

Mayor, Doug McMynn opened the Regular Meeting of Council at 19:01 hours on May 1, 2023, 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.

The Council of the Village of Midway agrees to uphold the Guiding Principles for Responsible Conduct as per Village of Midway's Policy No. 387

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

Staff: Lisa Teggarty CAO
Cam Kamigochi, Administrative Assistant

Gallery: Martin Fromme, Tia Nordstrom, Sheri McMullen, Jolly McMynn, Melissa Ping, Amanda Turanski, Wendy Higashi

Introduction of Late Items

News Release – The Village of Midway Park Enhancement Project Successful Funding to be inserted as New and Unfinished Business item (a)

In-Camera section of meeting under Section 90(1)(c) Labour/Employee Relations.

Adoption of Agenda

Moved/Seconded that the May 1, 2023, Regular Meeting agenda be adopted as amended.

Carried

Delegation – None

Question Period – None

Adoption of Minutes

Regular Meeting of April 17, 2023 (Page 6804-6806) requires two corrections. Page 6804, Delegation, point a) and Page 6805, Administrator's Report, point 2 have an incomplete sentence. Council directs staff to correct the errors and bring the minutes of April 17, 2023 back to the next meeting for approval.

Carried

Business Arising

Regular Meeting of April 17, 2023 (Page 6804-6806) – Councillor Willsey would like to ensure items that are being tabled are being brought back to Council's attention and nothing gets forgotten. CAO to bring back outstanding items for Council's consideration, and ensure items are not missed.

New and Unfinished Business

- a) News Release – The Village of Midway Park Enhancement Project Successful Funding. The Village of Midway is pleased to announce Midway has received funding for the Park Enhancement Project. The project involves the construction of a splash pad and washrooms at the James G. McMynn Village Park. The project has received support through the Destination Development Fund and the Kettle Spray Park Committee. The Province of British Columbia has approved the Village of Midway to receive \$555,215 for the Park Enhancement Project. Kettle Spray Park Committee raised \$16,700 for the Park Enhancement Project. The total project cost is \$571,915.
- b) West Boundary Senior Housing Society – Parkview Manor housing expansion. A binding letter of intent is required by BC Housing. A \$1 lease for the property or giving the WBSHS the land was discussed. Council agreed to give the required land as it follows suit with what happened with the land for the existing Parkview Manor. CAO will consult with casual legal services in order to have a properly worded motion and bring it back to the next meeting.
- c) Fortis BC – Nominate a Charity or non-profit in our Community. **Moved/Seconded** that the Council of the Village of Midway supports nominating the Midway Community Association for the FortisBC Community Giving Program.
Carried
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- d) Bo MacFarlane – High School Request to Use Arena for Grad. **Moved/Seconded** that the Council of the Village of Midway approves BCSS to use the arena for the graduation ceremony.
Carried
025-2023
- e) Boundary Minor Hockey Association – Request for early season opening of Arena. Council decided to table discussion until the budget is done and hiring for Arena/Parks is complete. Staff to reply to BMHA thanking them for their letter and advise them that their request is under consideration.
- f) Selkirk Music Festival update – verbal. Larry Kost of the Rock Creek Fall Fair Society let the CAO know that the Fair Society will not be reaching out to host an event with the Selkirk Mountain Music Society this year. After discussion it was **Moved/Seconded** that the Council of the Village of Midway does not support the proposed event by the Selkirk Mountain Music Society that was presented to them at the March 20, 2023 Regular Meeting. **Carried**
026-2023

Correspondence

Moved/Seconded that the following Correspondence Items:

- a) Building Permits – Total to Date – March 2023.
- b) Erin Kitchen, Boundary Invasive Species Society – Planning Meeting on Friday May 12th, 2023.
- c) Linda Worley, Columbia River Treaty Local Government Committee - Update on CRT Local Government Committee Activities.

be rec'd and filed.

Carried

Administrator's Report - Verbal

1. The Public budget presentation is scheduled for Wednesday May 3. Council will have the opportunity to review the draft budget over the weekend, and further budget deliberations will continue at the meeting scheduled on Monday May 8 @ 7pm.
2. Water levels are rising fast. Warnings and information is being posted as we receive them. An emergency test of the Voyent! Alert system will be this Friday, May 5. Sandbag station at the Public Works yard is being set up.
3. (Added after Correspondence for Info Only – Two Weeks Only) A meeting needs to be scheduled to discuss the location of the Spray Park. Council, CAO, Public Works Foreman, project manager & engineers should be in attendance. Date and time TBD.

Mayor and Council Reports**Councillor Metcalf – Verbal**

- West Boundary Community Forest next meeting is May 24, 6:30pm in the Midway Council Chambers.

Councillor Willsey – Verbal

- Attended last WBCF meeting, summaries of ongoing projects were provided.
- AKBLG Summary provided.
 - Resolution regarding re-hiring unvaccinated nurses was defeated.
 - Resolution to stop forestry companies from burning slash piles was defeated.
 - Resolution for a levy on cell phone use for 9-1-1 was endorsed.
 - Resolution for Crown Land user fees was discussed.
 - Resolution to add another layer of governments to health authorities was defeated.

Councillor Pownall – None**Councillor Dunsdon – Verbal**

- Community Garden will host the Volunteer Appreciation Day/Corn Roast. They are requesting the budget to be \$700.

Mayor McMynn – Verbal

- Wendy Higashi will be in Vancouver the same time as the UBCM Convention. Discussion commenced around Wendy attending the UBCM Convention as a non-delegate, paid by the Village, and have her meet with tourism minister, grant writers, etc?

Question Period

Martin Fromme asked if there is a time frame to use the grant money for the spray park? Wendy Higashi answered, one year (to June 2024).

Martin Fromme asked if any layout planning started yet? Would there be an opportunity to enhance any of the existing park features at the same time? Mayor McMynn discussed the idea of a gazebo or stage. Councillor Willsey mentioned using any potential left over funds to install shade sails around the splash pad.

Tia Nordstrom suggested asking Boundary Minor Hockey how many teams they anticipate having for the upcoming season before Council agrees to open the arena early. The previous season there was only one team (U7/U9).

Tia Nordstrom asked if it was the Village's responsibility to clean up the "flats" area across the river? There is a lot of broken glass lying around.

Martin Fromme will be arranging a meeting with BC Housing, would the CAO like him to see if they have a sample letter regarding the binding letter of intent they can provide? Yes.

Martin Fromme mentioned that the Kettle River Museum will be planning a music night in early September with local artists.

Financial Report – None**Bvlaws & Policies – None****Planning – None****Budgets/Accounts**

Moved/Seconded that budgets and accounts totalling \$56,020.70 be drawn on the general account and be paid.

Carried

Correspondence for Info Only

Moved/Seconded that the following Correspondence Items:

- a) Cathy Peters update – Child Sex Trafficking in BC and How to Stop It.

be rec'd and filed.

Correspondence for Info Only – to be held for two weeks only.

Moved/Seconded that the following Items:

- a) Notification of Low-Level Flights over Regional District of Kootenay Boundary May 1-June 15, 2023
- b) etsiBC – Spring eNews and Funding Updates
- c) UBCM – New investments from the Government of Canada support 45 local infrastructure projects across BC

be rec'd and filed.

Carried

Moved/Seconded that Council move In-Camera at 19:59 hours under Section 90(1)(e) Acquisition, disposition of land or improvements & Section 90(1)(c) Labour/Employee Relations.

Martin Fromme, Tia Nordstrom, Sheri McMullen, Jolly McMynn, Melissa Ping, Amanda Turanski, Wendy Higashi & Cam Kamigochi leave at 19:59 hours.

Return to Regular Meeting at 20:24 hours.

Moved to adjourned at 20:24 hours.

Mayor McMynn

CAO Teggarty