



MINUTES

For the **REGULAR MEETING** of Council to be held on Monday, April 14, 2025, at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 424 – 3rd Avenue West, Prince Rupert, B.C.

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

STAFF: R. Buchan, City Manager (Remote)
R. Pucci, Deputy City Manager (Remote)
R. Miller, Director of Corporate & Legislative Services /
Corporate Officer
C. Bomben, Chief Financial Officer (Remote)
N. Beauregard, Director of Recreation & Community
Services
J. Schmidt, Director of Operations
M. Pope, Director of Development Services
V. Steward, Manager of Communications, Engagement and
Social Development

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

Added as items:

5. d) Request for Proclamation from the Indo-Canadian Sikh Association of Prince Rupert.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by Councillor Wade and seconded by Councillor Cunningham THAT the Agenda for the Regular Council Meeting of April 14, 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 March 24, 2025;
- ii. Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of March 24, 2025;
- iii. Minutes of the Special Meeting of March 24, 2025;

b) Reports for receipt

- iv. Report from the Fire Chief Re: March 2025 Fire/Rescue Report;

c) Correspondence for receipt

- v. North Coast Regional District Re: March 2025 Board Highlights;
- vi. Cruise Ship Industry feedback from the volunteer senior cruise ship ambassador;
- vii. BC SPCA Re: Animal Statistics Report 2024;
- viii. Letter from the Village of Daajing Giids to the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch regarding Cannabis Taxation Sharing and Municipal-Owned Cannabis Retail Stores; and

d) Correspondence for approval

- ix. Request for Poclamation from the Indo-Canadian Sikh Association of Prince Rupert.

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

CARRIED

6. REPORTS

a) Report from the Fire Chief Re: Application to Union of BC Municipalities' Next Generation 911 Program

MOVED by Councillor Cunningham and seconded by Councillor Niesh Council support the City's Application for \$1.9M in funding from the 2025 UBCM Next Generation 911 program to be spent on increased staffing in support of modernizing its 911 PSAP, as per Federal mandate;

AND THAT Council confirm overall grant management for UBCM funds, if received.

CARRIED

7. COUNCIL ROUND TABLE

8. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Cunningham and seconded by Councillor Niesh THAT the meeting be adjourned at 7:16 pm.

CARRIED

Confirmed:

MAYOR

Certified Correct:

CORPORATE OFFICER