

VILLAGE OF MAYO
Minutes of Regular Council Meeting
of Wednesday, November 16, 2022
Village of Mayo Council Chambers

Present

Council:

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

CAO:

Margrit Wozniak

Clerk-Treasurer:

Barbara Barchen

Public:

YG Community Advisor, Carolyn Moore
Gas Tax Fund Manager, Patrick Sageatook

Absent:

Public Works Manager, Scott Hamilton

1. Call to Order

2.

Mayor Trevor Ellis called the meeting to order at 7:18 pm.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

MOTION 2022-11-06

Moved by: Simeon Paschuk

Seconded by: Brent Chapman

THAT: The agenda be adopted as presented.

In Favour: 5

Opposed: 0

CARRIED

3. Adoption of the November 2, 2022, Regular Public Council Meeting Minutes.

MOTION 2022-11-07

Moved by: Simeon Paschuk

Seconded by: Brent Chapman

THAT: The minutes of the meeting of November 2, 2022, be adopted as presented.

In Favour: 5

Opposed: 0

CARRIED

4. Approval of Accounts Payable to October 31, 2022

MOTION 2022-11-08

Moved by: Simeon Paschuk

Seconded by: Brent Chapman

THAT: The Accounts Payable to October 31, 2022, in the amount of \$276,515.07 be approved for payment in total.

In Favour: 5

Opposed: 0

CARRIED

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

Nothing presented.

6. a) Mayor's Report

Mayor Ellis remarked on how the Remembrance Day service was very good, and thanked Taylor Ewing for her assistance in putting the event on. He also mentioned that the skating rink is almost ready for use.

b) Administration

i) CAO Report of Wednesday, November 16, 2022

a) Community Advisor and Gas Tax Fund Manager in Mayo

Carolyn Moore and Patrick Sageaktook were attending the Council meeting in person. Patrick will provide Council with an update about the Gas Tax program and the funds available to the Village of Mayo for future eligible projects.

Patrick Sageaktook went over guidelines and eligibility criteria for the CCBF (previously known as Gas Tax).

Carolyn Moore spoke about how Community Affairs has been tasked with dealing with the Better Building Program (BBP). She said many of the municipalities have already signed on. The Village of Mayo Council has had several questions about the program that YG provided answers to. The Village of Mayo Council indicated that they are now prepared to pass a motion to enter into an agreement with YG for the Better Buildings program.

Carolyn inquired about the interim landfill agreement that had been sent to the Village for review. Mayor Ellis stated that Council is currently working "in house" on how they want things to be for the future operation of the landfill. Once Council has established a clear path forward, then they will be able to share this information with Dave Albisser, YG Director of Operations.

b) Provisional O&M Budget

I've been working on the provisional O&M Budget for 2023. It has to be approved by Council motion prior to Dec. 31, 2022. This budget will be in effect until the 2023 O&M Budget and Capital Budget are approved in April 2023. For Council's information.

Margrit is planning to bring the provisional O&M budget to the next regular council meeting.

c) Annual Fire Department Draw and Awards

We've been compiling the information for the annual fire department draw that usually takes place during the Firemen's Ball. The information and policy are included in the meeting package. For Council's information.

Mayor Ellis would like to talk to the other Fire Department members before making a decision on whether to proceed with the annual draw or to purchase items for the entire department.

d) AYC Board meeting

The next AYC Board meeting will be on December 3, 2022 and the AYC Administrator's Forum and Community of Practice meeting with YG and CAO's will be on December 2, 2022, both in Whitehorse.

Councillor Aird is the Village's AYC Board member. She will attend the AYC Board meeting and the CAO will attend the Administrator's Forum.

e) Better Buildings Program (BBP)

We received a reply to Council's questions about registered contractors under the BBP. After some discussion Council agreed to sign on to the program. A resolution will be prepared for the next Council meeting.

f) Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)

We received a letter from Bryna Cable, Director of Environmental Protection and Assessment, YG Environment, stating that YG is starting public and stakeholder engagements on Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR). The engagement will be open until January 27, 2023. Public Works Manager Scott Hamilton attended the Recycling Summit Nov. 2-4, 2022 at which extended producer responsibility was discussed. For Council's information.

g) Water Treatment Plant Propane System

Superior has scheduled the installation of the vaporizer and tanks for November 10, 2022. The installation of the new tanks and vapourizer was started on November 10th. It needs to be connected to the Water Treatment Plant power and inspected before it can be put into operation.

h) Joint Council meeting

NND has not yet responded to Council's suggestion to schedule the next Joint Council meeting for November 17, 2022 at 7 pm at NND's Government House. The agenda will be the same as was handed out for the earlier meeting date.

NND suggested December 1st for the Joint Council meeting. Margrit Wozniak will be away, but Barbara Barchen can attend and take notes. The meeting will be held in NND Council Chambers at 7 p.m.

i) Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection

I've emailed Dave Albisser to find out about the HHW collection program. Due to poor response in the smaller communities such as Mayo, HHW day happens just once per year, usually in the spring. Attached is information on which items are accepted during HHW days and which are not. For Council's information.

j) Landfill Hazardous Waste Removal

KBL was at the Mayo Landfill on November 9, 2022 to pick up the waste oil that had been dropped off throughout the year. For Council's information.

k) Solid Waste Meeting regarding Interim Regionalization Funding,

AYC, CAO's, Dave Albisser, Dennis Shewfelt, Ben YuSchott, and Damien Burns are scheduled to attend a landfill interim agreement meeting on November 22, 2022 in Whitehorse. For Council's information.

l) Future landfill operations

Council had their first meeting about the future operation of the Mayo landfill on November 8, 2022. We'll prepare minutes of the meeting to capture Council's discussion regarding this. For Council's information.

m) Animal Protection and Control Act, Bill #20

We received copies of letters AYC President Ted Laking wrote to Minister Clarke, regarding Bill #20. Minister Clarke's reply is also attached, as well as a letter the Mayor of Watson Lake wrote about the proposed new Animal Protection and Control Act. A copy of the proposed Animal Protection and Control Act is included in the meeting package. AYC is scheduling a briefing about this Act for CAO's on November 22 or 23.

Carolyn Moore spoke about the new Act and there was some discussion. There was consultation on this about 4 years ago, so any new councillors may not be aware that this took place. The Act will apply to YG and First Nation lands as well as municipalities. Regulations will take a while to develop so it won't be enacted right away. The zoom meeting regarding the Animal Protection and Control Act has now been scheduled for November 23rd 9-10 am.

n) YHC Office of the Auditor General's (OAG) report on housing

YHC is requesting feedback on three recommendations in the OAG report that were discussed at the Yukon Housing Summit. The key focus centered on: Community Housing, Hotels and Motel use, and Data. A response is requested by November 16, 2022. For Council's information and consideration. Council did not have any comments at this time.

o) Annual Inflation Increase

The Village has in past years provided its employees with the same annual inflation increases as YG has given their public sector employees. However, YG and the PSAC Union are still very far apart in their negotiations and are not expected to settle their differences for another 6 months. The Village's financial year is from January to December, and therefore would Council allow for an interim annual inflation increase before year end, so it can be recorded in this year's financials. Groceries, gas, heating fuel, wood, etc. have all gone up significantly and out staff would be very appreciative of an interim inflation increase at this time.

MOTION 2022-11-09

Moved by: Simeon Paschuk

Seconded by: Blair Andre

That: Whereas the Council for the Village of Mayo has in past years followed Yukon Government's (YG) inflation increases provided to YG Public Service Employees, and

Whereas Yukon Government and PSAC have not been able to come to an agreement for the 2022 inflation increase, and may not be able to come to an agreement for many months, and

Whereas the cost for food, heating fuel, vehicle fuel, fire wood, etc. has increased significantly, and the inflation increase is estimated to be 7%, and

Whereas the Village's financial year is from January to December, now therefore

Be it resolved

That: The Council for the Village of Mayo approves an interim inflation increase of 3% effective January 1, 2022 to ease the financial burden on Village of Mayo employees, and

Be it further resolved

That: The Council for the Village of Mayo will review and adjust the interim inflation increase given to Village of Mayo employees for 2022, once Yukon Government comes to an agreement with PSAC about the inflation increase for 2022.

In Favour: 5

Opposed: 0

CARRIED

p) Toxic Drug Supply Crisis in Yukon

The advisory group for the Social Innovation Lab would like to determine what can be done to address the Toxic Drug Supply Crisis and to stop overdose deaths in the Yukon. There will be a meeting/zoom meeting on November 28, 2022 from 3:30 to 5 pm for interested individuals. For Council's information.

MOTION 2022-11-10

Moved by: Simeon Paschuk

Seconded by: Joann Aird

THAT: The Chief Administrative Officer's Report of November 16, 2022, be adopted as presented.

In Favour: 5

Opposed: 0

CARRIED

ii) Clerk-Treasurer Report

a) Comparative Income Statement as at October 31, 2022

MOTION 2022-11-11

Moved by: Simeon Paschuk

Seconded by: Brent Chapman

THAT: The Comparative Income Statement for the month of October 2022 be approved.

In Favour: 5

Opposed: 0

CARRIED

- iii) **Monthly Recreation Coordinator's Report**
Nothing presented.
- iv) **Manager's Report for Environmental Health/Public Works and Protective Services**
Nothing presented.
- v) **Protective Services**
Nothing presented.
- 7. **Acceptance of Reports from Village boards and committees established by the Council and consideration of any recommendations therefrom.**
Nothing presented.
- 8. **Notices of Motions be considered**
Nothing presented.
- 9. **General Correspondence**
 - a) **Letter from MVFD requesting donation for the Fireman's Ball**
Council reviewed the letter and agreed to the annual \$500 donation.
 - b) **Charting the course – Living with and managing Covid-19**
YG provided this document about Covid-19. For Council's information.
- 10. **Hearings of Delegations and Individuals**
Nothing presented.
- 11. **Question Period**
Nothing presented.
- 12. **New and Unfinished Business**
Council asked that replacement of street signage (street names on both sides of the sign) and upgrades to the Mayo cemetery be put in the 2023 budget and work plan.
- 13. **Adjournment**
The meeting was adjourned at 9:24 pm

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer