

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Gold River

April 15, 2024, 7:00 pm
Council Chambers of the Village Office
499 Muchalat Drive

PRESENT: Mayor Michael Lott
Councillor Henry Fossen
Councillor Nikki Pichert
Councillor Alison Pringle
Councillor Peter Wehmeier

STAFF: Michael Roy, CAO

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

MOVED/SECONDED THAT the Chamber of Commerce be added to the agenda as a delegation.

CARRIED

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED/SECONDED THAT the agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOVED/SECONDED THAT the regular meeting minutes from April 2, 2024 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

MOVED/SECONDED THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole minutes for April 8, 2024 and April 9, 2024 be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

5. PUBLIC AND STATUTORY HEARINGS

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7. DELEGATIONS

7.a Chan Nowosad Boates - Auditor's Report

7.b RCMP - Sergeant G. Young

8. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

8.a 2023 Financial Statements

MOVED/SECONDED THAT Council approve and accept the 2023 Financial Statements as presented.

CARRIED

9. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL

10. INFORMATION ITEMS

10.a Work in Progress

MOVED/SECONDED THAT Council receive the Work in Progress for information.

CARRIED

10.b Grant-in-aid Slow Pitch

MOVED/SECONDED THAT the grant-in-aid request of \$1,750 for the Gold River Slo-pitch Tournament.

CARRIED

11. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

12. BYLAWS

12.a Water Conservation Bylaw - No. 751, 2024

MOVED/SECONDED THAT Water Conservation Bylaw - No. 751, 2024 receive third reading.

CARRIED

12.b Financial Plan Bylaw No. 752, 2024

MOVED/SECONDED THAT Council give first three readings to Financial Plan Bylaw No. 752, 2024.

Opposed (3): Councillor Henry Fossen, Councillor Nikki Pichert, and Councillor Alison Pringle

DEFEATED

MOVED/SECONDED THAT Council give first three readings to Financial Plan Bylaw No. 752, 2024 as amended to have a tax revenue increase of 8.9% in the residential, business, and light industrial assessment classes, which will reduce the tax revenue by \$125,000 and increasing the deficit by \$125,000, with the deficit being covered by accumulated surplus.

Opposed (2): Mayor Michael Lott, and Councillor Peter Wehmeier

CARRIED

12.c Tax Rates Bylaw No. 753, 2024

MOVED/SECONDED THAT Council give first three readings to Tax Rates Bylaw No. 753, 2024 as amended to reflect the change in the financial plan, based on the alternate rates provided.

Opposed (1): Councillor Peter Wehmeier

CARRIED

12.d Utility Rate Bylaws

MOVED/SECONDED THAT Council give first, second, and third reading to Bylaw No. 613.12, 2024 Water Rates and Regulations Amendment Bylaw; and,

THAT Council give first, second, and third reading to Bylaw No. 614.14, 2024 Sewer Rates Amendment Bylaw; and,

THAT Council give first, second, and third reading to Bylaw No. 612.14, 2024 Trade Waste and Garbage Amendment Bylaw.

CARRIED

13. CORRESPONDENCE

13.a Block Correspondence

MOVED/SECONDED THAT Council receive the block correspondence for information.

CARRIED

14. NEW BUSINESS

15. QUESTION PERIOD

16. NOTICE OF MOTION

16.a Councillor A. Pringle

MOVED/SECONDED THAT the Village of Gold River Council will read aloud one of the 94 Calls to Action, after the Land Acknowledgement, and make it a standing part of the Council's agenda at every council meeting.

And, annually, report on the Village of Gold River Council's actions to ensure our alley-ship and commitment to the Calls of Action.

CARRIED

MOVED/SECONDED THAT remaining items in the Notice of Motion be tabled to the next Council meeting.

CARRIED

17. MOTION TO ADJOURN IN CAMERA

18. RISE AND REPORT

19. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED/SECONDED THAT the meeting be adjourned.

Time: 9:48 pm.

CARRIED

M. Lott, Mayor

M. Roy, Corporate Officer