



CITY OF GREENWOOD
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on April 12, 2023

PRESENT

Mayor J. Bolt
Councillors: J. Nathorst, G. Shaw, C. Huisman, J. McLean

ABSENT

Marcus Lebler, CAO, Andrea Sherstobitoff, CO

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bolt called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion: J. Nathorst / G. Shaw
THAT the April 12, 2023 agenda be adopted.

(79-23)

Carried

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Motion: G.Shaw / J. McLean
THAT the minutes of the March 27, 2023 Regular Council Meeting be adopted as amended. Amendment: Bylaw No. 1008, 2023 FloodPlain Bylaw.
Opposed: G. Shaw

(80-23)

Carried

DELEGATION

None.

**CORRESPONDENCE
FOR INFORMATION**

None.

**CORRESPONDENCE
FOR ACTION**

None.

COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

Jim Nathorst: None.

Gerry Shaw: None.

Clint Huisman: Verbal report presented

Jessica McLean: Verbal report presented

MAYOR'S REPORT: Verbal report presented

Motion: J. McLean/ C. Huisman
THAT Council receive the reports as information.

(81-23)

Carried

ADMINISTRATION REPORT: None.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE REPORTS None.

NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. McArthur Centre Roof **Motion: G. Shaw / J. Nathorst**
THAT Council contact Interior Roofing company to get estimate on the McArthur Centre Roof.

Carried

(82-23)

b. Installation of the washrooms at Lions Park. **Motion: J. Nathorst/ G. Shaw**
THAT Council gets Jerry Sperling the go ahead with the washroom install in Lions Park. Funded from Capital.

Carried

(83-23)

BYLAWS

a.) Bylaw 1006, 2023 – Financial Plan 2023-2027 **Motion: J. Nathorst/ Mayor J. Bolt**
THAT Council give Final Reading and Adopt Bylaw No. 1006, 2023 – Financial Plan 2023-2027.

Opposed: J. McLean (letter attached)
G. Shaw (letter attached)

Carried

(84-23)

b.) Bylaw 1007, 2023 – Zoning Bylaw Amendment (Carriage House). **Motion: C. Huisman/ G. Shaw**
THAT Council give Final Reading and Adopt Bylaw No. 1007, 2023 – Zoning Bylaw Amendment (Carriage House).

Carried

(85-23)

CAMPGROUND

a.) Greenwood Recreation Committee. **Motion: J. McLean/ G. Shaw**
THAT Council approves to create Councilor McLeans Greenwood Recreation Committee.

Carried

(86-23)

b.) Expression of Interest – Municipal Campground Manager **Motion: J. McLean/ C. Huisman**
THAT Council puts Campground Caretaker Ad on Facebook.

Carried

(87-23)

**QUESTION
PERIOD**

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: J. Bolt

THAT Council adjourn the Regular Council Meeting at 8:35 pm.


(88-23)

Carried



Mayor

Certified Correct



Corporate Officer

Why I, Jessica McLean oppose the 2023 Budget.

- I am a newly elected councillor; discussion on this budget should have been started earlier, in Nov/Dec so that the new council would have a better understanding of all areas of the budget so that discussions on solutions for balancing the budget would not be rushed or pushed through.
- I should not have found out about capital projects days before our councillor meetings. Being a new councillor, Markus, the CAO, should have been providing all detail information beforehand so that informed decisions would be made. We are a team and I refuse to be forced to make decisions I am not comfortable with.
- I disagree with the water reservoir being on the budget, I understand that if we approve the budget that doesn't necessarily mean the capital project will continue. But if we got the water reservoir project in advanced, we could've dealt with it already and possibly not have it on the budget and have almost all our funds gone within 2 years.
- This budget presented, puts our city in debt in 2 years. I disagree with using our entire water fund for this water reservoir project. This would leave nothing for repairs on our ancient, corroding water pipes that spring leaks regularly and require repair.

I was told that "The City may shut down if this budget doesn't get approved and that I had better approve it". Shutting down the city isn't my goal, but I shouldn't feel forced to approve something I disagree with.

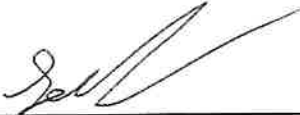
I love the City of Greenwood and I want to help make a difference here. I refused to vote in favour of this budget. I want to see a balanced budget that does not put the city in debt and one that does not deplete all our capital water funds. There are solutions, that is why informed discussions are important for making good decisions. At this point, with the information provided and in the short timeframe that we have had I will not approve this budget.

Jessica McLean
City Councillor, Greenwood B.C.



I, Gerry Shaw am OPPOSED to this 2023 budget presented to council and will not be voting in favour of it due to the reasons listed below.

- 1) Only deliberated on budget for 5 hours.
- 2) We were not given budget until 4 days prior to discussing the budget.
- 3) Budget discussions left until the last minute, leaving very little time to talk about concerns and ask questions.
- 4) Opposed to taking money out of a reserve fund to balance the budget.
- 5) Was never given clear explanation as to why we are in such a deficit situation.
- 6) No discussions were allowed for explanation to the new council to help assist us in understanding or discuss how to make changes to try and balance budget.
- 7) We have never had to dip into reserves in past budgets, no explanation has been given as to why we need to now.
- 8) I have asked for budget meetings as far back as November due to past experiences and concerns about pushing budget through because of time constraints.
- 9) Opposed to some of the long-term capital projects. No discussions with new council. I have asked multiple times for ISL reports and still have not received it.
- 10) Opposed to allocation of some of the capital money being spent. Example: water project being paid by capital reserves instead of water reserves.
- 11) Opposed to finalizing a budget that shows most of our capital reserves being depleted and showing an actual possibility of borrowing in the 5-year plan.
- 12) Concerned with the 5% increase in the budget because half of the increase goes to inflation of wages.
- 13) Concerned with revenue sources. Percentage of taxation from property taxes verses grants we receive from other governments and money transfers from reserves for operation.



Gerry Shaw, Councillor

Dated March 27, 2023