

DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
June 6, 2022
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

1) CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm

PRESENT: Mayor Lowry
Councillor A. Berg
Councillor G. Burns
Councillor B. Henwood
Councillor J. Hobenshield
Councillor R. Sturney
Councillor M. Weeber

STAFF PRESENT: W. Hunt
L. Roe
B. White

2) MINUTES:

RESOLUTION 8115/22

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the minutes of the May 2, 2022 regular meeting be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

3) PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS: None

4) UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a) Update on Canada Day – Scheduled from 11:00 am – 2:00 pm. We are looking at ordering 300 cupcakes, coffee, tea, juice, and 3 gift baskets. We are still looking for help and one band has signed up to perform.

5) CORRESPONDENCE:

- a) USRC Advisory Committee Representation – choose a representative

RESOLUTION 8116/22

MOVED & SECONDED

That, Councillor Burns to be appointed District of New Hazelton's USRC Advisory Committee Representative.

CARRIED

6) REPORTS:

Councillor Sturney provided an update on the BC Natural Resources Forum that took place in Prince George earlier this year.

Councillor Weeber provided an update on the TV Association. They will be giving out two bursaries and they provided five new televisions to the extended care wing of Wrinch Memorial Hospital.

Councillor Hobenshield attended the Annual General Meeting for the Hazelton District Public Library. There are some new faces on the Board. Memory kits for use by families will be available from the Library in September.

Mayor Lowry attended the monthly Regional District of Kitimat Stikine meeting as well as the Northwest Regional Hospital Board meeting. There will be an open house for residents of Two Mile regarding potential water line installation and other amenities. This will take place on 7th at the Upper Skeena Recreation Center.

7) BYLAWS:

- a) District of New Hazelton Repealing Bylaw No. 366, 2022 – Adopt

RESOLUTION 8117/22

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the District of New Hazelton adopt the Repealing Bylaw No. 366, 2022.

CARRIED

- b) Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 367, 2022 – Adopt

RESOLUTION 8118/22

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the District of New Hazelton adopt the Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No.367, 2022.

CARRIED

8) NEW BUSINESS:

- a) **Council Schedule**

Council reviewed their schedule for the coming months.

- b) **Review of Letter sent to Acting Administrator Tysen Leblond Wrinch Memorial Hospital and Rehabilitation Services Program regarding CHIC.**

Council supported Councillor Henwood's decision to withdraw from the CHIC committee as outlined in her correspondence.

- c) **UBCM Whistler – September 12-16, 2022**

Council members will let staff know if they are interested in attending. Staff will send out the agenda as soon as it is available.

- d) **Hazelton Safe Haven - Issue Temporary Use Permit for Mennonite Church to operate as a safe place for 2 refugee families.**

Hazelton Safe Haven is looking for a place to potentially house two refugee families. If agreed by the Owner, they would like permission to amend zoning to allow the use of the Mennonite Church to operate as a home for up to two families. Staff advised that this could be done through a Temporary Operating Permit for a period of up to 3 years.

RESOLUTION 8119/22

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the District of New Hazelton issue a 3-year Temporary Use Permit for the BC Conference of Mennonite Brethren Churches to house two refugee families sponsored by Hazelton Safe Haven.

CARRIED

- e) Scholarships – Six scholarships applications were received and two were selected. Scholarships were awarded to Claire Hobenshield and Zechariah Matthieu.
- f) Councillor Burns asked about update on the Travel Policy. Staff have not yet had time to look into making changes.
- g) Councillor Hobenshield inquired about where Billboard for Ross Lake went? The Lease on the rental space is up and therefore it will be removed and kept to be used at another time. Council would like to see it renewed and put somewhere closer to Hazelton and on the proper side of the road. Staff will look into this.

10) ADJOURNMENT:

RESOLUTION 8120/22

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the regular meeting be adjourned at 8:21 pm.

CARRIED

CERTIFIED CORRECT THIS

4th DAY OF JULY, 2022

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

MAYOR