

VILLAGE OF MAYO
Minutes of Regular Council Meeting
of Wednesday, November 15, 2023
Village of Mayo Council Chambers

Present

Council: Mayor Trevor Ellis
Councilor Brent Chapman
Councilor Simeon Paschuk
Councilor Blair Andre
Councilor Joann Aird

CAO: Margrit Wozniak

Public Works Manager: Aaron Shaban

Clerk-Treasurer: Barbara Barchen

1. **Call to order**
Mayor Trevor Ellis called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. **Adoption of the Agenda**

MOTION 2023-11-07

Moved by: Simeon Paschuk **Seconded by:** Brent Chapman

THAT: The agenda be adopted with the following changes:
Add item 9 a) Letter from the Mayo Volunteer Fire Dept.

In Favour: 5 Opposed: 0

CARRIED

3. **Adoption of the November 1, 2023 Regular Public Council Meeting Minutes**

MOTION 2023-11-08

Moved by: Simeon Paschuk **Seconded by:** Brent Chapman

THAT: The minutes of the meeting of November 1, 2023 be
adopted as presented.

In Favour: 5 Opposed: 0

CARRIED

4. Approval of Accounts Payable

Nothing presented.

5. Introduction and Consideration of First, Second, and Third Readings of Bylaws

Nothing presented.

6. a) Mayor's Report

Mayor Ellis mentioned that a tabletop exercise for the airport was held recently.

Mayor Ellis suggested that another letter could be written to Air North, to Victoria Gold and to Hecla, the two mining companies who charter the Air North Planes to Mayo, to ask that they accommodate people who have been medevacced to Whitehorse to allow them a seat on the chartered plane.

Mayor Ellis mentioned that he made a speech at the Remembrance Day Ceremony. He also called Minister Mostyn regarding the new Fire Hall Roof and the landfill.

b) Administration

i) CAO Report of Wednesday, November 15, 2023

a) Canada Community Building Fund (CCBF)

We received an update of the Village of Mayo's currently available CCBF (formerly Gas Tax Funds), as well as the listing of schedule of eligibility. For Council's information.

b) Warm Water Well Update

The temporary tie-in of one of the new warm water wells was completed on Nov. 3, 2023. A flow meter is scheduled for installation on November 15th. Then Public Works is planning to put a temporary well cover from the older well on top to protect the well head until the permanent tie-ins of the wells are completed in 2024. For Council's information.

c) Mayo Arena Update

The newest update from Colin Morrison about the arena project stated that the engineer requested drilling to a depth of 10 meters around the perimeter of the arena to check the ground condition and to ensure that it is suitable for the weight of a new arena. For Council's information.

d) Fire Hall Roof Report

We received the fire hall roof report that had been prepared by Topside Consulting. Council requested that this report be tabled to the November 15 meeting for discussion. Since Mayor Ellis had already contacted Minister Mostyn regarding this report, Council did not review this report further at this time.

e) 7th Avenue Extension

Duncan Martin and the team from WSP have scheduled a 1 to 1.5-hour teams meeting with Council on Wednesday, November 22, 2023 at 7 pm to discuss the 7th Avenue Extension Project. For Council's information.

f) Fibre Internet

We've contacted NWTel to get the Village Office, the Binet House and the Staff House set up for fibre internet. For Council's information.

g) Village of Mayo Solid Waste Management Plan

The Village's SWMP for the upcoming 10 years is currently going through the YESAB review. We have just been informed that YG Tourism and Culture is recommending that a heritage assessment review be completed prior to expanding the landfill area. I have requested information what this means for our SWMP? I will reach out to Dave Albisser as well regarding this. For Council's information.

h) Water Treatment Plant Distribution Piping

We had a meeting with YG IDB and Associated Engineering to discuss upgrades that are required to the process piping in the Water Treatment Plant. For Council's information.

i) AYC/CYFN letter in support of Mayo

The letter in support of Mayo that was discussed during the Chiefs/Mayor's meeting in October, was drafted and will be forwarded in the near future. For Council's information.

j) AYC President Tour

We had suggested meeting with Ted Laking on November 15 at 6 pm, prior to our regular Council meeting, or some other day during lunch. We have not heard back on which date he will be able to come to Mayo yet. Once I hear of the date for his visit, I will let Council know. For Council's information.

k) SCAN meeting

We were asked to identify a date in January for the public SCAN meeting. I've asked NND if they could identify a suitable date. For Council's consideration.

January 16, 2024 at 7 pm was chosen for a public meeting with SCAN.

l) Five-Year Review of the Cannabis Legislation

See attached the letter from Minister Silver and the discussion paper. Comments are due by December 1, 2023. For Council's consideration. Council did not have any comments at this time.

m) Yukon RCMP Territorial Police Service Agreement meeting

Heather Siggers will be attending this meeting in Whitehorse on Nov. 22 and 23.

If Council has any comments, she will bring them up at the meeting.

Council did not have any comments.

n) Public Interest of Disclosure and Wrongdoing Act

YG is seeking comments about the draft act mentioned above. The survey can be done on the Yukon.ca website prior to early December. For Council's information.

o) Scrap Vehicle Pile

We've now received a quote from Urban Auto Recycling for removal of scrap vehicles from the Mayo Landfill as well as removal of scrap metals.

For Council's information and consideration.

Council reviewed and discussed the quote. They would like to address the removal in stages and are willing to set aside \$100,000 in the 2024 budget for removal of scrap vehicles from the Mayo landfill.

p) Public Works Manager

The applicant that was offered the position has accepted it. He will arrive in Mayo on November 10th and start work on November 14, 2023. For Council's information.

q) New Staff house

Piping in the crawlspace of the staff house was completed on Nov. 3, 2023. The heat trace is scheduled for connection around November 15th. The Rental Agreement was prepared by the lawyer based on information we had provided. Our new Public Works Manager is arriving in town on November 10th. Since the new staff house is not fully operational yet, he will stay in the old staff house for a few days. For Council's information.

r) Christmas 2023

We are proposing to close the Village of Mayo Office from December 18, 2023 to January 2, 2024 for the Christmas Season. I've prepared the annual motion for the Christmas Bonus for Council's consideration. The Village's open house is scheduled for December 15, 2023 followed by the Village's Christmas Party that evening.

MOTION 2023-11-09

Moved by: Simeon Paschuk

Seconded by: Brent Chapman

Whereas

the Council for the Village of Mayo would like to provide a Christmas bonus to the Village of Mayo permanent staff and the Recreation Board members to thank them for their ongoing service to the community of Mayo, now therefore

Be it resolved that:

the Council for the Village of Mayo agrees to provide the Village of Mayo permanent staff and Recreation Board members with a Christmas bonus of either a turkey or a ham.

In Favour: 5

Opposed: 0

CARRIED

MOTION 2023-11-10

Moved by: Simeon Paschuk

Seconded by: Brent Chapman

WHEREAS the Council for the Village of Mayo is in support of having a Christmas Lights Display contest as in previous years, and

WHEREAS the First Nation of Na-Cho Nyak Dun and Yukon Energy have supported this contest by providing donations towards the prizes, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the Council for the Village of Mayo agrees to set aside \$333.33 for the 2023 Christmas Lights Display contest prizes, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Village of Mayo contact NND and YEC to ask for contributions for this contest.

In Favour: 5

Opposed: 0

CARRIED

s) Debrief about Wildland Fire

Cody Goulin from YG EMO contacted us to inquire if the Village and the First Nation of Na-Cho Nyak Dun are interested in having a virtual debrief session regarding the evacuation of Mayo in August due to the wildfire threatening Mayo. For Council's consideration.

Council is interested in a debrief and suggested December 5, 2023 at 7 pm.

t) Review of Zoning Bylaw

CAO Wozniak informed Council that a review of the zoning bylaw needs to be done, now that the Official Community Plan has been completed. For Council's consideration. Council stated that it is usually a very busy time in December, and they would like to schedule the review of the zoning bylaw for January 2024.

MOTION **2023-11-12**

Moved by: Simeon Paschuk

Seconded by: Brent Chapman

THAT: The Chief Administrative Officer's Report of November 15, 2023, be adopted as presented.

In Favour: 5

Opposed: 0

CARRIED

ii) Clerk-Treasurer Report

Nothing presented.

iii) Monthly Recreation Coordinator's Report

Nothing presented.

iv) Manager's Report for Environmental Health/Public Works and Protective Services

The new Public Works Manager, Aaron Shaban, attended the Council meeting to meet Mayor and Council.

Since he just started his employment with the Village, he did not have a report for Council.

v) Protective Services

Nothing presented.

7. Acceptance of Reports from Village boards and committees established by Council and consideration of any recommendations there from.

Nothing presented.

8. Notices of Motions be considered

Nothing presented.

9. General Correspondence

a) Letter from the MVFD regarding a donation for the 2023 Fireman's ball fundraiser.

Council reviewed and discussed the letter from the Mayo Volunteer Fire Department.

MOTION 2023-11-12

Moved by: Simeon Paschuk

Seconded by: Brent Chapman

Whereas the Mayo Volunteer Fire Department is hosting the annual Firemen's Ball and

Whereas the Mayo Volunteer Fire Department is hosting Santa's visit to bring Christmas Gifts to Mayo's children, and

Whereas the Mayo Volunteer Fire Department is assisting the Village of Mayo with the Christmas get together, and

Whereas the Village of Mayo received a letter from the MVFD requesting donations for the above events, now therefore

Be it resolved that:

the Village of Mayo Council agrees to donate \$500 to the MVFD towards the Santa's gifts, and \$500 for the assistance with Village's Christmas get together, and to re-imburse the MVFD for the rental fees for the Village of Mayo facilities for the Fireman's Ball.

In Favour: 3

Opposed: 0

Abstain: 2 (Trevor Ellis / Simeon Paschuk)

CARRIED

10. Hearings of Delegations and Individuals

Nothing presented.

11. Question Period

Nothing presented.

12. New and Unfinished Business

Council discussed old vacant buildings located on private properties and that these buildings are a safety hazard for neighboring properties.

13. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm



Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer