**THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF SLOCAN**

(Minutes of Council)

Slocan, British Columbia

November 14th, 2016

**The Regular Meeting** of the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the Village of Slocan, elected for the years 2014-2018, was held in Council Chambers 503 Slocan Street, Slocan, B.C., on November 14th, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

**PRESENT**: Elected Officials

Mayor Jessica Lunn

Councillor Jean Patterson

Councillor Burly Van Bynen

Councillor Madeleine Perriere

Councillor Joel Pelletier

Appointed Personnel

Michelle Gordon, Chief Administrative Officer

**Call to Order**

Mayor Jessica Lunn called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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| Adopt Agenda  2016/225 | Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,  And Resolved:  That the agenda be adopted as presented. |
| Adoption of Minutes  2016/226 | Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,  And Resolved:  That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 11th, 2016 and the minutes of Special Meeting of October 27th, 2016 be adopted as presented. |
| Audience  2016/227 | Bob Barkley came to discuss with Council, his Park Use Permit in the Valhalla Park. He requested a letter of support from Council, for the government to change the Valhalla Park Plan which currently states the permit is cancelled upon the owner’s passing. Barkley’s family has been permitted to use this land since 1962 and would like to pass it along to his heirs.  Moved by Councillor Van Bynen, seconded by Councillor Perriere,  And Resolved:  That Council direct staff to write a letter to the Ministry, in support of Bob Barkley’s request for an amendment to his Park Use Permit, to allow him to transfer the permit to his heirs once he has passed away. |
| Recommendations |  |
| Fire Dept.  Christmas Bonus  2016/228 | Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Perriere,  And Resolved:   That Council award $500 to the Slocan Volunteer Fire Department’s Annual Christmas party, and provide each member with a complimentary annual Fitness Center Pass for 2017. |
| Council Meeting Schedule 2017  2016/229 | Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Pelletier,  And Resolved:   That Council confirm the following as Regular Council Meeting dates for 2017:   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | Monday, January 9th | Tuesday, February 14th \*\*\* | Monday, March 13th | | Monday, April 10th | Monday, May 8th | Monday, June 12th | | Monday, July 10th | Monday, August 14th | Monday, September 11th | | Tuesday, October 10th \*\*\* | Monday, November 13th | Monday, December 11th | |
| Christmas Holiday  Office Closure  2016/230 | Moved by Councillor Van Bynen, seconded by Councillor Pelletier,  And Resolved:  That the Village Office be closed from 4:00pm on Thursday, December 22nd, 2016 until 9:00am on Monday, January 2nd, 2017, and that an ad be placed in the Valley Voice Newspaper and public posting places to notify the public. |
| Economic Development Commission  2016/231 | Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Patterson,  And Resolved:   That staff be directed to advertise for a Slocan representative, to sit on the Slocan Valley Economic Development Commission, for the 2017 year. |
| Board of Variance  2016/232 | Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Perriere,  And Resolved:  That Council appoint Slocan resident, Ethan Brocket, to the Slocan Board of Variance, for a term of three years, commencing November 14th, 2016 and expiring on November 14th, 2019. |
| Requests |  |
| Tree Light Up  2016/233 | Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Pelletier,  And Resolved:  That Council approval for locating and cutting a tree to place on the Wellness Center grounds for the purpose of a Christmas Tree Light-Up Celebration and that Public Works assist with the labour and equipment; and further, that Council grant permission for the Spirit of Slocan Group to use the Wellness Center for power and access to public washrooms. |
| Seniors Housing Budget Allocation  2016/234  2016/235 | Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,  And Resolved:  That the 2016 budget allocation of $25,000 for Seniors Housing be transferred forward to the 2017 budget.  Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,  And Resolved:  That a letter be sent to the Slocan Valley Seniors Housing Society thanking them for their letter, and that Slocan Council will consider further allocations during 2017 budget discussions. |
| SLSS Forum  2016/236 | Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Perriere,  And Resolved:  That a letter be sent to the Slocan Lake Stewardship Society, thanking them for their invitation to the Slocan Lake Ecosystem Science & Conservation Planning Forum, and that Council members will attend if available. |
| Information Items |  |
| 2016/237 | Moved by Councillor Pelletier, seconded by Councillor Perriere,  And Resolved:  That the following items be received and the action indicated as required be taken by staff:   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | 1 | Dave Skrobot – Cell Phone Service in Slocan | Resolution | | 2 | ASSAI – Tennis Court Backstop & Afterschool Program | Information | | 3 | Ministry of Agriculture – Amendments Affecting Agri-Tourism | Information | | 4 | Slocan Fitness Center – October Minutes | Information | |
| 2016/238 | Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Pelletier,  And Resolved:  That staff be directed to contact Telus, to inquire about cell service in Slocan and other potential options such as a booster or wifi router, for public safety purposes; and that staff write a letter to Dave Skrobot thanking him for his suggestions. |
| Reports |  |
| JCP Progress Report  2016/239 | Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,  And Resolved:  That the September 2016 JCP Progress Report be received for information. |
| RV Park  Year End Report  2016/240 | Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,  And Resolved:  That the RV Park & Campground Year End Report, provided by Operator Helma Rainey, be received for information, and that the recommendations provided be reviewed during 2017 budget discussions. |
| Mayor’s Report  2016/241 | Moved by Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Perriere,  And Resolved:  That the November 2016 Mayor’s Report be received for information. |
| Public Participation |  |
| Mulcahy | Barbara Mulcahy inquired about growth strategies in Slocan. |
| Adjournment  2016/242 | Moved by Councillor Van Bynen,  And Resolved:  That the meeting be adjourned at 8:00 p.m. |

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Mayor

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Chief Administrative Officer