



The Corporation of the Village of Salmo

REGULAR MEETING #14-18 MINUTES

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Salmo held at the Salmo Valley Youth and Community Centre located at 206 Seventh Street on Tuesday, September 25, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Stephen White
Councillor Dan Danforth
Councillor Steve Dimock
Councillor Jonathon Heatlie
Councillor Diana Lockwood
Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Anne Williams
11 Members of the Public

CALL TO ORDER: The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA:

1-14-18 Moved by Councillor Dimock and seconded by Councillor Heatlie, that the draft agenda of Regular Meeting #14-18 of Tuesday, September 25, 2018 be adopted as amended from Council Procedure Bylaw No. 663 Schedule "B" to include a Bylaw Development & Review section and a Public Question period. Carried.

DELEGATIONS: NIL

MINUTES:

2-14-18 Moved by Councillor Heatlie and seconded by Councillor Dimock,
REGULAR MEETING that the draft minutes of Regular Meeting #13-18 of Tuesday, August 14,
#13-18 2018 be adopted as presented. Carried.
August 14, 2018

3-14-18 Moved by Councillor Heatlie and seconded by Councillor Lockwood,
SPECIAL MEETING that the draft minutes of Special Meeting of Monday, August 20, 2018 be
August 20, 2018 adopted as presented. Carried.

4-14-18 Moved by Councillor Lockwood and seconded by Councillor Heatlie,
SPECIAL MEETING that the draft minutes of Special Meeting of Monday, August 29, 2018 be
August 29, 2018 adopted as presented. Carried.

REFERRALS FROM DELEGATIONS: NIL

REFERRALS FROM PRIOR MEETINGS: NIL

BYLAW DEVELOPMENT & REVIEW:

5-14-18 Moved by Councillor Heatlie and seconded by Councillor Lockwood,
ZONING AMENDMENT that the "Zoning Amendment Bylaw #698, 2018" be given third reading. Carried.
BYLAW #698, 2018 -
THIRD READING

6-14-18 Moved by Councillor Dimock and seconded by Councillor Danforth,
ZONING AMENDMENT that the "Zoning Amendment Bylaw #698, 2018", having had three readings,
BYLAW #698, 2018 - be reconsidered and adopted. Carried.
ADOPTION

7-14-18 Moved by Councillor Lockwood and seconded by Councillor Heatlie,
TAX EXEMPTION BYLAW that the "Tax Exemption Bylaw #701, 2019", as amended, be given first
#701, 2019 - FIRST reading. Carried.
READING

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8-14-18
TAX EXEMPTION BYLAW
#701, 2019 - SECOND
READING

Moved by Councillor Lockwood and seconded by Councillor Heatlie,
that the “*Tax Exemption Bylaw #701, 2019*”, as amended, be given second
reading.

Carried.

9-14-18
TAX EXEMPTION BYLAW
#701, 2019 - THIRD
READING

Moved by Councillor Heatlie and seconded by Councillor Lockwood,
that the “*Tax Exemption Bylaw #701, 2019*”, as amended, be given third
reading.

Carried.

OPERATIONAL REPORTS:

10-14-18
CIVIC WORKS

Moved by Councillor Heatlie and seconded by Councillor Dimock,
that Council receive for information the written report provided by Civic
Works Foreman Fred Paton dated September 20, 2018.

Carried.

11-14-18
FIRE DEPARTMENT

Moved by Councillor Dimock and seconded by Councillor Heatlie,
that Council receive for information the written report dated September 1,
2018 provided by Fire Chief David Hearn for the period of May to August
2018.

Carried.

12-14-18
BYLAW ENFORCEMENT

Moved by Councillor Lockwood and seconded by Councillor Heatlie,
that Council receive for information the written report on bylaw enforcement
for the period of April to August 2018.

Carried.

13-14-18
ADMINISTRATION - CAO
WRITTEN REPORT

Moved by Councillor Dimock and seconded by Councillor Heatlie,
that Council receive for information the written report dated September 20,
2018 by CAO Williams.

Carried.

14-14-18
ADMINISTRATION - UBCM
2019 AGE-FRIENDLY
STREAM 2 GRANT
APPLICATION

Moved by Councillor Dimock and seconded by Councillor Lockwood,
that Council authorize CAO Williams, in conjunction with Salmo Community
Services, to apply for the Union of British Columbia Municipalities 2019 Age-
Friendly Stream 2 grant funding for the maximum allowable amount in order
to continue undertaking age-friendly activities that enhance opportunities
and services for seniors in the area.

Carried.

STRATEGIC PLAN

NIL

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

15-14-18
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Moved by Councillor Heatlie and seconded by Councillor Lockwood,
that Council receive for information the list of accounts payable from August
10, 2018 to September 20, 2018 totaling \$452,074.86.

Carried.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NIL

**CORRESPONDENCE
REQUIRING A COUNCIL
DECISION:**

NIL

**CORRESPONDENCE FOR
INFORMATION ONLY:**

16-14-18

Moved by Councillor Heatlie and seconded by Councillor Lockwood,
that Council receive for information the following correspondence from:

- (1) Green Communities Committee Re: Congratulations on Efforts to
Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions - #074
- (2) Canadian Federation of Independent Business Re: Municipal Red Tape
- #075

- (3) Darcey Bouvier Re: District of Ucluelet Letter to Minister Robinson on the Modernization of Utility Taxation - #077
- (4) Village of Salmo Re: Seeking New Artists for Salmo Village Art Window Display

Carried.

**MEMBER REPORTS &
INQUIRIES:**

COUNCILLOR DANFORTH

- Councillor Danforth reported that the Wildfire Mitigation seminar scheduled for Wednesday, September 5 in Ymir was cancelled due to lack of participation but he was able to attend the meeting in Salmo on Thursday, September 6. The information was relevant and confirmed the FireSmart program is an essential program to have. He also noted that most fire restrictions have been lifted by the Southeast Fire Centre.
- He mentioned that the greyhound bus is scheduled to stop by October 31 and there doesn't appear to be an alternative to that. Queen City Bus in Nelson is putting trips on for people from the area to go to Kelowna but the bus will not be coming through Salmo.
- Councillor Danforth noted the Salmo Valley Newsletter that came out on September 21 had a Village report, which is a report on the current state of the Village on behalf of Council and administration. He accused the Mayor of using this council report for exclusive self-promotion of himself to be re-elected as Mayor. Councillor Danforth asked what the Mayor is going to do for the rest of Council for their re-election since the Mayor was using the Council report for his own self-promotion. Mayor White did not respond.

COUNCILLOR DIMOCK

- Councillor Dimock reported that both the library and the Recreation Commission are looking for board members.
- He noted the fire department has been busy and reminded everyone that chimneys should be cleaned.

COUNCILLOR HEATLIE

- Councillor Heatlie reported that he is still working with Grizzly Bear Solutions on the information sessions that will be run with the elementary and high school. The program is geared towards garbage, where bears like to habitat, and safety precautions.
- He also mentioned that it is wood stove season so ensure chimneys are clean and reminded everyone to only put garbage out the day of garbage service.
- Councillor Heatlie thanked members of public that have decided to run in this upcoming election and said good luck to fellow Council members.

COUNCILLOR LOCKWOOD

- Councillor Lockwood reported that the curling rink is getting prepared for the season, the floor has been painted and the ice is being made.
- She further noted that she attended the Wildfire Mitigation seminar which was well-presented; the Seniors Taco Dinner on September 10 was a hit and they are planning a lasagna dinner on October 1; the Terry Fox run was on September 16 as well as the Hazardous Waste wind up; the Fall Fair is this Saturday; there is a seniors fair in Nelson on October 5; and the all candidates forum is on October 3.
- Councillor Lockwood mentioned the alley behind the Salmo Valley Youth and Community Centre, Sayward Lane, has massive pot holes. CAO Williams agreed to look into the issue.

MAYOR WHITE

- Mayor White discussed the Regional District of Central Kootenay report. The Board has voted to accept Recycle BC's offer of 12 core recycling depots, though there is still a slight possibility of curbside recycling. These new depots will have set hours, fencing, and will be staffed which are rules from Recycle BC that must be complied with. Where the recycling bins are now may not be where they are in the future. As well, the Joint Resource Recovery Committee have recommended that the Board agree to apply to the organics infrastructure program to pursue an organics diversion program.

- Mayor White also reported the RDCK board has adopted a 14% increase to director's stipends, effective January 1, 2019. The greatest part of the increase is to make up for the federal government's decision to delete the 30% tax-free portion of the stipends. He requested that Council members consider the issue of council remuneration carefully as it is typically the preceding Council that deals with any type of remuneration change for the next Council. CAO Williams will circulate rough calculations on how the loss of the 30% tax-free portion effects current remuneration.
- He attended the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) conference in Whistler the week of Sept 10. There were fewer delegates than normal due to the location and cost of Whistler. He went to everything he could on cannabis and confirmed we are going down the right road as there is still a lot of misinformation on how it is going to roll out. He spoke to NDP whip Janet Rutledge on an overview of a number of issues; Mental Health Minister Judy Darcy regarding issues around mental health and addictions in rural areas and she is going to review all private providers in 2019 as the standards and reporting currently in place is inappropriate; and he spoke with Minister of Municipal Affairs Selina Robinson about the maintenance of diking which used to be a provincial responsibility and has now been downloaded to municipalities, not all of whom can afford the expense of maintaining them.

17-14-18
WRITTEN AND VERBAL
REPORTS OF MAYOR AND
COUNCIL

Moved by Councillor Dimock and seconded by Councillor Heatlie, that Council receive for information the written report dated August 22, 2018 by Mayor White regarding activity at the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) Board of relevance to Salmo (previously circulated to Council August 22, 2018); and,

that the verbal reports of Mayor and Council be received for information.

Carried.

PUBLIC QUESTION

PERIOD:

JACQUIE HUSER

Ms. Huser asked Mayor White if he attended the Highway 3 Coalition meeting when he was at UBCM. Mayor White responded that he didn't as he was in another meeting. He did receive a report from that meeting which was productive. The electrification of Highway 3 is pretty much complete, you can drive from the coast to the Alberta border with an electric vehicle; he noted there has been discussion on changing the name of Highway 3 from the "Crowsnest Highway" to something else including the "Electric Highway" in order to get people to use Highway 3 more. However, the name change doesn't seem to be favoured.

Ms. Huser asked why no one else went to UBCM this year. Mayor White responded that it was due to finances.

FARRELL SEGALL

Mr. Segall asked if Council has ever considered a free store to deal with materials that don't belong in a landfill. Mayor White responded that this is part of the ongoing discussion with RDCK and Recycle BC.

GLEN LIVINGSTON

Mr. Livingston mentioned that Trail has an excellent recycling place and there is a small one at our own landfill. Mayor White mentioned that the cost is an issue as we are now paying to have materials moved.

TODD TORRA

Mr. Torra asked if the diversion of organics is a Recycle BC program. Mayor White responded no, that it would probably be funded through the joint resource recovery service. The program is cost neutral, that after the initial set up, the reduction of up to 40% of what is going into the landfill, pays for itself. By not trucking it to the landfill, some of the compost is used to create methane to heat buildings, and some sell the compost back to the public.

Mr. Torra asked if we are sending questions to Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) regarding cell service all the way through Highway 3.

Mayor White responded that a representative from the RDCK elected to sit on the FCM stated they are continuing to pressure the government with regards to that service. UBCM and FCM have done a tremendous amount of work on behalf of municipalities but they are a lobbying group so they can't change legislation.

MERLE HANSON

Mr. Hanson said he is concerned about the third reading and reconsideration and adoption of the zoning bylaw at the same meeting. He stated you have to have 24 hours for reconsideration before you can adopt a bylaw and that only the Mayor can call for reconsideration at any time. Although he said he was given the information in the *Local Government Act* that allows for this reading, he feels that the *Community Charter* is what we need to follow and it states you must have a full 24 hours between the third reading and adoption. He mentioned the *Local Government Act* deals primarily with regional districts. Mayor White responded that on any resolution or motion of Council, the Mayor can call for reconsideration of it or a member of Council who originally voted on the prevailing side of the resolution can call for reconsideration within 30 days.

Mr. Hanson asked if staff could get a legal opinion on this. CAO Williams said we followed the correct procedure for the zoning bylaw, that the bylaw requires a certain amount of time to pass through Council and public hearing. Per the *Local Government Act* this is a bylaw that you can do a third reading and adoption at the same meeting. Mayor White confirmed that the zoning bylaw is allowed to be adopted this way.

Councillor Lockwood asked if we could direct Merle to where in the *Charter* it states this. CAO Williams responded that she can send him a letter.

JACQUIE HUSER

Ms. Huser asked what will happen if the Victory Church, which is listed on the permissive tax exemption bylaw, sells and they are no longer a church. CAO Williams stated it would change according to what happens but it would lose its exemption status.

Ms. Huser asked if the 4.5% tax increase Mayor White said would be needed to make up the income on the promotional sales is after expenses with employee time built in. Mayor White responded that Employee time isn't built in the cost. CAO Williams stated it doesn't actually take a lot of staff time as people come to us.

LYALL STREET

Mr. Street commended the Council for purchasing microphones but he wishes they found one that works as you can't hear the CAO.

ADJOURNMENT:
18-14-18

Moved by Councillor Heatlie and seconded by Councillor Dimock,
that the meeting be adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Carried.

I hereby certify the preceding to be a true and correct account of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, September 25, 2018.

Originally Signed By:

Stephen B. White

Mayor

Anne Williams

Chief Administrative Officer