

A regular meeting of the District of Wells Council was held Tuesday, May 18, 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, Aleta Wallace, Virginia Wilkins and Richard Wright

ALSO PRESENT: Gary Champagne, CAO, Sundance Topham, Deputy Clerk

PUBLIC GALLERY: NIL

A. CALL TO ORDER AND AGENDA ADOPTION:

10-118 MOVED Councillor Wallace Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** the Agenda be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

10-119 MOVED Councillor Wallace Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting, May 4, 2010 be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

10-120 MOVED Councillor Wright Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting, May 11, 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. 2009 District of Wells Audit

The Administrator provided an overview of the 2009 District of Wells Audit.

10-121 MOVED Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Wright **THAT** Council receive and approve the 2009 District of Wells Audit.

Carried Unanimously

2. 2009 Auditor's Management Letter

The Administrator provided an overview of the 2009 Auditor's Management Letter. Councillor Wright noted that some of the policies noted in the 2009 Auditor's Management Letter should be implemented at the District of Wells. The Administrator noted that staff could bring the policies forward to Council. General discussion took place in regards to District of Wells' policies.

10-122 MOVED Councillor Wright Seconded Councillor Wallace **THAT** staff develop a proposed code of ethics that would provide direction for Council, management and staff at the District of Wells.

Carried Unanimously

- 10-123** **MOVED** Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Wright **THAT** Council receive and approve the 2009 Auditor's Management Letter.
Carried Unanimously

F. CORRESPONDENCE: NIL

G. BYLAWS AND RESOLUTIONS: NIL

H. REPORTS:

1. Cheque Register 10.04.01 to 10.04.30
10-124 **MOVED** Councillor Wright Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** Council approve Cheques 811 to 842 from Integris Credit Union for the period of April 1, 2010 to April 30, 2010 for a total amount of \$145,132.41.
Carried Unanimously

2. Outstanding Actions Item Report
The Deputy Clerk provided an update on the Wells Community Forest application and the Administrator noted that new larger speed zone signs were being installed at the entrance to the District of Wells townsite as per Council's request. Discussion also took place in regards to parking requirements within the District of Wells.
10-125 **MOVED** Councillor Wallace Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** the Outstanding Actions Item Report be received.
Carried Unanimously

I. CONSENT CALENDAR:

- 10-126** **MOVED** Councillor Wright Seconded Councillor Campbell **THAT** the Consent Calendar be adopted as circulated.
- 10.05.03 Joe Foy, National Campaign Director, Wilderness Committee re: Saving BC's Wild Salmon. (Report available from Deputy Clerk).
 - 10.05.05 UBCM Resolutions Committee re: Resolutions Process Review.
 - 10.05.05 Crystal Dunahee, President, Child Find BC re: Proclamation for National Missing Children's Month and Missing Children's Day.
- Carried Unanimously

J. INFORMATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Council Members:
Councillor Wilkins thanked the Administrator and Public Works Superintendent for help she received in moving her old fridge for the annual town cleanup. Councillor Wilkins also asked for an update on the water treatment plant. The Administrator provided an update on the progress of the water treatment plant.
10-127 **MOVED** Councillor Wilkins Seconded Councillor Wright **THAT** staff investigate purchasing the Mayor of the District of Wells a chain of office.
Carried Unanimously

Councillor Campbell noted that Robin Sharpe`s retirement party was taking place on May 22, 2010 and the Barkerville Rush Relay is taking place on May 23, 2010. Councillor Campbell also noted that the Queen`s tea was taking place on Victoria Day in Barkerville Historic Town.

Councillor Wright said that there was a problem with street sweeping on Highway 26 within the District of Wells townsite, as the dust control operations are ineffective and gravel and dust is continually building up. The Administrator noted that Highway 26 was under the Ministry of Highways jurisdiction. The Administrator also noted that he would talk to the local Highways Maintenance Contractor in regards to the dust control on Highway 26 in Wells. Councillor Wright also said that on May 21, 2010 there will be an informal opening for his new Camel Crossing Coffee and Corn business and a concert at the Singing Camel on May 23, 2010.

2. Staff:
The Deputy Clerk gave an overview of some District of Wells Economic Development issues including the new Wells Barkerville Mountain Trails website and the Fuel Management Prescriptions for the District of Wells.
3. Public Gallery: NIL

K. ADJOURNMENT:

10-128 **MOVED** Councillor Campbell Seconded Councillor Wilkins **THAT** the meeting adjourn at 7:53 PM.

Carried Unanimously

John P.S. Vermette, Mayor

Gary Champagne, CAO