

Mayor McMynn opened the Special Meeting of Council at 19:00 hours on February 1, 2023, Midway Council Chambers, 661 Eighth Ave., Midway, BC.

We wish to acknowledge that this meeting is taking place on the non-treaty traditional lands of the Okanagan Nation and the Osoyoos Indian Band

Present: Mayor McMynn
Councillors Pownall, Willsey, Metcalf
Councillor Dunsdon absent

Staff: Lisa Teggarty, CAO
Tami Peters, Deputy Clerk
Tamara Lovett, Administrative Assistant
John Boltz, Public Works Foreman

Gallery: None

Delegation: Spray Park Enhancement Committee - Stephanie Neufeld, Melissa Ping, Jolly McMynn, Amanda Turanski, Wendy Higashi
Tia Nordstrom and Shari McMullen arrived at 19:03

Introduction of Late Items – Mayor’s Report

Adoption of Agenda

Moved/Seconded that the February 1, 2023, Special Meeting agenda be adopted as amended to include late item Mayor Report. **Carried**

Delegation – Spray Park Enhancement Committee – Park Enhancement Project – Waiting for all committee members to arrive so continued to late item Mayor’s Report.

Introduction of Late Items - Mayor’s Report

- Local Government Leadership Academy in Kimberley on March 8th-10th, 2023. Information sent out Councillors.
- AKBLG - April 21-23, 2023 in Cranbrook. Lots of information and a place where resolutions are formed for the UBCM. This conference provides more local Kootenay Boundary input. Councillor Metcalf and Willsey are interested in attending.
- BC Community Forest Conference – June 7-9, 2023 in Kamloops. Councillor Metcalf and Mayor McMynn interested in attending.
- UBCM – September 17-21, 2023 in Vancouver. Mayor McMynn, CAO Teggarty and Councillor Metcalf will attend.
- Rooms will need to be booked for all these conferences as soon as possible.
- Heritage BC week will be on February 20 to 26, 2023. An event where local heritage organizations host events to celebrate Heritage Week. Poster was passed along to Wendy Higashi, Museum curator.
- A reminder to Council that there is a meeting on February 23, 2023 with the Ministry of Highways at 11am in Council Chambers.

Delegation – Spray Park Enhancement Committee – Park Enhancement Project.

- The Kettle Spray Park Committee wish to pursue a grant opportunity through BC Destination Development Fund. The Committee has collected information and revised a design for the Marguerite Rotvold Memorial Spray Park
- The original project had an unrealistic high-water use (50-70 gallons/minute) so the committee had the design revised, most of the same features were kept, but the water flow was a more acceptable level (35-40 gallons/minute).
- The objective of the proposal is to provide a safe recreational area in the Village of Midway for people of all ages and physical abilities. An area that is mainly flat and smooth to be accessible to all.
- The redesign kept all the same features but adjusted the water usage for lower water flows.
- A button activator can be used to turn on features so as to eliminated water running when not in use. It can be set up to shut off at certain times. There is a phone app that can be used to manage activation times.
- Used water must be returned to the sewer system to be treated.
- Water cannot be recycled due to health concerns.
- Features include use by adults, kids, toddlers and babies with different types of water dispersal – spraying, dropping, seeping and low eruptions.
- The control kiosk is tampered proof and integrates with the smart play controller for times of use and setting up zones.

The committed fielded questions:

- The Spray park will be accessible by seniors, adults, children and wheelchair bound people. Washrooms will be included as part of the grant application.
- Committee members inquired with the City of Osoyoos Public works foreman about maintenance checks. Maintenance checks were made once a week looking for damaged and broken items. Annual costs of power were estimated at \$200 per year and generally runs off a 15amp service. He stated that it was a definitely a benefit to their community. Village Public Works foreman stated that their costs did not include extra costs at the sewer treatment plant.
- Committee estimated 45 children, between infant to grade 8 stage, in Midway alone. There is still the Greenwood and Rock Creek surrounding areas to draw from. Tourists numbers were not estimated.
- The water usage is based on all items running for one full minute - 30-40 gallons per minute. Run time for individual features are generally 30 second shots. Features will not be running full time.
- Day to day maintenance was discussed. Cleaning of the bathrooms checks for glass, debris and broken equipment is expected to be the same as existing parks. Public Works foreman stated that Village of Midway’s Risk

Management policy stated a once per month check at existing parks. The bathroom cleaning would be a cost to the municipality.

- The committee has In-Kind contributions totalling \$16,500; with more donations/contributions expected, like equipment use and supplies.
- The Park Enhancement Project involves the construction of a splash pad, washrooms at the James G. McMynn for total amount of \$580,000.
- Wendy Higashi is working on the Grant application and has had help pricing out supplies, getting quotes for water/sewer, cement and crane costs.
- In-Kind contributions/donations, of time, supplies or equipment must be included as part of the application process as this will give Midway a better chance of getting the Grant. As this is a Tourism grant, a charging station will encourage year-round tourism. Adjacent summer activities, along with winter activities in the Curling Rink and Arena.
- Concerns were noted with General Contractors and In-Kind donations from local contractors having some potential issues. Perhaps no bidding out, but go to the community first
- The Spray Park committee is not opposed to raising more funds help with the costs of running the park.
- Expansion for future use is not particularly viable as the required buffered zones around the concrete will need to be maintained and unused areas of concrete will be unacceptably hot.
- Foot Activators will be used to help better manage water use and conservation in allocated zones.
- The Committee will look for future grants for Shade Sails that would be used over the toddler section to provide some shade cover.
- Insurance requirements for the project will be investigated.
- Letters of Support from business owners, the Village of Midway, City of Greenwood, and Parkview are part of the Grant Application and better benefit the application.
- A budget needs to be part of the Grant Application and Wendy Higashi is finalizing those numbers.
- The Park Enhancement Project has been approved by the Ministry of Tourism, Arts, Culture and Sport to proceed to Stage 2, submission for full application.
- Wendy Higashi is examining the In-Kind portion and finalizing some numbers. The grant application deadline date is February 9th, 2023.

Councillor Pownall leaves at 19:59, declaring possible conflict of interest.

Moved/Seconded That the Village of Midway approve the location of the James G McMynn Park for the Park Enhancement project to construct a splash pad and washrooms. **Carried**
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Moved/Seconded That the Village of Midway approve Wendy Higashi to write the grant for the park Enhancement Project from the BC Destination Development Fund, Ministry of Tourism, Arts, Culture & Sport to put washrooms and a splash pad in the James G McMynn Park. **Carried**
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Moved/Seconded That Wendy Higashi will the project Manager for the Park Enhancement Project should the grant be successful. **Carried**
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Councillor Pownall returns at 20:06

Moved/Seconded that the minutes from the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 3, 2023 be adopted as circulated. **Carried**

Moved/Seconded that the minutes from the Special Meeting Minutes of January 9, 2023 be adopted as circulated. **Carried**

Moved/Seconded that the minutes from the Special Meeting Minutes of January 16, 2023 be adopted as circulated. **Carried**

Moved/Seconded that the minutes from the Special Meeting Minutes of January 23, 2023 be adopted as circulated. **Carried**

Business Arising from the Minutes

Regular Meeting Minutes of January 3, 2023 (Page 6776-6778) - none

Special Meeting Minutes of January 9, 2023 (Page 6779) - none

Special Meeting Minutes of January 16, 2023 (Page 6780) - none

Special Meeting Minutes of January 23, 2023 (Page 6781-6782) - none

Delegation leaves 20:08.

Discussion

a. Spray Park Considerations - *completed*

b. Community Futures – Economic Diversification plan – *to be tabled until next meeting.*

Moved/Seconded that Council move in-camera under Section 90(1)(a) of the Community Charter – Labour/Employment at 20:16 **Carried**

Return to Regular Meeting at 21:32 hours

Moved to adjourned at 21:32 hours