

Regular Meeting of Council
Monday, January 23, 2006 at 7:00p.m.

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council held at the Village Council Chambers,
380 Main Street, Lytton, BC**

PRESENT:

Mayor O'Connor
Cnclr. Lightfoot
Cnclr. MacIntyre
Cnclr. McArthur
Cnclr. McKay
Administrator Dall
Corporate Officer Madigan

GUESTS/DELEGATION:

Two Rivers Farmers' Market – Frank Jahrig

1 ORDER:

Mayor O'Connor called the regular meeting of Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. MAYOR'S REPORT:

- a) **History of Tax Rates** – Mayor O'Connor circulated graphs showing the rates of General Taxes, Water and Sewer from 1990 to 2005 on three different assessed values and the breakdown of General Taxation, Water and Sewer on an 80,000.00 assessed property from the year 2000 to 2005 reflecting the fairly level rate of charges.
- b) **Sub Regional Governance Presentation** – Mayor O'Connor gave a brief power point presentation for the benefit of the new Council Members.

3. AGENDA

016-06 “the agenda for the January 23, 2006 Regular Meeting of Council be approved as presented”

CARRIED Unanimously

MacIntyre/McKay

4. MINUTES:

017-06 “the minutes of the January 9, 2005 Regular Meeting of Council are adopted as amended”

CARRIED Unanimously

Lightfoot/MacIntyre

Changes made included correcting 6.a)v) Bernadette Paul; rephrasing Cnclr. Lightfoot's comments; 8.iii) iv) removed.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

- a) Jim Williamson – Old Car Removal
Jim will be contacting Jim Brown, Lytton First Nation to find a holding place for the vehicles.

6. DELEGATIONS:

Two Rivers Farmers' Market – Frank Jahrig

Mayor O'Connor welcomed Frank to the meeting.

Cnclr. Lightfoot left the meeting at 7:45 p.m. declaring a conflict of interest. Jesso is the president of the Two Rivers Farmer's Market.

Frank introduced himself and circulated the Farmers' Market Newsletter. He then, on behalf of the Farmers' Market thanked the Village for all their support.

Delegation Continued....

Two Rivers Farmers' Market

The Farmers' Market requested a donation of \$500.00 to assist in the funding to send four members to the Farmers' Market Conference.

Council questioned whether other avenues of funding has been investigated and provided a few suggestions. Council wanted to assure the Farmers' Market that it is not Council's intention to continually provide funding to the Market by way of Annual Grants. Frank assured Council that information from the Conference would be passed on to all of the Members.

018-06 "that \$500.00 be granted to the Two Rivers Farmers' Market for four members to attend the Farmers' Market Annual Conference on March 10, 11, 12, 2006"

CARRIED

McKay/MacIntyre

Cnclr. Lightfoot returned to the meeting at 8:00 p.m..

7. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

a) Correspondence

i) Jan 09 – MCS – Grant application confirmation

Received for information.

ii) Jan 09 – School District 74 (Gold Trail) – Facility Review Meeting Jan 30, 2006.

Received for Information. There is also a Round Table Meeting on Education on Jan 24, 2006.

iii) Jan 10 – MCS – Grant Application (\$125,000) declined

The Funding request for Main Street Water Project was declined.

iv) Jan 10 – LEDC – Minutes of May 31, 2005 meeting.

Received for information.

v) Jan 17 – Hyak Wilderness Adventures

Received for information.

b) Correspondence for Information – as per attached listing.

The Correspondence List January 5 to January 18, 2006 is received.

c) Administrator Report

i) LEDC – Meeting of January 11, 2006 – Recommendations to Council

019-06 "that pursuant to the Village of Lytton Façade Improvement Policy and a recommendation by the Lytton Economic Diversification Council approve the payment of \$2,679.00 to Mrs. Valerie Ablett for the upgrade of the Sitko Apartments"

CARRIED Unanimously

Lightfoot/McKay

Rather than a small sign being placed on the building it was agreed that a Photograph of the Sitko Apartments with details be placed on the Lytton Website.

Council agreed that in the Budget process they would top up the funds to provide \$5,000.00 for façade improvements in 2006.

020-06 "that the Building Improvements award for 2006 be presented to Gord & Valerie Ablett FOR THEIR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE Sitko Apartments"

CARRIED Unanimously

McArthur/McKay

Council request that the Chamber of Commerce meet with Council before the 2006 Budget request is considered.

Chuck Strahl MP should be contacted regarding Federal Government Student Grants for 2006.

ii) Ornamental Lighting (MAIN STREET)

021-06 “that frosted glass be purchased for the Street Lamps on Main Street at a cost of \$525.00 plus taxes”

CARRIED Unanimously

MacIntyre/McArthur

d) Financial Officer Report

Nothing to Report.

e) Public Works Report

Nothing to report.

f) Fire Rescue Report

i) Fire Rescue Training – Approval required.

022-06 “that Council approves the expenditure of \$1,355.10 to cover the cost of sending six Fire Fighters to a Training Seminar in Oliver BC”

8. BYLAWS & POLICIES

i) Village of Lytton Fees & Charges Bylaw No. 580, 2005.

023-06 “the Village of Lytton Fees & Charges Bylaw No. 580, 2005 be reconsidered and adopted”

CARRIED Unanimously

McArthur/MacIntyre

ii) OCP & Zoning Amendment Bylaws – Tien Sher Property

024-06 “the Village of Lytton Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 581, 2006 be given first and second readings”

CARRIED Unanimously

McArthur/McKay

025-06 “the Village of Lytton Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 582, 2006 be given first and second readings”

CARRIED Unanimously

MacIntyre/McArthur

A public meeting will be held on Monday February 13, 2006 at 6:30 p.m.

9. COUNCIL REPORTS

Cnclr. McArthur:

i) Cnclr. McArthur gave an update on the Emergency Services Building.

ii) Met with Stantec regarding the new Health Facility – a very positive meeting.

Cnclr. Lightfoot:

i) Attended a Gold Country Meeting and will ask Ida to come to Lytton to present what is planned for the year 2006 in early March.

ii) Attended LEDC River Festival Meeting – to start planning the 2006 River Festival Celebrations. Next meeting will be on February 15, 2006 at 7:30 p.m. The Committee is looking for two new activities to add to this year’s event.

Cnclr. McKay:

Nothing to report.

Cnclr. MacIntyre:

i) The Restorative Justice Meeting was cancelled.

ii) Will be attending the Recreation Commission Meeting on February 6, 2006.

Mayor O’Connor:

i) Sub Regional Government presentations were made at Siska, Skuppah and Nicomen, the next presentation is on February 7th with Lytton First Nation. The next stage will be to engage a Consultant, Dave Morris to move on from here.

- ii) Attended the TNRD Retreat. It was very good – a lot of good subjects discussed.
- iii) Will be attending an NDI meeting in Prince George on January 24th and will be making a presentation for our region and also a presentation on behalf of the Village of Lytton. Will be looking for \$10,000 start up for the 2008 celebrations and funding for the Main Street Project in the amount of \$186,750.00. The 2008 celebration could be held in Lytton. A Consultant would be hired to develop a business plan. It is expected that development will commence late May or early June 2006.

Cnclr. Lightfoot left the meeting at 9:55 p.m.

10. CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Received for information.

11. ADJOURNMENT

026-06 “the regular meeting of Council be adjourned at 10:00 p.m.”

CARRIED

McKay/MacIntyre

MAYOR

CORPORATE OFFICER