

The regular meeting of Council was opened at 18:30 hours by Mayor Kappes, March 3, 2014 in the Council Chambers at 661 Eighth Ave., Midway BC

Present: Mayor Kappes  
Councillor Schierbeck, Rotvold, Dunsdon via telephone  
Councillor Metcalf

Staff: Penny Feist, CAO  
Tami Peters, Deputy Clerk

### **Adoption of Agenda**

**Moved** Councillor Rotvold, **Seconded** Councillor Schierbeck that the March 3, 2014, agenda is adopted as circulated. **Carried**

### **In Camera –**

**Moved** Councillor Dunsdon, **Seconded** Councillor Rotvold that council move in camera under section 90(1)(g) of the community charter at 18:32 hours. **Carried**

**Moved** Councillor Dunsdon, **Seconded** Councillor Rotvold that council return to the regular meeting at 18:55 hours. **Carried**

The regular meeting resumed at 19:00 hours in attendance for regular meeting

Press: Pat Kelly, Boundary Creek Times

Delegation: S/Sgt. Jim Harrison, Cpl. Kevin Christensen

Public: Lorrie Fair

### **Recommendation from In-Camera**

**Moved** Councillor Rotvold, **Seconded** Councillor Dunsdon to accept recommendations from in-camera session that West Boundary Road Rescue be put on new radio frequency with Midway Volunteer Fire Department remaining on old radio frequency with stipulation that new equipment broadcast the Midway Volunteer Fire Department frequency. **Carried**

### **Delegation –** S/Sgt. Jim Harrison – Annual Report to Mayors, Council and RDKB

S/Sgt. Jim Harrison spoke on the Annual Report. Midway Criminal Statistic 2012 vs 2013, total crime down by 48.9%. Calls for service 2012 vs 2013 increase of 6.9%. He also advised that Cpl. Christensen will be leaving the detachment. Midway is a limited duration posting. Councillor Rotvold complimented the work our detachment does and for their involvement with Mountie for a Day.

### **Question Period –**

Pat Kelly asked Council if Midway has asked the RCMP to help enforce their bylaws. Mayor Kappes advised that the RCMP has offered to help.

Mayor Kappes also thanked S/Sgt Harrison for his presentation and wished Cpl. Christensen well in his new posting. He also thanked both S/Sgt Harrison and Cpl. Christensen for their input on the Blue Ribbon Panel on Criminal Justice.

### **Adoption of Minutes**

**Moved** Councillor Rotvold, **Seconded** Councillor Metcalf that the minutes from the regular meeting of February 17, 2014 be adopted as circulated. **Carried**

### **Business Arising**

Page 5785 - No response from the Boundary District Curling Club regarding funding opportunities.

Page 5786 – West Boundary Tourist Guide – Council advised that the ad for 2014-2015 guide looks good.

Page 5787 – Advertisement with City of Greenwood to offer the free Ambulance Training to residents of West Boundary- CAO has some questions on training funding that she would like to get clarification on before placing ad in paper. An email has been sent to Les Cleverly, Supt. Interior District with BCEHS.

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### **New and Unfinished Business**

Multi-Year High School Reunion – after discussion it was

**Moved** Councillor Rotvold, **Seconded** Councillor Dunsdon to accept the CAO's recommendation of \$1,000 including taxes for the use of the washroom/shower facilities at the Boundary Expo Recreation Centre (old addition), arena floor surface, janitorial and washroom supplies, garbage pickup, tables and chairs and camping in the James G. McMynn park for evening of July 18<sup>th</sup>, all day July 19<sup>th</sup> and until noon on July 20, 2014. **Carried**

Councillor Schierbeck asked why the group couldn't use the new addition; he felt that is what it is for, and is handicap accessible.

2013 Interim Public Carip Report - Deputy Clerk presented the 2013 Climate Action Revenue Incentive (CARIP) Public Report for the year 2013.

**Moved** Councillor Metcalf, **Seconded** Councillor Dunsdon that the 2013 Interim Public Carip Report be accepted as presented. **Carried**

### **Correspondence**

a) Midway and Beyond Little Theatre – Funding – Mayor Kappes excused himself at 19:45 hours from discussion on funding for Midway and Beyond Little Theatre – after discussion it was

**Moved** Councillor Schierbeck, **Seconded** Councillor Rotvold that Council support the Midway and Beyond Little Theatre and approve the funding request of \$5,042.00 for electrical work and curtain purchase. **Carried**

Councillor Dunsdon, expressed that while he supports the group, asked how much do we want to keep putting into an aging community centre and wishes to ensure that Council continue to pursue building new community centre.

Mayor Kappes returns at 19:50 hours

- b) Boundary Minor Hockey – Village of Midway Donating Community Hall – Staff advised that they received recent information that the AGM also includes the annual banquet and presentations. The cost of the AGM in conjunction with banquet and award ceremony would be \$168.00 plus \$25.00 for insurance After discussion it was

**Moved** Councillor Schierbeck, **Seconded** Councillor Rotvold that the request form Boundary Minor Hockey Association for donation of Community Hall for AGM be denied. **Carried**

Staff to forward letter to Boundary Minor Hockey Association of Councils decision.

- c) Regional District of Kootenay Boundary – Provincial Review of the Agricultural Land Commission and Agricultural Land Reserve – A letter was forwarded to the Minister of Agriculture and Minister Responsible for Core Review in December 2013 regarding Core Review of the ALC and ALR with our position.

**Moved** Councillor Schierbeck, **Seconded** Councillor Rotvold that we forward a copy of our letter of December 5, 2013, to Board of the RDKB, in which we support the resolution put forth by the District of Kent with respect to the Core Review process of the ALC and ALR. **Carried**

- d) Private Secretary to The Lieutenant Governor – Sing Me a Song BC

**Moved** Councillor Rotvold, **Seconded** Councillor Metcalf that we forward correspondence regarding “Sing Me a Song BC” to local schools and also put in council newsletter. **Carried**

- e) City of New Westminster – Concerns regarding recent amendments to the Canada Postal System

**Moved** Councillor Dunsdon **Seconded** Councillor Rotvold to receive and file. **Carried**

### **Administrator’s Report**

1. Stephen Hill/Federal Conservative requested to meet with Council – Set up for March 17 meeting.
2. Referencing my Feb 17 report to Council on Shaw offer of free Wi-Fi hotspots service “Shaw Go Wi-Fi” – Councillor Dunsdon requested additional information on why a 5 year commitment for location of the equipment – attached is information received from the Shaw Regional Wi-Fi Site Advisor. McMynn’s are putting in place this service at both business locations and they recommended Shaw to contact the Village.

Mayor Kappes excused himself from discussion on the “Shaw Go Wi-Fi” service for possible conflict of interest, at 20:08 hours

Administrator advised that there is no cost to Municipality. Shaw Customers can access Wi-Fi using their home userid and password. Although the Riverfront Park is not a shaw account customer, Shaw is going to look into providing outdoor equipment for that location. There would also be connectivity to the people who are not shaw customers, with any of our municipal accounts where there was a Wi-Fi hotspot located, the municipality could sign on to a secondary business account for an additional fee of \$9.95/month, this would allow access to people who are not shaw customers.

By signing an agreement with Shaw we would be required to have their equipment located at the sites for minimum 5 years, they will be responsible for all monitoring and repair and replacement of the equipment.

My recommendation is that Council reconsider Community Futures Wi-Fi Initiative Partner Proposal for one wireless access point and consider Shaw's proposal "Shaw Go Wi-Fi" as this is a no cost for equipment, installation, repair, replacement and we will not be required to monitor.

**Moved** Councillor Dunsdon **Seconded** Councillor Rotvold that Council accept the Administrator's recommendation to go with Shaw's proposal "Shaw Go Wi-Fi" and advise Community Futures Wi-Fi Initiative Partner of our decision.

**Carried**

Councillor Dunsdon leaves the meeting via telephone conference at 20:11 hours

Mayor Kappes returns at 20:12 hours

3. Midway Hiking/Biking Trails Society – Received news from Ross Elliott that RDKB Area E Director has given them another \$2000 GIA that will help go towards improvements on the trails system. They received \$500 from Area E Director last fall for more 4x4's and an additional load of gravel.

4. Midway Senior Citizen Branch #117 – Request to meet with Council, they were approved for the 2013 New Horizon's grant, and they have been encouraged to apply for another grant for 2014 and would like to discuss this with Council. They have been scheduled for March 17 at 7:15 pm

5. Emergency Evacuation – EM730 workshop, March 4 in GF that Tami and I were scheduled to attend has been cancelled, as a result of the Instructor's flight cancelled. Dan Derby will be rescheduling for the end of the month sometime.

### **Mayor and Council Reports**

Mayor Kappes – attended Community Forest Board of Directors Meeting – February 25 – application is being worked on and we have been given another small extension in order to finalize the MP application, which will be finalized soon.

### **Councillor Schierbeck**

Councillor Schierbeck asked what the status of the upgrades to the Municipal Hall is. CAO advised that we are waiting for the third quote to be submitted.

Councillor Schierbeck asked what the status of the ALC land inventory is – Administrator advised after UBCM convention last year a letter has been forwarded to the Minister of Jobs, Tourism and Skills Training advising that Council would be interested in their offer for continued assistance from Diana Brooks and Sarah Fraser, to-date no reply has been received. CAO to contact Minister requesting reply to our letter.

RDKB Recycling Calendar – suggested we ask RDKB if they could put our garbage pickup dates on the recycling calendar. Councillor Rotvold advised that garbage pickup in Midway is private enterprise, but will advise Tim Dueck on the error to information on the recycling day for Midway.

Councillor Metcalf

Where are we at with the James G McMynn Park Sign – he spoke briefly with the foreman and he advised that looking at cost to repair the sign it may be worth looking at replacing instead. CAO will look at the sign and decide whether to get it replaced or have it repaired. Councillor Metcalf also inquired into the arena gables, where are they at with that. He feels that it is a slow time for public works and this would be the time to get these projects done before the busy season begins.

Councillor Rotvold – full report on file

- February 20 Finance Meeting
- February 20 SWMP steering and monitoring committee-CAO Feist is part of the committee and wondered if the Public Works Foreman should be involved – CAO will ask Foreman if he would like to be involved with the Technical Advisory Committee.
- February 22 – RDKB Board Meeting
- May 1 – Board Meeting will be held in Midway
- Increase for Municipal Directors, remuneration and IT fees approved. \$200.00 increase for remuneration.
- Received 2013 Building Inspection year end stats, 4 permits in 2013 for Midway compared to 7 permits in 2012.

Request Council consider giving a grant to COP for gas vouchers for patrols done in Midway. Staff to find out what the past years GIA was and bring back to next meeting.

Councillor Dunsdon – no report

**Question Period** – Nil

**Financial Report** – Nil

**Bylaws** – Nil

**Planning** – Nil

**Budgets/Accounts**

**Moved** Councillor Metcalf, **Seconded** Councillor Schierbeck that the accounts totaling \$64,883.34 be drawn on the general account and be paid. **Carried**

**Correspondence for Info Only**

**Moved** Councillor Rotvold, **Seconded** Councillor Schierbeck that correspondence for information only items:

- a) Communities in Bloom – Invitation to Participate in a Program that Will Showcase, Involve and Benefit Your Community
- b) Kettle River Watershed Management Plan – Kettle River Watershed Meeting on Water Supply March 11, 2014 in Midway
- c) Midway Senior's – February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Meeting
- d) Union of British Columbia Municipalities – UBCM Membership
- e) Regional District of Kootenay Boundary – Boundary Solid Waste Management Plan, 'Terms of Reference of the Steering and Monitoring Committee' and minutes for February 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014 meetings.

be received and filed.

**Carried**

**Correspondence for Info Only** – held for 2 weeks and then destroyed – nil

**Question Period** –

Pat Kelly requested a copy of Midway Criminal Statistics 2012 vs 2013

**Moved** Councillor Schierbeck that the regular meeting be adjourned at 20:45 hours.

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