

Mayor Fromme opened the special meeting of Council at 18:30 hours on December 10, 2018 in the Council Chambers, Municipal Office, 661 Eighth Ave., Midway BC

Present: Mayor Fromme  
Councillors Schierbeck, Metcalf, Grouette  
Councillor Dunsdon absent

Staff: Penny Feist, CAO  
Cam Kamigochi, Admin. Assistant/Reception

Delegation: RCMP - Cpl. Bowen, Cst. Bentley - Cannabis Legalization - Bylaw regulating

**Introduction of Late Items** – None

**Adoption of Agenda**

**Moved** Councillor Grouette, **Seconded** Councillor Schierbeck that the December 10, 2018 regular meeting agenda be adopted as amended. Discussion item 5a) to only read “Cannabis Legalization”

**Carried**

**Delegation** – RCMP Cpl. Bowen and Cst. Bentley provided input regarding the recent Cannabis legalization that took effect October 17, 2018. They provided the Cannabis Control and Licensing Act (CCLA) which lists the Provincial Violation Ticket Information. The list is more extensive than the Liquor Act and will cover much of the situations that may arise in the Village. The areas they suggested Council to look at are the Community Hall, Riverfront Campground and the Bunkhouse Hostel. There currently is no smoking bylaw. A bylaw would need to be drafted and then supported with signage outlining rules and regulations at facilities and also be added into user agreements. With regards to the Hostel, the officers also suggested implementing a maximum stay length to any user agreements or contracts to ensure only short term visitors are encouraged to stay. Mayor Fromme thanked the officers for a very informative meeting and suggested that a meeting with the Museum Society would be beneficial as they will be in charge of the Hostel when it is completed.

Cpl. Bowen and Cst. Bentley leave at 1936 hours.

**Discussion**

a) Cannabis Legalization - Council discussed the necessity to implement either a bylaw or policy to the public buildings that the Village owns. The CAO found a number of Smoking Bylaws from other municipalities that were recently passed as examples. CAO will draft a sample bylaw for Smoking, Vaping and Cannabis use for Council’s review.

b) Further to the CAO Report to Council at their December 3, 2018 where the CAO and Fire Chief held a conversation with the Wildfire Protection Officer that will be reviewing our Community Resiliency Investment Program application and providing comments and feedback to UBCM on our application. The WPO recommended that we focus our application on other FireSmart activities and Fuel & Vegetation Management instead of updating our Community Wildfire Protection Plan as he felt the Village’s CWPP was still current given that we had not done any of the recommendations since the CWPP was done in 2011.

At the November 19, 2018 meeting the Council passed the following resolution in support of the application to complete the development of a Community Wildfire Protection Plan.

**Moved** Councillor Dunsdon, **Seconded** Councillor Grouette that the Council of the Village of Midway support a Community Resiliency Investment Program application to the Union of BC Municipalities under the FireSmart Community Funding & Supports funding stream for up to \$100,000 to complete the development of a Community Wildfire Protection Plan for the Village of Midway. **Carried**

After the November 19, 2018 meeting, we were provided the information from the Wildfire Protection Officer that our CWPP was up-to-date due little to no activity on any of the recommendations.

Request to amend motion #163-2018 from page 6345 of the November 19, 2018 regular meeting to:

**Moved** Councillor Schierbeck, **Seconded** Councillor Grouette, that the Council of the Village of Midway supports a Community Resiliency Investment Program application to the Union of BC Municipalities under the FireSmart Community Funding & Supports funding stream for up to \$100,000 ***to support the following proposed FireSmart Activities: Education, Interagency Cooperation and Emergency Planning, Cross Training, FireSmart Activities for Private Land, and Fuel & Vegetation Management*** for the Village of Midway. **Carried**

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**Question Period** - None

**In-Camera**

**Moved** Councillor Grouette, **Seconded** Councillor Metcalf that we move in-camera under section 90 (1) (g) of the Community Charter at 19:45 hours. **Carried**

Returned to regular meeting at 20:51 hours.

**Moved** Councillor Schierbeck that the meeting be adjourned at 20:51 hours.

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MAYOR

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CAO