

**MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE
VILLAGE OF CARMACKS ON NOVEMBER 1, 2022 IN THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
CHAMBERS**

PRESENT: Mayor: L. Bodie

Councillors: J. Lachance, D. Hansen, K. Unterschute, H. Belanger

Staff: CAO L. Teggarty, E. Mather

Delegation: Recreation Director M. Cybulski,

Cpl. D. MacNeil

ORDER: Mayor L. Bodie called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

AGENDA: Council reviewed the agenda.

22-21-01 M/S Councillors J. Lachance/K. Unterschute motioned that the agenda be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

MINUTES: From the regular meeting on October 18, 2022.

22-21-02 M/S Councillors H. Belanger/D. Hansen motioned that the minutes be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

DELEGATION:

4.1 RCMP

Cpl. D. MacNeil presented Council with November's Policing Report.

The RCMP has been conducting frequent check-stops along the Robert Campbell Highway, the bridge in Carmacks and near Braeburn. They pulled over 3 impaired drivers during the Thanksgiving weekend, as well as a drug seizure.

Cst. G. Beauchamp has been visiting the students at the school often and attending the physical education classes. Cpl. D. MacNeil plans on making visits to the school once he is finished with paperwork. There was a presentation at the school on Thursday, about bullying. Pelly Construction and Casino Mining Corporation will be visiting the School on Career Day to speak to the students.

Cpl. D. MacNeil attended a get-together with the Elders and Chief N. Tom at the Heritage Hall to answer any of their questions.

He reported that he will be attending Court tomorrow.

4.2 Resident J. DiFruscia

J. DiFruscia requested an update from Council on his concerns about the waterpipe at the Firehall. He inquired if Whitehorse has been contacted to voice his position.

Mayor L. Bodie confirmed that the waterpipe will be rotated ninety-degrees so the water will run down the road, and not towards J. DiFruscia's property. He consulted with the project's engineers who have assured Mayor L. Bodie that water will not pass the Firehall's lot. As a precaution, sandbags will barricade the property next to the Firehall from water.

J. DiFruscia commented that the trench outside the Firehall will not be able to support the amount of water that could potentially expel from the water hose.

Councillor J. Lachance explained that Council and the Mayor have consulted and are listening to the engineers about this situation. Until water comes out from the hose this is a matter of speculation. Council has frequently listened to J. DiFruscia. They also have investigated his concerns by visiting the Firehall upon the request of J. DiFruscia, multiple times.

J. DiFruscia expressed that he would like to meet with the engineers again so, he can dispel their prediction that the water hose will not cause any flooding on his property.

Councillor J. Lachance reported that the ground is not yet frozen, as workers are currently digging septic systems on LSCFN property. He offered to tour the Firehall once again to check if water has begun running from the hose. Councillor J. Lachance told J. DiFruscia that they are documenting reports of the waterpipe and welcomed suggestions from J. DiFruscia to deal with this situation.

Councillor H. Belanger stated that Council is listening to the engineers, they are going to rotate the waterpipe away from his property, sandbags will be placed in-between the Firehall and the neighbouring lot, also, they will respond immediately if any flooding does occur.

J. DiFruscia protested that during the winter, if the water table floods his property, it will have completely froze by the time anyone arrives.

Mayor L. Bodie mentioned that the sandbags are over four-feet tall and will prevent water from reaching his lot. Also, the engineers have been monitoring the waterpipe.

J. DiFruscia mentioned his concern that the sandbags would not be able to sit flat on the ground which will allow water to pass through.

Councillor K. Unterschute explained that the construction of the Fire Hall is under YG, not the VOC. Other than conveying J. DiFruscia's concerns about the waterpipe again,

Council has no authority to interfere with YG and the contractors. Councillor K. Unterschute suggested J. DiFruscia to meet with the engineers and YG.

J. DiFruscia agreed, he would like nothing more than to have a discussion with the engineers. However, he expressed hesitation to visiting YG's office in Whitehorse.

Mayor L. Bodie has asked the engineers to meet with J. DiFruscia, again.

J. DiFruscia told Council that the engineers do not know anything, and their predictions are incorrect. He insisted Council write a signed letter to YG, stating that a taxpayer is contesting the safety of the waterpipe.

Mayor L. Bodie reiterated, Council is trusting that the engineers are competent. Council has recognised J. DiFruscia's concerns, have met with J. DiFruscia and the engineers at the site have taken tours of the waterpipe at the Fire Hall.

Councillor H. Belanger assured J. DiFruscia that if flooding occurs at the site, the village will attend to it.

After listening and offering their support, Mayor L. Bodie and Council asked J. DiFruscia to leave.

J. DiFruscia continued and told Council he is asking for help.

Mayor L. Bodie noted that they have taken many measures to address his concerns.

J. DiFruscia said that he has given the engineer and Council another solution. He questioned whether Council would write a letter of complaint to YG.

Mayor L. Bodie recapitulated that Council are trusting the engineers who have reported that flooding will not occur. As a precaution, sandbags will be put up and the engineers will monitor the waterpipe. After taking these measures, a letter to YG is deemed as superfluous.

Before dismissing himself, J. DiFruscia stated that if he is wrong and no flooding occurs, he will apologize to Council. However, he clarified that he will not have to apologize to Council as he is positive that his property will be flooded this winter.

REPORTS:

5.1 Councillor Activity Reports

Councillor D. Hansen had nothing to report.

Councillor J. Lachance attended a Recreation Board meeting.

Councillor K. Unterschute drove into Whitehorse to purchase supplies for the Arena with the Recreation Centre Director M. Cybulski.

Councillor H. Belanger had nothing to report.

5.2 Mayor's Report

Mayor L. Bodie briefed Council on his trip to Toronto. He was gone for five days last week.

He also noted that a contractor informed him that a Zamboni was up for auction, recently. Mayor L. Bodie let the contractor know that we already have a Zamboni for the new Arena and thanked him for his thoughtfulness.

22-21-03 M/S Councillors J. Lachance/H. Belanger motioned for a 5-minute recess.

CARRIED

5.3 CAO Report

CAO L. Teggarty presented Council with a written report.

She informed Council that YG would like to coordinate a meeting with the VOC and LSCFN Council to discuss the results of the flood study. CAO L. Teggarty will continue to plan a date and time with YG and LSCFN. Councillor K. Unterschute inquired whether YG will be attending in-person or through a video-call. He suggested the meeting occur prior to the regular council meeting by a video-call.

CAO L. Teggarty has a budget meeting with Council in December. The date is to be determined.

The boardwalk construction has stopped for the winter. The snow-clearing went well. Councillor J. Lachance suggested installing signs prohibiting the use of motorized vehicles on the boardwalk.

Engineer A. Greenwood from Greenwood Solutions has recommended proceeding with the Lagoon project. A meeting will be planned for December to discuss proposed construction plans.

The new Emergency Service Building/Fire Hall is advancing swiftly. Multiple interests have been conveyed, wanting to rent the office spaces.

CAO L. Teggarty attended a tour of the new Arena with the general contractor and members of council. Handover of the Arena is anticipated to be by the end of January. A grand opening is predicted to occur mid-February 2023.

She also had a meeting with M. Trevisan from Greenwood Engineering Solutions.

CAO L. Teggarty had a video-call meeting with CAOs from the Yukon about the Landfill interim agreement.

As of now, the finance position has yet to be filled in the Village Office, but contractors are helping with the backlog.

CAO L. Teggarty will be meeting with the YG Land Development Branch about future land development. The Land Development Team would like to report back to council. Dates will be provided at the next meeting.

Councillor J. Lachance inquired if CAO L. Teggarty could confirm if the New Fire Hall is able to accommodate the tender when filling the fire trucks. She noted that the Fire Hall drawings show a pump room with reservoir tanks and an overhead filling station that will be able to fill the trucks either way.

5.4 Recreation Center Report

Recreation Director M. Cybulski reported that there were great turnouts for the Halloween events and the haunted house.

Council had a few questions concerning the gym membership fees. Recreation Director M. Cybulski discussed the proposed user fee structure. Some rates are to be revised and brought back to Council for future discussion.

He noted that the Recreation staff uniforms have arrived.

February 11th is projected to be the grand opening of the Arena.

Canadian Tire has subsidized equipment prices for helmets and skates at the new Arena. They will be available for purchase at a reduced cost for residents. Approximately 120 pairs of skates and 100 helmets have been purchased to be used for rentals at the Arena.

Judo classes have returned at the Recreation Centre and a wrestling class is in the works.

5.5 Municipal Maintenance Report

Council read the report provided.

A recent act of vandalism that occurred in Merv Tew was discussed. Recreation Director M. Cybulski was looking at posting a notice on the VOC Facebook page concerning the matter. Council suggested offering a space for residents to create art, such as at the new skate park.

5.6 Fire Department Report

Council read the report provided.

The fire department receive multiple callouts including one motor vehicle incident, false alarms and ground fires. A joint meeting will be planned for the fire department, the RCMP and the EMS.

5.7 AYC Report

Councillor D. Hansen reported that quorum was not met at the AYC meeting so it has been rescheduled for Friday, November 4th.

ACCOUNTS PAID AND PAYABLES

Council read the report provided.

BYLAWS

7.1 283-22 Council Indemnity Bylaw

Council discussed the bylaw concerning deductions for missed council meetings.

CAO L. Teggarty took note of Council's questions, concerns and will bring further information to a council meeting.

NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8.1 Freezer Request

LSCFN is unable to use the freezer that was offered to them for free, as it is too large. They have asked for funding of half of the cost of a new freezer for the Health and Safety Station.

22-21-04 M/S Councillors D. Hansen/H. Belanger motioned to pay up to \$750.00 for the cost of half of the freezer for LSCFN's Health and Safety Station.

CARRIED

CAO L. Teggarty noted that the funding will be used from the Council contribution budget.

8.2 CAO Appointment to the Yukon Communities Insurance Association

22-21-05 M/S Councillors H. Belanger/K. Unterschute motioned that the Village of Carmacks appoints CAO, Lisa Teggarty as a Director for the Yukon Communities Insurance Association for the Village of Carmacks.

CARRIED

8.3 Server Upgrade Report

The server upgrade support and IT monitoring quotes were discussed.

22-21-06 M/S Councillors J. Lachance/K. Unterschute motioned that the Village of Carmacks will move ahead with the server upgrade for the VOC buildings.

CARRIED

22-21-07 M/S Councillors K. Unterschute/D. Hansen motioned that the Village of Carmacks support the additional cost of the server upgrades for the VOC buildings.

CARRIED

QUESTION PERIOD

No questions from the public.

IN-CAMERA

Motion to move into Closed Meeting in accordance with the Yukon Municipal Act, Section 213 (3) (a) if in the case of a council, the council decides during the meeting to meet as a council committee to discuss a matter;

22-21-08 M/S Councillor J. Lachance motioned to go in-camera at 9:06 PM.

An in-camera discussion by Council regarding a legal matter.

22-21-09 M/S Councillor H. Belanger motioned to go out of in-camera at 9:24 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

22-21-10 M/S Councillor H. Belanger motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:24 PM.

Mayor L. Bodie adjourned the meeting at 9:24 PM.

Mayor L. Bodie

CAO L. Teggarty