



MINUTES

For the **REGULAR MEETING** of Council to be held on Monday, March 10, 2025, at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 424 – 3rd Avenue West, Prince Rupert, B.C.

PRESENT: Mayor H. Pond
Councillor B. Cunningham
Councillor G. Randhawa
Councillor T. Forster
Councillor N. Adey
Councillor R. Skelton-Morven (Remote)
Councillor W. Niesh

STAFF: R. Pucci, Deputy City Manager
R. Miller, Director of Corporate & Legislative Services /
Corporate Officer
C. Bomben, Chief Financial Officer
M. Pope, Director of Development Services
N. Beauregard, Director of Recreation & Community Services

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

Added as items:

5.d) vii. Letter of Support for the Museum of Northern BC for an application to NDIIT for HVAC Replacement;

5.d) viii. Letter of Support from the Prince Rupert Unemployed Action Centre Society;

7.d) City of Prince Rupert Bylaw Highway Road Closure Bylaw No.3555, 2025

Recommendation:

That Council give Fourth & Final Reading to the City of Prince Rupert Highway Road Closure Bylaw No. 3555, 2025.

7.e) City of Prince Rupert Bylaw Highway Road Closure No. 3556, 2025

Recommendation:

That Council give Fourth & Final Reading to the City of Prince Rupert Highway Road Closure Bylaw No. 3556, 2025.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by Councillor Cunningham and seconded by Councillor Niesh THAT the Agenda for the Regular Council Meeting of March 10, 2025 be adopted as presented and amended.

CARRIED

4. PUBLIC COMMENT(S) REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

5. CONSENT AGENDA

a) Council minutes for approval

- i. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 24, 2025;
- ii. Minutes of the Public Hearing Meeting of February 24, 2025;
- iii. Minutes of the Special Meeting of February 24, 2025;

b) Reports for receipt

- iv. Report from the Planning Re: February 2025 Development Activity Report;

c) Correspondence for receipt

- v. **North** Coast Regional District Re: February 2025 Board Highlights;
- vi. Abbotsford City Council Re: Support for the proposed UBCM Resolution for Infrastructure Support for Specified Municipalities;

d) Correspondence for approval

- vii. Letter of Support for the Museum of Northern BC for an application to NDIT for HVAC Replacement; and,
- viii. Letter of Support from the Prince Rupert Unemployed Action Centre Society.

MOVED by Councillor Cunningham and seconded by Councillor Niesh THAT all items on the Consent Agenda be approved or received as requested.

CARRIED

6. REPORTS

a) Report from the Director of Corporate & Legislative Services Re: Waiver of Professional Fees: Physicians

MOVED by Councillor Forster and seconded by Councillor Randhawa THAT Council direct Staff to waive Professional Fees for Physicians as defined in the City of Prince Rupert's Trade and Licensing Bylaw No. 3532, 2024 for the year 2025;

AND THAT Council direct Staff to reimburse any Physician who has already paid their Professional Fees for the 2025 year in accordance with the City of Prince Rupert's Trade and Licensing Bylaw No. 3532, 2024;

AND THAT Council revisit this waiver of fees for the 2026 calendar year.

CARRIED

b) Report from the Director of Corporate & Legislative Services Re: Ticket Information Bylaw Amendments

MOVED by Councillor Adey and seconded by Councillor Niesh THAT Council consider the amendments to the Ticket Information Bylaw for the inclusion of both the Good Neighbour Bylaw and the Waste Management Bylaw.

CARRIED

7. BYLAWS

a) City of Prince Rupert Good Neighbour Bylaw No. 3558, 2025

MOVED by Councillor Adey and seconded by Councillor Randhawa THAT Council give First and Second Readings to the City of Prince Rupert Good Neighbour Bylaw No. 3558, 2025.

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MOVED by Councillor Cunningham and seconded by Councillor Forster THAT Council requested to amend the quiet hours starting from 2100 hours instead of 2200 hours.

CARRIED

b) City of Prince Rupert Ticket Information Amendment Bylaw No. 3559, 2025

MOVED by Councillor Cunningham and seconded by Councillor Forster THAT Council give First and Second Readings to the City of Prince Rupert Ticket Information Amendment Bylaw No. 3559, 2025.

CARRIED

c) City of Prince Rupert Ticket Information Amendment Bylaw No. 3560, 2025

MOVED by Councillor Adey and seconded by Councillor Forster THAT Council give First and Second Readings to the City of Prince Rupert Ticket Information Amendment Bylaw No. 3560, 2025.

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d) City of Prince Rupert Bylaw Highway Road Closure Bylaw No.3555, 2025

MOVED by Councillor Randhawa and seconded by Councillor Niesh THAT Council give Fourth and Final Readings to the City of Prince Rupert Bylaw Highway Road Closure Bylaw No.3555, 2025.

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e) City of Prince Rupert Bylaw Highway Road Closure Bylaw No.3556, 2025

MOVED by Councillor Forster and seconded by Councillor Adey THAT Council give Fourth and Final Readings to the City of Prince Rupert Bylaw Highway Road Closure Bylaw No.3556, 2025.

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8. RISE & REPORT

MOVED by Councillor Adey and seconded by Councillor Forster THAT Council direct Staff to explore low carbon options for power generation.

CARRIED

9. COUNCIL ROUND TABLE

- a) Councillor Niesh made notice of motion to remove US flags;
- b) Councillor Forster made notice of motion to support Canadian business.

10. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Randhawa and seconded by Councillor Adey THAT the meeting be adjourned at 7:41 pm.

CARRIED

Confirmed:

MAYOR

Certified Correct:

CORPORATE OFFICER