

A regular meeting of the District of Wells Council was held Tuesday, April 6, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. in Council Chambers, 4243 Sanders Avenue, Wells, BC V0K 2R0

MINUTES

PRESENT: Mayor Jay Vermette and Councillors Judy Campbell and Aleta Wallace

ALSO PRESENT: Gary Champagne, C.A.O.; Dennis Manuel, Superintendent of Public Works; Wanda Johnstone, Receptionist and Sundance Topham, Deputy Clerk

PUBLIC GALLERY: NIL

A. CALL TO ORDER AND AGENDA ADOPTION:

10-72 MOVED Councillor Wallace Seconded Councillor Campbell **THAT** the Agenda be adopted as amended as followed:

E.3 Smilin' Jack - Operational Agreement Letter
Carried Unanimously

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

10-73 MOVED Councillor Campbell Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, March 16, 2010 be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

C. DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS: NIL

D. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES / UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NIL

E. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Special Council Meeting - May 11, 2010

10-74 MOVED Councillor Campbell Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** Council schedule a Special Council Meeting for May 11, 2010 in order to approve the District of Wells 2010 Tax Rates Bylaw and District of Wells 2010 Financial Plan Bylaw.

Carried Unanimously

2. Property Improvement Contest Revisions Report

10-75 MOVED Councillor Wallace Seconded Councillor Campbell **THAT** the Property Improvement Contest Revisions Report be received and that the recommendations included within be incorporated into future District of Wells Property Improvement Contests.

Carried Unanimously

3. Smilin' Jack - Operational Agreement Letter

The Administrator noted that District of Wells staff would contact the Municipal Insurance Association to ensure that any potential changes to the Smilin' Jack Operational Agreement would not put the District of Wells at risk. The Administrator noted that staff would also review the potential length of any

agreement to ensure that it was consistent with District of Wells usage of the area in question, as well as reviewing whether the District of Wells would be aiding a business by entering into a long-term agreement. General discussion took place in regards to the Smilin' Jack Operational Agreement letter.

- 10-76** **MOVED** Councillor Wallace Seconded Councillor Campbell **THAT** the Smilin' Jack Operational Agreement Letter be referred to staff for a follow-up report.
Carried Unanimously

F. CORRESPONDENCE: NIL

G. BYLAWS AND RESOLUTIONS:

1. Wells Official Community Plan Designation Bylaw No. 106, 2010
10-77 **MOVED** Councillor Wallace Seconded Councillor Campbell **THAT** Council give first and second readings to the Wells Official Community Plan Designation Bylaw No. 106, 2010.
Carried Unanimously

H. REPORTS:

1. Superintendent of Public Works Report
The Superintendent of Public Works provided a verbal report.
2. Fire Chief Report
The Fire Chief provided a verbal report.
- 10-78** **MOVED** Councillor Campbell Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** the Superintendent of Public Works and Fire Chief Reports be received.
Carried Unanimously

I. CONSENT CALENDAR:

- 10-79** **MOVED** Councillor Campbell Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** the Consent Calendar be adopted as amended as follows:
- 10.03.11 Derek Corrigan, Mayor, City of Burnaby re: Government of Canada consultation with local governments in regards to possible trade agreements.
 - 10.03.12 Janine North, Chief Executive Officer, Northern Trust re: 2010 District of Wells Ec. Dev. Capacity Building Funding update.
 - 10.03.17 Judy Campbell, Chief Executive Officer, Barkerville Historic Town re: Update on how Barkerville Historic Town may be able to help further relations with China and develop strategies to engage Chinese markets.
 - 10.03.23 Mary Sjostrom, Mayor, City of Quesnel re: Congratulations to Cariboo Regional District Board for being named Newsmaker of the Year.
 - 10.03.30 Scott Fraser, MLA, Alberni Pacific Rim, Opposition Critic, Community and Rural Development re: Local Government Elections Task Force.
Carried Unanimously
 - 10.03.24 Diana Dilworth, Acting Mayor, City of Port Moody re: Request for Consideration by the Local Government Elections Task Force of Election Term Length and Voting Age.
Councillor Wallace asked for clarification on the letter from the City of Port Moody. Mayor Vermette provided clarification on the issue.

- 10-80** **MOVED** Councillor Wallace Seconded Councillor Campbell **THAT** the 10.03.24 letter from Diana Dilworth, Acting Mayor, City of Port Moody re: Request for Consideration by the Local Government Elections Task Force of Election Term Length and Voting Age be received.
Carried Unanimously

J. INFORMATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Council Members:

Councillor Wallace provided an overview of the BC Rural Communities Conference that she attended in Port Hardy. She also provided an overview of the District of Wells Economic Development Standing Committee meeting held in March. General discussion took place in regards to the progress of the Wells Community Forest application.

Councillor Campbell noted that Island Mountain Arts *Eat Your Art Out*, which was held on the Easter Long Weekend, was a success. She also noted that the District of Wells Planning and Zoning Committee had met to prepare the District of Wells Official Community Plan.

2. Staff:

The Administrator gave an overview of the North Central Local Government Association Conference to be held in Smithers in early May, noting that either himself or the Deputy Clerk would be accompanying Councillors Wallace and Wilkins to the Conference. The Administrator noted that he would be missing the April Council meeting as he will be on vacation and that Sundance Topham, the Deputy Clerk, would be in charge in his absence. The Administrator also noted that Wanda Johnstone had been hired as the new District of Wells front desk receptionist.

The Deputy Clerk noted that staff was looking to hold the annual District of Wells Community BBQ on June 25, 2010 and the Town Clean-up on May 21, 2010.

3. Public Gallery: NIL

K. ADJOURNMENT:

- 10-81** **MOVED** Councillor Campbell Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** the meeting adjourn at 7:35.

Carried Unanimously

John P.S. Vermette, Mayor

Gary Champagne, CAO