

Village of Chipman
Regular Council Meeting
January 6, 2020 at 7:00 pm

Attendance: Mayor Carson Atkinson, Deputy Mayor Keith West, Councillor Dan Frenette, Councillor Lindsey Fraser, and Councillor Shaun Ward via conference call.

Media: Kelly Bishop, Grand Lake Mirror

RCMP: No report, no member present

NSP: Leah Stevenson

Calling to Order

Mayor Carson Atkinson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Mayor Atkinson wished Councillor Ward a speedy recovery after his surgery on behalf of Council.

Approval of Agenda

Moved by Councillor Dan Frenette and seconded by Councillor Lindsey Fraser to approve the agenda. **Motion carried.**

Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Shaun Ward and seconded by Councillor Dan Frenette that the minutes of the December 2, 2019 Special Council Meeting be adopted. **Motion carried.**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Keith West and seconded by Councillor Dan Frenette that the minutes of the December 2, 2019 Regular Meeting of Council be adopted. **Motion carried.**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Keith West and seconded by Councillor Shaun Ward that the minutes of the December 12, 2019 Special Council Meeting be adopted. **Motion carried.**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Keith West and seconded by Councillor Lindsey Fraser that the minutes of the December 16, 2019 Special Meeting of Council be adopted. **Motion carried.**

Moved by Councillor Shaun Ward and seconded by Councillor Dan Frenette that the minutes of the December 30, 2019 Special Meeting of Council be adopted. **Motion carried.**

Conflict of Interest

N/A

NSP Report

Leah Stevenson, Manager of the Newcomer Settlement Program, gave a very detailed report of all the events that were held in December as well as reports for funding that needs to be submitted in January 2020 (see report attached).

Correspondence

1 Building Permit in December, 0 Development Permits.

A thank you letter from the Village of Minto was read thanking the Chipman Fire Department as one of the first outside fire departments to come to their aid in the recent fire at their tire recycling facility on December 20, 2019.

The Village received a response letter from the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure, Bill Oliver, regarding their concerns that there is not a crosswalk on Route 10 (Main Street) near the Heritage Centre and Robin's Donuts. Mr. Oliver stated in the letter that an evaluation was completed and the best possible location was suggested in order to meet the sight distance requirements.

Councillor's Reports

Moved by Councillor Lindsey Fraser and seconded by Councillor Dan Frenette to accept the Mayor's Report as well as the Public Works Report (see attached). **Motion carried.**

Deputy Mayor Keith West reviewed the Utility Worker's report in detail. Deputy Mayor West reported that Robinson Septic & Waste came to clean sewer lines in December.

Current sewer accounts collected in December was \$6364.00, arrears collected in December was \$3670.00.

Deputy Mayor Keith West thanked the Village for the certificate he was given for all his effortless volunteer hours that he has donated making sure the community has a bingo each week.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Keith West and seconded by Councillor Dan Frenette to accept his verbal report. **Motion carried.**

Councillor Lindsey Fraser reported that the heating system at the Bowl-a-rama should be repaired this week. For all lane bookings please call Linda at the Bowling Alley at 339-1914.

Renovations at the Library are complete.

Chipman Summer Festival first meeting will be on January 23, 2020 at 5:00 pm in the Council Chambers.

There were no animal complaints in December 2019.

Moved by Councillor Lindsey Fraser and seconded by Councillor Dan Frenette to accept her reports (see attached). **Motion carried.**

Councillor Frenette reported that the arena is running well.

The RCMP meeting that was going to be held January 9, 2020 in Minto has been cancelled. Council would like to set up a meeting with RCMP on February 3, 2020. The office will email Sgt. MacDougall to see if this is possible. Many concerns were expressed at last month's RSC 11 meeting with regards to lack of policing in our region.

Moved by Councillor Dan Frenette and seconded by Councillor Lindsey Fraser to accept his verbal report. **Motion carried.**

Councillor Shaun Ward reported that there were 6 fire calls in December.

Due to Councillor Ward having emergency surgery he apologized for not having a report prepared.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Keith West and seconded by Councillor Lindsey Fraser to accept the Clerk's report. **Motion carried.**

New Business

A concern was given to the office regarding excess speeding on Route 10 within the Village. Council urged everyone to call the RCMP with these complaints as well as notifying the Village Council. The more complaints received and documented may make the difference in better policing in our Community.

Moved by Councillor Lindsey Fraser and seconded by Deputy Mayor Keith West to donate \$866.04 to Grand Lake Sno Cruisers out of Parks and Recreation to help with the installation of the bridge on the trail behind Armstrong Communications.

Approval of Bills

Moved by Deputy Mayor Keith West and seconded by Councillor Dan Frenette to approve payment of General Bills in the amount of \$391,324.79. **Motion carried.**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Keith West and seconded by Councillor Lindsey Fraser to approve payment of the Sewerage Bills in the amount of \$247,335.43. **Motion carried.**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Keith West and seconded by Councillor Lindsey Fraser to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 pm. **Motion carried.**



Carson Atkinson, Mayor



Michelle Dickinson, Clerk

