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9156, 2020

City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9157, 2020

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

Moved By Councillor Scott

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council GIVES FIRST READING to “City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9156, 2020.”

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Krause
Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council CONSIDERS “City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9156, 2020”, in conjunction with the current Financial Plan and confirm there are no issues.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Ramsay
Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That Council CONSIDERS “City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9156, 2020”, in conjunction with the current Regional District of Fraser Fort-George Solid Waste Management Plan and confirm there are no issues.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Krause

That Council CONSIDERS “City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9156, 2020”, in conjunction with the City of Prince George Strategic Framework for a Sustainable Prince George and confirm there are no issues.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Scott
Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council GIVES SECOND READING to “City of Prince George Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 8383, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 9156, 2020”.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Ramsay
Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council APPROVES the following public consultation process to fulfill the requirements of Section 475 of the Local Government Act:

- a. Two (2) Citywide Newspaper advertisements requesting written comment; and*
- b. Request for written comment from properties identified on Exhibit “A” to CP100164.*

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Krause
Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That Council GIVES FIRST AND SECOND READING to “City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9157, 2020.”

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Everitt
Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council PERMITS the Public Hearing for proposed Bylaw No. 9156, 2020 and 9157, 2020 BE WITHHELD until the following requirements have been met to the satisfaction of Administration:

- a. Receipt of Traffic Impact Study (TIS); and*
- b. Receipt of Serving Brief.*

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council PERMITS that consideration of Final Reading of proposed Bylaw No. 9156, 2020 and 9157, 2020 BE WITHHELD until the following requirement has been met to the satisfaction of Administration:

- a. Registration of a Section 219 No Build Covenant on the title of the subject property.*

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

Carried Unanimously

E.11 Development Variance Permit Application No. VP100580

Applicant: DBA Cantilever Construction for Christian Sdoutz and Gerald Sdoutz
Location: 7664 Moncton Crescent

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Development Variance Permit Application No. VP100580" included:

- Staff report dated January 26, 2021, from the Acting Deputy City Manager, titled "Development Variance Permit Application No. VP100580";
- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Development Variance Permit No. VP100580;
- Exhibit "A" to VP100580; and
- Supporting Documents.

Moved By Councillor Everitt
Seconded By Councillor Frizzell

That Council APPROVES Development Variance Permit No. VP100580 to vary City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007 for the property legally described Lot 13, District Lot 754, Cariboo District, Plan 22200 as follows:

- a. *Vary Section 10.2.5 6. by decreasing the minimum interior side yard for principal development from 1.2 m to 0.6 m, as shown on Exhibit "A" to VP100580.*

Carried Unanimously

E.12 Temporary Use Permit Application No. TU000066

Applicant: Canna Northwest Enterprises Inc. for Blanleil Cranbrook Holding Ltd. Inc.
No. BC0826729
Location: 2591 Vance Road

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Temporary Use Permit Application No. TU000066" included:

- Staff report dated February 10, 2021, from the Acting Deputy City Manager, titled "Temporary Use Permit Application No. TU000066";
- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Temporary Use Permit No. TU000066;
- Handout: Correspondence from Mary Reyers in opposition to the application;
- Handout: Correspondence dated March 5, 2021, from Andre Blanleil, President, Blanleil Cranbrook Holdings Ltd., in support of the application;
- Handout: Correspondence from Andre Blanleil, President, Andre's Electronic Experts, in support of the application;
- Handout: Correspondence from Canna Northwest Enterprises Inc. (Applicant) in support of the application; and
- Handout: Correspondence received March 8, 2021, from Allan MacDonald, Brookwood Plaza, in opposition to the application.

Discussion commenced and I. Wells, Acting Deputy City Manager, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Krause
Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council APPROVES Temporary Use Permit No. TU000066 for the property legally described as Lot 1, District Lot 753, Cariboo District, Plan 10352.

Carried Unanimously

E.12.1 Cannabis License Application No. CN000017

Applicant: Canna Northwest Enterprises Inc. for Blanleil Cranbrook Holding Ltd. Inc. No. BC0826729
Location: 2591 Vance Road

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Cannabis License Application No. CN000017" include:

- Staff report dated February 10, 2021, from the Acting Deputy City Manager, titled "Cannabis License Application No. CN000017";

- Location and Existing Zoning Map;
- Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch Approval;
- Handout: Correspondence from Mary Reyers in opposition to the application;
- Handout: Correspondence dated March 5, 2021, from Andre Blanleil, President, Blanleil Cranbrook Holdings Ltd., in support of the application;
- Handout: Correspondence from Andre Blanleil, President, Andre's Electronic Experts, in support of the application;
- Handout: Correspondence from Canna Northwest Enterprises Inc. (Applicant) in support of the application; and
- Handout: Correspondence received March 8, 2021, from Allan MacDonald, Brookwood Plaza, in opposition to the application.

Moved By Councillor Everitt

Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council CONFIRMS that its comments on the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch's prescribed considerations are as set out in the report dated February 10, 2021 from Ian Wells, Acting Deputy City Manager, for Cannabis License Application No. CN000017.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Scott

Seconded By Councillor Ramsay

That Council CONFIRMS the methods used to gather the views of potentially affected property owners were in accordance with section 4: Public Consultation of the City of Prince George Liquor and Cannabis Licensing Policy and that the views of affected residents are as summarized in the minutes of the Council Meeting held on March 8, 2021.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Sampson

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council SUPPORTS the approval of the Cannabis License Application to allow the retail of cannabis for Dragon's Peak Cannabis located at 2591 Vance Road subject to the approval of Temporary Use Permit Application No. TU000066, for the following reasons:

This application is not expected to have a negative impact on the community or produce any significant negative land use impacts on adjacent properties.

Carried Unanimously

E.13 390 Nicholson Street Road Closure Bylaw No. 9151, 2020

Applicant: City of Prince George

Location: 390 Nicholson Street

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "390 Nicholson Street Road Closure Bylaw No. 9151, 2020" included:

- Previously submitted staff report dated December 17, 2020, from the Acting Deputy City Manager, titled "390 Nicholson Street Road Closure Bylaw No. 9151, 2020" (*Considered at the February 8, 2021 Regular Council Meeting*);
- Appendix "A" - Proposed Road Closure;
- Exhibit "A" - Location Map; and
- Exhibit "B" - Proposed Consolidation.

City of Prince George 390 Nicholson Street Road Closure Bylaw No. 9151, 2020

Discussion commenced and I. Wells, Acting Deputy City Manager, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Scott

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council GIVES THIRD READING to "City of Prince George 390 Nicholson Street Road Closure Bylaw No. 9151, 2020."

Carried Unanimously

E.14 Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100682 (Bylaw No. 9163, 2020)

Applicant: Bernard Lurz

Location: 4555 Greenwood Street

Documents for Council's consideration regarding "Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100682 (Bylaw No. 9163, 2020)" included:

- Previously submitted staff report dated January 14, 2021, from the Acting Deputy City Manager, titled "Rezoning Amendment Application No. RZ100682 (Bylaw No. 9163, 2020)" (*Considered at the February 8, 2021 Regular Council Meeting*);
- Location and Existing Zoning Map; and
- Appendix "A" to Bylaw No. 9163.

City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9163, 2020

Moved By Councillor Krause

Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council GIVES THIRD READING to "City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9163, 2020."

Carried Unanimously

ACTING DIRECTOR OF CIVIC OPERATIONS - BLAKE MCINTOSH

E.15 Canadian National Railway Otway Road Crossing

Discussion commenced. B. McIntosh, Acting Director of Civic Operations, and W. Babicz, Acting City Manager, responded to questions of Council.

Moved By Councillor Ramsay
Seconded By Councillor Sampson

That Council REFERS to the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Resolutions to advocate to the North Central Local Government Association, Union of BC Municipalities and/or Federation of Canadian Municipalities for funding of the municipality's share of the cost for improvements at Canadian National Railway crossings as per the Canadian Transportation Agency Guide to Railway Charges for Crossing Maintenance and Construction.

Carried Unanimously

Moved By Councillor Everitt
Seconded By Councillor Krause

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION, the report dated February 12, 2021, from the Acting Director of Civic Operations, titled "Canadian National Railway Otway Road Crossing."

Carried

Councillors Ramsay, Sampson, Scott and Skakun opposed.

F. BYLAWS - FINAL READING AND ADOPTION

F.1 City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9182, 2021

Moved By Councillor Ramsay
Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council GRANTS FINAL READING AND ADOPTION to "City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9182, 2021."

Carried Unanimously

F.2 City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9164, 2020

Applicant: Joe Postnikoff for Volling Holdings Ltd., Inc. No. 122893
Location: 6499 - 6437 Hart Highway

Moved By Councillor Ramsay
Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council GRANTS FINAL READING AND ADOPTION to "City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9164, 2020."

Carried Unanimously

F.3 City of Prince George Soil Removal and Deposit Bylaw No. 9030, 2019, Amendment Bylaw No. 9102, 2020

Applicant: R. Radloff & Associates for Coyote Transport Ltd., Inc. No. 0795252
Location: 4117 Northwood Pulpmill Road

Moved By Councillor Skakun
Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council GRANTS FINAL READING AND ADOPTION to "City of Prince George Soil Removal and Deposit Bylaw No. 9030, 2019, Amendment Bylaw No. 9102, 2020."

Carried Unanimously

F.4 City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9134, 2020

Applicant: M'akola Development Services for Aboriginal Housing Society of Prince George, Inc. No. 19321
Location: 1919 17th Avenue

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Scott

That Council GRANTS FINAL READING AND ADOPTION to "City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No. 7850, 2007, Amendment Bylaw No. 9134, 2020."

Carried Unanimously

G. CORRESPONDENCE

G.1 Correspondence from Dr. Marie Hay, Emeritus Clinical Assistant Professor, UBC Medicine: Regarding the PowerPoint Presentation from Sustane Technologies Inc. and Arbios Biotech Provided at Agenda Item E.1 of the March 8, 2021 Regular Council Meeting

Moved By Councillor Scott
Seconded By Councillor Everitt

That Council RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION Correspondence Item G.1.

Carried Unanimously

H. ADJOURNMENT

THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 8:29 P.M.

Moved By Councillor Sampson
Seconded By Councillor Everitt

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

Carried Unanimously

CHAIRPERSON

CERTIFIED CORRECT