



MINUTES OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
Thursday, September 19, 2024

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT

MAYOR	Cathy Gonet
DEPUTY MAYOR	Eva Hope
COUNCILORS	Greg Wilson
	Hillary Deneron

ABSENT

COUNCILORS	Barbara McLeod [without notice]
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STAFF - Senior Administrative Officer	John W. McKee
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The Chairperson (Mayor) took the chair and called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Council approved the special meeting agenda without changes.

MOTION 2024- 57

The agenda for the September 19, 2024, meeting will be approved as presented.

Moved:	Hillary Deneron
Seconded:	Greg Wilson
Carried.	

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

No conflicts of interest were declared.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Council reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting, and no changes were made.

MOTION 2024- 58

The minutes for the July 22, 2024, meeting are approved as presented.

Moved: Hillary Deneron

Seconded: Greg Wilson

Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FOR THE MINUTES

COUNCILLOR ATTENDANCE

Councillor Barbara Mcleod has missed three council meetings in the past year without notice. As per Bylaw 293 "Council Procedure Bylaw Section" 4-6, she is deemed to have resigned from the Fort Liard Hamlet Council.

ELECTION DATES

The terms of all Councillors and the Mayor expire this year. The 2024 Municipal Election will be held on Monday, December 09, 2024.

NORMAN SASSIE – WOOD CUTTING PERMIT

Noted that ADK First Nation now supports Norman Sassies' application for a Wood Cutting Permit.

Norman Sassie was informed of the Hamlet Council meeting to review the council's decision not to support his application and that he could attend to put forward details of the application. He did not attend.

Council reviewed its decision not to support Norman Sassies' Wood Cutting Permit application and agreed to continue not to support this application in the location requested on the application.

NEW BUSINESS

LIQUOR RESTRICTIONS

Council agreed to request that the GNWT Minister of Finance issue a Temporary Liquor Restriction for ten days during the Christmas Holidays in 2024.

The Recreation Department will schedule special events during this period.

VETS WITHOUT BORDERS

Vets Without Borders will provide services in Fort Liard from September 19 to 24, 2024. The council agreed to provide the necessary hotel rooms for the veterinarians.

MOTION 2024-59

That the Hamlet of Fort Liard donates to the Vets Without Borders the cost of rooms for the Veterinarians while they provide services in Fort Liard from September 19-24, 2024.

Moved: Greg Wilson

Seconded: Eva Hope

Carried.

APPLICATION FOR A WATER LICENCE

The Yukon Government (Energy, Mines, and Resources) advised the Council that they intend to apply to the MacKenzie Valley Land and Water Board for a Type A Land Use Permit in preparation for the decommissioning of Kotaneelee well L-38. They are requesting feedback from Council so that it can be incorporated into the Application. Council reviewed the letter and did not put forward any concerns.

WILDFIRE AND RIVERBANK EROSION

The Council reviewed a request from the NWTAC to support their application to the Capacity Development Partner Grants Program for a Collaborative Training and Partnerships project. This project aims to address riverbank erosion and advance wildfire preparedness.

The council supported this application, and a letter of support will be sent to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

FINANCIAL

FUNDING POLICIES

The council reviewed a letter from the Minister of Municipal and Community Affairs detailing MACA funding policies and providing funding for Fort Liard for 2024/2025.

The SAO made a PowerPoint presentation outlining the details of these policies and the required financial reports. The presentation also detailed all funds received last fiscal year and what funds are budgeted for 2024/25.

CCBF FEDERAL FUNDING AGREEMENT

Council reviewed the 2024/205 Agreement for CCBF Funding

MOTION 2024- 60

That the Hamlet of Fort Liard enter into an Agreement for 2024/25 CCBF Funding and agree to the Terms and Conditions of this funding.

Moved: Hillary Deneron

Seconded: Greg Wilson

Carried.

PROJECTS

The SAO gave a PowerPoint presentation on Community Public Infrastructure planning, funding, and reporting requirements.

Council was provided with detailed briefing notes on three capital projects. These notes outlined the scope and substantiation of each project, the project's status to date, and the required budget adjustments.

MOTION 2024- 61

That the revisions and budget adjustments be approved for the following CPI projects –

Water Treatment Plan Cell Restoration

Solid Waste Site Cell Expansion

Fuel Tank Replacement at the Recreation Center

Moved: Greg Wilson

Seconded: Eva Hope

Carried.

FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL PLAN

A Capital Plan for 2024/2025 was reviewed and approved.

MOTION 2024- 62

That the 2024/2025 CPI Plan for the years be approved as presented and reviewed.

Moved: Greg Wilson

Seconded: Eva Hope

Carried.

BYLAWS

FACILITY RENTAL RATES

Facility Rental Rates have not been raised since 2022. Bylaw 341 establishes new rates to be effective January 1, 2025.

Bylaw 341 Facility Rental Rates as given first reading.

MOTION 2024-63

That Bylaw 341, "Facility Rental Rates" receives its first reading.

Moved: Hillary Deneron
Seconded: Greg Wilson
Carried.

Bylaw 341, "Facility Rental Rates," was given a second reading.

MOTION 2024-64

That Bylaw 341, "Facility Rental Rates" receives a second reading.

Moved: Hillary Deneron
Seconded: Eva Hope
Carried.

TEMPORARY BORROWING BYLAW

The Hamet is undertaking a Vegetation/Fuel Management project and will require funds to cash flow this project before reimbursement. A four-thousand-dollar line of credit will be established with CIBC.

Bylaw 342, "Temporary Borrowing" was given first reading.

MOTION 2024-65

That Bylaw 342, "Temporary Borrowing," receives its first reading.

Moved: Greg Wilson
Seconded: Hillary Deneron
Carried.

Bylaw 341, "Temporary Borrowing" was given a second reading

MOTION 2024-66

That Bylaw 342, "Temporary Borrowing," receives a second reading.

Moved: Hillary Deneron
Seconded: Eva Hope
Carried.

SAFETY OFFICER APPOINTMENT BYLAW

James Duntra and Nezioa Duntra have been hired, and this bylaw defines their duties and appoints them as Safety Officers.

Bylaw 343, "Safety Officer Appointment," was given first reading.

MOTION 2024-67

That Bylaw 343, "Bylaw Officer Appointment," receives its first reading.

Moved: Eva Hope

Seconded: Greg Wilson

Carried.

Bylaw 343, "Bylaw Officer Appointment," was given a second reading

MOTION 2024-68

That Bylaw 343, "Bylaw Officer Appointment," receives a second reading.

Moved: Greg Wilson

Seconded: Eva Hope

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Reviewed and Noted

Indigenous Patient Advocate – Deh Cho Region

MLA – Nine Plex Caretaker Position

REPORTS

RCMP Report

Fire Department Report

Safety Officer Report

NEXT MEETING

The next regular council meeting - October 17, 2024

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2024- 69

That the special meeting of September 19, be adjourned.

Moved: Greg Wilson

Seconded: Eva Hope

Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.



Cathy Gonet
Mayor



John W. McKee
Senior Administrative Officer