

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE VILLAGE OF  
CARMACKS ON JANUARY 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2021 VIA ZOOM**

**PRESENT:** Deputy Mayor Lorraine Graham

Councillors: T. Wheeler, H. Belanger, G. Skookum

Staff: CAO T. Thomas, A. Wylimczyk

Regrets: (1) Mayor L. Bodie

Delegation: RCMP Corp. Brad Gregory

Recreation Director Kaileigh Skinner

**ORDER:** Acting Mayor L. Graham called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

**AGENDA:** Council reviewed the Agenda.

**21-01-01 M/S Councillors H. Belanger/ G. Skookum motioned that the agenda be accepted as presented.**

**CARRIED**

**MINUTES:** From the regular meeting on December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020

**21-01-02 M/S Councillors H. Belanger/ G. Skookum motioned that the minutes be accepted as presented.**

**CARRIED**

**DELEGATION**

Corp. Brad Gregory provided council with written report for December 2020. It was a good month. The file count for 2020 is down to 475 compared to 2019 with 581 which is likely related to Covid-19 as people gathered less in the first few month of the pandemic. Court will be held tomorrow via teleconference.

RCMP members gave a presentation to Tantalus School students about cyberbullying and continued visits with staff and students until the Winter break. They assisted with food bank deliveries on December 10<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020 and participated in the Christmas Parade on December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020. In addition to nightly patrols, members conducted roadblocks and traffic stops during the Christmas season. No impaired drivers were detected, and 3 violation tickets were issued.

Recreation Director Kaileigh Skinner introduced herself to council. She moved from the East coast to Carmacks and did her quarantine period while working from home. She is now working at the Rec-centre and is working her way around introducing herself to the community. Kaileigh has a meeting at Tantalus School tomorrow to get to know staff and students. The kids club programming is continuing, and she is working on completing applications for grants for programming. Rec-centre staff is working on reorganizing the storage rooms.

Council welcomed Kaileigh.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

Council read Minister Streiker's response to Council's letter regarding the Firehall and Public Works Building Construction Project.

**21-01-03 M/S Councillors T. Wheeler/ G. Skookum motioned to file correspondence.**

**CARRIED**

## **AYC**

Councillor H. Belanger has nothing to report.

## **REPORTS**

### **Councillor Activity Reports**

Councillor T. Wheeler watched the Fireworks on New Years eve.

Councillor H. Belanger has nothing to report.

Councillor G. Skookum has not much to report. He enjoyed the holidays.

Councillor L. Graham enjoyed the holidays.

## **CAO Report**

CAO T. Thomas provided council with written report and broke it down verbally. The next council meeting will be held on January 19<sup>th</sup> and the AYC Board meeting on March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Interagency meeting will be on March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

CAO T. Thomas provided an update on projects.

The proposal for the Rapid Housing Initiative was submitted prior to the deadline of December 31<sup>st</sup> and was accepted.

The Transfer Payment Agreement for the Covid Restart Funding is ready for signing. Once CAO T. Thomas gets clarification on the full project parameters, she will provide council with the Restart Plan draft. She is currently working on finalizing some costs and quotes.

CAO T. Thomas requested a budget meeting for Tuesday, January 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm.

The Solid Waste Management's first draft report was received and reviewed by herself and YG, however there were several errors and required clarifications, and once it is ready for presentation she will send to council for review and arrange a follow up meeting for discussion and decision.

### **Recreation Centre Report**

Council reviewed report. Councillor T. Wheeler asked if the Rec-centre could consider extending the hours for Youth Drop In on the weekends. She would like to have a safe place for them to hang out. CAO T. Thomas will talk to Rec-director.

### **Fire Department Report**

Council read report and is happy to see the continued good attendance for training. CAO Thomas said that 3 Fireworks display assistants have completed the required 3 events to obtain their Fireworks Supervisor status and letters were sent out to the Explosives Regulatory Division for recommendation to upgrade them to Fireworks Display Supervisors. Councillor L. Graham said it will be nice knowing there are so many members who are able to help with fireworks here.

### **Municipal Maintenance Report**

No report.

**21-01-04 M/S Councillors G. Skookum/ H. Belanger motioned to file the reports as presented.**

**CARRIED**

## **ACCOUNT PAID AND PAYABLES**

- 21-01-05** M/S Councillors T. Wheeler/ H. Belanger motioned that the December 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020 payroll of \$28,516.75 being DD and Accounts Payable of \$67,264.42 and CIG's of \$260.68 being cheques numbered (28698-28720) and Visa paid of \$4,036.32 (copies attached) be accepted.

**CARRIED**

## **BYLAWS**

### **9.1. Bylaw 267-21 2021 Annual Operating Budget**

- 21-01-06** M/S Councillors T. Wheeler/ H. Belanger motioned to give Bylaw 267-21 – 2021 Annual Operating Budget – first reading.

**CARRIED**

### **9.2. Bylaw 268-21 2021 Capital Expenditure Budget**

- 21-01-07** M/S Councillors T. Wheeler/ H. Belanger motioned to give Bylaw 268-21 – 2021 Capital Expenditure Budget – first reading.

**CARRIED**

### **9.3. Bylaw 269-21 Taxation Rate 2021**

- 21-01-08** M/S Councillors H. Belanger/ T. Wheeler motioned to give Bylaw 269-21 – Taxation Rate 2021 first reading. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic and the resultant economic downturn, the Village of Carmacks will not be increasing the taxation rate for the 2<sup>nd</sup> year in a row.

**CARRIED**

## **NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **10.1. Inclement Weather Policy Sample**

Council discussed the presented sample policy. The main goal for this policy is to support student and part-time workers who would be adversely affected when their places of work are shut down due to reasons outside their control.

Council requested an estimated economic impact on the Village and tabled the policy to the next meeting to include input from Mayor Bodie.

**INCAMERA**

No in camera.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**21-01-09 M/S Councillor H. Belanger motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 PM.**

Acting Mayor L. Graham adjourned the meeting at 8:02 PM.

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Acting Mayor Lorraine Graham

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CAO Tracy Thomas