# Township of Langley Est. 1873

#### **REGULAR AFTERNOON MEETING OF COUNCIL**

Monday, January 15, 2018 at 2:30 PM
Fraser River Presentation Theatre
4th Floor, 20338 – 65 Avenue, Langley, BC

#### **MINUTES**

PRESENT: Mayor J. Froese

Councillors P. Arnason, D. Davis, C. Fox, B. Long, A. Quaale, K. Richter, M. Sparrow, and B. Whitmarsh

M. Bakken, S. Gamble, R. Seifi, S. Scheepmaker, K. Sinclair, P. Tulumello, and J. Winslade

W. Bauer and K. Stepto

#### A. ADOPTION AND RECEIPT OF AGENDA ITEMS

#### A.1 Regular Afternoon Council Meeting Agenda - January 15, 2018

Moved by Councillor Fox, Seconded by Councillor Quaale, That Council adopt the agenda and receive the agenda items of the Regular Afternoon Council meeting held January 15, 2018. CARRIED

#### **B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

#### B.1 Regular Afternoon Council Meeting - December 11, 2017

Moved by Councillor Fox, Seconded by Councillor Whitmarsh, That Council adopt the Minutes of the Regular Afternoon Council meeting held December 11, 2017, as amended. CARRIED

#### C. MOTION TO RESOLVE INTO SPECIAL CLOSED MEETING

Moved by Councillor Quaale,

Seconded by Councillor Sparrow,

That Council now resolve into a Special Closed Meeting for discussion of the following items, in accordance with and as identified under Section 90 of the Community Charter:

Item A.1 - Section 90(1) (n) Consideration;

Item E.1 - Section 90(1) (e) Property; (k) Negotiations;

Item F.1 - Section 90(1) (a) Personnel;

Item F.2 - Section 90(1) (a) Personnel;

Item H.1 - Section 90(1) (e) Property; (k) Negotiations;

Item H.2 - Section 90(1) (e) Property; (k) Negotiations;

Item H.3 - Section 90(1) (a) Personnel; and

Item H.4 - Section 90(1) (e) Property.

**CARRIED** 

#### MEETING RECESSED

The meeting recessed at 2:31pm.

#### MEETING RECONVENED

The meeting reconvened at 4:16pm.

#### D. PRESENTATIONS

#### **E. DELEGATIONS**

# E.1 Tim Cheung Unifor Local 2002

Tim Cheung, Unifor Local 2002, appeared before Council to discuss the development and implementation of a national pharmacare program. He reported that 29% of British Columbians do not take their prescribed medications because they cannot afford it. He stated that all Canadians should have equitable access to medically necessary prescription drugs without financial or other barriers. A universal pharmacare plan for Canada would improve access and affordability through bulk purchase and negotiated pricing with drug manufactures; it would eliminate duplication and cost-shifting amongst existing payers while promoting integration amongst health care providers.

#### F. REPORTS TO COUNCIL

# F.1 Appointment of Chief and Deputy Chief Election Officers 2018 General Local Government Election Report 18-01 File ADM 4200-25-001

Moved by Councillor Fox,

Seconded by Councillor Davis,

That Council appoint Bob Wilson, Wilson Management Consulting Ltd., as the Chief Election Officer, to conduct the upcoming 2018 General Local Government Election, with the authority to appoint election officials as

necessary; and

That Wendy Bauer, Township Clerk, be appointed Deputy Chief Election Officer.

**CARRIED** 

#### **G. CORRESPONDENCE**

Moved by Councillor Quaale,

Seconded by Councillor Sparrow,

That Council receive the correspondence, as presented.

**CARRIED** 

### G.1 Tax Revenue from Cannabis Sales File 0400-60

Letter from Mayor Doug Findlater, City of West Kelowna, requesting support lobbying the Provincial Government for an equitable share of tax revenue from cannabis sales.

#### **MOTION**

Moved by Councillor Sparrow,

Seconded by Councillor Davis,

That Council write a letter of support to the Provincial Government for a 50% share of tax revenue from cannabis sales.

#### **AMENDMENT**

Moved by Councillor Long,

Seconded by Councillor Richter,

That the motion be amended to remove "50%" and replace with, "an equitable share of tax revenue from cannabis sales".

**CARRIED** 

#### MAIN MOTION, AS AMENDED

The question was called on the Main Motion, as amended, and it was CARRIED

The motion now reads:

"That Council write a letter of support to the Provincial Government for an equitable share of tax revenue from cannabis sales".

# G.2 Brookswood-Fernridge Community Association File 6410-01

Correspondence from Wayne Crossen, President, Brookswood-Fernridge Community Association, requesting to receive early notification of development permit applications for the Brookswood-Fernridge area.

#### **MOTION**

Moved by Councillor Fox,

Seconded by Councillor Whitmarsh,

That a letter be sent to the Brookswood-Fernridge Community Association

explaining the process for online access to development permit applications.

**CARRIED** 

## G.3 Willoughby Residents Association File 6410-01

Correspondence from Cynthia Hamilton, President, Willoughby Residents Association, requesting to receive early notification of development permit applications for the Willoughby area.

**MOTION** 

Moved by Councillor Fox,

Seconded by Councillor Whitmarsh,

That a letter be sent to the Willoughby Residents Association explaining the process for online access to development permit applications. CARRIED

#### **H. MINUTES OF COMMITTEES**

H.1 Heritage Advisory Committee - December 6, 2017 Seniors Advisory Committee - December 19, 2017 File 0540-20

> Moved by Councillor Quaale, Seconded by Councillor Davis,

That Council receive the Minutes of the Council Advisory Committee meetings as listed above.

**CARRIED** 

#### I. OTHER BUSINESS

#### I.1 BC Seniors Games Bib Proposal

Moved by Councillor Long,

Seconded by Councillor Fox,

That Township staff consider making a bid to host the 2020, 2021, or 2022 annual 55+ BC Games to be held in August or September of each year. CARRIED

#### I.2 Tim Cheung Pharmacare Delegation

Moved by Councillor Richter,

Seconded by Councillor Whitmarsh,

Whereas, the Township of Langley has recognized and has demonstrated over the past years its commitment to the importance of healthy citizens as the foundation of a healthy, engaged, and economically vibrant community; and

Whereas, over three million Canadians, including many in our local communities, do not take medicines prescribed by their doctors because they cannot afford them; and

Whereas, Canada is currently the only country with a National Medicare Program that does not have a National Pharmacare Program; and

Whereas, the risk of having no insurance for medicines is high among lower income Canadians which includes the service industry, precarious working, and seasonal workers: and

Whereas, studies show that adding a National Pharmacare Program to our National Health Care System would lower costs to businesses by over \$8 billion per year, providing Canadian companies competitive advantages in international trade; and

Whereas, recent research confirms that these gains can be achieved with little or no increase in public investment; and

Whereas, municipal government expenses for employee benefits would be significantly reduced by a National Pharmacare Program; and

Whereas, a national prescription drug formulary would support better quality prescribing, including reducing dangerous and inappropriate prescribing to Canadian seniors; and

Whereas, a National Pharmacare Plan is a sound policy, both economically and socially, the Township of Langley expresses its support for the creation of a Nationally Pharmacare Program as an extension of Canadian Medicare, since health and economic studies show how such a policy would improve health in municipalities, give local businesses a competitive advantage in the global marketplace and lower costs for municipal government on taxpayers;

Therefore be it resolved, that the Township of Langley call on the Federal Government to work with the provinces and territories to develop and implement a National Pharmacare Program, and copy local MP's, MLA's, UBCM, and LMLGA.

CARRIED

#### J. TERMINATE

Moved by Councillor Davis, Seconded by Councillor Whitmarsh, That the meeting terminate at 5:12pm. CARRIED

CERTIFIED CORRECT:		
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