



MINUTES

For the **REGULAR MEETING** of Council held on February 21, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 424 – 3rd Avenue West, Prince Rupert, B.C.

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

STAFF: R. Buchan, City Manager (virtual)
R. Miller, Corporate Administrator
C. Bomben, Chief Financial Officer
R. Pucci, Director of Operations & Intergovernmental Relations
M. Pope, Planning Manager
V. Stewart, Manager of Communication, Engagement & Social Development

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the Regular Meeting of Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

CARRIED

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

a) Request removal of the Water Treatment Procurement Memo be removed from the Consent Agenda and added as separate item 6.d).

Moved by Councillor Niesh and seconded by Councillor Adey THAT Council unanimously approve the addition of the late item as requested.

CARRIED

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by Councillor Randhawa and seconded by Councillor Adey THAT the Agenda for the Regular Council Meeting of February 21, 2023 be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

a) Gary Gunther (Prince Rupert) & Theresa Lee (Prince Rupert) – Re: Road Closure Bylaw 3513, 2023.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

a) Council minutes

- (i) Minutes of the Special Regular Meeting of February 6, 2023 be adopted;
- (ii) Minutes of the Public Hearing of February 6, 2023 be adopted;
- (iii) Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of February 9, 2023 be adopted; and,
- (iv) Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 6, 2023 be adopted.

b) Staff reports for Information Purposes

- (i) Monthly Fire/Rescue Report January 2023; and,
- (ii) Development Activity Report for January 2023.

c) Correspondence

- (i) North Coast Regional District News February 14, 2023 news release re: NCRD Sandpit EV Charger Installation Completed;
- (ii) Letter from Tracey Hoffman, ICBC Road Safety & Community Coordinator;
- (iii) Letter from Mayor Pond to Taylor Bachrach Re: Appointment as Deputy Critic for Fisheries and the Canadian Coast Guard;
- (iv) Northern Health Information Bulletin Re: Statement from Northern Health's Board Chair – NH President & CEO to retire this year; and,
- (v) Northern Health News Release Re: Text alerts for toxic drugs now available in the North.

MOVED by Councillor Adey and seconded by Councillor Cunningham THAT all items on the Consent Agenda be accepted and filed.

CARRIED

6. STAFF REPORTS

a) Report from the Planning Manager Re: Request for Support for Rapid Housing Initiative

MOVED by Councillor Niesh and seconded by Councillor Cunningham THAT Council give support to the City of Prince Rupert's application for CMHC's Rapid Housing Initiative 3.0 Fund.

CARRIED

b) Report from the Manager of Communications, Engagement and Social Development Re: Update on Reconciliation Framework Committee Development and Policy Workplan

MOVED by Councillor Randhawa and seconded by Councillor Adey THAT Council support the development of a Reconciliation/UNDRIP committee Terms of Reference through a process of tabletop discussions with Indigenous leaders and support by staff; and,

THAT Council delegate Councillors Skelton-Morven and Forster to participate in the tabletop discussions.

CARRIED

c) Report from the Corporate Administrator Re: City of Prince Rupert Council Meeting Schedule.

MOVED by Councillor Niesh and seconded by Councillor Cunningham THAT Council look to schedule a Committee of the Whole for March 22, 2023 for budget presentations.

CARRIED

d) Report from the Director of Operations & Intergovernmental Relations Re: Water Treatment Procurement Method – Technical Memo

MOVED by Councillor Niesh and seconded by Councillor Randhawa THAT Council receives the included memorandum and direct staff to proceed to RFP.

CARRIED

7. BYLAWS

a) City of Prince Rupert Fire Control and Protection Amendment Bylaw No. 3515, 2023.

MOVED by Councillor Cunningham and seconded by Councillor Niesh THAT Council repeal and replace third reading from February 6, 2023, amending the bylaw as follows:

Section 1.b.i “smoke” to “smoking”; and,
Section 1.b.ii “non-combustible” to “combustible”.

CARRIED

b) City of Prince Rupert Road Dedication Bylaw 3512, 2023.

MOVED by Councillor Niesh and seconded by Councillor Cunningham THAT Council give third reading to the City of Prince Rupert Road Dedication Bylaw No. 3512, 2023.

CARRIED

c) City of Prince Rupert Road Closure Bylaw No. 3513, 2023.

MOVED by Councillor Niesh and seconded by Councillor Adey THAT Council give third reading to the City of Prince Rupert Road Closure Bylaw No. 3513, 2023.

CARRIED

d) City of Prince Rupert Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 3479, 2022.

MOVED by Councillor Niesh and seconded by Councillor Cunningham THAT Council amend the City of Prince Rupert Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw no. 3479, 2022 by adding “subject to any zoning bylaw requirements” to section 4 (page 37) and adding the requirement for a Public Hearing.

4 IN-FAVOUR

Councillors Cunningham, Adey and Randhawa OPPOSED

CARRIED

MOVED by Councillor Niesh and seconded by Councillor Adey THAT Council give third reading to the City of Prince Rupert Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 3479, 2022.

3 IN-FAVOUR

Councillors Skelton-Morven, Niesh, Randhawa and Adey OPPOSED

DEFEATED

8. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Niesh and seconded by Councillor Randhawa THAT the meeting be adjourned to a Closed Meeting of Council at 8:09pm.

CARRIED

Confirmed:

MAYOR

Certified Correct:

CORPORATE ADMINISTRATOR