



The Corporation of the Village of Salmo

REGULAR MEETING #06-21 MINUTES

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Salmo held electronically on Tuesday, March 23, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Diana Lockwood Councillor Farrell Segall
Councillor Jennifer Endersby CAO Anne Williams
Councillor Jacquie Huser Members of the Public - 1

REGRETS: Councillor Jonathon Heatlie.

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

COUNCIL PROCEDURE

BYLAW #663, 2014:

R1-06-21

Moved and seconded, that due to the exceptional circumstances created by the COVID-19 pandemic, that Council waive the requirements of *Council Procedure Bylaw #663, 2014* Section 8 Electronic Meetings, Parts (4) & (5), to allow all Council members to participate via electronic means in order to comply with provincially mandated physical distancing requirements and not holding public gatherings, and that provision be made for members of the public to listen electronically to the Council meeting.

Carried.

AGENDA:

R2-06-21

Moved and seconded, that the draft agenda of Regular Meeting #06-21 of Tuesday, March 23, 2021 be adopted as amended from *Council Procedure Bylaw No. 663, 2014* Schedule "B" to include a New Business section and a Public Question period.

Carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

NIL

DELEGATIONS:

NIL

MINUTES:

R3-06-21

TIME CAPSULE STANDING
COMMITTEE

February 4, 2021

Moved and seconded, that the minutes of the Time Capsule Standing Committee Meeting of Thursday, February 4, 2021 be adopted as presented.

Carried.

The committee's Terms of Reference will be circulated by staff to Council.

R4-06-21

REGULAR MEETING
March 9, 2021

Moved and seconded, that the draft minutes of the Regular Meeting #05-21 of Tuesday, March 9, 2021 be adopted as presented.

Carried.

REFERRALS FROM DELEGATIONS:

NIL

REFERRALS FROM PRIOR

MEETINGS:

R5-06-21 Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information and discussion the
CANADA DAY 2021 written report as presented by CAO Williams.
DISCUSSION Carried.

It was agreed that decorating homes for Canada Day would work well. If they were decorated by June 23rd residents would have lots of time to drive or walk around to view them by July 1st. The residents can then vote for their favourites.

Concern was expressed about the safety of gatherings, so holding the Canada Day Market, a parade and/or fireworks are not being planned for.

R6-06-21 Moved and seconded, that Council direct staff to take back discussion items
MOTION and come back with a plan regarding house decorating.
Carried.

BYLAW REVIEW &

DEVELOPMENT:

R7-06-21 Moved and seconded, that the “*Cemetery Amendment Bylaw #729, 2021*” be
CEMETERY AMENDMENT given second and third reading.
BYLAW #729, 2021 – Carried.
SECOND & THIRD
READING

OPERATIONAL REPORTS:

R8-06-21 Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the written report
CIVIC WORKS provided by Civic Works Foreman Fred Paton for the period of February 19,
2021 to March 18, 2021.
Carried.

R9-06-21 Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the written report
FIRE DEPARTMENT dated March 1, 2021 provided by Fire Chief David Hearn for the period of
February 2021.
Carried.

R10-06-21 Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the written report
BYLAW ENFORCEMENT on bylaw enforcement for the period of February 2021.
Carried.

R11-06-21 Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the written report
ADMINISTRATION as presented by CAO Williams.
Carried.

STRATEGIC PLAN: NIL

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

R12-06-21 Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the list of accounts
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE payable cheques and electronic fund transfers from March 5, 2021 to March
18, 2021 totaling \$52,839.20.
Carried.

R13-06-21
TREASURER'S REPORT

Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the Treasurer's Report for February 2021.

Carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE
REQUIRING A COUNCIL
DECISION:**

R14-06-21
CANADIAN UNION OF
POSTAL WORKERS RE:
REQUEST FOR SUPPORT
FOR DELIVERING
COMMUNITY POWER -
#21

Moved and seconded, that Council endorse the proposed resolution as presented.

Carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE FOR
INFORMATION ONLY:**

R15-06-21

The following letter from the City of Langley was pulled and will be brought at the next meeting for discussion and possible endorsement.

- (3) City of Langley Re: Raise Disability and Income Assistance to a Livable Rate - #18

Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the following correspondence from:

- (1) The Corporation of the City of New Westminster Re: Support for Laid-off Hotel and Tourism Industry Workers - #15
- (2) The Corporation of the Township of Spallumcheen Re: Support for 988 Crisis Line - #17
- (4) Ministry of Forests Lands & Natural Resource Operations Re: Provincial Tree Planting Program and COVID-19 Protocols - #19
- (5) Village of Belcarra Re: Endorsement of 9-8-8 Crisis Line Initiative - #20
- (6) Ministry of Municipal Affairs Re: Links and Resources on Some Topics Raised at January 2021 Regional Call - #22
- (7) City of Prince George Re: British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro): 2020 Street Lighting Rate Application - #23

Carried.

**MEMBER REPORTS &
INQUIRIES:**

COUNCILLOR ENDERSBY

Councillor Endersby reported the library hosted a very successful second online trivia event.

COUNCILLOR HUSER

See Appendix A.

COUNCILLOR SEGALL

See Appendix A.

Councillor Segall also reported he is working on a transit grant application through the Chamber of Commerce. And he noted that ATCO has offered 75 trees for the Village's 75th Anniversary.

MAYOR LOCKWOOD

See Appendix B.

The Mayor gave an overview of the discussions at the Parks & Recreation Committee and RDCK Board concerning the Rural Parks Service, including its costs and how it is currently funded. A review is underway concerning changing the funding model to make it more equitable.

The Mayor also noted that COVID vaccinations have started in Salmo at the Wellness Centre. The next clinic location will be the Salmo Valley Youth & Community Centre mid-April.

R16-06-21
VERBAL & WRITTEN
REPORTS OF MAYOR AND
COUNCIL

Moved and seconded, that the verbal and written reports of Mayor and Council be received for information.

Carried.

**PUBLIC QUESTION
PERIOD:**

NIL

ADJOURNMENT:
R17-06-21

Moved, that the meeting be adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Carried.

I hereby certify the preceding to be a true and correct account of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, March 23, 2021.

Originally Signed By:

Diana Lockwood
Mayor

Anne Williams
Chief Administrative Officer

Appendix A - Councillor Reports March 23, 2021

Councillor Heatlie:

I attended the time capsule committee meeting on March 10. We discussed what types of community groups would be able to submit entries along with the types of entries allowed. Talked about preliminary locations above or below ground.

Waiting for a date to attend the cemetery memorial wall group meeting.

Councillor Huser:

March 9, 2021 – attended the virtual RDCK Area G budget meeting.

March 10, 2021 – Further to the request at the March 9, 2021 Council meeting I spoke with Laurie at the SVYCC regarding the roof repair costs and the lack of clarification if we can use the Covid funds to help out, she had already spoken with the CAO earlier in the day and there was some confusion with what will happen moving forward (since then we have been advised that the covid money can be used for the roof repair). I attended the virtual SVYCC meeting at 6:00pm – Laurie did let the board know that it was looking promising that the Village would be able to help out with the roof repair. Overall, the SVYCC did fine financially during their last fiscal year mainly because they were able to access more wage subsidy due to covid. They are budgeting to start a new community connections program.

March 12, 2021 – attended a virtual meeting of the 75th Anniversary Media Select Committee – the youth attended the meeting and there was great discussion about how to move forward – this is going to be a wonderful project to be part of. Thank you - Councillor Segall for including me in this project.

March 13, 2021 – Tennis Courts/Pickleball/Basketball Courts - attended a virtual meeting held by Trustee Chew with a group of Salmo and Area G parents who were interested in the layout and what could be done to incorporate more basketball – either a full regulation sized court or a smaller than regulation sized court or maybe 2x half courts. Trustee Chew was open to looking into what this could look like, she is meeting with the surveyors in early April and once they know exactly what the parcel looks like they will look into what can be added, what costs this would incur and where they could get more funding to see what can be offered to the youth.

March 17 – Cemetery Working Group update – We are reviewing our design and will get the specifics required together and will attempt to meet virtually or onsite to finalize the information to be brought to council. Once the group confirms the design then updated prices will be gathered.

March 18 – attended a virtual FCM Webinar – Strength and Innovation in Rural Canada – this was based on agriculture mainly, but many points came up regarding how rural Canada is leading the way. It was noted that there is rural economic growth during covid – some due to people moving from the urban areas into the rural – but rural areas need reliable power and internet to support these numbers. It was noted that rural areas, in general, are better at out of the box thinking, maybe because they are closer to the problems that require solutions so are quicker to come up with innovative solutions, rural people think differently – less bureaucracy. Collective effort of small players is powerful. This session will be available on the FCM website should anyone else like to view it.

Councillor Segall:

10th March - Met with Chamber of Commerce to evaluate SIDIT - ETSI grant projects.

Telecon with Paul Wiest to evaluate opportunities for grant programs with ETSI released on 10th March.

13th March - Attended a guided tour of the Touchstone gallery in Nelson to investigate historic stories for the 75th Anniversary media project.



Diana L.D. Lockwood

Mayor

Appendix B - Mayor/Director's Report for March 5 - 18, 2021

All meetings were held electronically.

March 9, Our budget meeting with Area G about the RDCK shared service items.

March 10, Time Capsule Committee meeting, please see attached minutes.

March 11, Mayor's, and Chairs Vaccine Roundtable with IHA. During the rollout IHA each week they give us an update. By the next day the information we received has already changed, all moving fast.

March 12, ETSI-BC (formally SIDIT) We continued our review of the Bylaws and Policies for.

March 17, Joint Resource Recovery Meeting. If you are taking bagged garbage to the Central Transfer station the bag price will be going up to \$3.50 a bag for the first four bags. The new prices go into effect starting soon.

A draft Resource Recovery Plan has been put forward and the RDCK will be seeking public input. I have suggested to the committee that we are not talking about how to reuse our garbage and looking at ways of stopping the burial of garbage in our precious land.

I advised that a company called Sustane Technologies - <https://sustanetech.com/> -from Nova Scotia has created a method of reusing garbage and recycling to manufacture products, including construction materials, while reducing greenhouse gases and our carbon footprint, while also saving land. The current service is costing us millions of dollars as we continue down a path with no foresight on long-term changes to either garbage or recycling practices.

March 18, regular RDCK board meeting. Another long meeting with over 970 pages of business.

There were two delegations – Kootenay and Boundary Farm Advisors (KBFA) and Kootenay Restorative Justice (KRJ). KBFA would like farmers to know they want to connect with you. KRJ was looking for support from the RDCK for the coordinators position.

RDCK staff will bring forward a plan to create a new Area E, F, and G Rural Park Service

comprised of rural parks in the Nelson, Salmo and Areas E, F, and G Parks service except for Cottonwood Lake Regional Park for debt servicing and the Nelson, Salmo Great Northern Trail which will remain in the Nelson, Salmo and Areas E, F, and G Parks service was passed.

Salmo Council requested to be removed from Community Sustainable Living Service Establishment Bylaw No. 2135, 2010 (Section 7) to 12 months. The Motion passed.

- In 2014 the Village of Salmo asked to be removed from this service as this service benefits Area's, not municipalities. Three readings were passed and then it was forgotten about. In 2016 the Bylaw was brought back to the table and three municipalities rejoined, Salmo, Silverton, and Kaslo. I brought forward the minutes and requests of this service to council to determine if we would like to stay in service. It was unanimous to send a request to be removed and only have to serve 12 months notice instead of 24.