



DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON  
Regular Meeting  
Monday December 1, 2025  
4633 10<sup>th</sup> Ave – Room #2 Council Chambers

Public Meeting – 6:45PM  
Regular Meeting – 7:00PM

**1. CALL TO ORDER PUBLIC MEETING – 6:45PM**

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

Staff: Chief Administrative Officer, W. Hunt  
Chief Financial Officer, L. Roe  
Corporate Officer, B. White

Absent: Councillor G. Burns

- To discuss District of New Hazelton Zoning Bylaw No. 389, 2025, there was one member of public in attendance. No questions were raised regarding Zoning Bylaw No. 389, 2025.
- The meeting was adjourned at 7:00PM.

**2. CALL TO ORDER REGULAR MEETING – 7:00PM**

**3. MINUTES**

3.1 Accept Minutes of November 3, 2025 regular meeting

**RESOLUTION 8445/25**

**MOVED/SECONDED**

THAT, the minutes of the November 3, 2025 regular meeting be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**4. PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS**

4.1 Stanley Walker – to discuss widening of the pull out on the West end of town, and concerns regarding explosive combination of trucks in the same place at the same time within town limits.

- Stanley Walker did not attend the meeting.

4.2 Laurie Gallant from Making Agriculture Sustainable in the Hazeltons (MASH) – regarding mobile slaughterhouse and cold storage, as well as an update on their composting program.

- Laurie Gallant gave an update on 2025 MASH initiatives which included the continuation of the Community Composting Program, the 5<sup>th</sup> annual Apple Pressing event, continuing to expand their equipment library and beginning to develop innovative food system solutions. This led into the mobile slaughterhouse and cold storage topic. MASH is

requesting the following from the District; help to promote their new website which is launching December 15<sup>th</sup>, a letter of support for Northern Development Initiative Trust (NDIT) and Prince Rupert Port Authority grant applications. They are also seeking to discuss a long-term lease for a facility to house the collective cold storage.

## **5. CORRESPONDENCE**

5.1 Gitxsan Torchmen Basketball Club request for sponsorship for Heat Tournament December 19-21<sup>st</sup>

- Received for information purposes only, no further action taken. The Torchmen are volunteering at Winterfest and will receive a donation of \$500.00 for their assistance.

5.2 Bill M 216 2025 Professional Reliance Act

**RESOLUTION 8446/25**

**MOVED/SECONDED**

THAT, Council authorizes Staff to write a letter to the Province urging them to not approve Bill M 216 – 2025 Professional Reliance Act.

**CARRIED**

## **6. REPORTS**

6.1 Council Reports

- Councillor Berg has a Skeena TV Association meeting coming up and asked if there is anything to bring to their attention.
- Councillor Hobenshield advised that the Hazelton District Public Library will be coming out with their strategic plan soon.
- Mayor Lowry met with local and regional staff regarding the shutdown and sale of the Hazelton Community College.
- CAO, Hunt attended an Upper Skeena Recreation Centre Meeting, and the new kitchen is in however it is not operating quite yet. Also advised that CAO, Hunt and CFO, Roe attended an Asset Management WORKSHOP IN Smithers and they have an opportunity to take an Asset Management course that will assist the District to become self-sufficient when it comes to Asset Management.

## **7. BYLAWS**

7.1 Third reading and Adoption of District of New Hazelton Zoning Bylaw No. 389, 2025

**RESOLUTION 8447/25**

**MOVED/SECONDED**

THAT, Council gives the Third reading and Adoption of District of New Hazelton Zoning Bylaw No. 389, 2025.

**CARRIED**

7.2 First and Second Reading of District of New Hazelton 2026-2030 Financial Plan Bylaw No. 390, 2025

**RESOLUTION 8448/25**

**MOVED/SECONDED**

THAT, Council gives the First and Second reading of the District of New Hazelton 2026-2030 Financial Plan Bylaw No. 390, 2025.

**CARRIED**

**8. NEW BUSINESS**

8.1 Annual Review of Workplace Bullying and Harassment Policy

**RESOLUTION 8449/25**

**MOVED/SECONDED**

THAT, Council accepts the updates to the annual review of the Workplace Bullying and Harassment Policy.

**CARRIED**

8.2 Travel Expense Policy

**RESOLUTION 8450/25**

**MOVED/SECONDED**

THAT, Council accepts the updates to the Travel Expense Policy as amended.

**CARRIED**

8.3 Utilities Policy

**RESOLUTION 8451/25**

**MOVED/SECONDED**

THAT, Council accepts the updates to the Utilities Policy.

**CARRIED**

8.4 Public Use of Equipment Policy

**RESOLUTION 8452/25**

**MOVED/SECONDED**

THAT, Council accepts the updates to the Public Use of Equipment Policy.

**CARRIED**

8.5 Building Bylaw Enforcement Policy

**RESOLUTION 8453/25**

**MOVED/SECONDED**

THAT, Council accepts the updates to the Building Bylaw Enforcement Policy.

**CARRIED**

8.6 Council New Business

- Mayor Lowry advised that this will be the last year that the South Hazelton Women's Institute will host the Seniors Christmas Dinner. Hoping to find another organization or group of people who would be willing to sponsor this dinner.

8.7 Council Schedule

- Council Meeting Schedule for 2026

**RESOLUTION 8454/25**

**MOVED/SECONDED**

THAT, Council approves the 2026 Council Meeting Schedule

**CARRIED**

- Council reviewed their schedule for the upcoming months.

**9. CLOSED MEETING**

Moved to exclude the public and staff and enter a closed meeting pursuant to S. 90(1)(c) of the *Community Charter*, regarding labour relations or other employee relations at 8:24PM.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

**RESOLUTION 8455/25**

**MOVED/SECONDED**

THAT, the regular meeting be adjourned at 8:35PM

**CARRIED**

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Mayor

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Corporate Officer