



Council Meeting - Apr 08 2025 Minutes

Tuesday, April 8, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Council Chambers - City Hall 413 Fourth Street, Kaslo

Chair: Mayor Hewat
Councillors: Bird, Brown, Leathwood, Lang
Staff: CAO Baker
Public: 10

1. CALL TO ORDER

We respect and recognize the First Nations within whose unceded lands the Village of Kaslo is situated, including the Ktunaxa, Sinixt, and Sylix People, and the Indigenous and Metis Residents of our community.

The meeting is called to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

2.1 Addition of late items

None

2.2 Adoption of the agenda

076/25 THAT the agenda for the April 8, 2025 Council Meeting be adopted as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Bird

Seconded by: Councillor Leathwood

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

2025.03.25 Minutes - Draft.pdf

077/25 THAT the minutes of the March 25, 2025 Council Meeting be adopted as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Bird

Seconded by: Councillor Lang

CARRIED

4. IN CAMERA NOTICE

078/25 THAT in accordance with Section 90(1) A part of a council meeting may be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered relates to or is one or more of the following;

(e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality;

(i) the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;

(k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public;

THAT persons other than Council members and municipal officers be excluded from the meeting.

Moved by: Councillor Leathwood

Seconded by: Councillor Bird

CARRIED

Council recessed at 6:02 p.m.

Council reconvened in open meeting at 7:02 p.m.

5. RAISED FROM IN CAMERA MEETING

079/25 IC027/25 THAT staff be directed to proceed with the Thrift Store lease agreement at a rate of \$1100 per year.

Moved by: Councillor Bird

Seconded by: Councillor Brown

CARRIED

6. DELEGATIONS

6.1 Kaslo Housing Society

7. INFORMATION ITEMS

7.1 Council Reports

- Mayor's Report
 - April 8, 2025 Mayor's Report.pdf
 - 1. WKBRHD Update Report - Final.pdf
 - 2. 2025_DRAFT_WKBRHD_APP_A_FINAL.pdf
- Councillor Reports

Council Brown reported on the upcoming Community Forest AGM

7.2 Committee Meetings

Draft Minutes from 2025.03.31 Events Committee Minutes

Councillor Leathwood reported on the upcoming Volunteer and Appreciation Dinner.

7.3 Staff Reports

CAO Report

CAO Baker provided a verbal update on municipal activities including ongoing and upcoming projects.

7.4 Correspondence - Received

2025.03.20 Village of Daajing Giids RE Cannabis Taxation Sharing and Municipal-Owned Cannabis Retail Stores.pdf

2025.04.01 - Jim Holland South Beach Working Group - Submitted Materials.pdf

Councillor Brown raised the correspondence from Jim Holland for discussion.

080/25 THAT staff coordinate a meeting for The South Beach Working Group to appear as a delegation.

Moved by: Councillor Brown

Seconded by: Councillor Bird

Aye Mayor Hewat, Councillor Bird, Councillor Brown, and Councillor Leathwood

Nay Councillor Lang

CARRIED 4-1

7.5 Correspondence - Outgoing

2025.03.20 Support for BC Farmers Market Nutrition Coupon Program.pdf

2025.03.21 - Letter to Anne Malik_Redacted.pdf

7.6 Grant Application Approved

Kootenay Lake Testing for Ground Infiltrated Wastewater

72644_Village of Kaslo_IPG250070 - Approval Letter.pdf

8. QUESTION PERIOD

None

9. BUSINESS

9.1 2024 Audited Financial Statements

To consider the report prepared by Grant Thornton regarding the audit and consider accepting the 2024 Audited Financial Statements.

Village of Kaslo 2024 Financial Statements - Draft.pdf

081/25 THAT the 2024 Audited Financial Statements be accepted.

Moved by: Councillor Bird

Seconded by: Councillor Brown

CARRIED

9.2 Kaslo Housing Society

Kaslo Housing Society letter to Village of Kaslo.pdf

Backgrounder KHS project.pdf

082/25 THAT the Kaslo Housing Society's request for assistance be referred to the April 15th Committee of the Whole meeting.

Moved by: Councillor Leathwood

Seconded by: Councillor Brown

CARRIED

Councillor Leathwood declared a conflict of interest as she is the secretary of the VHKAS and left the meeting at 8:06 p.m.

9.3 Permissive Tax Exemption - Thrift Store Property

To consider granting a 10-year permissive tax exemption for the Thrift Store property.

Staff Report - Permissive Tax Exemption - Thrift Store Property.pdf

083/25 THAT the property occupied by the Thrift Store be granted a permissive tax exemption for the years 2025-2034.

Moved by: Councillor Brown

Seconded by: Councillor Bird

CARRIED

Councillor Leathwood returned to the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

9.4 Water & Wastewater Parcel Tax Bylaws

To propose water and wastewater parcel tax bylaws, with rates to be incorporated into the 5-year financial plan.

Staff Report - Water & Wastewater Parcel Tax Bylaws.pdf

1313 - Wastewater Parcel Tax Bylaw - DRAFT.pdf

1314 - Water Parcel Tax Bylaw - DRAFT.pdf

084/25 THAT the Wastewater Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 1313, 2025 be adopted as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Brown

Seconded by: Councillor Lang

CARRIED

085/25 THAT the Water Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 1314, 2025 be adopted as presented.

Moved by: Councillor Brown

Seconded by: Councillor Leathwood

CARRIED

9.5 Parcel Tax Roll Review Panel

To appoint a Parcel Tax Roll Review Panel to consider any complaints respecting the parcel tax roll, and to authenticate the roll.

Staff Report - Parcel Tax Roll Review Panel.pdf

086/25 THAT Mayor Hewat, Councillors Leathwood and Bird be appointed to the Parcel Tax Roll Review Panel, AND FURTHER

THAT first sitting of the review panel be scheduled for 4:00pm on April 28, 2025, at City Hall.

Moved by: Councillor Leathwood

Seconded by: Councillor Bird

CARRIED

9.6 Beer Garden Regulation

To consider whether the Village's beer garden bylaw is necessary given the provincial framework for liquor licensing.

Staff Report - Beer Garden Regulation.pdf

1315 - Repeal Beer Garden Regulation - DRAFT.pdf

087/25 THAT a bylaw to repeal the Village of Kaslo Beer Garden Regulation Bylaw No. 1315, 2025 receive third reading.

Moved by: Councillor Brown

Seconded by: Councillor Bird

CARRIED

9.7 EDMA Indigenous Engagement Requirements

To consider allocating an additional \$25,000 to the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) for collaboration on indigenous engagement activities.

Staff Report - EDMA Indigenous Engagement Requirements.pdf

088/25 THAT an additional \$25,000 (total \$40,000) be transferred to the RDCK for the purpose of pooling funds for Indigenous engagement requirements under the Emergency and Disaster Management Act, AND FURTHER THAT staff report back to Council once the Indigenous engagement plan is developed by the RDCK.

Moved by: Councillor Brown

Seconded by: Councillor Leathwood

CARRIED

089/25 THAT Council be offered the opportunity to enroll in the Indigenous Canada certificate program through the University of Alberta with fees paid for by the Village with its Indigenous Engagement Requirements funding.

Moved by: Councillor Brown

Seconded by: Councillor Bird

CARRIED

9.8 May Days 2025 – Chamber of Commerce Requests

To consider requests from the Kaslo & District Chamber of Commerce relating to the 2025 May Days event.

2025-03-28 - Letter from Chamber of Commerce.pdf

Staff Report - May Days 2025.pdf

090/25 THAT a grant-in-aid be provided to the Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$4,050 to cover the cost of facility rental fees and permits related to the 2025 May Days event.

Moved by: Councillor Brown

Seconded by: Councillor Lang

CARRIED

091/25 THAT all the requests from the Chamber of Commerce identified in their Letter to the Village dated March 28, 2025 be granted.

Moved by: Councillor Brown

Seconded by: Councillor Leathwood

CARRIED

9.9 2025 Draft Budget

- Operating Enhancements
- Reserve Funding

10. LATE ITEMS

None

11. ADJOURNMENT

092/25 THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Moved by: Councillor Brown

CARRIED

Corporate Officer

Mayor