

TOWN OF WATSON LAKE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS 6:00 PM

MEETING NO. 08
April 16, 2024

ATTENDANCE

*Electronic attendance **

Mayor Irvin – Mayor
Lauren Hanchar – Councillor
Dale Burdes – Councillor
Denina Paquette – Councillor
Thomas Slager – Councillor

Administration
Cam Lockwood – Chief Administrative Officer
Tiffany Lund – Municipal Clerk

Public
R. Wilkinson C. Craft *

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Mayor Irvin.

AGENDA

MOTION 024-08-065

Moved by Councillor Paquette, seconded by Councillor Burdes THAT:

The Agenda be adopted as presented.

- CARRIED -

MINUTES

MOTION 024-08-066

Moved by Councillor Hanchar, seconded by Councillor Paquette THAT:

The draft minutes from the Committee of the Whole Meeting of April 2, 2024, be adopted as presented.

- CARRIED -

PAYABLES

MOTION 024-08-067

Moved by Councillor Paquette, seconded by Councillor Hanchar THAT:

The Open Payables in the amount of \$85,554.98 be approved and paid.

- CARRIED -

Administration stated that the March Visa statement was missing from the meeting package and would be included for the next Council meeting. Councillor Slager sought clarification on the payment to Watson Lake Home Building Centre.

BYLAWS
Fees and Charges Amendment
Bylaw 2024-04

The draft Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw 2024-04 was before Council for Third and Final Reading. The Fees and Charges Bylaw is reviewed by Council on an annual basis to consider amendment recommendations made from Administration and other departments.

MOTION 024-08-068

Moved by Councillor Hanchar, seconded by Councillor Paquette THAT:

Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw 2024-04 be introduced for Third and Final Reading.

- CARRIED -

Zoning Amendment
Bylaw 2024-05

Zoning Amendment Bylaw 2024-05 was before Council for First Reading. The purpose of the Bylaw amendment is to provide further clarity and certainty to the interpretation and application by improving definitions, and to add to the permitted uses of commercially zoned properties.

Councillor Slager asked if the Zoning Bylaw review being done as a part of the Housing Accelerator Fund (HAF) project, to allow different options or more flexibility for housing development, could be done at the same time as the amendments brought forward in this bylaw. Administration explained that the potential zoning bylaw amendments for the HAF project will require considerable public consultation, whereas this amendment addresses pressing and time sensitive matters.

MOTION 024-08-069

Moved by Councillor Hanchar, seconded by Councillor Paquette THAT:

Zoning Amendment Bylaw 2024-05 be introduced for First Reading.

- CARRIED -

COUNCILLOR OPEN FORUM

Councillor Paquette:

- Asked how the community would be impacted once Raven Recycling stops accepting non-refundable recyclable materials, as recently announced. Administration explained that there would be no impact on the municipality as the contract that was held with Raven Recycling, to accept recyclable materials from the community, had been transferred to PNW. Council discussed the method of shipping recyclable materials from the community and the territory, as well as the

upcoming Extended Producer Responsibility program that the Yukon government will soon be implementing.

- Inquired about the Spring Clean-up Initiative and when it would commence. This initiative allows each residence one free load of solid waste to be tipped at the Landfill. Administration confirmed that it is typically done in June, but upon Council's request, will be during May and June this year.
- Asked if the Town's community garbage pick-up program had started. This program allows individuals and groups to register and be paid to conduct garbage pickups around the community.

Mayor Irvin:

- Received an email invitation from Signpost Seniors Association, for Council to attend their meeting on April 21st. Mayor Irvin will be away and asked Council if anyone was available to attend. Councillor Slager committed to attending on behalf of Council.

IN-CAMERA

MOTION 024-08-070

Moved by Councillor Hanchar, seconded by Councillor Burdes THAT:

Council move to an in-camera meeting.

- CARRIED -

MOTION 024-08-071

Moved by Councillor Burdes, seconded by Councillor Slager THAT:

Council revert back to an open meeting.

- CARRIED -


ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 024-08-072

Moved by Councillor Hanchar, seconded by Councillor Paquette THAT:

Being there no further business to discuss that the meeting be adjourned.

- CARRIED -



Christopher Irvin – Mayor



Tiffany Lund – Municipal Clerk



