

Mayor Fromme opened the regular meeting of Council at 19:00 hours on January 20, 2020 in the Council Chambers, Municipal Office, 661 Eighth Ave., Midway BC

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

Staff: Penny Feist, CAO
Sheri Harpur, Administrative Assistant

Delegation: Larry Olson, Regional Manager Regional Economic Operations Branch, Ministry of Forest, Lands, Natural Resource Operations & Rural Development – Not present at the opening of the meeting

Public: Kim McIntyre, Ron McIntyre, Paul Steer

Introduction of Late Items – Moved/Seconded to include the Official Community Plan / Agriculture Land Reserve exclusions being proposed under Planning item a). **Carried**

Adoption of Agenda

Moved /Seconded that the January 20, 2020 regular meeting agenda be adopted as amended. **Carried**

Question Period – None

Adoption of Minutes

Moved/Seconded that the minutes from the January 6, 2020 regular meeting of Council be adopted as circulated. **Carried**

Business Arising

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Page 6549 – Staff is continuing researching the proposed amendments to Cannabis regulations and the applicable bylaws.

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New and Unfinished Business

- a) Mark Andison, CAO Regional District of Kootenay Boundary – AKBLG/UBCM Resolutions – Tabled from the January 6, 2020 regular meeting – Councillor Dunsdon proposed issues to address for submission to AKBLG and UBCM for endorsement consideration. **Moved/Seconded** that the Village of Midway advocate for infrastructure funding to help small fire departments; transit funding for those needing medical care at larger centers; advocacy for electric as opposed to natural gas; a moratorium on commercial water sales. **Carried**

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Larry Olson enters at 19:07 hours

Delegation

Mayor Fromme welcomes Larry Olson. Mr. Olson presented a power point presentation on Community Economic Development – A Primer – (A full report of the presentation on file)

After the presentation, Mr. Olson advised that he will speak to Mayor Fromme regarding another program that is becoming available to receive more funds, and is willing to do an update of the Economic Development Strategic plan that the Village has been working on with his predecessors and to talk further on the Agriculture Land Reserve problems.

Larry Olson leaves at 19:37 hours.

New and Unfinished Business Continued

- b) Policy No. 391, Employee Recognition – Council clarified that employees who have passed their anniversary dates will be paid retroactively for their years of service and that years worked do not have to be consecutive years but of all years combined.

Correspondence

- a) Kady Hunter, Healthy Communities Program, Interior Health – Interior Health CFAI Single Year 2020 – 2021 Food Security Grants – Mayor Fromme will take on this project and will keep the Council updated.

Administrator's Report – Full Report on File

- 1) Benches – Advised Council that this is not a policy nor bylaw. It is a program offered to residents for existing benches along the Riverwalk and Hiking/Biking trails
- 2) Entrance Signs – Council directed staff to carry on with this project and present Council with more ideas
- 3) Community Emergency Preparedness Fund – **Moved/Seconded** that the Council approves and supports the Village of Midway making application to the Union of BC Municipalities for the Community Emergency Preparedness Fund (CEPF) under the Flood Risk Assessment, Flood Mapping & Flood Mitigation Planning funding stream in order to complete a 'Structural Flood Mitigation Detailed Design', and further; the Village of Midway will provide overall grant management for this project. **Carried**

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- 4) Age Friendly 2020 Stream 2 – CAO advised Council this was not completed due to Public Works and Office staff time restraints. Staff will look into for the next round.
- 5) Official Community Plan Review & Update – A brief update was given.
- 6) Regional District Kootenay Boundary – **Moved/Seconded** that the Council of the Village of Midway supports the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary making an application to the Union of BC Municipalities in order to conduct a Poverty Reduction Plan for the Boundary area, and further; that the Council approves the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary to receive and manage the grant funding on behalf of the Village of Midway. **Carried**

010-2020**Mayor and Council Reports**Councillor Schierbeck – Verbal Report

- Distributed a brief report from Asymetriq Productions Inc. on the upcoming video they are making for the Village of Midway

Councillor Metcalf – Verbal Report

- Next West Boundary Community Forest meeting will be January 28, 2020 at 18:30 hours at the Greenwood City Council Chambers
- The Kettle Valley Racing Association has moved the snowmobile drag races from February 8, 2020 to February 29, 2020

Councillor Grouette – Nothing to ReportCouncillor Dunsdon – Written report on file

- Boundary Country Insider App – Staff directed to look into this app and add on the Riverfront Campground and Golf Course
- Kettle Valley Fire Protection Service Work Plan and Budget – Will bring to the attention of the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary that nothing in the plan and budget is mentioned about a paid Fire Chief position

Mayor Fromme – Verbal Report

- Benches around the Village of Midway – Council agreed that input from the Public Works Foreman is a must. Staff directed to ask for the public's suggested locations and donations for benches around the Village in the next Council newsletter.
- Attended the Better at Home Program meeting January 17, 2020. They are now looking for people to sit on the steering committee

Question Period - None**Financial Report** – None**Bylaws & Policies** - None

Planning – OCP/ALR Exclusion Proposal – CAO reviewed areas with Council and explained that there are 3 more properties that should be added for consideration for exclusion from the ALR. Councillor Schierbeck advises that the property at the end of the airport strip should also be included in the exclusion request. CAO Feist will speak with the consultant.

Budgets/Accounts

Moved /Seconded that the accounts totaling \$46,192.97 be drawn on the general account and be paid. **Carried**

Correspondence for Information Only

Moved /Seconded that correspondence for information only item:

- a) Regional District Kootenay Boundary Building Inspector – Report to the End of December 2019
- b) Midway Community Association – January 7, 2020 Meeting Minutes
- c) Midway Seniors – January 8, 2020 Meeting Minutes
- d) Ministry of Education – 2020 Premier’s Awards of Excellence in Education

be received and filed.

Carried

Correspondence for Information Only - to be held for two weeks only

Moved/Seconded that the correspondence for information only item:

- a) Heritage BC – Heritage Week 2020 Feb 17 – 23, 2020 Poster

be held for two weeks only and then destroyed.

Carried

Question Period – None

Public leaves at 20:30 hours

In-Camera

Moved/Seconded to move in-camera under section 90(1)(a) of the Community Charter at 20:31 hours.

Return to regular meeting at 21:22 hours

Declassified from confidential to non-confidential discussion:

Moved/Seconded that the Council of the Village of Midway approve hiring Stephen Lanegraff for the part-time position of Bylaw Enforcement Officer for the Village of Midway (alternating days per week with the City of Greenwood); and that the Bylaw Enforcement Officer position be paid a 7-hour work day at an hourly rate of \$28.50 per hour retroactive to January 1, 2020 plus benefits, and further, THAT the rate of pay be increased to \$30.00 per hour upon completion of Fire Inspector 1 certification.

Carried
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Councillor Metcalf opposed

Moved/Seconded that the Council of the Village of Midway approves to cover 50% of the costs of the Bylaw Enforcement Officer Level I and Level II certification already completed, and the upcoming costs for the Fire Inspector 1 Certification.

Carried
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Councillor Metcalf opposed

Moved/Seconded that the Council of the Village of Midway accept Fire Chief Osellame’s resignation letter effective October 31, 2020.

Carried
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Moved that the meeting be adjourned at 21:23 hours.

MAYOR

Chief Administrative Officer