



Staff Report to Council

Administrative Services

FILE: 09-3900-01/24

REPORT DATE: August 30, 2024 **MEETING DATE:** September 10, 2024

TO: Mayor and Council

FROM: Kate Barchard, Corporate Officer

SUBJECT: Historical Bylaws Repeal Bylaw No. 2996, 2024

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REVIEW/APPROVAL:

On behalf of M. Roberts

RECOMMENDATION(S):

THAT Council:

- A. Give first, second and third readings to “Historical Bylaws Repeal Bylaw No. 2996, 2024” to repeal historical bylaws previously repealed by resolution; OR
- B. Other.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to present to Council a repeal bylaw to repeal 49 historical bylaws that are now expired, obsolete or superceded, and were erroneously repealed by previous Councils using a resolution instead of a bylaw as per legislation.

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DISCUSSION

Background:

Administrative Services recently conducted an audit of all City bylaws adopted since the incorporation of Pitt Meadows in 1914. The purpose of this review was to ensure a complete inventory of all bylaws and to coordinate the repeal of any bylaws that are no longer required.

This review process revealed a series of bylaws that were repealed during previous Council terms (2006-2013), but were done so through the passing of a resolution instead of the adoption of a repeal bylaw (as per section 137 of the *Community Charter*; section 280.2 of the *Municipal Act* prior to 2004).

To remedy this administrative matter, Staff have prepared a repeal bylaw (**Attachment A**) which encompasses the historical bylaws listed below and which, upon adoption, will effectively and conclusively repeal them:

1. Bylaw No. 4 – Road Tax
2. Bylaw No. 7 – Subdivision Plans Approval – Rough Grade Roads
3. Bylaw No. 12A - Appointment of Medical Health Officer Bylaw
4. Bylaw No. 25 – Appoint a Municipal Solicitor
5. Bylaw No. 36 – Property Tax Penalty Bylaw
6. Bylaw No. 44 – Pound Establishment Bylaw
7. Bylaw No. 51 – Firearms Bylaw
8. Bylaw No. 54 – Poll Tax Bylaw
9. Bylaw No. 72 – Ward Bylaw
10. Bylaw No. 90 – Amendment to Road Tax Bylaw No. 4
11. Bylaw No. 99 – Use of Highways by Western Power Company
12. Bylaw No. 104 – Extraordinary Traffic
13. Bylaw No. 124 – Prevention of Fire Regulations
14. Bylaw No. 143 – Tax Payment Extension
15. Bylaw No. 166 – Bee Disease Prevention
16. Bylaw No. 247 – Business Licence
17. Bylaw No. 273 – North Fraser Valley Health Unit Confirmation
18. Bylaw No. 306 – Highland Drainage Rent
19. Bylaw No. 316 – Highland Drainage Rent Bylaw Amendment
20. Bylaw No. 322 – Gas Distribution Agreement
21. Bylaw No. 325 – Highland Drainage Rent Bylaw Amendment
22. Bylaw No. 332 – Tourist Accommodation Regulation
23. Bylaw No. 342 – Garbage Dumping Bylaw
24. Bylaw No. 362 – Driving of Animals Regulations
25. Bylaw No. 371 – Highland Drainage Rent Bylaw
26. Bylaw No. 373 – Garbage Dumping Bylaw Amendment
27. Bylaw No. 376 – Assessment Values of Land and Improvements
28. Bylaw No. 398 – Assessed Values of Land and Improvements
29. Bylaw No. 400 – Pool Room Amendment Bylaw
30. Bylaw No. 416 – Fence-Viewers Bylaw
31. Bylaw No. 445 – Building Bylaw Amendment
32. Bylaw No. 447 – Electrical Bylaw
33. Bylaw No. 473 - Building Bylaw Amendment
34. Bylaw No. 527 – Pitt Meadows Advance Poll Bylaw, 1972
35. Bylaw No. 576 – Tourist Accommodation Regulation Bylaw

36. Bylaw No. 611 – Pitt Meadows No. 1 Extended Sewerage Area, Extension and Construction Authorization Bylaw
37. Bylaw No. 697 – Interest Rate on Arreared and Delinquent Taxes
38. Bylaw No. 792 – Pool Room Amendment
39. Bylaw No. 1038 - Goose Lake Waterworks Agreement
40. Bylaw No. 1369 – Holding Tank Bylaw
41. Bylaw No. 1418 – Recreation Facilities Rates
42. Bylaw No. 1629 - Constitution Bylaw - Referendum & Initiative
43. Bylaw No. 1857 - Referendum Referral Bylaw
44. Bylaw No. 1858 – Election Bylaw
45. Bylaw No. 1859 – Voting Machine Bylaw
46. Bylaw No. 1872 – False Alarm Amendment Bylaw
47. Bylaw No. 2132 - Community Improvement & Controlled Substance Manufacturing Bylaw
48. Bylaw No. 2235 - Establish Dyking and Drainage Reserve Fund
49. Bylaw No. 2369 - MR/PM Parks & Leisure Commission

Copies of these historical bylaws have been compiled and included as **Attachment B**.

Analysis:

Because a local government is not legally obligated to enforce its own bylaws, there is little risk associated with having historical bylaws still ‘on the books’. Nonetheless, it is still beneficial, from an efficiency and public clarity perspective, to repeal such bylaws as soon as they are no longer needed.

Relevant Policy, Bylaw or Legislation:

Section 137 of the *Community Charter* requires that a bylaw must be repealed through the enactment of another bylaw.

The Municipal Act (pre-2004) also required that a bylaw be amended or repealed through the enactment of another bylaw (section 280.2.2.b).

COUNCIL STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

- Principled Governance Balanced Economic Prosperity Infrastructure
 Community Spirit & Wellbeing Corporate Pride Public Safety
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WORKPLAN IMPLICATIONS

- Already accounted for in department workplan / no adjustments required
 - Emergent issue / will require deferral of other priority(ies)
 - Other
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FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- None Budget Previously Approved Referral to Business Planning
- Other

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- Inform Consult Involve Collaborate Empower
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KATZIE FIRST NATION CONSIDERATIONS

- Referral Yes No Other

There are no impacts identified to Katzie First Nation.

SIGN-OFFS

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ATTACHMENT(S):

- A. Historical Bylaws Repeal Bylaw No. 2996, 2024
- B. Copies of Historical Bylaws Requiring Repeal