



COUNCIL BRIEFS

March 26, 2018

March 21, 2018 Committee of the Whole Meeting - Financial Plan

The highlights are as follows:

- There was \$8,500 transferred from the Community Events Reserve to Grants in Aid, for Brigade Days;
- There was \$10,000 added to Municipal Office contracts to add security bars on the downstairs windows of the District Hall;
- There was \$10,000 added to the Coquihalla River Park for the Hope Disc Golf Course;
- There was \$600 added to the Cemetery Maintenance fund to allow for an additional user for the cemetery software (2nd Stone Orchard);
- There was \$44,000 of expenses added to Human Resources Contract to introduce a safety program with a Safety Specialist to ensure consistency with WorkSafe regulations;
- There was an \$18,000 expense attended to the Public Works Admin fund to provide for a 2 month Temporary Manager of Operations to assist in starting Public Works projects for the season;
- The Building Inspector wages was reduced by \$35,000;
- There was a \$10,000 expense added to the Landfill to fix a broken leachate pipe at the landfill;
- There was \$15,000 added to Capital Expenditures for the dog park fencing;
- Pavement management program of 1.2million per year is still moving forward.

March 26, 2018 Regular Council Meeting 50th Wedding Anniversary Presentation

Mayor Vicktor presented Johanna and Robin Alexander with a 50th Wedding Anniversary Plaque. Council wished them a happy anniversary and thanked them for their good service and acts of kindness in our community.

TRUE Engineering Presentation

Dave Underwood and Daniel Grant were in attendance to present the Asset Management Investment Plan Risk Analysis and the Asset Management Policy Recommendation.

The objective is to provide guidance for the organization's staff in producing and maintaining efficient asset management practices for the sustainable delivery of community services. This will be accomplished by ensuring adequate provisions are made for engineering, finance, operations, and planning to provide long-term operation, renewal, replacement, and construction of new and existing assets. It will consider the risk (5 category levels), consequence and likelihood of failure.

Also noted, the report indicated that significant infrastructure upgrades are required for Hope, which is also the case for other municipalities throughout North America. The future replacement cost of infrastructure is valued at \$245 Million Dollars.

There were fourteen recommendations that derived from the analysis. The three key recommendations are; to contain cost (prevent replacement costs), increase revenue and to improve infrastructure information (continually update and refine data). Council noted that it is wonderful to see how we are

evolving and planning for the future as well as budgeting. The analysis is a very useful tool.

Advanced Funding Commitments – Select 2018 Projects

Council approved funding for the following 2018 projects, to be funded with \$787,000 from the General Fund and \$100,000 from the Water Fund:

1. Recreation Center Building Assessment	\$35,000
2. Water Master Plan	\$100,000
3. Municipal Office Roof	\$85,000
4. 444 Park St. Roof	\$85,000
5. 444 Park St. New Siding and Paint	\$25,000
6. Othello Road Upgrades	\$557,000
	\$887,000

UBCM Asset Management Planning Program

Council supported the District of Hope's application to the 2018 UBCM Asset Management Planning Program for grant funding in the amount of \$15,000 to advance the District's asset management planning through the creation of a Water Master Plan.

Community Forest Revenue Sharing Policy

Council approved the District of Hope Community Forest Revenue Sharing Policy, which allows for Council to distribute any funds deemed surplus and distributed by the Cascade Lower Canyon Community Forest.

The following Bylaws were adopted:

- District of Hope Zoning Amendment Bylaw 1407, 2018 – Housekeeping Amendments; and
- District of Hope Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw, No. 1410, 2018, and Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1411, 2018 - 2020 Cypress Street.

District of Hope Zoning Amendment Bylaw, No. 1415, 2018 - 2021 Silver Skagit Road - The bylaw was given first and second reading in order to rezone the portion of the property from Rural (RU-1) to Light/Service Industrial (I-2).

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Dave Underwood and Daniel Grant of TRUE Consulting were in attendance to provide an overview of the proposed Richmond Hill Pathway Project.

They noted that they have two proposals for the project; one with lighting at \$835,000 and one without at \$467,000. Their goal is to obtain feedback from Council to be shelf ready with the project, if and when a grant can be obtained.

The one issue is the rock hazard on the east side of the road; it is still classed as an active hazard so alignment of the pathway needed to move to the west side.

The lighting design is complicated; it runs for 2 km and requires thirty-seven lights, and there is three phase power lines in the area. Solar lighting would not be feasible as there is not enough nature light because of the mountainside.

Council questioned snow removal for the pathway and the Director of Operations assured Council that the pathway will be maintained with snow removal practices. Council expressed their desire for the pathway to maintain a straight line and not utilize the pullout and the lighting be included.

Next Council Meeting: April 23

JOB OPPORTUNITY

Time Durated Labourers

- these are Union positions (C.U.P.E. Local 458)
- 2 will be required to work Wednesday to Sunday

Closing date for submissions is 4:00 p.m. April 23, 2018.

A full copy of both job postings and job descriptions can be viewed under the "Job Postings" section, within the document library section of the District of Hope web site (<https://hope.ca/document-library/71>)

NEW SMOKING CONTROL BYLAW

The District of Hope has a newly adopted Smoking Control Bylaw. The intent of the bylaw is line up with the new provincial smoking regulations and impose some smoke free areas, namely:

- in any public building, structure, vehicle or any other place that is fully or substantially enclosed;
- within a 6 metre distance from a doorway, window or air intake of a place described in the first bullet;
- in specific location of any municipal park, as follows:
 - playground, including a 10 metre buffer zone surround the playground;
 - beach, including a 10 metre buffer zone surrounding the beach;
 - playing field, including a 10 metre buffer zone surrounding the playing field; or
 - in, or under an outdoor recreational structure, including but not limited to seating area, grandstand or bleacher.
- at a Cemetery that the municipality is licensed to maintain;
- in a transit bus shelter, including a 6 metre buffer zone surrounding the bus shelter; and
- during an Outdoor Special Event permitted by the District of Hope unless a designated smoking area has been established by the event coordinator and approved by the District of Hope.

NO SMOKING

Smoking means inhaling, exhaling, burning, or carrying any lighted or heated cigar, cigarette, or pipe, or any other lighted or heated tobacco or plant product intended for inhalation, including hookahs and marijuana, whether natural or synthetic, in any manner or in any form. Smoking also includes the use of an Electronic Smoking Device, or the use of any oral smoking device for the purpose of circumventing the prohibition of smoking in this bylaw, but does not include the strictly ceremonial use of tobacco in connection with a traditional Aboriginal cultural activity

A full copy of the bylaw can viewed on the District of Hope web site:
<https://hope.ca/document-library/12>