



**TOWN OF HINTON
Regular Council Meeting
January 21, 2014**

PRESENT: Mayor Rob Mackin, Councillors Dale Currie, Ryan Maguhn, Michaels, Glen Barrow, Matthew Young

ABSENT: Councillor Stuart Taylor

ALSO PRESENT: Bernie Kreiner - Town Manager
Rhonda West - Legislative & Administrative Services Coordinator
Denise Parent - Director of Corporate Services

ORDER

Mayor Rob Mackin called the Regular Council meeting to order. The time was 5:04 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

R. MAGUHN - That the agenda of the Regular Council Meeting held January 21, 2014 be adopted as presented.

Carried

CITIZENS "MINUTE WITH COUNCIL"

Christopher Read introduced Tara Million, the new head librarian hired to replace Hetty Wilderdijk, who retires at the end of January, 2014. Ms. Million then spoke briefly to Council and stated that she looked forward to settling into her new position.

No one else came forward wishing to speak to Council.

DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Hinton Mountain Bike Park Association - Presented by Jan Vassbotn

Since this is a new council, Jan Vassbotn gave a brief history of the association, which started in 2007. He brought attention to the benefits the Town of Hinton has received because of the two bike parks and the events the Association holds, including business opportunities and revenue from tourists coming to Hinton.

The Association is now looking for council to expand support of the Association, including more tourism advertising. They asked Council to support the following motion:

R. MACKIN - THAT the Town of Hinton will continue to partner with The Hinton Mountain Bike Association (among other regional and community development groups) in maintaining the existing recreation offerings (Hinton Mountain Bike Skills Parks, trail networks, etc) and developing new amenities and trails to develop Hinton into the regional hub for mountain biking – a *Mountain Bike Mecca*.

Carried

COUNCIL MINUTES FOR ADOPTION

1. Standing Committee of Council Minutes - November 26, 2013
2. Regular Meeting of Council Minutes - December 17, 2013
3. Regular Meeting of Council - January 7, 2014
4. Standing Committee of Council Minutes - January 8, 2014
5. Standing Committee Meeting of Council Minutes - January 14, 2014

D. CURRIE - That the minutes listed above be approved as presented.

Carried

ACTION ITEMS

Refer to the Regular Council Meeting Agenda package for January 21, 2014 for detailed background information on these decisions.

1. Bike Park Trail Names

D. CURRIE - That Council name the Hinton Mountain Bike Park features as follows:

- “Stinger” for the flow trail.
- “Midway” for the advanced pump track.

Carried

2. Switzer Drive Phase IVb - Project Plan and Status Update from Standing Committee Meeting of November 26 2013

R. MAGUHN - That Council direct Administration to complete the detailed design of Switzer Drive Phase IV(b) based on the “Option 1” presented to Council (build North Side only option). This design incorporates two lanes north that accommodate east and west traffic, incorporates the accesses in the ultimate design as presented, and brings forward storm, drainage, lighting, pedestrian trail for design and construction in 2014 that maintains utilizing the Roads to Resources Grant funding.

Carried

M. Young - That Administration seek pre-qualified contractors and using a 3-quote process for the construction of Switzer Drive.

Carried

3. Assessment Review Board Complaint Fees

R. MACKIN - That Council approve fee structure 1B as Schedule A to Assessment Appeal Fees Policy #03.

Carried

4. Land Use Bylaw Amendment #960-51 (East Ridge Development)

D. CURRIE - That Town Council give First Reading to Land Use Bylaw Amendment #960-51.

Carried


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The Mayor called for a short recess at 6:44 pm and the meeting reconvened at 6:50 p.m.

5. 2014 Proposed Operating and Capital Budgets

R. MACKIN - That Council accept for information the 2014 Proposed Operating and Capital Budgets as attached (Operating budget = \$30,464,891 and Capital budget = \$23,529,673), and instruct Administration to circulate for public feedback for a period of four weeks.

Carried

6. Draft 2014-2015 Strategic Plan

D. CURRIE That Council accept the draft 2014-2015 Town of Hinton Strategic Plan as attached for information and refer to the public for four (4) weeks for input.

Carried

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Council Information Package #1 - previously circulated January 8, 2014
2. Council Information Package #2 - previously circulated January 15, 2014

R. MACKIN - That Council Information Packages #1 and # 2 be accepted for information.

Carried

3. Council Action List

G. BARROW – That the Council Action List be accepted as presented.

Carried

REPORTS FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL, TOWN MANAGER

1. Council Reporting (Training/Conferences/CEAC, Listening Teams, All Other Committees)

Councillor Dale Currie reported:

- went to Break A Leg Theatre “Children’s Letters to God”; excellent job; thank you to Break A Leg Theatre for their efforts to produce these performances.

Mayor Rob Mackin reported:

- had a great meeting with West Fraser earlier this week; although this is an annual meeting, it was this new council’s first meeting with them and it was good to hear the direction they are going; Council presented their preliminary budget and strategic plan;
- participated in AUMA mayor’s symposium in Edmonton; good opportunity to network with peers;

Councillor Ryan Maguhn reported:

- reminder that tomorrow is the Hinton Policing Committee (“HPC”) coffee shop open house at The Guild starting at 6:00 pm; public is welcome to express their concerns and strengths of HPC and to learn about the committee through informal dialogue;
- congratulations and warm welcome to Tara Million; reminder of next Friday’s activities to celebrate Hetty Wilderdijk’s retirement and 30th anniversary of library;


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Councillor Glen Barrow reported:

- HPC open house is at the Old Grind (not the Guild as reported by Councillor Maguhn)
- Attended an off-site levies meeting on behalf of Councillor Young who was unable to attend; good meeting with good exchange, close to getting the new bylaw underway;
- has been advised that the hot tub will re-open soon after having repairs done;

Councillor Marcel Michaels reported:

- has expended lots of energy towards budget review;
- attended the meeting with West Fraser; great to see what they are thinking;
- privileged to meet with Joan Janescko tomorrow to work to bring back CHEERS program; more news on that will follow.

2. Town Manager Report

Town Manager Bernie Kreiner reported:

- the hot tub re-opened this afternoon; delay was in having it inspected prior to re-opening;
- very soon a salt/sand mixture (“pickle mix”) will be beside the curling rink (where the Christmas tree drop-off is located) for citizens to take and use on their sidewalks and/or driveways, free of charge;
- working on “Planning Matters-Together” initiative; meeting later this week to discuss how to do things better and customer friendliness; want to be ready for growth spurt;
- in response to Councillor Young’s earlier question to Administration re secondary suites statistics, the answer is since the bylaw amendment of 3 ½ years ago, 17 of 21 suites have been new builds (not retro-fitted).

3. Land Development Update - Presented by Bernie Kreiner

- town has a purchaser interested in purchasing Phase 3 of Innovista, will come before council for approval of offer in due course;
- meeting with Qualico later this week to get update on their projects;
- received subdivision application to create additional C-2 lot behind sports store behind Brick;
- continue to work on 234 Baker Street to develop new concept plan;
- continue to work with adjacent landowners on P2 lands (“alley”) off Hardisty Avenue;
- received \$4,880 grant for historical markers; working towards creating sign graphics with installation of first 6 signs in the spring;
- working with a group of citizens interested in co-operative housing
- 554 Carmichael Lane (MLA office/Domino’s Pizza building) was in a receivership legal situation; permit has been issued for exterior improvements and interior renovations to proceed;

MOVE IN CAMERA

M. YOUNG - That the Regular Council meeting move in camera.

Carried

The time was 7:22 p.m. Councillor Dale Currie left the meeting at this time due to work commitments.


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R. MACKIN- That Regular Council meeting revert to regular session.

Carried

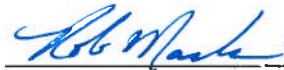
The time was 7:55 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

G. BARROW - That the Regular Meeting of Council adjourn.

Carried

The time was 7:56 p.m.



Mayor



Director of Corporate Services


Initial

