

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Monday, June 27, 2016

PRESENT: MAYOR FRANK KONRAD
COUNCILLOR JULIA BUTLER
COUNCILLOR CHRIS HAMMETT
COUNCILLOR NEIL KROG
COUNCILLOR BEVERLEY TRIPP
COUNCILLOR CHRISTINE THOMPSON

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER	D. Allin
ACTING CORPORATE OFFICER	S. Winton
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	R. Shepherd
MANAGER OF DEVELOPMENT & ENGINEERING	D. Sheets
CORPORATE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	D. Popoff

GALLERY

ABSENT: COUNCILLOR COLLEEN ROSS

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

- a) Mayor Konrad called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

2. **ANNUAL REPORT**

- a) Corporate Officer's Report - Annual Report 2015
2015 Annual Report, consideration of report and submissions and questions from the public

- section clarifications of the Annual Report were discussed

MOTION: BUTLER / THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT Council receives the 2015 Annual Report and considers questions and submissions from the public.

CARRIED.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

a) Amend agenda

Mayor Konrad advised that he will be including two late items: the 2015 Statement Of Financial Information (SOFI) Report and the Council Code of Conduct Policy 308.

MOTION: THOMPSON / KROG

RESOLVED THAT Council amends the June 27, 2016, Regular Meeting agenda to reconsider the Council Code of Conduct Policy 308 at the request of Mayor Konrad as per the Community Charter section 131.

CARRIED.

Councillor Butler opposed the motion.

b) Adopt amended agenda

June 27th, 2016, Regular Meeting amended agenda

MOTION: THOMPSON / HAMMETT

RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the June 27, 2016, Regular Meeting agenda as amended.

CARRIED.

Councillor Butler opposed the motion.

4. MINUTES

a) Adopt minutes

June 13th, 2016, Special Meeting minutes

MOTION: HAMMETT / KROG

RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the June 13th, 2016, Special Meeting minutes as presented.

CARRIED.

b) Adopt minutes

June 13th, 2016, Committee of the Whole Meeting minutes

- two items will be double checked from the recorded minutes of June 13, 2016 before final adoption: p.96 ILMA resolution - 'to receive the report' only and p.98 Councillor Tripp 'spoke on the perception of suspicion'

MOTION: KROG / HAMMETT

RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the June 13th, 2016, Committee of the Whole Meeting minutes as presented.

This motion was not carried.

MOTION: THOMPSON / BUTLER

RESOLVED THAT Council table the June 13, 2016, Committee of the Whole Meeting minutes, in order for the proposed amendments to be reviewed by staff for accuracy; AND FURTHER THAT Council reconsiders the minutes at the July 18, 2016, Regular Meeting for adoption.

CARRIED.

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- c) Adopt minutes
June 13th, 2016, Regular Meeting minutes

MOTION: BUTLER / KROG

RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the June 13th, 2016, Regular Meeting minutes as presented.

CARRIED.

5. REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a) Manager of Development and Engineering Services
Memo update regarding the application for a Development Variance Permit for a vacant property located in the 7900 block of Riverside Drive

Councillor Butler recused herself from the Regular Meeting at 7:21 pm.

MOTION: KROG / THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT Council receives the memo from the Manager of Development and Engineering Services regarding the application for a Development Variance Permit for a vacant property located in the 7900 block of Riverside Drive.

CARRIED.

Councillor Butler returned to the Regular Meeting at 7:22 pm.

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- b) Manager of Development and Engineering Services
Memo update regarding the amendment of the current Sustainable Community Plan Bylaw by adding a policy statement for Temporary Use Permits

MOTION: HAMMETT / TRIPP

RESOLVED THAT Council receives the memo from the Manager of Development and Engineering Services regarding the update on the amendment of the current Sustainable Community Plan Bylaw by adding a policy statement for Temporary Use Permits.

CARRIED.

7. **REPORTS, QUESTIONS AND INQUIRIES FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL**

- a) Corporate Officer's Report
Written reports of Council

MOTION: TRIPP / HAMMETT

RESOLVED THAT all written reports of Council be received.

CARRIED.

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- b) Councillor Butler
Proposed Motion

- discussion took place regarding attaining these reports, length of time to put together, staff time, monthly reports

MOTION: BUTLER / TRIPP

WHEREAS a Treasurer's Report should be part of every regular board meeting; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receives detailed financial reports from the CFO at every COTW Meeting that show, not only department expenditures, but also the type of expenditure, which project the expenditure falls within, and the source of funding.

DEFEATED.

8. **REPORT FROM COUNCIL'S REPRESENTATIVE TO THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF KOOTENAY BOUNDARY**

- a) Corporate Officer's Report
Verbal report from Council's representative to the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary

Prior to Mayor Konrad's verbal report, he wanted to speak in regards to the Good Sam Samboree members recently visiting Grand Forks. The Club members stated that all of the staff, from City Hall, Fire Dept. and Public Works, were very hospitable and gave them all a warm welcome. They thought that all of the merchants were very

helpful and overall were very happy and enjoyed Grand Forks and its wonderful location.

- June 14th attended Water Suppliers Working Group at Selkirk College, Grand Forks, Councillor Ross is allocated to attend any future meetings
- June 15th attended a Committee of the Whole meeting in Trail, BC, focus was on the RDKB Emergency Management Program
- June 16th attended a meeting at the RDKB in Grand Forks
- June 22nd attended the West Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital District meeting in Castlegar, BC

MOTION: KROG / HAMMETT

RESOLVED THAT Mayor Konrad's report on the activities of the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary, given verbally at this meeting be received.

CARRIED.

9. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF FOR DECISIONS

- a) Acting Corporate Officer
Electrical Upgrade for James Donaldson Park
- explanation of amount allocations were discussed

MOTION: KROG / THOMPSON

**RESOLVED THAT Council determines to approve the request for an electrical upgrade at James Donaldson Park;
AND FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council approves a budget amendment in the amount of \$36,000 to come from electrical surplus.**

CARRIED.

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- b) Acting Corporate Officer
Committee of the Whole Meetings to include Area D Director

MOTION: THOMPSON / HAMMETT

RESOLVED THAT Council determines to include the Area D Director in the Committee of the Whole Meetings.

CARRIED.

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- c) Manager of Development & Engineering Services
Application for a Development Variance Permit to reduce the rear side parcel line setback in order to build an in-ground pool on property located at 125 Victoria Way

MOTION: HAMMETT / BUTLER

RESOLVED THAT Council considers the following and approves the Development Variance Permit application by allowing a rear yard setback variance from 5 feet to 0 feet behind the existing residence at 125 Victoria Way, legally described as Lot 22, District Lot 493, S.D.Y.D., Plan KAP28728.

CARRIED.

10. REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

11. INFORMATION ITEMS

- a) Manager of Development & Engineering Services
Memo regarding the Sustainable Community Plan Open House No. 1

MOTION: HAMMETT / TRIPP

RESOLVED THAT Council receives the memo from the Manager of Development and Engineering Services regarding the Sustainable Community Open House No. 1.

CARRIED.

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- b) Slow Pitch Tournament
Requesting permission for a Special Occasion Liquor Licence on Friday, July 15th from 5:00-10:00 pm, Saturday, July 16th and Sunday, July 17th from 11:00 am-10:00 pm at Dick Bartlett Park for a slow pitch tournament

MOTION: THOMPSON / HAMMETT

RESOLVED THAT Council approves the issuing of a Special Occasion Liquor Licence to the Slow Pitch Tournament on July 15, 16, and 17, 2016, at Dick Bartlett Park, subject to the Slow Pitch Tournament obtaining third party (party alcohol) liability insurance naming the City of Grand Forks as an additional insured on that policy; all Slow Pitch Tournament liquor providers to hold a Serving It Right Licence Certificate; and ICBC "Drinking and Driving" warning posters to be displayed.

CARRIED.

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- c) Gallery 2
Requesting permission for a Special Occasion Liquor Licence on Saturday, August 20 at the Gallery Gardens for a fundraiser called Taps, Tunes & Tapas.

MOTION: THOMPSON / HAMMETT

RESOLVED THAT Council approves the issuing of a Special Occasion Liquor Licence to Gallery 2 on August 20, 2016, at the Gallery Gardens, subject to Gallery 2 obtaining third party (party alcohol) liability insurance naming the City of Grand Forks as an additional insured on that policy; all Gallery 2 liquor providers to hold a Serving It Right Licence Certificate; and ICBC "Drinking and Driving" warning posters to be displayed.

CARRIED.

- d) South Okanagan-Boundary Labour Council
Letter regarding poverty reduction coalition and request for resolution at the UBCM

MOTION: TRIPP / THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT Council receives the letter from the South Okanagan-Boundary Labour Council regarding poverty reduction coalition.

CARRIED.

- e) Canadian Union of Postal Workers
Letter and correspondence regarding the Federal Government reviewing public postal service

MOTION: KROG / BUTLER

RESOLVED THAT Council receives the letter and correspondence from the Canadian Union of Postal Workers regarding the Federal Government reviewing public postal service.

CARRIED.

12. BYLAWS

- a) Acting Corporate Officer
Extension to Noise Control Bylaw No. 1963 for Cannafest Event
- discussion took place regarding the decibel levels, communication with neighbours, hospital
 - park at the end of the event in the previous year was left in excellent condition

MOTION: HAMMETT / THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT Council determines to approve the request to extend the Noise Control Bylaw No. 1963 to 12:30 am on August 5 and 6, 2016, for the Cannafest Event.

CARRIED.

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- b) Chief Financial Officer
2016-2020 Financial Plan Bylaw Amendment No. 1

- questions and discussion took place in regards to the 2016-2020 Financial Plan

MOTION: THOMPSON / HAMMETT

RESOLVED THAT Council gives first three readings to the 2016-2020 Financial Plan Bylaw 2021 - Amendment No. 1.

CARRIED.

Councillor Butler opposed the motion.

13. LATE ITEMS

- a) Chief Financial Officer
Statement of Financial Information (SOFI)

MOTION: THOMPSON / HAMMETT

**THAT Council receives the Chief Financial Officer's Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) Report;
AND FURTHER THAT Council approves the statements and schedules included in the Statement of Financial Information for the City of Grand Forks as at December 31st, 2015, as presented.**

CARRIED.

- b) Mayor Konrad recessed the Regular Meeting at 8:31 pm.
Mayor Konrad reconvened the Regular Meeting at 8:38 pm.
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- c) Mayor Konrad
Council Code of Conduct Policy

- discussion took place regarding City's legal team, concerns of City staff contact of Council about City issues, complaints brought about a member of Council, Policy signing, Due Process, Freedom of Speech, speaking to CAO through Mayor, sanctions and sensor meanings
- one change: 'Deputy Mayor' should be changed to 'Mayor', as discussed previously

MOTION: HAMMETT / THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT the motion for Council to refer the Council Code of Conduct Policy #308 to the July 18, 2016, Regular Meeting, adopted at the June 13, 2016, Regular Meeting, be amended to be referred to the June 27, 2016, Regular Meeting for consideration.

CARRIED.

Councillor Butler and Councillor Tripp opposed the motion.

14. **QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC AND THE MEDIA**

- a) - Derek from Juice FM inquired as to what is Area D? Commented that Council did an awesome job of approving the Cannafest Noise Bylaw extension and the JD Electrical upgrade.
- Kate from the Gazette inquired as to the Code of Conduct Policy and why it was brought forth this evening? Mayor Konrad replied that it was best to give the policy to the legal team and felt no reason to delay.
- Les Johnson commented on the financial report, Code of Conduct, and inquired if a microphone could be setup for the public to be heard more clearly.
- Kate from the Gazette inquired if the City has a policy in place for a Councillor to bring forth a legitimate concern to the media? Mayor Konrad responded and stated, who ascertains the term 'legitimate'? That is why the concern is brought in front of Council first.
- Tom Tripp commented that Council worked well as a team tonight.

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

- a) Mayor Konrad adjourned the June 27, 2016, Regular Meeting at 9:16 pm.

MOTION: HAMMETT / THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT the June 27, 2016, Regular Meeting be adjourned at 9:16 pm.

CARRIED.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:


MAYOR FRANK KONRAD


CORPORATE ADMINISTRATIVE
ASSISTANT - DAPHNE POPOFF