

**MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING #C09-02** of the Council of the City of Dawson called for 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 3, 2009 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	Eldo Enns
Secretary	Karen Fischer

**ABSENT**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Steins called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

**AGENDA**

**C09-02-01** Moved by Councillor Riemer Seconded by Councillor Kormendy that the agenda for Council Meeting # C09-02 is adopted as amended adding under New Business item g) Community Grants Committee appointment and adding h) Verbal Report Re: YIA, remove under Reports item b) Bylaw Officer Report and remove under New Business item b) Bylaw and Policy Review Committee TOR and add under Unfinished Business item g) Discussion re: CDC Meeting

**CARRIED 5-0**

**C09-02-02** Moved by Councillor Doiron, Seconded by Councillor Kormendy that Council move into Committee of the Whole for the purpose of hearing Delegations.

**CARRIED 5-0**

**DELEGATIONS**

Sgt. Dan Gaudet.

Mayor Steins offered congratulations to Sgt Gaudet for the receipt of his Long Service and Exemplary Service Awards for his RCMP service.

Sgt. Gaudet provided the monthly stats for the community again noting that crime and calls for service are down compared to January 2008. He reminded Council of his request for Council's input regarding the 2009 policing plan for the community and upon request suggested that they identify the issues they would like addressed and draft a letter outlining these issues. Sgt. Gaudet will pick this letter up.

Catherine Harwood introduced herself as the project coordinator for wastewater treatment project and also introduced Pat Habiluk, civil engineer working on the wastewater project. Ms. Harwood expressed her appreciation to the City staff that has been providing assistance with this project. She noted that she intends to attend at least one Council meeting per month to keep everyone up to date on the project. Ms Harwood noted the many components of the project and clarified that although there is an RFP out for a mechanical system the lagoon option has not been left out; it is still an option. She further noted the RFP has been extended by 2 weeks, the mandatory site visit has been completed, and the proponents have posed many questions; one proponent noted several financial risks that will be a cost to YG. Ms. Harwood confirmed the evaluation team will consist of 2 Dawson reps, 2 YG reps and one rep from AE Com. She advised that the court update has been re-set to Apr 6. She further noted a monthly meeting with

Env. Can to keep them posted on how the project is proceeding. Ms. Harwood, Mr. Habiluk and a CoD rep are currently meeting with community groups for their input and concerns.

There is a public information meeting being planned for Feb 17 or 24, 3-7pm. Ms. Harwood advised that the team is focused on "the solution" not on a particular method of wastewater treatment, but finding the one that will work for Dawson".

Council inquired if the RFP will nail down costs. Ms. Harwood noted that before the costs are reviewed the proposal must meet the technical threshold.

Ms. Harwood again advised of her desire to work together to find the solution for Dawson wastewater treatment issues.

**C09-02-03** Moved by Councillor Riemer, Seconded by Councillor Andrew that Committee of the Whole reverts to Council and proceed with the Agenda.

**CARRIED 5-0**

### **ADDOPTION OF MINUTES**

a) Council Meeting C09-01

**C09-02-04** Moved by Councillor Doiron, Seconded by Councillor Riemer that the minutes of Council Meeting C09-01 of January 13, 2009 are approved as presented.

**CARRIED 5-0**

### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

Councillor Andrew inquired regarding funding for the GUDI assessment and was advised that there is a proposal prepared for 100% ICSP funding.

### **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

Final Cheque registers for AP Batch #467, 468 & 469.

The following items were questioned:

Aquatech	Front Street well emergency repairs
Latitude vs. Northwestel	CAO will investigate and report back
MicMac	Vehicle repairs
North 60	Vehicle and Building Fuel
Brentagg	Pumphouse Chemicals.

**C09-02-05** Moved by Councillor Kormendy, Seconded by Councillor Riemer that the Accounts Payable Final Cheque Registers dated

- January 29, 2009 in the amount of **\$ 124.44** covering AP batch 467 and
- January 29, 2009 in the amount of **\$ 92,348.73** covering AP batches 468
- January 29, 2009 in the amount of **\$105,265.34** covering AP batch 469

Totalling **\$ 197,738.51** are approved for payment.

**CARRIED 5-0**

**C09-02-06** Moved by Councillor Doiron, Seconded by Councillor Andrew that Council request that a mechanism be put in place to insure timely follow up on requests for info at Council meetings.

**CARRIED 5-0**

### **REPORTS**

a) CAO / Council Resolution Status Report

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Council requested an update on the Rec Centre. CAO advised we are waiting for a signed contract agreement from YG, at which point the project manager will be hired. Rec Dept and Board have been developing plans for the unused area. Councillor Kormendy noted he had attended the Rec Board meeting and advised that the Rec Board has been working with an architect for the development of the upstairs area of the rec centre. Council further inquired re: ski hill. Councillor Riemer noted that he has been trying to contact MLA.

- C09-02-07** Moved by Councillor Riemer Seconded by Councillor Kormendy that Council acknowledge as received the CAO Council Resolution Status Report dated January 29, 2009 for informational purposes.

**CARRIED 5-0**

b) PWS Report

Council inquired regarding the public docks...will it require cash upfront? It was confirmed the CDF response is expected April 1. Discussion ensued as to whether to proceed with the project prior to a response from CDF application or to re-install the old dock and only proceed when the CDF response is received. It was noted that some funding orgs. do not look favourably on projects moving forward before funding is secured. City has \$25k "seed money" for the project.

- C09-02-08** Moved by Councillor Andrew, Seconded by Councillor Doiron that Council acknowledge as received the Superintendent of Public Works Report dated January 30, 2009 for informational purposes.

**CARRIED 5-0**

**BYLAWS**

- a) Bylaw 09-01 Zoning and Historical Control Bylaw Amendment No.8 – Second Reading

Mayor Steins reviewed and clarified the amendment for the benefit of those in the gallery.

- C09-02-09** Moved by Councillor Kormendy, Seconded by Councillor Riemer that Bylaw #09-01 being the Zoning and Historical Control Bylaw Amendment No.8 be given **Second Reading**.

**CARRIED 5-0**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- a) Lots 1058/59 YESAA File Closure

- C09-02-10** Moved by Councillor Kormendy, Seconded by Councillor Riemer that Council move to Committee of the Whole for the purpose fo discussion re: YESAA withdrawal.

**CARRIED 5-0**

Catherine Harwood noted that the initial submission had been a joint submission therefore the request to withdraw must also be a joint submission. YG has drafted a letter for CoD signature.

**C09-02-11** Moved by Councillor Riemer, Seconded by Councillor Kormendy that Committee of the Whole reverts to Council and proceed with the Agenda.

**CARRIED 5-0**

**C09-02-12** Moved by Councillor Kormendy, Seconded by Councillor Riemer that Council acknowledge receipt of memo re: Lots 1058/59 Removal from YESAA Process. Council hereby directs administration to formally advise YESAA lots 1058/59 are no longer an option for SSTP lagoon system and to request discontinuation of review process.

**CARRIED 5-0**

b) Dome Residential Subdivision

Mayor Steins provided a review of the Jan 21 meeting with YG & Inukshuk Planning and clarified the new proposal for a residential subdivision. Several positives were noted, i.e. the site is mostly mined out, it could be viewed as a reclamation project, possibility of sewer service and sun exposure. Question was raised whether this is the same location that has been looked at for SSTP and if so if this location is still on the table for SSTP?

**C09-02-13** Moved by Councillor Riemer, Seconded by Councillor Andrew that Council acknowledges receipt of memo dated January 29, 2009 re: Dome Subdivision Planning and Development and provide Council approval to shift the focus to the new location identified at the January 21, 2009 meeting with YG and Inukshuk Planning.

**CARRIED 5-0**

Council requested that the claim holder be advised ASAP as to the City's intent with the Property.

c) LOU re: Wastewater Treatment

Council requested clarification of LOU and MOA

**C09-02-14** Moved by Councillor Kormendy, Seconded by Councillor Riemer that Council move to Committee of the Whole for the purpose of discussion Re: LOU

Ms. Harwood clarified that the LOU is between YG Water Resources, YG Highways and Public Works and CoD. The LOU addresses the fact that in the summer CoD is not in compliance of its water license. The letter advises that all parties agree with this and that CoD is moving forward with means of rectifying the situation and as such will not be charged for non compliance with respect to the water license.

The MOA is an agreement between CoD and YG Highways and Public Works for the actual project of resolving the wastewater treatment issue with a suitable system of secondary treatment for CoD wastewater.

**C09-02-15** Moved by Councillor Riemer, Seconded by Councillor Kormendy that Committee of the Whole reverts to Council and proceed with the Agenda.

**CARRIED 5-0**

**C09-02-16** Moved by Councillor Doiron, Seconded by Councillor Riemer that Council acknowledges receipt of memo dated January 29, 2009 Sewage Treatment Facility LOU; Revision of Expired Jan 18, 2005 Letter. Council directs admin to await first draft of LOU.

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**CARRIED 5-0**

d) Wastewater Treatment MOA

It was noted that the original MOA has expired. Discussion ensued regarding the possible increase of O&M costs and who would be responsible if they are too high? What is "too high"?

- C09-02-17** Moved by Councillor Doiron, Seconded by Councillor Riemer that Council instructs administration to arrange a meeting with legal counsel re: Development of WWTP MOU (s/b MOA)

**CARRIED 5-0**

e) Solid Waste Committee Report Adoption

- C09-02-18** Moved by Councillor Andrew, Seconded by Councillor Kormendy that Council accepts the *City of Dawson Municipal Compost Report* dated October 2008 and directs administration to send a letter of thanks to Suzanne Crocker for her dedication and volunteer time toward this project.

**CARRIED 5-0**

f) Policy Review Committee TOR

- C09-02-19** Moved by Councillor Doiron, Seconded by Councillor Andrew that Council acknowledges and approves the *draft* Terms of Reference establishing the Policy Review and Development Committee (PRDC). The committee will report back to Council by May 31, 2009 with their recommendations.

**CARRIED 5-0**

g) Discussion re: CDC

Mayor Steins provided a review of the Jan 22 meeting facilitated by Mark Wickham at which all participants provided their vision. Councillor Andrew continued noting that Phase I was to get stakeholders together to ascertain similar vision. This portion was funded by CoD. Phase II is to find alternate sources of funding, the CoD is not taking the full project in on CoD budget. CAO continued noting the next step is to create an environment for the CDC to grow. YG appears supportive of a CDC.

- C09-02-20** Moved by Mayor Steins, Seconded by Councillor Kormendy that Council acknowledges verbal report re: Community Development Corp. for Dawson. Council encourages CoD to continue participating with stakeholders to advance this project.

**CARRIED 5-0**

**NEW BUSINESS**

a) TL-1

- C09-02-21** Moved by Councillor Riemer, Seconded by Councillor Kormendy that Council acknowledges receipt of TL-1 Properties Subject to Tax Lien- provided by SFO for informational purposes.

**CARRIED 5-0**

b) Communities in Bloom

Councillor Andrew noted that the request is coming from KIAG and involves the City to approve the registration as well as flying 2 judges from a gateway city. Councillor Andrew confirmed that the item had been included in the budget.

- C09-02-22** Moved by Councillor Doiron, Seconded by Councillor Riemer that Council proceed with registration for the Communities in Bloom Program as part of Dawson Beautification Initiative.

**CARRIED 5-0**

c) Land Application 2007-1623

Mayor Steins provided a brief review, noting the applicant has followed the proper process. It was clarified that this step is permission to survey the land only, not to proceed with the development.

- C09-02-23** Moved by Councillor Doiron, Seconded by Councillor Kormendy that Council acknowledge receipt of memo re: dated January 29, 2009 re: Land Application 2007-1623, corresponding Subdivision Approval Application SD 08-01 and information package re: subdivision request. Council hereby approves the subdivision application by Mr. Nordling as per Recommendation #4 (A) in memo.

**CARRIED 3-2**

Councillor Riemer noted that he would have liked to have the opportunity to formally hear Mr. Beets' concerns.

d) Meeting Request for Feb 10, 7PM re: HMP

- C09-02-24** Moved by Councillor Kormendy, Seconded by Councillor Andrew that Council acknowledges receipt of memo re: HMP meeting request and accepts the invitation for meeting at 7pm on Feb 10, 2009.

**CARRIED 5-0**

e) Letter of Support Request

- C09-02-25** Moved by Councillor Doiron, Seconded by Councillor Riemer that Council acknowledges receipt of correspondence from Cst. S. H. Knaack, RCMP, Dawson City Detachment requesting support with respect to the existing signed wage agreement for RCMP members. Council hereby directs a letter of support be sent showing support for our RCMP and further direct this request be distributed to other Yukon communities encouraging their support of this worthy cause.

**CARRIED 5-0**

f) Community Grants Committee

- C09-02-26** Moved by Councillor Doiron, Seconded by Councillor Kormendy that Council hereby appoints Glenda Bolt to the Community Grants Committee for a term expiring November 30, 2010.

**CARRIED 5-0**

g) Verbal Report re: TIA

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TIAY is working with a number of groups promoting Dawson as a tourism node - special place to visit. CAO noted 3 groups all working on Ec. Dev, FN Ch 22, CDC & TIAY and the need to keep them working cooperatively. TIAY is working to identify shortfalls in tourism infrastructure.

- C09-02-27** Moved by Councillor Riemer, Seconded by Councillor Andrew that Council acknowledges verbal report given by CAO re: meeting with TIAY  
**CARRIED 4-0**

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

- a) Letter from Sgt Dan Gaudet re: Community Policing Plan for 2009
- b) Letter from Premier Fentie re: 2009 Western Premiers Conference in Dawson

- C09-02-28** Moved by Councillor Kormendy, Seconded by Councillor Riemer that Council acknowledges the following items for informational purposes
- Letter dated January 20, 2009 from Sgt. Dan Gaudet requesting Council input regarding issues in which Council would like the RCMP to address in our community
  - Letter dated January 5, 2009 from Premier Fentie regarding the 2009 Western Premiers' Conference scheduled to be held in Dawson City June 17-19, 2009

**CARRIED 5-0**

### **INFORMATION**

NONE

- C09-02-29** Moved by Councillor Riemer, Seconded by Councillor Andrew that Council move to Committee of the Whole for the purpose of Question Period.  
**CARRIED 5-0**

### **QUESTION PERIOD**

Jorn Meier inquired if Council is considering broadcasting Council meetings on the local radio or TV station. Council and gallery engaged in a discussion on the issue. CAO noted he has been approached by a representative of the radio society regarding televising the Council meetings. A past issue is the equipment that has been used is not suitable, is difficult to work with or not properly functioning.

Florian Boulais noted that he had attended the Ministers' meeting and they, the ministers, are promoting community members to engage themselves and that maybe the community needs a push to get involved by extra advertising and reaching out to the community...would there be funds available for this? Council directed Florian to the Community Grants Fund.

- C09-02-30** Moved by Councillor Doiron, Seconded by Councillor Riemer that Committee of the Whole revert to Council and proceed with the agenda.

**CARRIED 5-0**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

- C09-02-31** Moved by Councillor Kormendy, Seconded by Councillor Andrew that Council Meeting C09-02 be adjourned at 9:21PM with the next scheduled meeting Tuesday February 17 2009 at 7PM in Council Chambers.

**CARRIED 5-0**

**THE MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING #C09-02 WERE APPROVED BY COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION #C09-04-13 AT COUNCIL MEETING #C09-04 ON February 24, 2009.**

Originals signed by

John Steins  
MAYOR

Eldo Enns  
CAO