

TOWN OF WATSON LAKE

REGULAR MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MEETING NO. 21
October 25, 2016

ATTENDANCE

ABSENT

JUSTIN BROWN - MAYOR
BRIAN LUND - COUNCILOR
STACY BAUER - COUNCILOR
BRENDA LEACH - COUNCILOR
CHRIS IRVIN – COUNCILOR

PUBLIC
R. Harder
L.Harder
D.Amann
D.Werrun
J.McCrae
M.Sidhu
I.Robertson
E.Little
D.Kalles
E.Labonte

ADMINISTRATION

DAVID STEELE – CAO
TERRI CLOSE – Municipal Clerk

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

AGENDA

MOTION 016-21-219

Moved by Councilor Lund, seconded by Councilor Leach
that:

The Agenda be adopted as amended to table item #4 to the November 1st meeting.

- CARRIED –

**DECLARATION OF
INTEREST**

There were no conflicts of interest expressed.

MINUTES

MOTION 016-21-220

Moved by Councilor Irvin, seconded by Councilor Lund
that:

The minutes be adopted from the last Regular meeting of October 4, 2016 as presented.

- CARRIED –

DELEGATION

Mr. Mandeep Sidhu and Mr. Ian Robertson presented Council with a proposal for a lot enlargement to accommodate a comprehensive refurbishment of the present Campground Services and related commercial services, in order to modernize and meet RV park standards and the demands of tourists. The enlargement would require the acquisition of 3.9 hectares of crown land adjacent to their existing property. A letter is required to accompany their application indicating that Council is prepared to consider a land use amendment that would involve a change to the OCP and Zoning Bylaw. Council agreed to discuss this further and have an answer for the November 1st meeting.

REPORTS

Administration provided Council with an update on various matters:

- Preparation for the fourth round of union negotiations anticipated for the week of November 7th – 10th.
- Substantial completion has been signed off on the Recycling Depot Compactor Building.
- The critical exterior work has been completed at the swimming pool and now the interior work can commence.

- The new garbage truck is expected to arrive in early November and training will take place with staff on the new vehicle.
- The YG water valve replacement upgrade is complete. The Boil water advisory has been lifted and notices have been forwarded in the mail to residents.

Council inquired about the hours that Town staff assisted Norcope on the valve replacement project and suggested the hours be calculated and billed to the project.

Council addressed the outdoor lighting at the Water treatment facility and concerns that have been expressed by residents that the lights are shining directly into their homes. Council suggest this matter be resolved.

**ACCOUNTS
PAYABLE**

MOTION 016-21-221

Moved by Councilor Leach, seconded by Councilor Lund
that:

The payroll cheques #57541 through #57570 in the amount of \$49,275.73 and the Open Payables in the amount of \$432,312.31 be paid.

- CARRIED –

BY-LAWS

MOTION 016-21-222

Moved by Councilor Irvin, seconded by Councilor Bauer
that:

By-Law 16-04, being a By-Law to amend the Official Community Plan be introduced for Third & Final Reading.

- CARRIED –

MOTION 016-21-223

Moved by Councilor Irvin, seconded by Councilor Lund
that:

By-Law 16-05, being a By-Law to amend Zoning By-Law 15-07 be introduced for Third & Final Reading.

- CARRIED –

NEW & UNFINISHED

EXCUSED ABSENCE

All of Council will be in attendance at the next Council meeting.

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
CANADA 150 CELEBRATION**

Councilor Irvin provided Council with a brief update on special events and activities which the Watson Lake Chamber of Commerce is considering for the Canada 150 celebrations.

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT
APPLICATION

Council addressed a development permit application submitted by Diocese Yukon for an addition to the existing thrift store. The application had been declined as the building constitutes a non-conforming use as defined in the Zoning Bylaw.

The application was appealed to Council for consideration. Council discussed the application and the regulations for what is permitted in an Institutional Zone. After much consideration Council agreed to approve the development permit as a conditional use.

MOTION 016-21-224

Moved by Councilor Leach, seconded by Councilor Lund
that:

Council approved the development permit submitted by Diocese Yukon for the addition to the thrift store as a conditional use and will not be considered for any further development on this particular building.

- CARRIED –

WL SKI CLUB
ANNUAL CHRISTMAS AUCTION

Council received a letter from the WL Ski Club requesting a donation for their annual Christmas auction.

MOTION 016-21-225

Moved by Councilor Bauer, seconded by Councilor Lund
that:

The Town donate \$500.00 for the Watson Lake Ski Club Christmas Auction.

- CARRIED –

CORRESPONDENCE

Council reviewed the RCMP Policing Report for September.

**ADMINISTRATIVE
ENQUIRIES**

Councilor Irvin addressed the derelict buildings located on the WL Hotel property and expressed concern that the vacant buildings need to be boarded up as they pose a safety risk to the public. Council suggested the Town send a registered letter to the property owner instructing them to take action and make the necessary repairs to rectify this situation.

Council discussed the Campbell Block which the Town owns and suggested that the building be demolished. Administration agreed to look into this matter.

MOTION 016-21-226

Moved by Councilor Leach, seconded by Councilor Irvin
that:

The Town provide an action plan for the Council meeting of November 1st, 2016.

- CARRIED –

Councilor Lund addressed concerns that he received regarding the Recycling Depot being closed on Saturdays when there is a statutory holiday and suggested the depot remain open Saturdays and staff take the same stat day as other Town facilities.

Council enquired as to the hours of operation for the Recycling depot and questioned the need to have the compound inaccessible to the public after hours.

IN-CAMERA

MOTION 016-21-227

Moved by Councilor Leach, seconded by Councilor Irvin
that:

Council go In-Camera.

- CARRIED –

MOTION 016-21-228

Moved by Councilor Lund, seconded by Councilor Leach
that:

Council revert to an Open meeting.

- CARRIED –

MOTION 016-21-229

Moved by Councilor Leach, seconded by Councilor Bauer
that:

Council award the invitational tender for the landfill cover material to Custom Concrete.

- CARRIED –

MOTION 016-21-230

Moved by Councilor Irvin, seconded by Councilor Leach
that:

The Town of Watson Lake refund Jean McCrae one month of bulk water.

- CARRIED –

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 016-21-231

Moved by Councilor Leach, seconded by Councilor Lund
that:

There being no further business the meeting be adjourned at 9:50 pm.

- CARRIED –

Justin Brown – Mayor

Terri Close – Municipal Clerk