

**MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE VILLAGE OF CARMACKS ON May 16, 2023 IN THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**PRESENT:** Mayor: Lee Bodie  
Councillors: D. Hansen, K. Unterschute, J. Lachance, H. Belanger  
Delegation: C. Everett  
Staff: M. Cybulski, M. Lillefors

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

**AGENDA:** Council reviewed the agenda.

**23-10-01 M/S Councillors H. Belanger/D. Hansen motioned that the agenda be accepted as presented.**

**CARRIED**

**Minutes:** From the regular meeting on May 2, 2023

**23-10-02 M/S Councillors H. Belanger/K. Unterschute motioned that the amended minutes be accepted as presented.**

**CARRIED**

**Delegation:**

**4.1 YESSAB Registration Information**

A concerned citizen brought forward some issues that an agriculture project a Yukon Government worker brought to YESSAB will cause, there is a plan to treat the farm he was hoping to start with round up and chemical fertilizers are harsh on the animals and environment of the area they're used in.

The party involved presented a report to council to review, this could affect many animals, water, and birds around the area, as well as remove 80 acres of moose habitat. It would be expected to increase animal collisions on the highway.

He wanted to bring this to the attention of the Village of Carmacks because it affects our communities hunting along with other things.

The health of the wildlife in the area should be a concern of ours, in addition to cutting off wildlife habitat and roots, airport lake will also be affected which impacts LSCFN citizens directly.

**M/S Councilor H. Belanger/J. Lachance motioned the CAO to write a letter to YESSAB about the project/spot land application.**

23-10-03

**CARRIED**

## **Correspondence**

### **5.1 Carmacks Canine Care**

Council reviewed the letter, council expressed concern on having to revisit doing this often, so it was brought to the attention that we could state it as a one-time donation.

CAO M. Cybulski said they touched on this topic during AYC in Watson Lake, he mentioned that they had Bylaws in place to help with this, while dogs are becoming a problem, it's hard to find volunteers to take this project on.

At the moment the Public Works department has been given the job to transport dogs.

Unfortunately, our municipality had a lack of animal control program, so we would like to re-vamp our current animal Bylaw, some type of re-housing strategy would be ideal to add in.

We will revisit this letter with the current animal Bylaw in hand, a possible special meeting will be brought up soon concerning this matter.

### **5.2 Tantalus School Council Donation – School Name Change**

As brought up at a previous council meeting it has been approved to donate food for the event.

The school board reached out to all organizations in town to get support in this, they got Little Salmon First Nation Council to pay for donation for all raffle prizes, while we paid for food.

### **5.3 YESSAB Boardwalk Update**

Council reviewed an email that was put out by Little Salmon Carmacks First Nation in regards to the boardwalk project, they've let us know there's no overlap of land so we have the choice of moving forward with this project.

We must decide at some point, so we'll need to set a deadline since we would like to be good neighbours.

#### **5.4 Regional Landfill Review (Watson Lake Model)**

CAO M. Cybulski had a conversation with Damien Burns, the timeline for us to become a regional facility is near the end of August, so we'd like to get the reviews in the materials we will need to do infrastructure upgrading for the landfill. The pricing will tie into the end-of-life vehicles (ELV) quote, we would like to make sure there is total clarity going forward. The process outlined has been the most successful.

The landfill closing down by Braeburn has been affecting our landfill.

Watson Lake was the first to become regionalized outside of Whitehorse, a print off of the Watson Lake Landfill Bylaw has been presented to council for review.

We had to get an ELV quote for 96 vehicles, once we become regionalized, we could have 25 more years for our landfill.

Once we become regionalized, we will be needing 4-6 more staff to keep operations running smoothly. We'll review the fees and structure and hopefully will be able to pay for the staff through our revenue produced.

Some construction waste was dropped off at the landfill without permission and wasn't in the correct area for construction debris to be dumped.

Unfortunately, Public Works couldn't catch it happening due to them being very busy with other tasks around the Village, cameras are apart of the plan for our landfill.

Mayor L. Bodie would be interested in condensing the Bylaw that was presented as example.

CAO M. Cybulski will be bringing a Bylaw to the next meeting for approval and passing.

Council reviewed appendix A, service rates were presented, Haines Junction is following the same model, which seems to work for them.

CAO M Cybulski will be bringing a bylaw up to the next meeting for approval and passing.

Council reviewed appendix a: service rates were presented, Haines is following the same model which seems to work for them.

We'll establish a date so we can do some framework on this.

#### **5.5 Carmacks ELV Quote**

Council was given a breakdown of what it costs to remove one vehicle for review.

#### **5.6 Wastewater and Water Treatment Credentials Update**

A breakdown of community operations was presented about our water license, it's outlined for operations that they will need the appropriate qualifications, so they can be working towards their certification, or we could rent a ghost permit a waste

water treatment operator from whitehorse, which has been done in a few other municipalities, and they would provide consulting work for our staff if troubleshooting were to ever arise, it would be someone that does this as an acting roll.

Pending Foreman B. Tonnerson's retirement we will be okay, and operations will continue as usual.

## **6. Reports**

### **6.1 Council Activity Reports**

Councilor D. Hansen the only thing she has to report on, is for AYC which she will include in the AYC report.

Councilor K. Unterschute attended AYC in Watson Lake.

Councilor J. Lachance sadly missed AYC but got to attend the community school open house.

Councilor H. Belanger attended AYC, the Arctic Inspiration Prize Funding was brought up, Whitehorse said they can't afford to put in the ten thousand requested towards that, so they were hoping to reach out to municipalities to all put forward a small donation to contribute to helping with that.

She enjoyed it immensely and was happy she was able to carpool with Councillor D. Hansen.

### **6.2 Mayor Report**

Mayor L. Bodie sends his regrets for not being able to not attend AYC, he truly wishes he could have attended.

He's been mostly just working, he did receive a complaint on workers working while the dump was open, so CAO M. Cybulski will be looking into that.

He has donated fishing trophies from the store from Kendell Tricker, that was decided to be donated to the new arena facility.

### **6.3 CAO Report**

CAO M. Cybulski mentioned he had a good time at AYC in Watson Lake, Traction on the CMHC application as well as prospective multi unit lots has begun, lots on Rowlinson and Prospector that are being looked at and the baseline scope of where it's going will be available for the next council meeting.

He had an informative conversation with Brett Phillips from FCM, they did a great presentation of the green municipal funds, it's a very workable funding stream, which is directly applicable to the municipality.

We have a lot of aging infrastructure that we can apply to this fund.

This is one of the only funding streams that are 100% stackable with everything, including Grant Match which we are now involved in.

CAO M. Cybulski was able to have a great sit down with Eam and got to pick his brain about a fleeting operational budget, and always increasing expenditures.

We'll have to align an affective strategy for asset management and software system, as well as a protocol for standard operation procedures.

He did get a chance to discuss with am what that would look like.

It'll typically be 6-8 months to get the municipality to where you want it to be.

We will be looking into something to track the data usage of our assets, we have a tough road for our asset management but it will be manageable.

He found out how much the CAOs rely on the leads of other departments, which puts him in a hard spot since he doesn't really have that at this moment.

## **6.8 AYC**

Councillor D. Hansen brought a copy of the resolutions for council to view, there was a total of 8 resolutions this year, we were in favor of the meaningful and respectful consultation of municipal governments. they responded on the joint review of the municipal act, they asked for permanent residents to have a vote in municipal elections. And they asked for an increase in the share of canvas community building fund, which is believed to be what was formerly known as the gas tax. And then they asked for some financial assistance for disaster mitigation. Emergency medical services since there was no EMS coverage from 4PM-8AM. Municipalities are expected to bill back firefighters that help out if EMS isn't available. A Chiefs and mayors forum for October 24<sup>th</sup> that Mayor L. Bodie will be requested to join. Doris gave an agenda for that. They had delicious meals for AYC and Councillor D. Hansen was happy to attend.

## **7. ACCOUNTS PAID AND PAYABLES**

Council reviewed accounts paid and payables.

## **8. BYLAWS**

No Bylaws

## **9. NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

No new and unfinished business

**23-10-04**

**M/S Councillors H. Belanger motioned to go In-Camera to discuss labor at 9:14PM.**

**23-10-05 M/S Councilor K. Unterschute/J. Lachance motioned to go out of in-camera session at 9:30PM.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**23-10-06 Councillor H. Belanger motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 PM.**

Mayor L. Bodie adjourned the meeting at 9:30 PM.

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Mayor L. Bodie

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CAO M. Cybulski