MINUTES of the SPECIAL MEETING of the COUNCIL of the DISTRICT OF MISSION and held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Hall, 8645 Stave Lake Street, Mission, British Columbia, on Monday, March 9, 2020 commenced at 1:06 p.m.

Council Members Present: Mayor Pam Alexis
Councillor Cal Crawford
Councillor Mark Davies
Councillor Jag Gill
Councillor Carol Hamilton
Councillor Ken Herar
Councillor Danny Plecas

Staff Members Present: Mike Younie, Chief Administrative Officer
Jennifer Russell, Corporate Officer
Barry Azevedo, Manager of Environmental Services
*Mike Dickinson, Senior Planner - Policy
*Mark Goddard, Fire Chief
*Jason Horton, Manager of Parks & Facilities
Tracy Kyle, Director of Engineering and Public Works
*Jennifer Meier, Engineering Technologist III
Kerri Onken, Deputy Treasurer/Collector
Barclay Pitkethly, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
Robert Publow, Manager of Planning
Brent Schmich, Manager of Business Services
*Maureen Sinclair, Director of Parks, Recreation and Culture
*Dan Sommer, Director of Development Services
Doug Stewart, Director of Finance
Dale Vinnish, Assistant Manager of Operations
Christine Brough, Executive Assistant

*Present for a portion of the meeting

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Davies, seconded by Councillor Gill, and

RESOLVED: That the March 9, 2020 Special Council agenda be adopted.

CARRIED

3. NEW BUSINESS

Options to Replace Tree Management Bylaw 3872-2006

A report dated March 9, 2020 from the Manager of Environmental Services regarding tree management in the District of Mission was provided for Council's information. Mr. Azevedo provided an overview of the three options contained in his report and outlined the potential costs, advantages and challenges of each.

Council discussed a variety of scenarios related to tree removal. They also expressed concern about the modest staffing estimates outlined in the report, the potential impact on individual homeowners, and the timing for the tree canopy assessment, and it was:
Moved by Councillor Plecas, seconded by Councillor Davies, and

RESOLVED:

1. That staff be directed to proceed with preparation of a new tree management bylaw based on Option 3 as contained in the Manager of Environmental Services' report dated March 9, 2020; and

2. That staff be directed to report back to Council with a prepared new tree management bylaw for first reading, and with a stakeholder and public consultation plan.

OPPOSED
Mayor Alexis
Councillor Crawford
Councillor Hamilton

CARRIED

It was recognized that there are a variety of factors that could potentially impact the timing of the tree canopy assessment, including the anticipated purchase of new aerial map images. Staff were directed to bring forward a recommendation on the timing of the proposed tree canopy assessment when the tree management bylaw is brought to Council for First Reading.

Moved by Councillor Davies, seconded by Councillor Plecas, and

RESOLVED: That the Special Council meeting be recessed.

CARRIED

The meeting recessed at 2:35 p.m. and reconvened at 2:44 p.m.

**Water Meter Program Options**

A report dated March 9, 2020 from the Manager of Engineering Planning, Assets, and Facilities outlining different options for a water meter program in the District of Mission was provided for Council's consideration.

Discussion ensued and it was:

Moved by Councillor Plecas, seconded by Councillor Crawford, and

RESOLVED:

1. That funding in the amount of $50,000 from the Water Utility Accumulated Surplus for the development of a business case analysis for a graduated voluntary to universal mandatory water metering scenario that includes incentives and funding options be approved; and

2. That Council authorize staff to conduct an assessment of the phasing-out of the current water and sewer declining-block rate for the 'Commercial/Industrial/Institutional and Multi-Unit Residential (Metered)' sector.

CARRIED

4. **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor Plecas, seconded by Councillor Crawford, and

RESOLVED: That the Special Council meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED
The meeting was adjourned at 3:54 p.m.

PAMELA ALEXIS  
MAYOR

JENNIFER RUSSELL  
CORPORATE OFFICER