

Mayor, Doug McMynn opened the Regular Meeting of Council at 19:00 hours on August 19, 2024, Midway Council Chambers, 661 Eighth Ave., Midway, BC.

We wish to acknowledge that this meeting is taking place on non-treaty traditional 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, and Pownall

Staff: Lisa Teggarty, CAO  
Tamara Lovett, Administrative Assistant

Gallery: Martin Fromme

#### Introduction of Late Items

Moved/Seconded that two items be added to the August 19, 2024, Regular Meeting agenda - 8 c) add Dan Macmaster's request to assist at the UBCM conference; 8d) Boundary Minor Hockey's request for an Arena family pass

#### Adoption of Agenda

Moved/Seconded that the August 19, 2024, Regular Meeting agenda be adopted as amended.

Carried

#### Question Period – None

#### Adoption of Minutes

Moved/Seconded that the minutes from the Regular Meeting of July 29, 2024, be adopted as amended.

Carried

#### Business Arising

Regular Meeting of July 29, 2024 (Page 6902 - 6904) – None

#### New and Unfinished Business

- a) Staff Report, Deputy Finance – 2025 Permissive Tax Exemptions
  - i. King of Kings New Testament Church – Permissive Tax Exemption Application
  - ii. Boundary Community Church – Permissive Tax Exemption Application
  - iii. Boundary District Curling Club – Permissive Tax Exemption Application
  - iv. Province of BC, Leased portion of Ambulance and land footprint

Council had a brief discussion on extending the mandatory Permissive Tax exemption Bylaw for Public worship to five years instead of one. The BDCC and Ambulance will remain at a yearly application. Council directed staff to modify the Public Worship permissive Tax exemption Bylaw to five years.

- b) Staff Report, CAO – West Boundary Senior Housing Society – Parkview Manor Expansion Update  
Council discussed the ALC application and draft site plan included with the report. Concerns with parking were discussed and the CAO clarified that there will be no on-street parking. The village owned donated portion of land has been surveyed and is to be paid for by West Boundary Senior Housing Society grant funding. The Village will incur the cost of the ALC application. The size of the apartment units is determined by BC housing constraints.

Moved/Seconded that Council support the request from West Boundary Seniors Housing Society, to apply to the Agricultural Land Commission for exclusion of 0.35-hectare parcel of land from the Agricultural Land Reserve to accommodate a Seniors Housing project, at LOT A DISTRICT LOT 501 SIMILKAMEEN DIVISION YALE DISTRICT PLAN KAP67242.

Carried

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AND

Moved/Seconded that Council support the recommendation for staff to apply to the Agricultural Land Commission for exclusion of an additional 3.15 hectares, for the Village owned parcels adjacent to the West Boundary Seniors Housing Society's, as part of the same application, at LOT 1 DISTRICT LOT 501 SIMILKAMEEN DIVISION YALE DISTRICT PLAN 39672 EXCEPT PLAN KAP64982 and LOT A DISTRICT LOT 501 SIMILKAMEEN DIVISION YALE DISTRICT PLAN KAP64982 EXCEPT PLANS KAP66388 AND KAP67242.

Carried

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- c) UBCM Planning, Dan Macmaster, WBCF request  
Dan Macmaster would like to attend Forestry ministerial meetings with Council. West Boundary Community Forest supports Dan's attendance to UBCM. Council agreed for Dan Macmaster to assist where needed. Council discussed priorities for Ministry meetings at the UBCM conference. Forestry has several topics to discuss, with the new proposed softwood lumber tariff added to the list to discuss. For ALC discussion, add Phase 2 of the Parkview manor and other village owned land needing removal from the ALR. Health and RCMP have several topics to present. Housing, Municipal Affairs, Highways and Tourism could use a few more topic items to discuss. If there is something that comes to mind, at the last minute, it may be possible to attend if there are available spaces. Application deadline for Ministry meetings is Wednesday, August 21, 2024.

- d) Boundary Minor Hockey request for a 2024/2025 family season's arena pass for their fundraising golf tournament.

Moved/Seconded that the Council of the Village of Midway will donate a Family Arena pass for the 2024-2025 season, to the Boundary Minor Hockey Association for their golf tournament fundraiser.

Carried

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**Correspondence**

## a) Community Association Request

The Community Association requested a container be placed on the Community Hall property while the renovation is taking place in order to store the hall belongings and furniture. Council discussed whether purchasing or renting a container would be best. Public works agreed that having a container onsite would be acceptable. Council directed staff to explore options for storage containers.

b) Roly Russell, MLA – Roll with Roly. **Moved/Seconded** that Roly Russell, MLA - Roll with Roly notification be rec'd and filed. **Carried****Administrator's Report**

1. West Boundary Seniors Society project – have completed the draft exclusion application on the ALC Portal. Council's formal approval is required in order to proceed to Notification and Public Hearing requirements. Next steps will be the Zoning Amendment/Road Closure Bylaw (to 3rd reading). Atcorr Project Managers have arranged a survey for the parcel that is being donated by the village, with the cost to come out of the project. The survey plan will accompany the Bylaw.
2. Met with Wendy Higashi to go through Midway Community Hall items and discuss the contract administration and had discussion with Cover Architect regarding their last billing.
3. Met with a Developer to discuss PLA (Preliminary Layout Review) draft for a new subdivision.
4. Fire Chief recruitment ongoing – advertising end of September.
5. Boundary Economic Diversification Plan – Met with Wayne and Nick from Lochaven. They wished to express to Council that they are offering after service care and are here to help and provide further advice on the Plan, if needed.
6. Spray Park opening – Staff would like Council to consider holding the Official opening in Spring 2025, which would include a naming ceremony. Council directed staff to proceed with scheduling an Official Spray Park opening for Spring 2025, prior to the Spray park being operational after winter closure.

The mayor asked for confirmation on the letter being sent to Grand Forks Mayor and Council about the vac truck availability. A letter has been sent to Grand Forks, and it was being included on their next Regular meeting agenda.

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

- Wondering if there has been any word from the School District about what they are doing with the Midway Elementary school building - just using it as storage. *No word. CAO will send email asking them what is happening, watering requirements to be adhered to and grass moving needs for next year.*
- How are the washrooms at the spray park? *The Village are looking after them, no significant issues.*

**Councillor Metcalf** – Verbal

- Next WBCF meeting will be August 20, 2024, at 6:30pm in Greenwood. Ross Elliot's last meeting.
- Candidate for his replacement, Ross was on the board, and the treasurer. Split out duties. Elly Macmaster will take over some of the treasurer's job tasks.
- Ross will still look after the trails and disc golf.
- WBCF will purchase in-ice advertising at the arena this year.
- Bob Bugeaud has donated gates for the disc golf access.

**Councillor Pownall** – Verbal

- Trails to the Boundary bought the KVR Bike tours company and will now oversee the bike tours – there are bookings already reserved for the next year.

**Mayor McMynn** – Verbal

- Asked about the Fire chief position – Phil Cameron will be Acting Fire Chief. Other officers are rotating on call.
- UBCM positions are coming up for election are council interested – no.
- Airport Grant is coming up again. Want to reapply soon for the 2025 budget timing. Council discussed fees, costs and potential percent of Midway's portion of grant.

**Moved/Seconded** that the Council approve for Wendy Higashi to move forward with the gathering of information to reapply for the BC Air Access Program grant intake from the Ministry of Transportation. **Carried**

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**Question Period**

Martin Fromme asked Councillor Pownall to repeat what he said about the bike trails - KVR Outfitters were bought out by the Trails to the Boundary, and they will continue to administer the bike tours on the Kettle Valley railway.

Martin wondered if the Village of Midway should be promoting non-motorized vehicle use on their portion of the Trail. Unfortunately, the Village has no jurisdiction over that vehicle use on the trail. Trails to the Boundary has been unsuccessful in limiting vehicle use.

**Financial Reports** – None**Bylaws & Policies** – None**Planning** – None**Budgets/Accounts**

**Moved/Seconded** that budgets and accounts totaling \$95,018.24 to be drawn on the general account and be paid. **Carried**

**Correspondence for Info Only**

**Moved/Seconded** the following Correspondence for Info Only items:

- a) Midway Senior Centre – Thank you to Council
  - b) Mark Raymond, Executive Director, Ministry of Agriculture and Food – 2024 Quick Guide to Drought Resources
  - c) Nick Brayman, Highway Construction Manager, Terus Construction – Invitation to networking reception at UBCM
- be rec'd and filed **Carried**

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**Moved/Seconded** that Council move In-Camera at 20:06 hours under Section 90(1)(e) - acquisition, disposition of land or improvements, Section 90(1)(c) - labour relations or other employee relations. **Carried**

*Martin Fromme leaves at 20:06*

Return to Regular Meeting at 20:25 hours.

Item moved from In-camera minutes to Regular meeting:

that Council approve the CAO to recruit for a term position to help with Corporate and/or Planning project, to be funded from Covid Restart Funds

**Adjournment**

**Moved** to adjourned at 20:26 hours.



Mayor McMynn



CAO Teggarty