

TOWN OF WATSON LAKE

REGULAR MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MEETING NO. 12
June 19, 2018

ATTENDANCE

Public

Justin Brown – Mayor
Stacy Bauer – Councilor
Christopher Irvin – Councilor
Brenda Leach – Councilor
Brian Lund - Councilor

Srgt. Langley
Constable Woodman
Kirsti Muller
John McGovern
Mike O'Connor

ADMINISTRATION

Cam Lockwood - CAO
Terri Close – Municipal Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by Mayor Brown.

AGENDA

MOTION 018-12-117

Moved by Councilor Leach, seconded by Councilor Lund
that:

The Agenda be adopted as amended to include;

YESAB Communities Tour
Yukon Parks Strategy
Liard Valley Literacy – Letter of support

Remove items:
Watson Lake Daycare
Watson Lake Riding Association

- CARRIED –

MINUTES

MOTION 018-12-118

Moved by Councilor Bauer, seconded by Councilor Leach
that:

The minutes from the last Regular Meeting of June 5, 2018 be adopted.

-CARRIED –

**ACCOUNTS
PAYABLE**

MOTION 018-12-119

Moved by Councilor Irvin, seconded by Councilor Lund
that:

The Open Payables in the amount of \$242,716.53 and the payroll cheques #59198
through #59232 in the amount of \$49,189.00 for a total of \$291,905.59 be paid.

- CARRIED –

DELEGATION

RCMP Sergeant Langley introduced Constable Woodman, the newest member of
the RCMP detachment.

Sergeant Langley addressed the RCMP May Policing Report and various incidents and notable events that occurred. Detachment members continue to conduct foot patrols which have been extremely well received by the Community. Council thanked Sergeant Langley and Constable Woodman for attending the meeting.

Mike O'Connor, Community Services Senior Program Manager updated Council on the status of the Sewage Lift station that is expected to be operational by August.

Tenders for the sewage lagoon are expected to go out next week.

YG Community Services representatives Kirsti Muller and Johnathan McGovern provided Council with information on the newly created Canada Infrastructure Program which will provide funds over a 10-year period. The objective for Community Services is to meet with all communities to develop a shared YG, Municipal and First Nation multi-year plan and identify high priorities for local infrastructure projects by the end of summer, 2018.

REPORTS

CAO REPORT

Administration informed Council that By-Law Enforcement has been working on enforcement of the general maintenance bylaw and two properties in Watson Lake that are in violation of the bylaw. Council agreed that there must be a firm deadline as to when the properties will be brought into compliance and no further lenience given.

Lorne Armstrong deserves recognition for undertaking cleaning of the cemetery grounds and removal of all the garbage.

Watson Lake was one of 36 communities in Canada to be selected for the Home Hardware Tree program. This allows Watson Lake to receive a selection of trees available through the program to be planted at various locations within the community.

The water main issues and leaks that occurred on both Teslin Crescent and Ravenhill Drive have been resolved. By doing the repairs, it has reduced the water consumption by 1/3.

BY-LAWS

MOTION 018-12-120

Moved by Councilor Bauer, seconded by Councilor Lund
that:

By-Law 18-07, being a By-Law to consolidate all fees & charges be introduced for Third & Final Reading.

- CARRIED -

MOTION 018-12-121

Moved by Councilor Irvin, seconded by Councilor Leach
that:

By-Law 18-12, being a By-Law to provide for the prevention of fires, the prevention of the spread of fire, and for the preservation of life and property within the Town of Watson Lake, be introduced for Third & Final Reading.

-CARRIED -

NEW & UNFINISHED

SUE RUDD
LETTER OF RESIGNATION

Council was in receipt of a letter from Sue Rudd who is resigning as a member of the Recreation Advisory Committee. Administration agreed to meet with remaining members of the Recreation Advisory Committee and attempt to recruit new members.

MOTION 018-12-122

Moved by Councilor Irvin, seconded by Councilor Bauer that:

Council accept the letter of resignation from Sue Rudd.

-CARRIED-

NES – CONDITIONAL USE
PERMIT

Administration informed Council that a letter was forwarded to NES regarding the Portable Work camp that has been set up at Peters Trailer park. The camp is in violation of the Town Zoning Bylaw, and permitting needs to be in place in order to allow the camp to remain at the designated site. There has been no response to the correspondence sent by the Town and more information is needed prior to a decision being made.

AYC BRIEFING
NOTE

Council was in receipt of information from AYC regarding the recommendations for Action towards a Sustainable Solid Waste Management System for Yukon.

WETLAND POLICY
DEVELOPMENT

Council discussed an invitation to participate in Roundtable discussion on wetland policy development, the first of several meetings to be on June 19th in Whitehorse. Council denied the invitation as it is not feasible for the Town to attend all the meetings that are required over the next two years.

ACCOMODATION LEVY
BYLAW

Council addressed a letter from the Hotels and B&B's of Watson Lake requesting a follow-up meeting to discuss the planned Accommodation Levy By-Law. Council agreed that the bylaw be amended with the proposed changes from the previous meeting that was held with the business owners, and reintroduce the Bylaw at the next scheduled Council meeting.

YESAB MEETING
REQUEST

Council was in receipt of information from YESAB who will be visiting the community during the week of July 23-27th and would like to arrange a meeting during that time. Council agreed to meet July 24th for a luncheon meeting.

YUKON PARKS
STRATEGY

Council discussed a letter from YG who is developing a long-term strategy for Yukon's territorial parks & campgrounds and inviting communities to participate by providing feedback on how to deliver the environmental, economic, social and health benefits of parks and campgrounds.

LIARD VALLEY LITERARY SOCIETY
LETTER OF SUPPORT

Council received correspondence from the Liard Valley Literary Society requesting a letter of support to accompany their funding application for funds to create a Makerspace Cart in the Watson Lake Library.

MOTION 018-12-123

Moved by Councilor Bauer, seconded by Councilor Irvin
that:

Council provide a letter of support to the Liard Valley Literary Society.

-CARRIED-

CORRESPONDENCE

ALCAN AIR

Council acknowledged that Alcan Air will be cancelling scheduled flight service to Watson Lake effective September 30, 2018.

**ADMINISTRATIVE
ENQUIRIES**

Gordon McIntosh will be in Watson Lake from June 20th-June 22nd to conduct Departmental Operational Reviews. Council is scheduled to meet with Mr. McIntosh on Thursday, June 21st to address the operational review process.

Councilor Irvin expressed concerns with the overnight parking that is occurring within the community and suggested that the By-Law Officer conduct an evening patrol to deter overnight parking where it is not permitted.

Council addressed the number of ATV's that are travelling in excess speed on the streets within the community. Council were informed that this is the jurisdiction of the RCMP as the Town has no authority related to this matter.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion 018-12-124

Moved by Councilor Bauer, seconded by Councilor Irvin
that:

There being no further business the meeting be adjourned.

-CARRIED -

Justin Brown – Mayor

Terri Close – Municipal Clerk

