

Mayor McMynn opened the Regular Meeting of Council at 19:00 hours on November 12, 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, Metcalf & Pownall

Staff: Lisa Teggarty, CAO
Tamara Lovett, Administrative Assistant

Gallery: none

Introduction of Late Items – None

Adoption of Agenda

Moved/Seconded that the November 12, 2024, Regular Meeting agenda be adopted as circulated. **Carried**

Delegation - None

Question Period – None.

Adoption of Minutes

Moved/Seconded that the minutes from the Regular Meeting of October 21, 2024, (Page 6917-6919) be adopted. **Carried**

Moved/Seconded that the minutes from the Special Meeting of October 25, 2024, (Page 6920) be adopted. **Carried**

Business Arising

Regular Meeting of October 21, 2024, (Page 6917-6919) – None

Special Meeting of October 25, 2024, (Page 6920) - None

New and Unfinished Business

- a) Staff Report – 2025 Regular Council meeting dates

Moved/Seconded that the Village of Midway Council approves Option 1 of the 2025 Regular Council Meeting Schedule.

Carried

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- b) Staff Report – 2025 Committees and Appointments/Acting Mayor schedule
Council discussed and no changes needed to be made.

Moved/Seconded that the Village of Midway Council approves the 2024-2025 Committees and Appointments schedule.

Carried

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Correspondence

- a) BC Economic Development Association – Early Bird Registration – 2025 BC Economic Summit Council discussed, and no one was interested in attending at this time.

Administrator's Report

Council reviewed CAO report. Report was received and filed.

- CAO confirmed that accommodations have been secured for the 2025 UBCM Conference.
- The CAO heard back from the school district, but there are no definite plans for the old elementary school, as yet.
- CAO will be bringing a report to Council regarding Midway Public Library request for financial assistance for computer purchases.
- RDKB shared services was discussed, options will be brought back to council once more information has been obtained.
- Council discussed options for office closures during the Christmas holidays. The CAO will bring a report to Council for approval at the next meeting.

Mayor and Council Report

Mayor McMynn - Verbal

- Federal government announced an infrastructure and housing project - speeding up the process of housing.
- Honorable John Horgan passed away.

Councillor Pownall - Verbal

- Fire Department attended the Remembrance Day ceremony, and it went well with the weather holding out.

Councillor Metcalf – Verbal

- The West Boundary Community Forest public meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 4th at the McArthur center in Greenwood at 6pm.
- WBCF fall grant funding intake is open to November 15. Still concerned that some groups have not applied for funding.

Councillor Willsey – Verbal

- The Accessibility Advisory meeting was cancelled.

Councillor Dunsdon – Verbal

- Concerned about KICLEI emails, recommended unsubscribing.
- Electric Charging station at the park. *CAO will be exploring other pay-for-use options and will report back to Council.*
- Does the Village have an email Communication Policy? *We do, but it should be updated.*
- The RDKB has a company looking at assessing the Grand Forks office for renovation or rebuild
- Solar panels use for the office. *Install costs are extremely high.*
- Reserve funding policy – *The Village does have a policy for Reserve Funds and does not use Reserve funds for operational costs or for covering shortfalls. A Policy update is needed.*
- There was discussion around the RDKB Accessibility Plan – *It will be shared with the Accessibility Committee. We will share an update on the Village’s Accessibility Advisory Committee.*
- Climate Action – *Larger cities are being mandated and we are good for now but expect the smaller cities to be mandated in the near future here.*
- Boundary Services Community – *still looking for a community forest. The prominent issue is Tenure and the need to push the ministry for tenure.*
- Gas tax Use – *recent change allows for funds to be used for Fire services equipment purchases.*
- Fire Service area agreement – *Service review coming up at RDKB.*

Question Period - None

Financial Reports – None

Bylaws & Policies

- a) Bylaw No. 567, 2024 – Village of Midway Water Services Rates Amendment Bylaw No. 567, 2024 – For Final Reading

Moved/Seconded that Bylaw No. 567, 2024 – A Bylaw to amend the Village of Midway Water Rates and Regulation Bylaw No. 227, 1992 – Schedule A, be **ADOPTED** this 12th day of November 2024.

Carried

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- b) Bylaw 568, 2024 – Village of Midway Sewer Services Rates Amendment Bylaw No. 568, 2024 – For Final Reading

Moved/Seconded that Bylaw No. 568, 2024 – A Bylaw to amend the Sewer Services Rates and Regulation Bylaw No. 337, 2002 – Schedule A, be **ADOPTED** this 12th day of November 2024.

Carried

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Planning – None

Budgets/Accounts

Moved/Seconded that budgets and accounts totaling \$161,930.28 to be drawn on the general account and be paid. **Carried**

Correspondence for Info Only

Moved/Seconded the following Correspondence for Info only:

- a. Regional District of Kootenay Boundary – Building Inspection Report to the end of September 2024
- b. Ministry of Agriculture and Food, Peter Pokorny – UBCM Meeting Summary
- c. Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General, Katherine St. Denis – UBCM Meeting Summary
- d. Ministry of Forests, Richard Manwaring – UBCM Meeting Summary
- e. Boundary Invasive Species Society, Barb Stewart – Invitation to Boundary Invasive Species Fall Meeting & AGM, November 19, 2024

be rec'd and filed .

Carried

Councillor Willsey will attend the Boundary Invasive Species Society Fall Meeting & AGM scheduled for November 19, 2024.

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

Moved/Seconded the following Correspondence for Info Only item - to be held for two weeks items:

- c) Provincial Director of Child Welfare, Cory Heavener & Provincial Director of Adoption, Renaa Bacy – Adoption and Permanency Awareness Month

be rec'd and filed.

Carried

Moved/Seconded that Council move In-Camera at 19:54 hours under Section 90(1)(j) — information that is prohibited, or information that if it were presented in a document would be prohibited, from disclosure under section 21 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

Return to Regular Meeting at 20:09 hours.

Item moved from In-camera minutes to Regular meeting:

Village of Midway entering into a contract with a Municipal Planner for Planning/Development consultancy services to December 31, 2025.

Adjournment

Moved to adjourned at 20:10 hours.


Mayor McMynn


CAO Teggarty