

## Chamber of Commerce report on the Regular Council Meeting January 27 2014:

Here is a summary of the meeting. The package from the council meeting is available at the Chamber office and past agendas, packages and minutes can be found at: <https://nr.civicweb.net/Documents/DocumentList.aspx?ID=20>

Public Hearing 6:00 PM Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 101, 2014 (City Furniture, 489486 BC Ltd. Lot Coverage and OFF Street Parking C-2 Rezoning). No other public in attendance. Hearing adjourned.

- Addition to the agenda –
  - Special Regional Council meeting to be held Feb 11 at 5:30 pm – draft report on Mountainview Neighbourhood Plan.
- Reports/Bylaws/Policies
  - Administration Report #05/14 – Sponsorship of the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Business & Community Excellence Awards  
Recommendation: That the Northern Rockies Regional Municipality participate in the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Business & Community Excellence Awards by sponsoring and presenting three awards (Business of the Year, Employer of the Year, and Customer Service Excellence – Business) for a total of \$600.00. Motion to approve the recommendation by Councillor Osbourne, second by Councillor Dolan, carried.
  - Administration Report #06/14 – Overflow Lagoon  
Recommendation: That IDL Projects Inc., be awarded the contract for the Rehabilitation of the Overflow Lagoon. Motion to approve the recommendation by Councillor Dolan, second by Councillor Soles, carried.
  - Administration Report #07/14 – Economic Development Capacity Building Fund, Grant Writer Fund – NDIT Recommendation(s):
    - That an application in the amount of \$35,000 be submitted to the Northern Development Trust's Economic Development Capacity Building Fund to partially fund a Community Development Researcher position (\$30,000) and (\$5,000) for Collaborative Funding to support additional activities in partnership with other community and regional organizations, AND
    - That an application be submitted to the Northern Development Trust's Grant Writer Program in the amount of \$7,500 to offset the 2014 costs for the Community Development Researcher to provide grant writing servicesMotion by Councillor Osbourne, seconded by Councillor McKee to approve the recommendations as amended to be an application of the maximum grant available be submitted. Carried.
  - Administration Report #08/14 – Janitorial Contract Extension  
Recommendation: that the Purchasing Policy be waived and that the existing contract with Sarah and Marc's Holdings Ltd. be extended to January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015 at the current rate \$4350 monthly plus taxes. Moved to approve the recommendation by Councillor Dolan, second by Mayor Streeper, carried.
  - Administration Report #09/14 – Chief Election Officer  
Recommendation: that DCA Heather Cosman be appointed as Chief Election Officer and that DCIM Ross Coupe be appointed as Deputy Chief Election Officer for conducting the Northern Rockies Regional Municipality 2014 Local Government Elections and any 2014 Referenda; and that all expenses be authorized for DCA Cosman and DCIM Coupe to attend the upcoming 2014 LGMA Election Training April 8-10 in Prince George.  
Motion to approve the recommendation by Councillor McKee, second by Mayor Streeper, carried.
  - Administration Report #10/14 – NR Fire Rescue Department /Animal Control Report for Jan-Dec 2013.  
Report was provided to council by Chief McCleary.
  - Zoning Amendment Bylaw Report No. 101, 2014 (City Furniture, 489486 BC LTD. Lot Coverage and Off-Street Parking C-2 Rezoning). A Bylaw of the Northern Rockies Regional Municipality to amend the Fort Nelson Northern Rockies Zoning Bylaw No. 729, 2008 to allow for a lot coverage of 90% and an exemption of the off-street parking requirements for City Furniture, 489486 BC Ltd.  
Motion that third reading and approval be given to the above noted bylaw by Councillor Dolan, second by Councillor McKee, carried.

- Bylaw Report #102/14 – Airport Fees and Parking Bylaw No. 102, 2014
  - First , Second and Third Reading be rescinded
  - Motion to rescind 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> readings by Councillor Dolan, second by Councillor Soles, carried.
- Correspondence – received for information
  - Fort Nelson Ice Hawks – Women’s Hockey Sponsorship Opportunity. Motion by Councillor Dolan to provide \$500 in kind donation of ice time, second by Councillor McKee, carried.
- Rise and Report on Closed Meeting
  - Council reports that the 2014 Oil & Gas Conference has been approved for Sep 30 – Oct 1, 2014