

TOWN OF WATSON LAKE

REGULAR MEETING  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MEETING NO. 13  
July 21, 2020

ATTENDANCE

CHERYL O'BRIEN – MAYOR  
LAUREN HANCHAR – COUNCILOR  
THOMAS SLAGER – COUNCILOR  
ERIN LABONTE – COUNCILOR  
CHRISTOPHER IRVIN – COUNCILOR

ABSENT

PUBLIC  
Lelah Bruce – Zoom  
J. Stackhouse – Zoom  
Colin Craft – Zoom

ADMINISTRATION

CAMERON LOCKWOOD – CAO  
GRO BRODERSEN – Acting Municipal Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Mayor O'Brien.

AGENDA

MOTION 020-13-114

Moved by Councilor Hanchar, seconded by Councilor Slager  
that:

The Agenda be accepted as presented.

-CARRIED –

MINUTES

MOTION 020-13-115

Moved by Councilor Labonte, seconded by Councilor Hanchar  
that:

The minutes be adopted from the Regular Meeting of June 16, 2020.

-CARRIED –

ACCOUNTS  
PAYABLE

MOTION 020-13-116

Moved by Councilor Hanchar, seconded by Councilor Labonte  
that:

The Open Payables in the amount of \$380,490.77 be paid.

Council discussed various line items.

-CARRIED –

CAO REPORT

Administration explained that the sub-contractors are the only workers here working on the Administration Building at the present time. Don of Johnston Builders will be back in August. The flooring has been completed.

The contract for constructing the new Fire Hall/Public Works building has been signed and work will commence the week of August 3, 2020.

There have been some improvements done at the Landfill. There is an additional road for clients to use for access. Five new covers have been ordered to put over the cells. The extra person at the Recycling Depot will be moving over to the Recreation Department.

There have been a number of digs in Town for the Water Department.

The Town has had four funerals in July so there is a need to expand the cemetery. A consultant will be hired for this endeavor.

Item	Quantity	Unit	Price	Total
1. 1000 lbs. of No. 10 wire	1000	lbs.	0.15	150.00
2. 500 lbs. of No. 12 wire	500	lbs.	0.12	60.00
3. 250 lbs. of No. 14 wire	250	lbs.	0.10	25.00
4. 100 lbs. of No. 16 wire	100	lbs.	0.08	8.00
5. 50 lbs. of No. 18 wire	50	lbs.	0.06	3.00
6. 25 lbs. of No. 20 wire	25	lbs.	0.04	1.00
7. 10 lbs. of No. 22 wire	10	lbs.	0.03	0.30
8. 5 lbs. of No. 24 wire	5	lbs.	0.02	0.10
9. 2 lbs. of No. 26 wire	2	lbs.	0.01	0.02
10. 1 lb. of No. 28 wire	1	lb.	0.01	0.01
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14. 100 lbs. of No. 16 wire	100	lbs.	0.08	8.00
15. 50 lbs. of No. 18 wire	50	lbs.	0.06	3.00
16. 25 lbs. of No. 20 wire	25	lbs.	0.04	1.00
17. 10 lbs. of No. 22 wire	10	lbs.	0.03	0.30
18. 5 lbs. of No. 24 wire	5	lbs.	0.02	0.10
19. 2 lbs. of No. 26 wire	2	lbs.	0.01	0.02
20. 1 lb. of No. 28 wire	1	lb.	0.01	0.01

**NEW &  
UNFINISHED**

**DISPOSAL OF  
LAKEVIEW AVE. PROPERTY**

Administration read out and explained the Town's Policy on the sale of property. A Reserve Bid would be the minimum amount the Town would accept for the sale. Interested parties would send their bids in and they would be reviewed for the sale.

Discussion took place regarding remediation of the property and Council would like more information on what is required to repair the building and bring it up to code.

Council decided to table this discussion for In-Camera.

**COVID-19  
NEXT STEPS**

The Yukon border will be open to British Columbia residents starting on August 1, 2020. There will be no requirement to self isolate for residents of BC, NWT and Nunavut nor for Yukoners visiting BC. The Recreation Centre will tentatively re-open in August but the pool will not open this year. Lucky Lake is available but the Town does not have a lifeguard hired to be able to open the waterslide.

Council discussed COVID protocol and putting the ice in at the Recreation Centre in October. There is still a requirement of no more than 50 people at outdoor gatherings but in Phase 3 of opening, 100 people would be allowed to attend planned events. Council would like the Chamber of Commerce involved in discussions regarding the re-opening. Councilor Irvin will speak with businesses and get their thoughts and ideas.

**STRATEGIC  
PLAN**

Council discussed getting back to work on the Strategic Plan which was side-lined due to COVID-19. Council suggested re-visiting the By-Laws and having Jordan Stackhouse, our Community Advisor, come to Watson Lake to do a review with Council. Jordan will get back to Council with a date.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**RCMP MAY POLICING  
REPORT**

Council discussed the report briefly and did not have any comments.

**COUNCILOR  
OPEN FORUM**

Council discussed the new Town website which is now up and running.

Council mentioned that the beach at the end of Wye Lake has fireworks debris which needs a cleanup. Council was pleased to see the cleanup done at the Landfill. Compost can now be brought to the Landfill.

Council would like personalized letters of congratulations sent to the newly elected Chief and Council for Liard First Nation. Mayor O'Brien reached out to LFN to set up a meeting which could be held as a dinner meeting. A small Agenda could be prepared and include Minister Dendys and Minister Streiker and Daylu Dena Council. Council would like to urge the Government of Yukon to install street lights at Two Mile. Discussions regarding COVID in Yukon communities could also be added to the Agenda. Councilor Labonte will email a list of possible topics for discussion.

**GALLERY OPEN  
FORUM**

There were no comments from the Gallery.

**IN-CAMERA**

**MOTION 020-13-117**

Moved by Councilor Slager, seconded by Councilor Hanchar that:

Council go In-Camera.

-CARRIED -



MOTION 020-13-118

Moved by Councilor Labonte, seconded by Councilor Hanchar  
that:

Council revert to an open meeting.

-CARRIED –

MOTION 020-13-119

Moved by Councilor Slager, seconded by Councilor Labonte  
that:

The Town of Watson Lake put the property at 807 Lakeview Avenue up for auction with a  
minimum Reserve Bid.

-CARRIED –

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION 020-13-120

Moved by Councilor Labonte, seconded by Councilor Hanchar  
that:

There being no further business the meeting be adjourned.

-CARRIED –

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Chris Irvin – Acting Mayor

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Terri Close – Municipal Clerk

