

DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON
Regular Meeting - Nov 06 2023 of Council
Monday, November 6, 2023
Council Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER

Regular meeting called to order 7:00 PM

Present:

Mayor Gail Lowry

Councillor Braunwyn Henwood

Councillor Jutta Hobenshield

Councillor Ray Sturney

Councillor Mike Weeber

Absent:

Councillor Allan Berg

Councillor George Burns

Staff:

Wendy Hunt, Chief Administrative Officer

Laura Roe, Chief Financial Officer

Robyn Morrison-Ellis, Acting Deputy Corporate Officer

2. MINUTES

- 2.1 Accept Minutes of Oct. 2, 2023 regular meeting
RESOLUTION 8231/23

THAT, the minutes of October 2, 2023 meeting be accepted as presented.

Carried

3. PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

3.1 Seabridge Gold Presentation

Paper copies of the presentation were made available at the meeting. Council was updated on the status of Seabridge Gold's KSM Project and are hoping to have a letter of support to extend their current Environmental Assessment Certificate that is good until 2026. The presentation outlined the work completed so far and the financial contributions to the project.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

4.1 LOGS donation request

[LOGSdonationrequest.pdf](#) 

RESOLUTION 8232/23

THAT, the District of New Hazelton make a donation in the amount of \$1000.00 to LOGS.

Carried

4.2 Letter from Surrey Mayor Brenda Locke

[2023.10.20 Letter to BC Mayors RE Surrey Police Transition.pdf](#) 

RESOLUTION 8233/23

THAT, the District of New Hazelton receive for information the correspondence from Mayor Linda Locke from Surrey.

Carried


4.3 Hazelton Wolverines Season Sponsorship

[Wolverines Sponsorship.pdf](#) 

RESOLUTION 8234/23

THAT, the season sponsorship request from the Hazelton Wolverines Hockey Club, be received for information.

Carried

- 4.4 Forest Policy Decision-making
[Forest_Policy_Decision-making.pdf](#) 

RESOLUTION 8235/23

THAT, the Forest Policy Decision Making document be received for information.

Carried

- 4.5 Community Emergency Preparedness fund - for approval by resolution.

[CommunityEmergencyPreparednessFund.pdf](#) 

RESOLUTION 8236/23

THAT, the District of New Hazelton support the New Hazelton Volunteer Fire Department's application to the Community Emergency Preparedness Fund.

Carried

5. REPORTS

Councillor Sturney presented an update on the most recent USDC meeting.

Councillor Weeber attended the recent MASH event where an update on new program ventures and possibilities was discussed.

Mayor Lowry recapped the recent meeting with MOTI and Dawson Road Maintenance that some members of Council attended. Council learned about the challenges being faced by Dawson and also about the changes they have made to their operations such as brining prior to a snow event.

Mayor Lowry also provided an updated on the new Mills Memorial Hospital and the challenges that have been faced by diversions from Wrinch due to staffing shortages.

6. BYLAWS

6.1 Adopt Bylaw No. 375 Zoning Amendment

[BL375ZoningAmendment.docx](#) 

RESOLUTION 8237/23

THAT, the District of New Hazelton adopt Bylaw No. 375, 2023;
A bylaw to amend Zoning Bylaw No. 317, 2014 pertaining to
dwelling and lot sizes.

Carried

6.2 Adopt Bylaw No. 376 Council Procedures

[BL376CouncilProcedure.docx.doc](#) 

RESOLUTION 8238/23

THAT, the District of New Hazelton adopt Council Procedure
Bylaw No. 376, 2023 .

Carried

7. NEW BUSINESS

Seabridge Gold - KSM Project

RESOLUTION 8240/23

THAT, the District of New Hazelton write a letter to the BC Environmental
Office supporting an extension of Seabridge Gold's current Environmental
Assessment Certificate #M14-01.

CARRIED

2024 Facade Program

RESOLUTION 8241/23

THAT, the District of New Hazelton make an application to the Northern
Development Initiative Trust Community Places funding program.

CARRIED

Councillors Hobenshield and Henwood and Mayor Lowry will sit on the
selection Committee.


Winterfest 2023

It was decided that this year would be cupcakes and hot dogs along with coffee, hot chocolate, popcorn, bonfire, and Santa visit.

UNBC Medical Program

Councillor Sturney received an email invited anyone who wishes to be on the selection committees for the medical program at UNBC are welcome to put an application in for consideration. CAO Hunt will forward the email to the Council members.

7.1 Council Honoraria Survey

Results from Leslie Groulx Consulting and recommendations
[Council Honoraria.pdf](#) 

RESOLUTION 8239/23

THAT, the District of New Hazelton accept the recommendations of the Consultant and staff to increase the honoraria for each Councillor to \$7,690 per annum and the Mayor honoraria remain at \$11,000.00 per annum.

Carried

7.2 Council Schedule

[Agenda Meeting Schedule.docx](#) 

8. CLOSED MEETING

Closed meeting as per S. 90(1)(c) of the Community Charter - Personnel Matters.

9. ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION 8242/23

THAT, the regular meeting be adjourned at 8:24 pm.

Carried

10. INFO Package

[November Info Package.pdf](#) 

CAO/Corporate Officer

Mayor

CERTIFIED THIS 4TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2023