

**MINUTES** of a Town Council meeting held in the Bear Pit, Town/Regional District Office, Town Square, Fort Nelson, BC on Monday, October 28, 2002 at 6:30 PM.

**THOSE PRESENT**

Mayor Clarke	-Chair
Councillor Allen	
Councillor Bumstead	
Councillor C. Morey	
Councillor Unruh	

**STAFF**

Pat Bailey	-Administrator
Debbie Walker	-Corporate Administrator
Linda Wallace	-DRDS
Tom Sprado	-DRS
Heather Brown	-Deputy Corporate Administrator
Gillian Villeneuve	-Recording Secretary

**PUBLIC/MEDIA**

Director H. Morey	-NRRD
Director Sime	-NRRD
Alt. Director Barr	-NRRD
Alt. Director Blake	-NRRD
Cliff Wright	-CF Wright Farms Ltd.
JoAnne Wright	-CF Wright Farms Ltd.
Keith Lutsiak	
Shirley Scott	
Shelley Middleton	

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

A quorum being present, Mayor Clarke called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM and proceeded with the business placed before it.

2. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA** **MOVED** by Councillor Allen, **SECONDED** by Councillor Morey that the agenda for the October 28, 2002 Town Council meeting be amended to include the following:

- Administration Report #89/02 Re: Elections - Rescindment of Deputy Chief Election Officer Appointment and Appointment of New Deputy Chief Election Officer;
- Mr. Cliff Wright Re: Request for Resolution of Support for Application to the Land Reserve Commission to Exclude Land from the ALR for Property Adjacent to DL 1692 and Including a Portion of DL 1848, Peace River District;

and thereafter, be adopted for implementation.

**CARRIED**

#### **MINUTES FOR ADOPTION**

3. **Town Council**  
**October 15, 2002** **MOVED** by Councillor Allen, **SECONDED** by Councillor Morey that the minutes from the Town Council meeting held October 15, 2002 be adopted as distributed and read, there being no errors or omissions.

**CARRIED**

#### **INFORMATION PACKAGES**

4. **Council/Board Information Package**  
**October 18, 2002** **MOVED** by Councillor Bumstead, **SECONDED** by Councillor Unruh that the Council/Board Information Package dated October 18, 2002 be received for information.

**CARRIED**

5. **Council/Board Information Package**  
**October 25, 2002** **MOVED** by Councillor Bumstead, **SECONDED** by Councillor Unruh that the Council/Board Information Package dated October 25, 2002 be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**ADMINISTRATION REPORTS**

6. **Administration Report #87/02**  
**Re: Oil & Gas - Clarke Lake**  
**Road Bypass Project,**  
**Engineering Study, Request for**  
**Resolution Formally Confirming**  
**Acceptance of Route** **MOVED** by Councillor Morey, **SECONDED** by Councillor Unruh that the Ministry of Energy & Mines be advised that the Town of Fort Nelson herewith formally approves of the "Airport Route", as presented on the attached map, as the preferred route for construction of a Clarke Lake Bypass Route.

**CARRIED**

A copy of the map is attached to and forms a part of these minutes.

\* *Alternate Director Barr entered the meeting at 6:34 PM.*

7. **Administration Report #89/02**  
**Re: Elections - Rescindment of**  
**Deputy Chief Election Officer**  
**and Appointment of New**  
**Deputy Chief Election Officer** **MOVED** by Councillor Unruh, **SECONDED** by Councillor Allen that the resolution made on June 24, 2002 appointing Stacey Treter (now Loe) as Deputy Chief Election Officer for the Town be rescinded; and that Heather Brown be appointed as Deputy Chief Election Officer for the Town of Fort Nelson.

**CARRIED**

8. **TEMPORARY**  
**ADJOURNMENT** **MOVED** by Councillor Unruh, **SECONDED** by Councillor Morey that the meeting be temporarily adjourned at 6:35 PM.

**CARRIED**

9. **RECALL TO ORDER** Mayor Clarke re-called the meeting to order at 6:36 PM and asked Mr. Cliff Wright to proceed with his presentation.

**NEW BUSINESS**

10. **Mr. Cliff Wright Re: Request for Resolution of Support for Application to the Land Reserve Commission to Exclude Land from the ALR for Property Adjacent to DL 1692 and Including a Portion of DL 1848, Peace River District**

Cliff Wright explained that Karen JoAnne Wright applied to exclude the property adjacent to District Lot 1692 and including a portion of District Lot 1848 from the Agricultural Land Reserve. The purpose of the exclusion was to extend CF Wright Farms Ltd. operations as they could not meet added client tonnage requirements as well as to add special industrial landfill projects - such as composting wood waste from local industry (Slocan and CCMCL). The property was located directly behind the Enersol Plant and south of the CF Wright Farms Ltd. industrial landfill.

JoAnne Wright explained that two advertisements had been placed in the Fort Nelson News and one person had responded with some questions. There was no public objection to the application for exclusion. The application process had taken place over 8 months and the necessary public consultation completed with no opposition from Fort Nelson First Nations, Ministry of Forests and neighbours.

Should the Regional Board approve the application, an application to the Land Reserve Commission to have the land removed from the ALR would proceed to the Commission for approval. Should the Regional Board deny the application, CF Wright Farms Ltd. may have to develop and clear the land according to agricultural specifications and plant a crop prior purchasing the land.

Mr. Wright noted that although the Agriculture Land Reserve Commission provide special permission to operate industrial landfills on agricultural land, it was preferred to remove the property from the ALR as part of the condition of the sale. The land would be acquired by direct purchase and by removing the parcel from the ALR it could be sold again.

10. **Continued** Ms. Wright noted the Ministry of Environment had strict regulations; soil and water are tested and monitored by a third party.

Mayor Clarke thanked Mr. Wright and Ms. Wright for their presentation and advised that a decision would be made pending discussion during the Regional Board meeting.

11. **TEMPORARY  
ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was temporarily adjourned at 6:50 PM.

12. **RECALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was recalled to order at 10:13 PM.

13. **RISE AND REPORT**

Mayor Clarke rose and reported that the following resolution, regarding negotiations, was passed in the InCamera Session of the Town Council:

"that the Town Council would meet with the Northern Lamplighter's Activity Centre Association on Monday, November 4, 2002 to discuss the following options in respect to the Old Northwest site property:

- a longterm lease on the current property
- the purchase of a lot in the Midtown Subdivision
- a lease agreement for the inner lobby of Town Square"

**CARRIED**

14. **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOVED** by Councillor Unruh, **SECONDED** by Councillor Morey that the meeting be declared adjourned at 10:15 PM.

**CARRIED**

**CERTIFIED** a true and correct copy of the minutes of a Town Council meeting held on Monday, October 28, 2002.

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Harry Clarke, Mayor/Chair

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Debbie Walker, Corporate Administrator

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Gillian Villeneuve, Recording Secretary