

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING #C20-07 of the council of the City of Dawson held on Tuesday, May 12, 2020 at 7 p.m. by electronic means - Zoom Meeting ID#: 839 6537 1280.

PRESENT: Mayor Wayne Potoroka
Councillor Natasha Ayoub
Councillor Stephen Johnson
Councillor Bill Kendrick
Councillor Molly Shore

ALSO PRESENT: CAO Cory Bellmore
EA Heather Favron

Agenda Item: Call to Order

The Chair, Mayor Potoroka called council meeting #C20-07 to order at 7:00 p.m.

Agenda Item: Agenda

C20-07-01 Moved by Mayor Potoroka, seconded by Councillor Kendrick that the agenda for council meeting #C20-06 of May 12, 2020 be adopted as presented.
Motion Carried 5-0

Agenda Item: Delegations and Guests

C20-07-02 Moved by Mayor Potoroka, seconded by Councillor Kendrick that council move to committee of the whole for the purposes of hearing delegations.
Motion Carried 5-0

a) Evelyn Pollock, Klondike Development Organization (KDO) RE: Annual Report

Evelyn Pollock was in attendance on behalf of the KDO to present KDO's annual report to council detailing the results of work completed in 2019 and anticipated work for the upcoming year. Main projects this year had to do with solar power facility exploration which is still ongoing, working with Klondike farmers for capacity support and a mobile abattoir, work related to a makerspace, investigated options and opportunities for entrepreneur development, and continued economic development base activities.

b) Florian Boulais and Katrine Frese RE: The Risks of Highly Unlikely Events with Severe Consequences

Katrine Frese and Florian Boulais provided a presentation to council regarding the risks of highly unlikely events with severe consequences like the COVID-19 crisis and to discuss ways to better prepare for the future and the need for more resiliency. They are worried about the community, as the community is not prepared for something like a black swan event and there is no emergency plan in place if something was to happen. People and the community need more resiliency not to be so reliant on government. They suggested a pamphlet be issued to all residents to raise awareness.

C20-07-03 Moved by Mayor Potoroka, seconded by Councillor Kendrick that committee of the whole reverts to council to proceed with the agenda.
Motion Carried 5-0

Agenda Item: Adoption of the Minutes

- a) Council Meeting Minutes #C20-05 of April 22, 2020

Council requested the minutes be amended to correct the spelling of "Inukshuk" and to reflect a public hearing submission being received from Nuway Crushing Ltd.

C20-07-04 Moved by Mayor Potoroka, seconded by Councillor Johnson the minutes of council meeting #C20-05 of April 22, 2020 be approved as amended.
Motion Carried 5-0

- b) Council Meeting Minutes #C20-06 of April 29, 2020

C20-07-05 Moved by Mayor Potoroka, seconded by Councillor Shore that the minutes of council meeting #C20-06 of April 29, 2020 be approved as presented.
Motion Carried 5-0

Agenda Item: Business Arising from Minutes

- a) Council Meeting Minutes #C20-05 of April 22, 2020

Council requested an update regarding the Guggieville lot Subdivision Application. The CAO informed council Administration was working with EMR on obtaining answers to the questions and concerns raised. Council suggested a special meeting may be required.

Council requested an update on the water metering program. The CAO informed council Administration has met with the company as an initial outline start up meeting and will be meeting again soon to discuss pricing mechanisms.

- b) Council Meeting Minutes #C20-06 of April 29, 2020

Council was notified the letter to Dredge Pond residents was sent out.

Council noted it would be good to hear from Property Assessments regarding the concerns raised by Dredge Pond residents.

Agenda Item: Financial and Budget Reports

- a) 2020 Accounts Payable Report #20-04 RE: Cheques #54812 - 54865

Cheque #	Vendor Name	
54855	Staudt, Julia	The CAO will look into what SHOT training is.

C20-07-06 Moved by Mayor Potoroka, seconded by Councillor Ayoub that council acknowledges receipt of the Accounts Payable Report #20-04 RE: Cheques #54812 - 54865; provided for informational purposes.
Motion Carried 5-0

b) 2020 Accounts Payable Report #20-05 RE: Cheques #54866 – 54907

Cheque #	Vendor Name	
54877	Cotter Enterprises	February services.
54883	Groundswell Industries Inc.	Final report received.
54885	Hub Towing	Towing city vehicle to Whitehorse for repairs.
54890	Lawson Lundell LLP	Lawyer used for HR and is higher due to negotiations.
54899	Skovsbo, Dr. V.	Drivers medical.
54895	North 60 Petroleum	The CAO will look into what period this covers.

C20-07-07 Moved by Mayor Potoroka, seconded by Councillor Johnson that council acknowledges receipt of the Accounts Payable Report #20-05 RE: Cheques #54866 – 54907; provided for informational purposes.
Motion Carried 5-0

c) 2020 Accounts Payable Report #20-06 RE: Cheques #54908 – 54967

Cheque #	Vendor Name	
Visa	Hockey Shot Inc. Brady	CAO will look up the information and report back.

C20-07-08 Moved by Mayor Potoroka, seconded by Councillor Shore that council acknowledges receipt of the Accounts Payable Report #20-06 RE: Cheques #54908 - 54967; provided for informational purposes.
Motion Carried 5-0

Agenda Item: Special Meeting, Committee, and Departmental Reports

a) WSP Canada Inc. RE: AMFRC Structural Report

C20-07-09 Moved by Mayor Potoroka, seconded by Councillor Ayoub that council receives the WSP report titled “Art and Margaret Fry Recreation Centre - Structural Assessment and Review” dated May 8, 2020 for information and directs administration to proceed with direction as outlined in the options below: 1. Continue to monitor the structural changes at AMFRC and, 2. Prepare a work plan similar to that produced in 2018 with updated cost estimates for the high priority short term remedial work as described in the attached report. Motion Carried 5-0

C20-07-10 Moved by Mayor Potoroka, seconded by Councillor Johnson to move to Committee of Whole for the purposes of holding discussions with engineers. Carried 5-0

Richard Mastschuch and William Johnston, Engineers with WSP were present to answer council’s questions.

C20-07-11 Moved by Mayor Potoroka, seconded by Councillor Johnson that Committee of Whole revert to council and proceeds with agenda. Carried 5-0
Main Motion Carried 5-0

b) Request for Decision RE: Policing Priorities for 2020/21

C20-07-12 Moved by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor Ayoub that council approves issuing a letter to Dawson City RCMP notifying them the priority issues council would like the local detachment to focus on for 2020/21 are the same as council's 2019/20 policing priorities with the addition of close collaboration with other levels of governments on enforcement of orders and recommendations related to Covid-19 pandemic.
Motion Carried 5-0

c) Request for Decision RE: Conservation Klondike Society Multi-Year Funding Agreement

C20-07-13 Moved by Mayor Potoroka, seconded by Councillor Kendrick that Council directs Administration to enter into a multi-year funding agreement to provide Conservation Klondike Society with diversion credits up to an annual maximum amount of \$100,000 per year for the 2020 fiscal year and the 2021 fiscal year.

C20-07-14 Moved by Councillor Shore, seconded by Councillor Kendrick that section 2(a)(1) of the funding agreement be amended to reflect review and engagement be changed to financials as accepted by Societies. Carried 5-0.
Main Motion Carried 5-0

d) Request for Decision RE: Klondike Development Organization Multi-Year Funding Agreement

C20-07-15 Moved by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor Kendrick that Council directs Administration to enter into a multi-year funding agreement, as presented, with Klondike Development Organization to assist with operating costs, and for the provision of community economic development projects in our community up to a maximum amount of \$35,000 for the 2020 fiscal year and \$35,000 the 2021 fiscal year.
Motion Carried 5-0

e) Block Q, Ladue Estate RE: Goldrush Campground Lease Agreement & Planning Study

C20-07-16 Moved by Mayor Potoroka, seconded by Councillor Shore that Council give Goldrush Campground Ltd. two-years' notice of termination of our lease agreement.
Motion Carried 4-1

Mayor Potoroka called for a recorded vote.

Votes For: Mayor Potoroka, Councillor Shore, Councillor Ayoub and Councillor Kendrick

Votes Against: Councillor Johnson

C20-07-17 Moved by Mayor Potoroka, seconded by Councillor Shore that Council direct Administration to conduct a planning study for lots 1-20, Block Q, Ladue Estate.
Motion Carried 5-0

f) Proclamation RE: Journée De La Francophonie Yukonnaise

C20-07-18 Moved by Mayor Potoroka, seconded by Councillor Ayoub that council proclaims May 15th, 2020 to be "JOURNÉE DE LA FRANCOPHONIE YUKONNAISE" in the City of Dawson and approves raising of the Francophone flag at noon on May 15th.
Motion Carried 5-0

g) Request for Decision RE: Quigley Electrification

- C20-07-19** Moved by Councillor Shore, seconded by Councillor that Ayoub that Council approves the installation of three phase power to the Quigley Landfill site as outlined in the report to connect to the electrical grid for three phase.
Motion Carried 5-0

Agenda Item: Bylaws & Policies

a) Zoning Amendment No. 10 Bylaw #2020-11 – Second Reading

- C20-07-20** Moved by Councillor Shore, seconded by Councillor Johnson that bylaw #2020-11 being the Zoning Bylaw Amendment No. 10 Bylaw be given second reading. Motion Carried 5-0

b) Zoning Amendment No. 10 Bylaw #2020-11 – Third and Final Reading

- C20-07-21** Moved by Mayor Potoroka, seconded by Councillor Shore that bylaw #2020-11 being the Zoning Bylaw Amendment No. 10 Bylaw be given third and final reading.
Motion Carried 5-0

- C20-07-22** Moved by Councillor Kendrick, seconded by Councillor Ayoub that Council directs administration to return the Zoning Amendment application fee as per Section 17.1.6 of Zoning Bylaw #2008-19.
Motion Carried 5-0

Agenda Item: Correspondence

- C20-07-23** Moved by Councillor Shore, seconded by Mayor Potoroka that council acknowledge receipt of the following correspondence: Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes #CW20-04, CW20-05, CW20-06, CW20-07 & CW20-08, Peter Jenkins, Eldorado Hotel RE: City of Dawson Single Use Plastics Bylaw For informational purposes.

- C20-07-24** Moved by Mayor Potoroka, seconded by Councillor Kendrick that council extend the meeting not to exceed one hour. Carried 5-0
Motion Carried 5-0

Council noted a response should be sent to Mr. Jenkins to clarify some misinterpretations of the bylaw.

Agenda Item: Public Questions

- C20-07-25** Moved by Mayor Potoroka, seconded by Councillor Kendrick that council move to committee of the whole for the purposes of hearing public questions.
Motion Carried 5-0

Council provided responses to the following questions:

Kat Derusha: If there is testing done on the Goldrush, and it is deemed not viable what is the next step? Will there be any steps taken to ensure Pat and Diane have the option to continue campground since they are already established?

Brian Stethem: Have all of the Councillors seen the letters from DCCC, TIA, and the KVA? It was very quick notice for them to try to deal with something in the time of this tourism crisis. Wants it on the record for everyone to understand, on a conservative estimate, they have estimated 16,000 visitors a year staying in that campground over many years. It's a long established campground that generates into our local economy, on a rough estimate, 2.4 million dollars a year. Can the community give up one of the big pillars of our community for nothing? Are you willing to give up 16,000 visitors and 2.4 million into the local economy because you want to build a Rec Centre? If you don't build a Rec. Centre are you still going to take the land to build houses? Anecdotally, people who stay outside of town are transients who are just going thru to Alaska, some who are not transient and some gold miners. The big advantage to tourism to having a campground in middle of town is people can walk around town and spend money. Does council understand the economic benefit of that facility?

Pat Brooks: If you do geo tech and you find both sites unsuitable, then what?

Kat Derusha: What kind of steps has council taken to get YG to provide land?

Brian Stethem: Would it be possible to approach YG about the site Councillor Kenrick brought up?

Blake Rogers, Tia Yukon: The planning cycle for most tourism businesses is 18 months out which makes it really hard when there is a 24 month cancellation clause. Given the current climate right now with the world tourism industry being in shambles, and given how important tourism is to Dawson, how is the City of Dawson planning to support tourism going forward knowing that this year there is going to be a big hit? How is the local industry going to be supported?

Dan Davidson: You realize you are heading down the road to making the same mistake that the Webster and Everitt Administration made back in the 90s by letting the government push you around? It sounds, like YG has suddenly come across some money that you initially did not know there was going to be and now all of a sudden you got a deadline that is imposed by them and that causes you to make a decision about when to spend that money.

Just be very careful, we are getting close to election times and it would be wonderful to have a big project happening in Dawson around the time the next territorial election is due.

C20-07-26 Moved by Mayor Potoroka, seconded by Councillor Kendrick that committee of the whole revert to council to proceed with agenda.
Motion Carried 5-0

Agenda Item: Adjourn

C20-07-27 Moved by Mayor Potoroka, seconded by Councillor Johnson that council meeting #C20-06 be adjourned at 10:35 p.m. with the next regular meeting of council being June 9, 2020.
Motion Carried 5-0

THE MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING C20-07 WERE APPROVED BY COUNCIL RESOLUTION #C20-09-02 AT COUNCIL MEETING #C20-09 OF JUNE 9, 2020.

Original signed by:
Wayne Potoroka, Mayor

Cory Bellmore, CAO