

**VILLAGE OF MAYO**  
**Minutes of Regular Council Meeting**  
**of Wednesday, October 19, 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 Works Manager:** Scott Hamilton

**Public:** YG Community Advisor, Carolyn Moore

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Trevor Ellis called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

**2. Adoption of the Agenda**

**MOTION 2022-10-10**

**Moved by:** Simeon Paschuk

**Seconded by:** Brent Chapman

**THAT:** The agenda be adopted as presented.

In Favour: 5

Opposed: 0

**CARRIED**

**3. Adoption of October 5, 2022, Regular Public Council Meeting Minutes.**

**MOTION 2022-10-11**

**Moved by:** Simeon Paschuk

**Seconded by:** Brent Chapman

**THAT:** The minutes of the meeting of October 5, 2022, be adopted as presented.

In Favour: 5

Opposed: 0

**CARRIED**

4. **Approval of Accounts Payable to September 30, 2022**

**MOTION**      **2022-10-12**

**Moved by:** Simeon Paschuk

**Seconded by:** Brent Chapman

**THAT:**                      The Accounts Payable to September 30, 2022 in the amount of \$102,169.81 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 spoke with Ryan Brown, YG Project Manager; when he was in Mayo regarding the ongoing WTP projects. Ryan also mentioned that YG is investigating an entirely new arena facility rather than just new changerooms.

b) **Administration**

i)      **CAO Report**

a) **Better Building Program**

Carolyn Moore will attend the Council meeting via zoom. She can address any questions Council may have regarding the Better Building Program. Council still has issues with this program. Council was asking why skilled homeowners would not be able to do the building upgrades, rather than specific approved contractors. Council also wants to know why municipalities are excluded from the list of eligible applicants? First Nation Governments can apply to the BBP, just not municipal, Federal or Yukon governments. The amount that can be borrowed is a maximum of 25% of the assessed value of the property (house and land), which could be a challenge if the property is assessed low, and the 25% would not cover the needed energy upgrades.

Carolyn will check into the questions asked by Council and provide a response.

b) **Landfill Hazardous Waste**

Dave Albisser sent an email that YG Environment had contacted him, the Director of Operations, Community Services, to see if he could provide any assistance to the Village of Mayo in regards to the hazardous waste at the landfill. I replied via email that we would appreciate YG's help with this issue. For Council's information.

Council is concerned that the Village is being held accountable for an issue that is not really their fault, since Mayo has signage at the landfill that states that waste oil/fluids are not accepted at this facility. Mayor Ellis stated that all mining applications include a section asking where waste fluids will be deposited, and the comment made by applicants is "at an approved site". However, the Mayo Landfill is not an approved site. Does YG Compliance and Inspections, check if this is done? The Village does not accept special waste at the landfill, and therefore, it should not be held accountable when it is put there illegally.

**c) Solid Waste – Interim Regionalization Funding**

We received an email from Damien Burns, ADM of Community Services, Dave Albisser, and Shelley Hassard, AYC Executive Director, regarding YG offering interim regionalization funding to municipalities. The agreement AYC and the municipalities have with the lawyer for review of landfill regional agreements is attached for Council's information. The regionalization agreements and interim agreements will be on the agenda for an October 27, 2022 meeting between AYC, and the CAO's. Is Council ready to identify a special meeting date to discuss landfill operations? Council agreed to set the evenings of November 8, 9, and 10 aside for this meeting. Carolyn Moore suggested YG could give money to the Village for Keno's household waste if the interim agreement was signed, no scales or staffing needed right now. Carolyn also stated that at this time Hecla (formerly Alexco) will be taking this on. Mayor Ellis stated that the Village has to have a special meeting to discuss what their vision is for the landfill. He mentioned that Council and Staff should stop at the Pelly Landfill/Transfer station to check how everything is laid out there.

**d) YEC street lights**

I've sent an email to YEC to inquire when the burnt-out street lights will be replaced. This was passed on to YEC's operations department. I checked with Tanner, YEC Mayo, and he said that there was an issue with availability of street lights over the past year. He now has gotten some from Dawson and they started replacing the burnt-out lights around town. He expects to get more lights in soon. YEC also received three lights for the area by the Mayo River Bridge and they should be installed the week of October 17<sup>th</sup>. For Council's information. Councilor Paschuk stated that one light has been installed at the Mayo River bridge and two more were supposed to go up shortly.

**e) WTP boiler inspection**

YG, Budget Plumbing, Engineers from Associated, Setplan, and BSE were in town on October 14<sup>th</sup> to inspect the boiler installation. For Council's information.

**f) Brushing around Mayo River Bridge**

NND DC started the brushing job around the Mayo River Bridge. This brushing is being done by hand, and they have not yet done any brushing at the corner by the bridge. The plan is to burn the brush. For Council's information.

**g) Building pad**

The contractor plans to start the building pad job mid-October which includes placing excavated soil next to the Mayo River dike and cat work to smooth it out. Completion is expected by October 21, 2022.

It appears the contractor dug down about 10 ft. It was suggested that perhaps next time a packer is going to be used in an area that residents living close-by be notified so they can be prepared.

**h) Reservoir update**

The old reservoir is scheduled to be put back online prior to winter. For Council's information.

**i) Community Garage Sale**

The community garage sale will take place on Saturday, October 22, 2022 from 12 noon to 2 pm. In case anyone from Council is interested in attending it.

The garage sale has now been postponed because there are not enough table rentals to make it worthwhile.

**j) Joint Council meeting**

Reminder, November 3, 2022 at 7 pm is the next Joint Council meeting at NND's Government House. For Council's information.

Items council would like added to the agenda are: Public Health Nurse position, bringing back Air North scheduled flights for the public, and the "Mayo Café Space" at the NND Restaurant.

**k) Village of Mayo Christmas Open House**

The Village of Mayo's Christmas Open House is scheduled for December 16, 2022 from 2-4 pm. The Village's Council/Staff Christmas Party is scheduled for the same evening. The MVFD has offered to man the bar for the Village Christmas Party. In the past Council has paid \$500 for this service. Is Council in agreement to do this again? Council agreed to this.

**l) Christmas Lights Display Contest**

It would be nice to hold the annual Christmas Lights Display Contest again. In the past Council has donated \$300, and NND and YEC have also contributed to this community contest.

Is Council in agreement to support this with the same amount, and to ask NND Council for their support for this contest at the upcoming Joint Council meeting? Council was in support of donating \$300 towards the Christmas Lights Contest.

**m) Christmas Bonus**

The year is going by fast. Is Council in agreement to provide the annual Christmas bonus of either a turkey or ham for regular full-time and part-time staff and for Recreation Board members. We will prepare a motion for Council's consideration.

**MOTION**      **2022-10-13**

**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**

**n) Christmas Office Closure**

We will be closing the Village Office from December 19, 2022 to including January 2, 2023. Staff has the option of working, or taking vacation or time in lieu during this time. Council agreed to this.

**o) YEC Tour and meeting**

YEC contacted us to inquire if Council would be available for the tour of the Mayo A site on October 28, 2022 at approx. 1:30 pm. YEC also inquired if Mayor Ellis would be available for a Mayo River winter ice setting meeting on October 27<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Ellis will be in Whitehorse for work that week, so he could attend this meeting in person, provided it could be scheduled for 4 pm.

**p) Warm Water Wells**

The piping for the two new warm water wells is scheduled to arrive late this week and will be stored at the pumphouse compound over the winter.

**q) Vaporizer for WTP propane system**

Ryan Brown contacted us to state that he is exploring the option of renting the vaporizer rather than purchasing it. Once he has all the details, he'll provide the information and his recommendation. For Council's information.

**r) Mayo River Dike Road**

The soil from the building pad excavation was placed along the Mayo River Dike Road and smoothed out with a cat. Council expressed their approval of this and wants to continue doing this with waste soil from future projects.

**s) Sanding Streets**

The Village's Kenworth is getting a new sander put on at the shop in Whitehorse. There was a delay because the sander that we had ordered had been sold and another one had to be ordered. The recent weather made the roads very icy and we received help from the highways crew.

**MOTION 2022-10-14**

**Moved by:** Simeon Paschuk

**Seconded by:** Brent Chapman

**THAT:** The Chief Administrative Officer's Report of October 19, 2022, be adopted as presented.

In Favour: 5

Opposed: 0

**CARRIED**

**ii) Clerk-Treasurer Report**

**a) Comparative Income Statement as at September 30, 2022**

**MOTION 2022-10-15**

**Moved by:** Brent Chapman

**Seconded by:** Simeon Paschuk

**THAT:** The Chief Administrative Officer's Report of October 19, 2022, be adopted as presented.

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**

Village Staff is aiming to have the curling ice ready for a Halloween Bonspiel on October 29<sup>th</sup>.

**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**

Nothing presented.

**10. Hearings of Delegations and Individuals**

Nothing presented.

**11. Question Period**

Nothing presented.

**12. New and Unfinished Business**

Council mentioned that community members are happy with the recycling center  
Council asked that a Village Facebook page be created to post special Village of  
Mayo information.

Victoria Gold has scheduled an open house for October 25 from 4-7pm.

**13. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm



Mayor



Chief Administrative Officer