

**THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF TELKWA**

The Minutes of the General Meeting of Council held August 24, 2009 in the Village of Telkwa Council Chamber, 1704 Riverside Street, Telkwa, BC.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Carman Graf  
Councillor Jim Hiltz  
Councillor Rimas Zitkauskas  
Councillor Taylor Bachrach  
Councillor Rick Fuerst  
Chief Administrative Officer Tom Dall  
Corporate Officer Kim Martinsen

**ABSENT:**

1. **REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL** - The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**GM Res. 09-08-357**

**Hiltz / Bachrach**

**TO** adopt the agenda of the August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009 General Meeting of Council with the addition of a verbal report from Councillor Zitkauskas and Mayor Graf under Council Reports

**CARRIED**

3. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**GM Res. 09-08-358**

**Zitkauskas / Hiltz**

**TO** adopt the minutes of the General Meeting of council held August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2009

**CARRIED**

4. **FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT - None**

5. **PUBLIC WORKS REPORT - None**

6. **BYLAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT - None**

7. **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Accounts Payable Report – none

8. **DELEGATION – Ben Weinstein, Air Quality Meteorologist, Environmental Protection Division, Smithers**

Presentation requesting additional space at the Telkwa ambient air monitoring station to accommodate a precipitation gauge for the BC Climate Networks Project.

Request: In order to install the precipitation gauge the fenced area around the Telkwa air monitoring station needs to be expanded. Approximately 11m of fencing needs to be added on the northeast side of the station (towards Birch St. / Lawson Rd.). The additional space needed does not required expansion onto the field; it does require the bleachers to be moved and a nearby tree to be cut down. Also, an existing path that would be inside the proposed fenced-in area would have to be relocated to the outside. Upon approve, the Ministry of Environment has financial resources to fully complete the proposed expansion this fall. Pictures attached to agenda.

Note: Telkwa air quality monitoring station is unique in the province in that it is one of the few station in BC which have three different types fine particulate (PM 2.5)monitors. If council is interested in learning more about fine particulate concentration in Telkwa, Ben would be happy to schedule a separate meeting to discuss this. Such a presentation would take approximately one hour.

**9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS –**

- 1. North** West Municipal Association Meeting – September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2009 – Kitimat

**GM Res. 09-08-359**

**Zitkauskas / Fuerst**

**TO** send on Councillor to the NWMA in Kitimat.

**CARRIED**

**10. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

**a) Correspondence for Action**

1. UNBC-United Way of NBC – Exploring Service Needs in Northern BC - Telkwa

**GM Res. 09-08-360**

**Zitkauskas / Bachrach**

**TO** Receive

Action: include the United Way of Northern BC “Exploring Service Needs in Northern BC” project document to the growing list of independent studies for use in the up coming OCP.

**CARRIED**

2. UBCM-Small Talk Forum 2009 – topic submission

**GM Res. 09-08-361**

**Zitkauskas / Hiltz**

**TO** Received

**CARRIED**

3. Linda Brown – Letter regarding ditch and drainage maintenance

**GM Res. 09-08-362**

**Zitkauskas / Bachrach\**

**TO** respond to Linda Brown in writing that the ditching and drainage problems will be taken care with the Tower Street project.

**CARRIED**

4. BC Hydro – Funding Available for Electric Beautification Projects

**GM Res. 09-08-363**

**Hiltz / Fuerst**

**TO** Receive

**CARRIED**

5. Randall Stade, copy of letter sent to Regional District regarding Emergency Management Funding

**GM Res. 09-08-08-364**

**Zitkauskas / Bachrach**

**TO** Receive

**CARRIED**

6. BC Housing – moving forward – confirming commitment

**GM Res. 09-08-365**

**Zitkauskas / Hiltz**

**TO** Receive

**CARRIED**

**ACTION:** Contact Louise Elmes, Senior Project Officer with BC Housing to confirm Councils commitment and contributions to this potential development.

Send any pertinent information to the Seniors Housing Committee for their information and file.

7. Gretchen Woodman – follow up letter – safety concerns on Riverside (5<sup>th</sup>) Street

**GM Res. 09-08-366**

**Zitkauskas / Bachrach**

**TO** Receive

**CARRIED**

**ACTION:** Update Gretchen Woodman on the plan regarding the safety concerns for Riverside (5<sup>th</sup>) Street and area. Councillor Fuerst has started with the community engagement process and will continue contacting the residents for the area.

8. Bulkley Valley Economic Development – Funding Approval

**GM Res. 09-08-367**

**Bachrach / Hiltz**

Council is not prepared to commit an addition \$6408.25 to cover costs of the consulting report for the ED initiative should the requested funding from another party be turned down, however, would continue to participate as a partner.

**CARRIED  
(Mayor opposed)**

9. All North – engineer drawings and project budget estimate – Cottonwood Bridge

**GM Res. 09-08-368**

**Hiltz / Zitkauskas**

**TO** refer back to staff for further investigation.

**CARRIED**

10. BC Hydro – UBCM Convention Meetings

**GM Res. 09-08-369**

**Hiltz / Zitkauskas**

**TO** Receive

**CARRIED**

11. Northern Medical Program – Community Partnership Program involvement

**GM Res. 09-08-370**

**Zitkauskas / Fuerst**

**TO** participate in the Northern Medical Program Community Partnership assisting in forming relationships between Telkwa, the Program and UNBC. **TO** advertise in the Newsletter for interested sponsor families.

**CARRIED**

b) Reading File – as per attached listing

**GM Res. 09-08-371**

**Bachrach / Zitkauskas**

**TO** receive

**CARRIED**

**11. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

1. Speeding on Arterial and Municipal Roads

**GM Res. 09-08-372**

**Zitkauskas / Fuerst**

**TO** Receive

**CARRIED**

**12. BYLAWS/POLICIES**

1. Traffic Control Bylaw No. 592,2009 – 4<sup>th</sup> and Final Reading

**GM Res. 09-08-373**

**Zitkauskas / Hiltz**

**TO** approve the fourth and final reading of Traffic Bylaw No. 592, 2009

**CARRIED**

**13. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Councillor Zitkauskas

Mayor Graf

**GM Res. 09-08-374**

**Bachrach / Fuerst**

**TO** Receive

**CARRIED**

Councillor Zitkauskas verbally reported on the Regional Advisory Committee meeting for NDI. He noted on the criteria for the awarding of Community Adjustment Fund.

Mayor Graf verbally reported the Regional District board passed a motion to extend the boundaries of the transfer station to allow the recycle depot to relocate there.

**14. OTHER BUSINESS**

1. Expansion request for Telkwa ambient air monitoring station

**GM Res. 09-08-375**

**Zitkauskas / Bachrach**

**TO** approve the additional space at the Telkwa ambient air monitoring station to accommodate a precipitation gauge for the BC Climate Networks Project as per the presentation.

**CARRIED**

**15. CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**16. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**17. IN-CAMERA – Closed to the Public – Community Charter Section 90(1) (d), (g)-Legal**

**GM Res. 09-08-376**

**Fuerst / Zitkauskas**

**TO move to in-camera at 8:30 PM**

**CARRIED**

**18. ADJOURNMENT**

**GM Res. 09-08-377**

**Zitkauskas / Bachrach**

**TO adjourn the August 24, 2009 General Meeting of Council at 8:48 PM.**

**CARRIED**

Certified a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the General Meeting of Council held August 24, 2009.

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Carmen Graf  
Mayor

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Kim Martinsen  
Corporate Officer