

TOWN OF WATSON LAKE

REGULAR MEETING  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MEETING NO. 15  
August 4, 2015

ATTENDANCE

ABSENT W/NOTICE

RICHARD DUROCHER- MAYOR  
TIM O'BRIEN – COUNCILOR  
THOMAS SLAGER – COUNCILOR  
CYNTHIA KEARNS – COUNCILOR

B.Leach

ADMINISTRATION

PUBLIC  
B/S Drury  
K.Peters  
L.Fennell  
M.Fraser

RICK ROTONDI – Acting CAO  
TERRI CLOSE – Municipal Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Durocher.

**AGENDA**

**MOTION 015-15-124**

Moved by Councilor Kearns, seconded by Councilor O'Brien  
that:

The Agenda be adopted as amended to table item #3 – Tenders. A special meeting  
will be held on Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup> to discuss the tenders.

- CARRIED –

**MINUTES**

**MOTION 015-15-125**

Moved by Councilor Slager, seconded by Councilor O'Brien  
that:

The minutes be adopted from the last regular meeting of July 21, 2015.

- CARRIED –

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

**MOTION 015-15-126**

Moved by Councilor O'Brien, seconded by Councilor Kearns  
that:

The Payroll cheques #56315 through 56352 in the amount of \$53,691.35 and the  
Open Payables in the amount of \$153,872.40 for a total of \$207,563.75 be paid.

- CARRIED –

**BY-LAWS**

**MOTION 015-15-127**

Moved by Councilor Slager, seconded by Councilor Kearns  
that:

By-Law 15-05, being a bylaw to govern the use of parks and public open space  
within the Town of Watson Lake be introduced for Third & Final Reading.

Council discussed the bylaw and agreed that as the bylaw has been amended to  
allow tents, item 1.5 which states “permits for the Watson Lake airport will only  
be granted for Self-contained camping units be removed.

- CARRIED –

**NEW AND UNFINISHED**

**HELP & HOPE  
LETTER OF SUPPORT**

Council received a letter from Help & Hope who are submitting an application to YG for funding assistance for an aftercare program for individuals coping with drug/alcohol addiction and are requesting a letter of support to accompany their application.

**MOTION 015-15-128**

Moved by Councilor Slager, seconded by Councilor Kearns that:

The Town of Watson Lake provide a letter of support for Help & Hope for Families.

- CARRIED –

**E.Z. HEATING & SHEET METAL  
PURCHASE OF PROPERTY**

Council discussed a proposal from E.Z.Heating & Sheet Metal to purchase Lots 6&7, Block 14, Plan 23074 from the Town of Watson Lake. Council reviewed the outstanding taxes on the property and agreed that the offer is sufficient to cover the majority of the taxes.

**MOTION 015-15-129**

Moved by Councilor Kearns, seconded by Councilor O'Brien that:

Council proceed with a bylaw to transfer the land with the condition the lot must have a building clad to the weather or approved development within two years.

- CARRIED -

**RECPLEX HOCKEY  
ICE**

Mayor Durocher discussed the request for the Town to maintain the hockey ice for the remaining months now that it has been installed. Council discussed the costs involved in order to maintain the ice over the next three months and the extra manpower required to maintain the ice during this time. Council agreed it was never the intention to keep the ice once the NHL hockey event was over, and the Town had already spent approximately \$20,000 towards funding this event. Discussion with hockey groups does not allow for the extra ice time to make it worthwhile to keep the ice. Council agreed to remove the ice.

**COUNCIL QUESTION PERIOD**

Council had a request to meet with the Council of Kaska Chiefs to discuss the outstanding taxes on the Kaska Tribal Council building. Council agreed to meet on Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm.

**IN-CAMERA**

**MOTION 015-15-130**

Moved by Councilor Kearns, seconded by Councilor Slager that:

Council go In-Camera.

- CARRIED –

MOTION 015-15-131

Moved by Councilor Kearns, seconded by Councilor O'Brien  
that:

Council revert to an open meeting.

- CARRIED -

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION 015-15-132

Moved by Councilor O'Brien, seconded by Councilor Slager  
that:

There being no further business Council adjourn at 8:00 pm.

- CARRIED -

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R. Durocher – Mayor

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Terri Close – Municipal Clerk