



MINUTES

Regular Meeting of Council

Clinton Council Chambers, 1423 Cariboo Highway
Wednesday, March 11, 2026, at 6:30 pm

In Attendance: Mayor Stanke, Councilors: Burrage, Kosovic, Park, Schapansky

Absent:

Staff: CAO Doddridge, CFO McKague, DCO Smith

Media: 0 Public: 1

Mission Statement: *"To Increase Economic Opportunity and Improve the Quality of Life for all Citizens."*

Vision Statement: *"Clinton is a lively resilient community, proud of its rich heritage while building a sustainable future with local Secwepemc and neighboring communities"*

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm

"Mayor and Council acknowledge that we are meeting on the traditional ancestral and unceded territory of the Whispering Pines/Clinton Indian Band and High Bar First Nation."

Adoption of the Agenda

Moved and Seconded

R044-26 That Council approves the Agenda dated March 11, 2026. CARRIED

Adoption of the Minutes

Moved and Seconded

R045-26 That the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting dated February 25, 2026, be adopted. CARRIED

Delegation

None

Question Period

None

Action Items

Frank Caputo, MP Letter – Asking Clinton for their top concern regarding the community.

Direction to Staff: To write a letter to Frank Caputo in response to his correspondence to us.

BC Council of Forestries – Request for Official Endorsement of "Forestry is a Solution"

Received for Information and make available for public to sign the petition.

Information

Terri Hadwin – TNRD Film Commission – providing updates.

Received for information

TNRD – Municipal Yard Waste Clean-Up Event – 2026 Waiver Fee

Direction to Staff: CAO to confirm with the TNRD to see if the Village is responsible for doing the pickup. Plan a community yard waste day in early May.

School District No. 74 – Strategic Plan Survey

Received for information.

School District No. 74 - School District Name Change

Received for information.

Reading File

Received for Information.

Administrative Reports

CAO

None

Chief Financial Officer

None

Community Development Coordinator

None

Deputy Corporate Officer

Draft Resolution for support of continuation of Prince George to North Vancouver Railway Line

Moved and Seconded

R046-26 THAT, Council approves the following draft resolution:

Whereas loss of the Squamish-Cariboo rail line which may ensue from CN Rail's plans announced in July 2025 to terminate its lease would result in shippers being forced to higher cost truck transport, increased public highway maintenance costs, loss of passenger (tourist or commuter) rail opportunity, higher GHG emissions, loss of transportation corridor redundancy affecting Western Canada, and constrained regional economic development;

And whereas rail discontinuance policies applying to the former BC Rail line do not necessarily take into account regional and long-term transportation needs and priorities and might frustrate economic viability of potential new short line operators, while infrastructure funding solutions for this valuable rail line's maintenance are lacking;

Therefore, resolved that the provincial and federal governments be encouraged to consider a new regional authority or ownership structure including First Nations and transition to a short line operator model to support regional enterprise while maintaining the strategic redundancy of the line;

And be it therefore resolved that senior governments be encouraged to consider potential public-private rail line maintenance funding solutions.

CARRIED

Public Works

None

Fire Department

None

FireSmart Coordinator

None

Bylaw Officer

None

Committees

Policy Review Committee Draft Minutes dated February 26, 2026 – For information
Received for information as presented.

Bylaws/Policies

Special Initiatives Capacity Reserve Bylaw No. 610, 2026 - for adoption

Moved and seconded

R047-26 THAT, Council adopts the Village of Clinton Special Initiatives Capacity Reserve Bylaw No. 610, 2026. CARRIED

Fire Department Remuneration Amendment Bylaw No. 611, 2026 – for first, second and third readings.

Moved and Seconded

R048-26 THAT, Council gives first reading to the Village of Clinton Fire Department Remuneration Amendment Bylaw No. 611, 2026. CARRIED

R049-26 THAT, Council gives second reading to the Village of Clinton Fire Department Remuneration Amendment Bylaw No. 611, 2026. CARRIED

R050-26 THAT, Council gives third reading to the Village of Clinton Fire Department Remuneration Amendment Bylaw No. 611, 2026. CARRIED

LED Sign Usage Policy A-01-2026 – For adoption
Moved and Seconded

R-051-26 THAT, Council adopts the Village of Clinton LED Sign Use Policy A-01-2026. CARRIED

Council Reports

Mayor Stanke – Verbal

Nothing to report this time. Will have a report for the next Council meeting.
Received for information as presented.

Councillor Burrage – Verbal

Attended an E-Fry Meeting – Can apply for funding on behalf of the Village of Clinton to support a Community food processing hub.

Heritage Week – Lots of events planned for that week.

May 15 – Judges to judge businesses on decorations, best dressed, etc.

May 16 – 159th Annual Ball

May 17 – 1st Annual Car Cruise

May 18 – Walking Tour

May 20 – Geo-cache event

May 20 – Roping Lessons at 5pm

Received for information as presented.

Councillor Kosovic – Verbal

Nothing to report at this time.

Received for information as presented.

Councillor Park – Verbal

Nothing to report at this time.

Received for information as presented.

Councillor Schapansky – Verbal

Couldn't attend the FireSmart meeting.

CCF Meeting – Nothing was harvested in 2025. One cut block is ready to go. Next meeting will be at the beginning of April.

Received for information as presented.

New Business

None

List of Outstanding Council Previous Action Items

Received for information.

Calendar of Events

- Mar 25 – Spring Tea (formerly Daffodil Tea) Memorial Hall
- Apr 05 - Bethel Pentecostal Church Easter Breakfast – Memorial Hall
- Apr 11 – Quilt Show – Memorial Hall
- Apr 18 – Volunteer Appreciation Night – Memorial Hall
- Apr 19 – Seedy Sunday Memorial hall 10am to 2pm

Notice to Proceed to Closed Meeting

Moved and Seconded

R052-26 Motion to proceed to Closed Meeting as per Section 90.1 (e) of the Community Charter at 7:26pm. CARRIED

Adjournment

Moved and Seconded

R053-26 That the Regular Meeting of Council be adjourned 8:05 pm. CARRIED



MAYOR



CORPORATE OFFICER