

VILLAGE OF MAYO
Minutes of Regular Council Meeting
of Wednesday, September 6, 2023
Village of Mayo Council Chambers

Present

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

CAO: Margrit Wozniak

Public: RCMP Corporal, Colin Lanthier-Dubois
YG CS Project Manager, Duncan Martin (via zoom)

Absent: Councilor Blair Andre
Clerk/Treasurer Barbara Barchen

1. **Call to order**
Mayor Trevor Ellis called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

2. **Adoption of the Agenda**
MOTION 2023-09-01

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

THAT: The agenda be adopted with the following changes:
Add items:
5b) Third and final reading of Bylaw #352
9a) E-mail from Velma Olsen re: Donation of the hall

In Favour: 4 Opposed: 0

CARRIED

3. **Adoption of the August 16, 2023 Regular Public Council Meeting Minutes**
MOTION 2023-09-02

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

THAT: The minutes of the meeting of August 16, 2023 be adopted
as presented.

In Favour: 4 Opposed: 0

CARRIED

4. **Approval of Accounts Payable to July 31, 2023**

MOTION 2023-09-03

Moved by: Simeon Paschuk

Seconded by: Brent Chapman

THAT: The Accounts Payable to July 31, 2023 in the amount of \$443,276.89 be approved for payment in total.

In Favour: 4

Opposed: 0

CARRIED

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

a) Introduction and possible first and second reading of bylaw #357, a bylaw to provide for the disposal of solid waste

MOTION 2023-09-04

Moved by: Simeon Paschuk

Seconded by: Brent Chapman

Be it resolved that Mayor Trevor Ellis introduce bylaw #357, a bylaw of the Village of Mayo to provide for the disposal of solid waste.

In Favour: 4

Opposed: 0

CARRIED

MOTION 2023-09-05

Moved by: Simeon Paschuk

Seconded by: Brent Chapman

Be it resolved that Bylaw #357 be given first and second reading.

In Favour: 4

Opposed: 0

CARRIED

b) Third and final reading of bylaw #352, OCP

MOTION **2023-09-06**

Moved by: Simeon Paschuk

Seconded by: Brent Chapman

Be it resolved that Bylaw #352 (OCP) having been read a first and second time and studied clause by clause, and having been approved by the Minister, now be given third and final reading.

In Favour: 4

Opposed: 0

CARRIED

6. a) Mayor's Report

Mayor Ellis mentioned that he is hoping everyone is getting back in to the swing of things after the evacuation of Mayo earlier in August.

He mentioned that he had received a call from Bruce Mitford and Beth Hunt about the work that was being done along the Mayo River dike road. He told them that the work being done will make it easier to maintain the Mayo River dike road in the future. It is not only a trail where people walk their dogs, it is also an emergency exit for Mayo if something like the flooding over the main access road happens again, like it did earlier in the year. Mayor Ellis mentioned that the Village should be doing something to thank the Mayo Volunteer Fire Department members who stayed behind to protect the community when everyone was evacuated August 6-13, 2023. He would like to ask NND to share the cost of an Ad in the Yukon News to thank everyone that helped out during the Wildfire threat to Mayo.

b) Administration

i) CAO Report of Wednesday, September 6, 2023

a) 7th Avenue Extension

Duncan Martin, YG CS Project Manager, would like to present a concept of the 7th Avenue Extension Project to Council and get feedback on the proposed road and lot layout. Based on the feedback Council will provide they will be able to adapt the design. If possible, Duncan will attend the Council meeting via zoom. For Council's information. Duncan Martin presented the concept of the 7th Avenue Extension Project to Council via zoom. Council discussed the proposed concept with Duncan and made some comments for changes. It was mentioned that several lots need to be set aside for a new hockey arena, just north east of the current arena. Duncan mentioned that this development would be done in stages and it would hopefully provide a consistent supply of lots in the community of Mayo. YHC has asked YG to set aside some of this development for a multiplex. There should also be a lot dedicated for a playground.

Duncan stated that YG will revise the concept based on the feedback he received from Council. YG would need a motion from Council to approve the revised concept, and for Council to finish their zoning bylaw changes dedication this area as residential. The concept would also be presented to the Public at a public meeting, since the first public meeting had not been well attended. Duncan Martin left the meeting at this time.

Council moved to item 6b)i)a) RCMP Report at this time

Cpl. Lanthier-Dubois presented the August 2023 RCMP to Council. He also mentioned that several of the stop signs in town were overgrown and the brush needed to be removed to ensure that drivers could see the signs.

Mayor Ellis thanked the RCMP for keeping the community safe during the recent evacuation.

Cpl. Lanthier-Dubois stated that the new RCMP member is scheduled to arrive in Mayo in January 2024. The Mayo Detachment is receiving relief RCMP members in the meantime.

Cpl. Lanthier-Dubois left the meeting at this time.

Council moved back to item 6.b) i) CAO Report, at this time.

b) OCP letter from YG Community Services

Minister Mostyn is in the process of reviewing the Village's OCP. The Minister is allowed 45 days to review the OCP, which ends on September 5, 2023. For Council's information. We have received the Ministers approval letter to proceed to 3rd reading of the OCP bylaw, which was done earlier in the meeting.

c) AYC Board Meeting

The next AYC board meeting will be on September 9, 2023 in Carmacks. The AYC Administrator's Forum will be on September 8, 2023, also in Carmacks. The agendas for both meetings are attached for Council's information.

d) Joint Council meeting

NND's A/Executive Director replied that October 5 or 12 would work for NND to attend a Joint Council meeting. We have EMO meetings scheduled for October 3 and 4, as well as a regular Council meeting for the evening of October 4th. Which day would Council prefer to schedule the Joint Council meeting?

Council prefers to hold the Joint Council meeting on October 12, 2023.

e) Invitation to Chief and Mayor's meeting

AYC President Laking sent out a letter inviting all Chiefs and Mayors to a forum scheduled for October 24 from 9 am to 4 pm at Kwanlin Dun Cultural Centre in Whitehorse. CAO's are also invited to attend the forum. Will Mayor Ellis be able to attend this Chief's and Mayor' Forum?

Mayor Ellis was not sure if he will be able to attend this forum. He will let the CAO know closer to the date in October.

f) Peripheral Property Tax Rate

AYC received a reply from Minister Mostyn on AYC's resolution on the peripheral property tax rate. The Minister asks that AYC publicly supports efforts made by YG to proceed with property tax increases, as well as to provide YG with additional details about how much of a tax increase is required to fully address this issue. For Council's information and discussion.

g) Nurses and emergency medical services in rural Yukon

AYC received a response from Minister McPhee to the letter AYC had sent to YG raising concerns about the lack of nursing in communities and with lapses in emergency medical services provided in communities. For Council's information.

h) Letter to Government of Yukon regarding teachers housing

We received a copy of the letter Tara McCauley sent to YG regarding sufficient housing being provided to teachers in communities. For Council's information.

i) United Way Silent Auction Donation Request

We received a request for a donation towards the United Way Breakfast Silent Auction on October 6, 2023. In the past Council provided a monetary donation of \$200.00.

Would Council like to do the same for this year?

Council agreed to donate \$200.00 to the United Way in Whitehorse.

j) Nominations for appointment to WSCB Appeal Tribunal

AYC received a letter from Minister Mostyn asking for nominations for the appointment of a representative of employers on the appeal tribunal. The deadline for nominations is September 22, 2023. Nominations can be in support of a re-appointment or for a new appointment. For Council's consideration.

Council did not put anyone's name forward.

k) Waste Metal from Keno

We've been approached by Robert Savard, YG EM&R LMB, and a contractor, if they could bring waste vehicles, waste tires, old 45 gal. fuel drums, and other metal waste to the Mayo Landfill. The estimate is 10-11 dump truck loads. We already have a lot of waste metals, vehicles, drums and tires stockpiled and it will be expensive to get rid of all these items, if we can find someone to do it for us. YG told us that there is a company in Whitehorse now that drains scrap vehicles, bales them up, and hauls them away. I will check with them in regards to the cost of this, however, this will only cover vehicles. For Council's discussion and direction.

YG informed us that they have made other arrangements now for the majority of this waste. I checked with Dawson and Carmacks who have had waste metals removed from their landfills this year, and it was very expensive.

l) Chlorine Upgrade Project

This project is scheduled to be completed at the end of September/beginning of October with oversight being provided by Chris Potvin. For Council's information.

m) Old reservoir project

The valve from the old reservoir to the water distribution system could not be opened. Therefore, the reservoir had to be drained, the valve was repaired by Budget Plumbing and Heating, and is now being filled again. For Council's information.

n) Warm Water Well Update

One of the new warm water wells is scheduled to be temporarily tied into Mayo's Water Treatment Plant by Budget Plumbing and Heating in the next few weeks. The permanent tie-in of both warm water wells and cold water well 5 will take place in 2024. For Council's information.

o) Fire Fill

Budget Plumbing is also making modifications to the piping to increase the flow on the overhead fire fill station. This will improve the time it takes to fill a fire truck when fighting a fire in the community or the area.

p) Staff house power

Dynamic installed the meter base and mast at the new staff house. YEC installed the power pole. We are now waiting for YEC to get a bucket truck to hook up power to the Staff House. Our Public Works Staff is still waiting for plumbing parts in order to install the water/sewer residential lines to this building. For Council's information.

q) Sewer main line project update

Sidhu's crew continued with the sewer main line replacement on Centre Street in August. Excess soil from the sewer main line replacement work is being put adjacent to Mayo River dike to make future brushing alongside the dike and the overall maintenance of the dike easier. There was an issue with a residential sewer line that Sidhu's crew corrected over a weekend. For Council's information.

r) Sewage Lagoon

Lagoon brushing has started and is scheduled for completion in September/October. For Council's information.

s) Community Centre System Upgrades

The system upgrades are nearly completed. The system now needs to be balanced and checked by the Engineer and YG. The two Community Centre boilers still need replacement of a pump and PRV valves. For Council's information.

t) Binet House Update

The Binet House Museum will be closing for the season on September 8, 2023. For Council's information.

u) Mayo Pool

The Mayo Pool closed for the season on August 18, 2023. For Council's information.

v) Mayo Arts Festival

Due to the death in the community, the Mayo Arts Festival was postponed to September 16, 2023. It is scheduled to be held at Galena Park. For Council's information.

w) Dog Waste Stations

The dog waste stations are being placed by the ballpark, along Centre Street, and by Galena Park. For Council's information.

x) YEC re-licensing meeting

YEC would like to schedule a Teams meeting with the Village of Mayo on Sept. 18, 2023 from 3:30 – 4:30 pm. For Council's information.

MOTION 2023-09-07

Moved by: Simeon Paschuk

Seconded by: Brent Chapman

THAT: The Chief Administrative Officer's Report of September 6, 2023, be adopted as presented.

In Favour: 4

Opposed: 0

CARRIED

ii) Clerk-Treasurer Report

a) Comparative Income Statement for July 2023

MOTION 2023-09-08

Moved by: Simeon Paschuk

Seconded by: Brent Chapman

THAT: The Comparative Income Statement for the month of July, 2023 be approved.

In Favour: 4

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**

a) **RCMP Report for August 2023**

Heard previously.

b) **Firefighter incentive for August 2023**

MOTION 2023-09-09

Moved by: Brent Chapman

Seconded by: Joann Aird

THAT: The monthly firefighter incentive in the amount of \$100 be paid to Simeon Paschuk for the month of August 2023 as chosen by a random draw from the list of eligible volunteer firefighters.

In Favour: 3

Opposed: 0

Abstain: 1

CARRIED

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) **E-mail from Velma Olsen requesting donation of the community hall for a Halloween surprise**

Council read Velma's email, discussed it, and agreed to donate the Community Hall for weekly practice sessions prior to Halloween.

10. Hearings of Delegations and Individuals

Nothing presented.

11. Question Period

Nothing presented.

12. New and Unfinished Business

Nothing presented.

13. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 pm



Mayor



Chief Administrative Officer