

**MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING #C08-20** of the Council of the City of Dawson called for 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 2, 2008 in the Town of the City of Dawson Council Chambers.

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**PRESENT:** Mayor John Steins  
Councillor Diana Andrew  
Councillor Ashley Doiron  
Councillor Ed Kormendy  
Councillor Rick Riemer

**ALSO PRESENT** CAO Paul Moore  
Secretary Karen Fischer

**ABSENT**

**CALL TO ORDER:** With the consensus of all Council Mayor Steins called the meeting to order at 6:55PM.

**AGENDA**

**C08-20-01** Moved by Councillor Riemer, Seconded by Councillor Kormendy that agenda for Council Meeting # C08-20 is adopted as amended to **remove** under Adoption of Minutes item d) Planning Board Minutes P08-13 and to **add** under Adoption of Minutes Planning Board Minutes P08-10 and P08-11 and to **remove** under New Business item f) Land Application 2008-0083 and to **add** under Correspondence a) Letter from Clive and Laurel Betts

**CARRIED 5-0**

**C08-20-02** Moved by Councillor Doiron, Seconded by Councillor Andrew that Council move to Committee of the Whole for the purpose of hearing delegations

**CARRIED 5-0**

**DELEGATIONS**

- a) Sgt. Dan Gaudet was present to update Council on recent RCMP activities. Council commented that there has been improvement in some areas in comparison to 2007. Sgt. Gaudet advised that "Liquor Act" would include drunk in a public place, drinking on the street and under age drinking is included. He further noted that this area is being enforced more. Comment was also made that drug related offences have increase. Again Sgt. Gaudet note a higher enforcement rate and further noted that the call volume is on par with Watson Lake. Of particular concern of council is the number of youth roaming around late at night. Sgt. Gaudet noted that this is expected to decrease with school being back in. Upon request Sgt. Gaudet noted that the new member is expected to arrive next month and that an additional member may be on their way soon bringing Dawson to its full compliment of RCMP members.
- b) Stuart Schmidt was present to update Council on his mining proposal. He advised Council that he has run into some snags and will not be proceeding in the near future. He will contact Council when he intends to continue with the project.

**C08-20-03** Moved by Councillor Doiron, Seconded by Councillor Riemer that Committee of the Whole reverts to Council and proceed with the agenda.

**CARRIED 5-0**

## **BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATIONS**

Councillor Kormendy expressed his concern regarding the large number of young folks on the streets late at night. He further noted past discussion regarding a curfew and feels that this is something CoD should consider. Councillor Doiron noted that there have recently been issues with youth and liquor and firecrackers.

- C08-20-04** Moved by Councillor Kormendy, Seconded by Councillor Doiron that Mayor and Council direct administration to research into the possibility of the CoD implementing a curfew for minors in the community and report back to Council  
**CARRIED 5-0**

## **ADDOPTION OF MINUTES**

- a) Council Meeting C08-18
- C08-20-05** Moved by Councillor Andrew, Seconded by Councillor Riemer that the minutes of Council Meeting C08-18 of August 19, 2008 are approved as presented.  
**CARRIED 5-0**
- b) Special Council Meeting C08-19
- C08-20-06** Moved by Councillor Riemer, Seconded by Councillor Kormendy that the minutes of Special Council Meeting C08-19 of August 26, 2008 are approved as presented.  
**CARRIED 5-0**
- c) Planning Board Meeting P08-12
- C08-20-07** Moved by Councillor Doiron, Seconded by Councillor Riemer that the minutes of Planning Board Meeting P08-12 of August 11, 2008 are accepted as presented.  
**CARRIED 5-0**
- d) Planning Board Meeting P08-10
- C08-20-08** Moved by Councillor Doiron, Seconded by Councillor Kormendy that the Minutes of I Planning Board Meeting P08-10 of July 15, 2008 be accepted as presented.  
**CARRIED 5-0**
- e) Planning Board meeting P08-11
- C08-20-09** Moved by Councillor Riemer, Seconded by Councillor Andrew that the minutes of Planning Board Meeting P08-11 of July 28, 2008 are accepted as presented.  
**CARRIED 5-0**

## **BUSINESS ARISING FORM MINUTES**

Councillor Riemer inquired regarding P08-12-03 and the Masonic Cemetery and noted that there should be some support from the City and the fencing.

## **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

Final Cheque register for AP Batch #450

The following items were questioned:

Williams Construction	New counters and shelving/drawers in front office
Swyrich	Lapel pins. CAO noted it was significantly less expensive to go with a bulk order.
Coast Hydrant	Hydromatic pumps for Guggieville lift station and supplies for reservoir bypass project.

**C08-20-10** Moved by Councillor Riemer, Seconded by Councillor Kormendy that Accounts Payable Final Cheque Register dated August 28, 2008 in the amount of **\$108,637.33** covering AP Batch #450 is approved for payment.

**CARRIED 5-0**

## FINANCIAL

NONE

## REPORTS

### a) CAO Report

- Waterfront Development  
Councillor Andrew noted positive feed back regarding the research proceeding on the waterfront/dock issue. CAO noted his goal of having a proposal in place and to apply for Tier III CDF funding at the January intake. The plan will encompass the whole of the waterfront with the dock being the immediate focus. Councillor Andrew further noted the need for Council to re-prioritize and review their stat. plan
- Volunteer Recognition  
CAO noted we have not moved forward at this point. Councillor Doiron noted that "talent night" is coming up and volunteer recognition has been included with this event in the past.
- Joint Pole Use  
CAO met with YEC representatives today regarding other issue; leaning and aged poles. Did not discuss joint pole use. Mayor Steins requests all Council to review the proposed pole use agreement document, meet and discuss the issue and resolve it.
- Eldorado Hotel Water  
CAO advised that the testing has not yet been completed. Admin is in the process of finalizing an agreement to conduct the testing.

**C08-20-11** Moved by Councillor Kormendy, Seconded by Councillor Riemer that Council acknowledge as received Resolution/Action Status Report dated August 29, 2008 provided by CAO for informational purposes.

**CARRIED 5-0**

### b) Bylaw Officer Report

Upon request CAO confirmed the mass letters were sent to seasonal business owners regarding windows etc. Councillor Riemer noted he has received complaints about the excessive noise at the Humane Society. CAO advised that he has met with HSD representatives to discuss the issue and although there does not seem to be an immediate solution CAO as offered to assist and be present at meetings with HSD and North 60 Petro.

**C08-20-12** Moved by Councillor Kormendy, Seconded by Councillor Andrew Council acknowledge as received Bylaw Services Activity Report for June 26-August 27, 2008 for informational purposes.

**CARRIED 5-0**

c) Superintendent of Public Works Report  
Upon request of Councillor Doiron CAO provided a brief review of the reservoir bypass. PWS is reviewing the option, as some of the parts for a temporary system are very expensive. Councillor Andrew expressed thanks to those involved with tidying the community for the PM's visit. Councillor Riemer suggested that a side arm for CoD mower be researched.

**C08-20-13** Moved by Councillor Riemer, Seconded by Councillor Doiron that Council acknowledge as received Superintendent of Public Works Report Dated August 29, 2008 for informational purposes.

**CARRIED 5-0**

## **BYLAWS**

a) Bylaw 08-14 being Indemnity Bylaw Amendment No. 2 Bylaw –**Second Reading**  
Councillor Andrew requested that the practice of monthly travel reports be submitted to Council.

**C08-20-14** Moved by Councillor Kormendy, Seconded by Councillor Doiron that Bylaw 08-14, being the Indemnity Bylaw Amendment No. 2 Bylaw be given **Second Reading**.

**CARRIED 4-1**

b) Bylaw 08-15 being the Zoning and Historical Control Bylaw Amendment No. 7  
Bylaw – **First Reading**

CAO reviewed the reasoning behind the amendment noting that applying for and receiving a development permit prior to beginning a project is important. Perhaps requiring a doubled fee in the permit is not received prior to work commencing will encourage people to plan and prepare for their project. There was review on what requires a permit and what does not, further noting that "repairs" must meet historic guidelines. Councillor Doiron noted that this would send a strong message that the City is serious about the requirement of a development permit.

**C08-20-15** Moved by Councillor Doiron, Seconded by Councillor Kormendy that that Bylaw 08-15, being the Zoning and Historical Control Bylaw Amendment No. 7 Bylaw be given **First Reading**

**CARRIED 5-0**

c) Bylaw 08-17 being the Repeal Bylaw 94-02 Bylaw  
CAO noted this is a housekeeping item. Westmark no longer leases property from CoD therefore no bylaw is required to allow CoD to lease property to them.

**C08-20-16** Moved by Councillor Riemer, Seconded by Councillor Doiron that Bylaw 08-17, being the Repeal Bylaw 94-02 Bylaw be given **First Reading**.

**CARRIED 5-0**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

NONE

**NEW BUSINESS**

a) Woodstock Sister City Request.

Mayor Steins noted that he had been contacted by Woodstock Mayor to consider becoming a Sister City, the connection being that Joe Boyle is buried in the Cemetery in Woodstock and Woodstock has a very active "Joe Boyle Society".

**C08-20-17** Moved by Councillor Andrew Seconded by Councillor Doiron that Council directs administration to gather more information re: sister City relationships and provide a list of existing sister cities

**CARRIED 5-0**

b) Gas Tax Allocation Proposal

Upon request CAO provided background and clarified the options. He noted that the original allocation was based on 2004 estimated population numbers for the communities. Since the funding is continuing beyond the original 2010 date the numbers used in the formula *may* be adjusted if this is the direction Council wishes to take, but this would decrease the funding to other communities. CAO confirmed he has spoken with Whitehorse CAO and Whitehorse will remain with status quo. Discussion ensued regarding the support City of Dawson received from AYC during trusteeship, making this a difficult decision. CAO advised that these numbers will not be revised next year and would only be revised in the future if the program were to be extended beyond 2014.

**C08-20-18** Moved by Councillor Riemer, Seconded by Councillor Andrew that Council acknowledges receipt of information package re: Gas Tax Allocation Proposal provided by CAO and hereby direct administration to maintain status quo.

**CARRIED 5-0**

c) Baseball Park Advertising

CAO provided background noting that several businesses had provided sponsorship money in exchange for advertising at the ball fields, although it is unclear who and how many.

**C08-20-19** Moved by Councillor Doiron, Seconded by Councillor Riemer that Council acknowledge receipt of letter from Gammie Trucking re: Baseball Park Sponsorship and directs administration to discover past signage sponsors and if Gammie will consider re-instatement of sign.

**5-0 CARRIED**

d) Public Cemetery Expansion

The location was reviewed noting that it will still be some distance from any residences. There are currently only 12 plots available in the City cemetery.

**C08-20-20** Moved by Councillor Kormendy, Seconded by Councillor Andrew that Council authorizes administration to apply to YTG Community Services for land for a City Cemetery expansion in the treed area NE of the existing City Cemetery fronting Mary McLeod Road.

**CARRIED 5-0**

e) Takhini Transport Request

Councillor Riemer noted that the bylaws, and in particular the Traffic Bylaw, was put in place to regulate buses at B&B's and hotels. CAO confirmed there have been no other complaints and that the complainants concern is noise and air pollution. Councillor Kormendy noted his concern regarding safety having such a large vehicle parked on the street. Council noted that there are places in the commercial area of town or in Callison that would be more suited to parking school buses. Further concern was noted regarding high driver turnover creating more work for administration.

- C08-20-21** Moved by Councillor Riemer, Seconded by Councillor Kormendy that Council acknowledge receipt of Memo dated August 29, 2008 from CAO regarding School Bus Parking and letter dated August 28, 2008 from Takhini Transport regarding a request for bylaw amendment. Council directs administration not to amend bylaw # 97-25 and #00-21 to allow school buses to park in residential zoned areas if approval form adjacent neighbours is received in writing.

**CARRIED 5-0**

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

a) Letter from Clive and Laurel Betts

It was noted that Schmidt Mining has put the project on hold.

- C08-20-22** Moved by Councillor Doiron, Seconded by Councillor Riemer that Council acknowledge letter from the Betts', Clive and Laurel for information purposes.

**CARRIED 5-0**

### **INFORMATION**

a) Bylaw 08-16 being the Animal Control Bylaw Amendment No. 1

- C08-20-23** Moved by Councillor Riemer, Seconded by Councillor Kormendy that Council acknowledge receipt of draft bylaw 08-16, proposed Animal Control Bylaw Amendment No 1, for informational purposes.

**CARRIED 5-0**

### **QUESTION PERIOD**

- C08-20-24** Moved by Councillor Andrew, Seconded by Councillor Riemer that Council move to Committee of the Whole for the purpose of Question Period.

**CARRIED 5-0**

Dan Davidson commented that Takhini Transport should acquire an indoor location to park their buses

Florien Boulais noted the seemingly excessive amount of energy needed to light and heat Council Chambers alone and inquired if CoD planned on being a part of the education process of energy use reduction. Councillor Riemer noted the upcoming energy audit on City facilities. Education is in the plans as well. CAO noted that we are partnering with YEC and future billing will include energy reduction tips.

Julie leClair provided comment that we must reach the youth by means that they are comfortable with. Will the newsletter be emailed to youth? Will there be means for youth to get information?

Mayor Steins noted that the website will be active soon and that there will be means for youth, or anyone to subscribe to the newsletter.

Dan Davidson inquired if the permanent location for the 1903 Bylaw book is at the Dawson City Museum? This was confirmed and further notation made that Laura Mann will ensure copies are available for public perusal.

**C08-20-25** Moved by Councillor Riemer, Seconded by Councillor Andrew that Committee of the Whole revert to Council and proceed with the agenda.

**CARRIED 5-0**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**C08-20-26** Moved by Councillor Riemer, Seconded by Councillor Kormendy that Council Meeting C08-20 be adjourned at 8:56 PM with the next scheduled meeting Tuesday September 16, 2008 at 7PM in Council Chambers.

**CARRIED 5-0**

**THE MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING #C08-20 WERE APPROVED BY COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION #C08-21-06 AT COUNCIL MEETING #C08-21 ON September 16, 2008**

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MAYOR  
JOHN STEINS

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CAO PAUL MOORE