

TOWN OF WATSON LAKE

REGULAR MEETING  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MEETING NO. 20  
October 4, 2016

ATTENDANCE

ABSENT

JUSTIN BROWN - MAYOR  
BRIAN LUND - COUNCILOR  
STACY BAUER - COUNCILOR  
CHRIS IRVIN - COUNCILOR

Councilor Leach

ADMINISTRATION

PUBLIC

RICK ROTONDI – Acting CAO  
TERRI CLOSE – Municipal Clerk

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

**AGENDA**

**MOTION 016-20-210**

Moved by Councilor Lund, seconded by Councilor Bauer  
that:

The Agenda be adopted as amended to include:

- Compactor Building – change orders

- CARRIED –

**DECLARATION OF  
INTEREST**

There were no conflicts of interest expressed.

**MINUTES**

**MOTION 016-20-211**

Moved by Councilor Lund, seconded by Councilor Bauer  
that:

The minutes be adopted from the last Regular meeting of September 20, 2016 as  
presented.

- CARRIED –

**DELEGATION**

The delegation of Iyon Ketchika Contracting and Geo Thermal Energy was tabled  
to the October 25<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.

**REPORTS**

Administration provided Council with an update on various meetings and  
discussions for the month of September. Topics of discussion were as follows:

- Conference call with YG representative regarding pre-construction of the Town's water line valve replacement project.
- Met with Community Services Advisor Jim Brown on various Town operational matters of mutual interest.
- Attended AYC Board meeting in Dawson City.
- Met with Colleen Parker of Yukon Lotteries to discuss and resolve matters pertaining to TOWL administration of the Lottery funding.
- Met with contractor to refine aspects of the Pool renovations and repairs.
- Continue work with YG on specifications of new water reservoir project.
- Continue recruitment for qualified staff to operate new water treatment plant.
- Preparation for third round of union negotiations anticipated for the week of October 17-21<sup>st</sup>.

MOTION 016-20-212

Moved by Councilor Irvin, seconded by Councilor Lund  
that:

The CAO report and update for September be approved.

- CARRIED –

Council discussed the YG project that is taking place to replace the Town's water line valves and expressed concerns with the scope of work and the number of hours that Town staff are spending to assist with the project. Council suggest that all hours for the Community Liaison staff member be billed to Norcope Construction.

Council enquired about staffing for the Water Treatment Facility. Administration advised that although the job had been advertised and applications received for the position, there has been no firm decision on staffing the Water Treatment facility. Council discussed the option of hiring Ray Osbourne to oversee the facility in the interim and the applications be reviewed by Administration.

**ACCOUNTS**  
**PAYABLE**

MOTION 016-20-213

Moved by Councilor Bauer, seconded by Councilor Irvin  
that:

The payroll cheques #57441 through #57479 in the amount of \$75,245.17 and the Open Payables in the amount of \$119,462.34 be paid.

- CARRIED –

**NEW & UNFINISHED**

EXCUSED ABSENCE

Councilor Leach will be absent from September 12<sup>th</sup> – October 8<sup>th</sup>.

MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT  
OFFICE RENT

Mayor Brown informed Council that MP Larry Bagnell has requested to rent office space in the Administration building for \$250.00/month. Mayor Brown has been in contact with the WL Secondary School to discuss the opportunity for a High school student to work for Larry Bagnell at the office a few hours/week.

MOTION 016-20-214

Moved by Councilor Irvin, seconded by Councilor Lund  
that:

Administration proceed with an agreement for MP Larry Bagnell to rent office space in the Administration Building.

- CARRIED –

AYC – BOARD MINUTES

Council received the September AYC Board of Directors minutes which was held in Dawson City. Mayor Brown provided an update on certain items that were discussed at the Board meeting.

BIG BROTHERS &  
SISTERS SPONSORSHIP

Council discussed information from Big Brothers Big Sisters of Yukon and a request for volunteers to become part of the In-Schooling Mentoring program, for which a member of staff has volunteered. As part of their fundraising efforts the Big Brothers/Big Sisters are holding their second annual Bowl for Kids Sake, and are looking for donations for this event.

MOTION 016-20-215

Moved by Councilor Irvin, seconded by Councilor Lund  
that:

The Town of Watson Lake provide the bowling alley free of charge for this event.

- CARRIED –

COMPACTOR BUILDING  
CHANGE ORDERS

Administration provided Council with an update on the construction of the compactor building located at the landfill site and various changes that are being required from the original scope of work. The changes will increase the amount of the project by \$11,000.00 which is funded by Build Canada.

MOTION 016-20-216

Moved by Councilor Irvin, seconded by Councilor Lund  
that:

The Town of Watson Lake proceed with the change orders required at the Compactor Building.

- CARRIED –

ADMINISTRATIVE  
ENQUIRIES

Councilor Irvin discussed the lighting in the arena and expressed concerns that the lighting is inadequate and suggested that it be changed. Administration informed Council that alternative lighting is being explored.

Councilor Irvin addressed the sound system in the Recplex and suggested that the Town have a technician look at the system as there has been events whereby the sound is inaudible. Administration agreed to look into this matter.

IN-CAMERA

MOTION 016-20-216

Moved by Councilor Bauer, seconded by Councilor Irvin  
that:

Council go In-Camera.

- CARRIED –

MOTION 016-20-217

Moved by Councilor Lund, seconded by Councilor Bauer  
that:

Council revert to an Open meeting.

- CARRIED –

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION 016-20-218**

Moved by Councilor Lund, seconded by Councilor Irvin  
that:

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

- CARRIED -

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Justin Brown – Mayor

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Terri Close – Municipal Clerk