

## MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

Tuesday, November 10, 2020 5:30 P.M.

This meeting was held electronically as per Ministerial Order No. M192

Councillor Paterson

**Council Members Present:** 

Mayor Stone

Councillor Jacobson Councillor Stevens

Councillor Johnson Councillor Virtanen

Councillor McKay

**Staff Present:** 

Allison McCarrick Donna Smith

Erin Anderson Ryan Bouma
Chris Barfoot Mike Gregory

Jake Belobaba Sue Bouma

Geoff Goodall

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Stone called this Special Meeting of Council to order at 5:30 p.m., recognizing that it was taking place on the traditional unceded territory of the Stz'uminus First Nation.

Mayor Stone advised that although there is a different procedure for Remembrance Day this year, the Legion is still appreciative of any donations to their annual Poppy Campaign. The Mayor encouraged people to continue supporting the Legion by donating to the campaign.

#### 2. AGENDA APPROVAL

#### CS 2020-327

That Council approve the agenda for this Special Meeting of Council for November 10, 2020.

Motion Carried

# 3. 2021 BUDGET WORKSHOP - WATER AND SEWER UTILITY INTRODUCTION

Council received for information the report from the Director of Financial Services, dated November 10, 2020, regarding Water and Sewer Rates for 2021 by unanimous consent.

# 3.1 Presentation and Council Discussion

Staff presented details of the proposed sewer and water budgets for 2021, and responded to Council's questions.

Council recessed at 5:46 p.m. to allow for the public to submit questions regarding the budget discussion. Council resumed the meeting at 5:50 p.m.

# 3.2 Public Input and Questions

Members of the public enquired about the 3% increase in user fees, forecasted decreases in annual water consumption, the anticipated liabilities against reserves, and the anticipated time that the debt, approved in January 2020, would be executed. A member of the public inquired as to what is included in the "Reserve" and "Other" categories in the proposed budget.

#### 4. ADJOURNMENT

This Special Meeting of Council was adjourned at 5:59 p.m. by unanimous consent.