TOWN OF WATSON LAKE

REGULAR MEETING MEETING NO. 7 COUNCIL CHAMBERS April 21, 2015

ATTENDANCE ABSENT

RICHARD DUROCHER – Mayor CYNTHIA KEARNS- Councilor BRENDA LEACH – Councilor

BRENDA LEACH – Councilor PUBLIC

TIM O'BRIEN – Councilor

THOMAS SLAGER – Councilor R. Wilkinson E.Labonte

ADMINISTRATION E.Leach
D/B Reams

RICK ROTONDI – Acting CAO S.Drury
TERRI CLOSE – Municipal Clerk L.Lund

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Durocher.

AGENDA

MOTION 015-07-54

Moved by Councilor Leach, seconded by Councilor Kearns that:

The Agenda be adopted as amended to include:

Zoning By-Law proposal.

- CARRIED -

MINUTES

MOTION 015-07-55

Moved by Councilor Kearns, seconded by Councilor O'Brien that:

The minutes be adopted from the last regular meeting of April 7, 2015.

- CARRIED -

DELEGATION

Lael Lund presented Council with a marketing proposal for the Town of Watson Lake. The proposal outlines the initiative that she would take to gather input on needs, requirements, and objectives for a marketing strategy and plan to promote Watson Lake, and with the NHL Hockey Camp planned for Watson Lake, it is the perfect opportunity to move forward on this initiative. Funding is available through YG's regional economic development fund.

Lael expressed her disappointment that she was not invited to submit a bid when this initiative was first introduced. Mayor Durocher apologized to Lael and explained that the Marketing Committee is community driven, and make recommendations to Council, they do not drive the process. Council suggested a meeting be held on Thursday with stakeholders to discuss the proposal further.

REPORTS

Administration discussed the landfill and the Solid Waste agreement. The Government of Yukon has signed an agreement with the Town of Watson Lake that will regionalize the town's solid waste services, furthering the territory's commitment to environmentally and fiscally responsible waste management.

MOTION 015-07-56

Moved by Councilor Slager, seconded by Councilor O'Brien that:

Council accept the YG Solid Waste agreement as presented.

- CARRIED -

Council discussed the increased amount of solid waste that will now be entering the landfill once the Upper Liard landfill is closed and the significant amounts of construction and demolition material that will eventually be hauled once YG disposes of their obsolete buildings. Council suggested a plan/strategy needs to be prepared on how to deal with the extra waste.

Rick addressed the Solid Waste Bylaw regarding the compostables & organics entering the landfill and recognizing the need to encourage commercial business to sort this material. Council agreed that compostables/organics material is to be weighed and charged \$250.00/tonne.

Administration expressed concerns over the lack of control over waste that is being disposed of at the sewage lagoon. Administration is suggesting that for the Town to have better control, a system be implemented that monitors the vehicles entering the lagoon. Council support the idea and suggested Administration research a system that will work for the facility.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

MOTION 015-07-57

Moved by Councilor O'Brien, seconded by Councilor Slager that:

The payroll cheques #56001 through #56030 in the amount of \$42,888.79 and the Open Payables in the amount of \$69,486.33 be paid.

- CARRIED –

NEW AND UNFINISHED

ZONING BY-LAW PROPOSAL

Council received a revised workplan and budget to support the Town of Watson Lake in finalizing the new Zoning Bylaw. The proposal from Lesley Cobott will review the 2012 draft Zoning bylaw and working with Management and Council identify what needs to be deleted and revised to ensure the bylaw is relevant, achieves the objectives of administration and Council and is enforceable. She will also hold a public meeting where the residents have the opportunity to comment on the bylaw.

MOTION 015-07-58

Moved by Councilor Kearns, seconded by Councilor Slager that:

Council accept the proposal from Lesley Cabott to revise the Zoning Bylaw for the cost of \$10,000.00.

CARRIED –

COUNCIL QUESTION PERIOD

Councilor Leach enquired about the Marketing Committee and suggested from the meetings she attended that there is a need to hire a facilitator to spearhead the committee and oversee the project.

Mayor Durocher provided Council with an update on what is happening with Parhelion Medical Service. He suggested that members of the community contact YG minister Nixon directly to voice their concerns.

IN-CAMERA

MOTION 015-07-59

Moved 1	by Councilor	Leach,	seconded	by	Councilor	O'I	3rien
that:							

Council go In-Camera.

- CARRIED -

MOTION 015-07-60

Moved by Councilor O'Brien, seconded by Councilor Kearns that:

Council revert to an Open meeting.

CARRIED -

MOTION 015-07-61

Moved by Councilor Slager, seconded by Councilor Leach that:

Council accept the proposal for Lawyer Peter Sheen regarding Stephen Conway.

- CARRIED -

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 015-07-62

Moved by Councilor O'Brien, seconded by Councilor Kearns that:

There being no further business the meeting be adjourned at 8:30 pm.

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R. Durocher – Mayor	Terri Close – Municipal Clerk