

Mayor Fromme opened the Regular Meeting of Council at 19:00 hours on August 15, 2022, Midway Council Chambers, 661 Eighth Ave., Midway, BC.

We acknowledge that our gathering takes place on the unceded and traditional territory of the indigenous peoples of that region as well as the Metis people whose footprints have marked these lands.

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

Staff: Penny Feist, Chief Administrative Officer  
Cam Kamigochi, Administrative Assistant

Public: Judy Willsey

**Introduction of Late Items** – None

**Adoption of Agenda**

**Moved /Seconded** that the August 15, 2022, Regular Meeting agenda be adopted as circulated.

**Carried**

**Delegation** – None

**Question Period** – None

**Adoption of Minutes**

**Moved/Seconded** that the minutes from the August 2, 2022, Regular Meeting of Council be adopted as circulated.

**Carried**

**Business Arising**

Page 6740 – None

Page 6741 – None

**New and Unfinished Business** – None

**Correspondence**

- a) Boundary Community Church – re: Request for 2023 Permissive Tax Exemption. (Estimated \$300.00).

**Moved/Seconded** that Council of the Village of Midway receives and approves the Boundary Community Church request for a general municipal tax exemption for the 2023 taxation year.

**Carried**

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*Mayor Fromme removed himself from the meeting due to a conflict of interest at 19:03 hours*

- b) King of Kings New Testament Church – re: Request for 2023 Permissive Tax Exemption. (Estimated \$123.00).

**Moved/Seconded** that Council of the Village of Midway receives and approves the King of Kings New Testament Church request for a general municipal tax exemption for the 2023 taxation year.

**Carried**

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*Mayor Fromme returned to the meeting at 19:05 hours*

- c) Boundary District Curling Club – re: Request for 2023 Permissive Tax Exemption. (Estimated \$2308.00).

**Moved/Seconded** that Council of the Village of Midway receives and approves the Boundary District Curling Club request for a general municipal tax exemption for the 2023 taxation year.

**Carried**

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**Administrator's Report** – Written Report on file

- a) CPR Station Roof Restoration Project – Final report has been submitted to HeritageBC Legacy Fund. Total project cost \$31,150, with the funders covering 50% of the total project costs. Thank you to Wendy Higashi, Museum Curator for assisting with the application.
- b) Midway Flood Mitigation Study – Stakeholder Meeting was held Monday, August 8, 2022 from 4:30 – 6:00 pm in the Firehall Training Centre and the Open House at 6:30 pm in the Community Centre. A survey was available for completing from August 2 – 15<sup>th</sup>.
- c) Fire Department- On July 22<sup>nd</sup>, Lt. Dana Agar has decided to step away from the Fire Department and has tendered his resignation. Lt. Agar has dedicated nearly 10 years of volunteer service to the Midway Fire Department. He will leave a big hole to fill and will be missed. On behalf of council, staff, and the residents of the Village of Midway an appreciation letter has been forwarded.
- d) Village of Midway/Community Garden Scholarship – Cheque has been disbursed to Olivia Schneider. Post-secondary proof of enrollment has been provided.
- e) Community Emergency Preparedness Fund – 2021 Emergency Operations Centres & Training – This project was initiated and managed by the Midway Fire Chief. The final report and financial summary have been submitted and approved. The total cost of the project was \$27,507.94, the Village will be receiving payment in the amount of \$25,000.

**Mayor and Council Reports**

**Councillor Metcalf** – None

**Councillor Schierbeck** – None

**Councillor Grouette** – Verbal Report

- Concerned with the timing of the images from accident scenes posted by the Fire Department to social media. Could they be delayed to avoid notifying friends or loved ones who recognize the vehicles?

Councillor Dunsdon – None

Mayor Fromme – Verbal Report

- Requested Councillor Dunsdon to ask for financial statements from the RDKB regarding Recreation Grant-In Aids.
- Mayor and CAO have been invited to meet with DestinationBC on August 25<sup>th</sup> regarding Tourism and how it should be handled. Does Council have any topics they would like discussed? The invitation indicated that DestinationBC will be providing a couple questions to guide the conversation. Council would like to know the questions before they make any suggestions. In general, Council agrees tourism is an important topic for Midway, especially during the summer.
- Was asked to take the picture of the presentation of the cheque from the Midway Partnership Fund to Midway Fire/Rescue and was able to view and learn about the equipment purchased with the funding. The equipment is very impressive and effective.

Question Period – None

Financial Report – None

**Bylaws & Policies**

Bylaw 543, Bylaw 544 & Bylaw 545 for three readings.

- a) Bylaw No. 543 – Being a bylaw to exempt properties used for philanthropic or other not for profit corporation from taxation on both land and improvements, for the year 2023. (Midway Ambulance Station – estimated 2023 Municipal Tax Exemption \$3,744.00)

**Moved/Seconded** that Bylaw 543 a Bylaw to exempt properties used for philanthropic or other not for profit corporation from taxation on both land and improvements, for the year 2023 be **READ A FIRST TIME** this 15th day of August, 2022. **Carried**

**Moved/Seconded** that Bylaw 543 a Bylaw to exempt properties used for philanthropic or other not for profit corporation from taxation on both land and improvements, for the year 2023 be **READ A SECOND TIME** this 15th day of August, 2022. **Carried**

**Moved/Seconded** that Bylaw 543 a bylaw to exempt properties used for philanthropic or other not for profit corporation from taxation on both land and improvements, for the year 2023 be **READ A THIRD TIME** this 15th day of August, 2022. **Carried**

*Mayor Fromme removed himself from the meeting due to a conflict of interest at 19:23 hours*

- b) Bylaw No. 544 – A bylaw to exempt properties used for public worship from taxation on both land and improvements, for the year 2023. (King of Kings New Testament and Academy – 735 Ninth Avenue – estimated 2023 Municipal Tax Exemption \$123.00 and BC Conference of the Mennonite Brethren Church – 943 Thirteenth Ave – estimated 2023 Municipal Tax Exemption \$300.00)

**Moved/Seconded** that Bylaw 544 a bylaw to exempt properties used for public worship from taxation on both land and improvements, for the year 2023 be **READ A FIRST TIME** this 15th day of August, 2022. **Carried**

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*Mayor Fromme returned to the meeting at 19:24 hours*

- c) Bylaw No. 545 – Being a bylaw to exempt properties used for public athletic or recreational purposes from taxation on both land and improvements, for the year 2023. (Boundary District Curling Club – estimated 2023 Municipal Tax Exemption \$2,308.00)

**Moved/Seconded** that Bylaw 545 being a bylaw to exempt properties used for public athletic or recreational purposes from taxation on both land and improvements, for the year 2023 be **READ A FIRST TIME** this 15th day of August, 2022. **Carried**

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Planning – None

**Budgets/Accounts**

**Moved/Seconded** that the Council of the Village of Midway approves accounts totaling \$115,539.52 be drawn on the general account and be paid. **Carried**

**Correspondence for Information Only**

**Moved/Seconded** that correspondence for information only items:

- Midway Partnership Fund – re: AGM meeting minutes July 26, 2022
- Midway Partnership Fund – re: Meeting minutes July 26, 2022
- Regional District Kootenay Boundary – re: Building Inspection Report to the end of July, 2022

be received and filed.

**Carried**

**Correspondence for Information Only – to be held for two weeks only**

**Moved/Seconded** that correspondence for information only items:

- a) LCRB – Policy Directive No: 22-12 – Changes to the Cannabis Retail Store Terms and Conditions Handbook
- b) Kootenay Boundary Regional Drought Level Update – August 11, 2022

be received and filed.

**Carried**

**Question Period** – None

Judy Willsey leaves the meeting at 19:27 hours

**Moved/Seconded** Council to move In-Camera – under Section 90(i) - Legal at 19:27 hours

**Carried**

Return to regarding meeting at 19:31 hours

**Moved** that the meeting be adjourned at 19:31 hours

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Chief Administrative Officer