

City of Chilliwack
Regular Meeting Minutes

March 19, 2024, 2:00 pm
8550 Young Road
Chilliwack, BC V2P 8A4

Present: All members of Council

Staff Present: D. Blain, Chief Administrative Officer
J. Morgan, Manager of Legislative Services/Corporate Officer
G. Savard, Director of Finance
G. Villeneuve, Director of Planning
A Brown, Fire Chief
K. Stanton, Director of Public Safety and Social Development
D. Lindhout, Director of Recreation and Culture
J. Koczur, Director of Public Works and Parks
G. Schipper, Deputy Director of Development and Regulatory Enforcement Services
S. Hamilton, Director of Utility Operations
B. Loewen, Superintendent WWTP
K. Jefford, Director of Engineering
T. Friesen, Manager of Environmental Services
C. Marleau, Manager of Recreation Services and Corporate Wellness
H. Ferris, Manager of Social Development
C. Wickham, Manager of Land Development
R. Koole, Manager of Long Range Planning
R. Goertzen, Manager of Building and Inspections
D. Enns, Assistant Superintendent of Facilities
D. Mossey, Manager of Transportation and Drainage
F. Van Nynatten, Assistant Manager of Environmental Services
C. Nwaoha, Manager of Utilities
L. Wiebe, Manager of Communications
C. Carruthers, Deputy Director of Information Technology
B. Johnson, Manager of IT Support
R. Ratzlaff, IT Support Technician
C. Wilkinson, Deputy Corporate Officer/Recording Secretary

Call to Order

The City of Chilliwack acknowledges that we are honoured to live, work and play on the traditional, ancestral and unceded territory of the Stó:lō Coast Salish peoples.

Mayor Popove was Chair and called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.

On behalf of Mayor and Council, Councillor Kloot welcomed members of the Bethesda Christian Association, who joined the Regular Meeting of Council; thanking them for the snacks and refreshments they provided to Council and staff.

Adoption of Minutes

Moved / Westeringh

Seconded / Read

That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held March 5, 2024, be adopted as circulated.

Carried unanimously

Consent Agenda

Moved / Shields

Seconded / Mercer

That “Parks, Recreation and Culture Bylaw Amendment Bylaw 2024, No. 5373” be adopted.

Carried unanimously

Departmental Reports

Engineering - Solid Waste Management Bylaw Update

Moved / Lum

Seconded / Kloot

That "Solid Waste Management Bylaw Amendment Bylaw 2024, No. 5386" be given first and second reading.

Carried unanimously

Moved / Kloot

Seconded / Westeringh

That "Solid Waste Management Bylaw Amendment Bylaw 2024, No. 5386" be given third reading.

Carried unanimously

Engineering - Biological Treatment System Expansion Phase 2 - RFP Award

Moved / Westeringh

Seconded / Kloot

That Council accept the proposal for the design and construction of the "Biological Treatment System Expansion Phase 2 Project" from the lead proponent, Trittech Group Ltd./Stantec Consulting Ltd., in the amount of \$36,374,960.94 (plus applicable taxes); and further, that the Mayor and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign any necessary documentation.

Carried unanimously

Engineering - 2024 Chilliwack Airport Project - Airfield Lighting Upgrade Tender Award

Moved / Shields

Seconded / Lum

That Council award the tender for the "2024 Chilliwack Airport Project - Airfield Lighting Upgrade Tender" to Black & McDonald Ltd., in the amount of \$1,154,614.65 (plus applicable taxes); and further, that the Mayor and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign any necessary documentation.

Carried unanimously

Engineering - Community Emergency Preparedness Fund 2023/2024 Grant Policy

Moved / Read

Seconded / Westeringh

That Council approve the application for the "Chilliwack Creek (Wolfe Road) Pump Station Upgrades Preliminary Design - Phase 2" under the 2023/2024 Union of B.C. Municipalities Community Emergency Preparedness Fund; and further, that Council direct staff to submit the grant funding application.

Carried unanimously

Engineering - Curbside Collection Exemptions

Moved / Westeringh

Seconded / Kloot

That Council approve continuing with a standardized Curbside Program for the next Curbside Collection Contract, with all properties receiving collection of compostable waste, mixed recyclables, glass and garbage to encourage waste diversion.

Carried unanimously

Engineering - Overview of 2023 Watering Restrictions and Water Conservation Plan Update

Moved / Lum

Seconded / Westeringh

That the 2023 Watering Restrictions Overview be received for information; and further, that the updated Water Conservation Plan be approved by Council, as contained within the Staff Report dated March 12, 2024.

Carried unanimously

Public Works and Parks - Consumption of Liquor in City Parks

Moved / Mercer

Seconded / Westeringh

Recommendation that "Consumption of Liquor in City Parks Bylaw 2024, No 5382", to permit the consumption of alcohol, on an annual seasonal basis at Vedder Park, located at 45450 Petawawa Road, identified in Schedule "A", as contained within the staff report dated February 29, 2024, be given first and second reading.

Carried unanimously

Moved / Shields

Seconded / Read

Recommendation that "Consumption of Liquor in City Parks Bylaw 2024, No 5382", to permit the consumption of alcohol, on an annual seasonal basis at Vedder Park, located at 45450 Petawawa Road, identified in Schedule "A", as contained within the staff report dated February 29, 2024, be given third reading.

Carried unanimously

Utility Operations - "RFP 2024 - Electric Ice Resurfacer"

Moved / Westeringh

Seconded / Read

That Council accept the Request for Proposal for the "2024 - Electric Ice Resurfacer" from the lead proponent, Vimar Equipment, in the amount of \$221,751.00 (plus applicable taxes); and further, that the Mayor and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign any necessary documentation.

Carried unanimously

Recreation and Culture - Canada Day Drone Light Show - 2024

The Director of Recreation and Culture provided Council with a brief presentation on pixel animation and light show.

Moved / Mercer

Seconded / Kloot

That Council direct staff to secure Pixel Sky Animations to deliver a unique-to-Chilliwack LED Light show in lieu of fireworks for the 2024 Canada Day Celebrations; and further, that the Mayor and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign any necessary documentation.

Carried unanimously

Planning - RZ001747 - Text Amendments

Moved / Westeringh

Seconded / Shields

Recommendation that "Zoning Bylaw Amendment Bylaw 2024, No. 5385", which proposes to complete text amendments related to minimum lot area and reference to the Intensive Swine Operation Bylaw in a number of agricultural zones, the map and Accessory Dwelling Unit provisions within the Comprehensive Development-12 Zone, the Floor Area Ratio within the Comprehensive Development-9 Zone, and clarification regarding the Accessory Office and Sales use, landscaping requirements, small car parking and the definition of Food Processing, be given first and second reading; and further, that a Public Hearing be called for April 2, 2024.

Carried unanimously

Planning - Acceptance of Regional Growth Strategy "Fraser Valley Future 2050"

Moved / Lum

Seconded / Kloot

That Council accept the Fraser Valley Regional District's Regional Growth Strategy, titled "Fraser Valley Future 2050", as contained within the staff report dated March 12, 2024.

Carried unanimously

Public Safety and Social Development - Community Development Initiatives Funding (Peer Employment Initiative)

The Corporate Officer announced that Agenda Item No. 7.12 "Community Development Initiatives Funding (Peer Employment Initiative)" was removed from the agenda, at the request of staff.

Public Safety and Social Development - Reaching Home Program Funding Allocations for 2024-2025

Moved / Westeringh

Seconded / Read

That Council receive the Minutes of the Reaching Home Community Advisory Board meeting held on March 11, 2024, for information; and further, that Council endorse the following resolutions passed at the Reaching Home Community Advisory Board Meeting held on March 11, 2024

"That Council endorse the recommendation of the Reaching Home Community Advisory Board, for the allocation of funds for Coordinated Community Outreach for the 2024/2025 fiscal year, be awarded to Pacific Community Resources Society and Cyrus Centre in the amount of \$439,000.00";

"That Council endorse the recommendations of the Reaching Home Community Advisory Board, for the allocation of funds for Prevention and Diversion for the 2024/25 fiscal year, be awarded as follows:

- *Wilma's Transition Society in the amount of \$30,000.00;*
- *Chilliwack and District Seniors Resources Society in the amount of \$61,000.00; and further,*

That the surplus of Prevention and Diversion funding in the amount of \$70,000.00, be held until the following Community Advisory Board meeting scheduled for May 16, 2024."; and,

"That Council endorse the recommendation of the Reaching Home Community Advisory Board, for the allocation of funds for Case Management Services for the 2024/25 fiscal year, be awarded to Pacific Community Resources Society in the amount of \$216,088.00."

Carried unanimously

Mayor and Councillors' Reports

The Mayor and Councillors' reports were received for information.

Motion to Adjourn to a Closed Session

Moved / Klood

Seconded / Lum

That, in accordance with Section 90(1)(c) of the *Community Charter*, Council hold a Closed Meeting to discuss labour relations

Carried unanimously

Adjournment

Moved / Klood

Seconded / Lum

On a motion of Councillor Klood, and seconded by Councillor Lum, the meeting adjourned at 2:37pm.

Carried unanimously

Mayor

Corporate Officer