

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2017

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

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER	D. Allin
DEPUTY MANAGER OF OPERATIONS	D. Drexler
MANAGER OF DEVELOPMENT & ENGINEERING	D. Sheets
CORPORATE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	D. Popoff

GALLERY

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

- a) The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

- a) Adopt agenda
February 14th, 2017, Regular Meeting agenda
The Mayor advised that he was amending the agenda to include a late item to the Council AKBLG final resolutions under Corporate Services, section 8 b), Councillor Tripp's resolution.

MOTION: THOMPSON / TRIPP

RESOLVED THAT Council amends the February 14, 2017, Regular Meeting agenda to include a late item to the Council AKBLG final resolutions under Corporate Services, section 8 b), Councillor Tripp's resolution.

CARRIED.

MOTION: KROG / THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the February 14th, 2017, Regular meeting agenda as amended.

CARRIED.

3. **MINUTES**

- a) Adopt minutes
January 30, 2017, Committee of the Whole Meeting minutes
Councillor Tripp, as a housekeeping item, would like the word 'beginning' removed from page 6, section 12 b), Question Period from the Public, for clearer clarification.

MOTION: THOMPSON / TRIPP

RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the January 30, 2017, Committee of the Whole Meeting minutes as amended.

CARRIED.

- b) Adopt minutes
January 30, 2017, Regular Meeting minutes

MOTION: TRIPP / THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the January 30, 2017, Regular Meeting minutes as presented.

CARRIED.

4. **REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS**

5. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

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

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

MOTION: HAMMETT / THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT all written reports of Council submitted to the February 14th, 2017, Regular Meeting be received.

CARRIED.

7. **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

- Mayor Konrad had no report this evening.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF FOR DECISIONS

- a) Manager of Development & Engineering Services
BC Conservation Foundation (BCCF) - WildSafeBC Program for 2017

MOTION: THOMPSON / BUTLER

RESOLVED THAT Council supports staff submitting the grant application for a WildSafeBC Community Coordinator for the 2017 season and commits \$8,500 from the Wildlife Management budget to match and supplement grant funding.

CARRIED.

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- b) Corporate Services
AKBLG Final Resolutions for 2017

MOTION: TRIPP / KROG

**WHEREAS public consultation on the placement of cell towers is mandated; and
WHEREAS new technology is moving away from these large towers to micro transmitters which do not require local government or public consultation;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the AKBLG request the UBCM petition relevant provincial and federal governments to mandate similar public consultation requirements for the placement of micro transmitters as per cell towers.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION: BUTLER / KROG

RESOLVED THAT Council adopts Councillor Tripp's resolution for staff to submit, prior to the deadline of February 24, 2017, as adopted by City Council, to the Association of Kootenay and Boundary Local Governments (AKBLG) for those members' consideration and vote at the AKBLG Annual General Meeting held in April 2017.

CARRIED.

MOTION: THOMPSON / TRIPP

WHEREAS research has shown the practice of changing to Pacific Daylight Savings Time each spring can have a negative impact on people's health and cognitive awareness; and

WHEREAS there have been petitions and calls for the abolition of Daylight Savings Time,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the AKBLG request the UBCM petition the provincial government to consult with the people of BC with a view to abolishing Daylight Savings Time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION: TRIPP / KROG

RESOLVED THAT Council adopts Councillor Thompson's resolution for staff to submit, prior to the deadline of February 24, 2017, as adopted by City Council, to the Association of Kootenay and Boundary Local Governments (AKBLG) for those members' consideration and vote at the AKBLG Annual General Meeting held in April 2017.

CARRIED.

9. REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

10. INFORMATION ITEMS

- a) Grand Forks Downtown Business Association
Letter requesting implementation of items

Discussion:

- downtown core implementations: speaker installation on Market Avenue, parking, signage, speed limit

MOTION: HAMMETT / THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT Council receives for discussion the letter from the Grand Forks Downtown Business Association requesting implementation of items.

CARRIED.

MOTION: BUTLER / KROG

RESOLVED THAT Council send remaining items on the list back to staff for more information and bring them back to Council individually with information on costs, staff time, and other implications.

CARRIED.

11. BYLAWS

12. LATE ITEMS

- a) As per resolution from the morning's COTW Meeting, this item from The Grand Forks International Baseball Tournament was brought forward for Council's discussion and decision: a request to allow RV parking at Dick Bartlett Park during June 26-July 3, 2017, by charging a fee, with collection belonging to the GFI

Discussion:

- costs, economic impact on community, damage deposit for use of the field, other group events, campgrounds

MOTION: BUTLER / THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT Council approves the request to allow RV parking at Dick Bartlett Park during June 26-July 3, 2017, by charging a fee, with collection belonging to the Grand Forks International;

AND FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Grand Forks International will provide all maintenance and a bond for use of the field.

CARRIED.

13. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC AND THE MEDIA

- a) - Derek from Juice FM spoke in regards to two-way stop concerns and speed limit
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- b) - Les Johnson spoke in regards to vehicle and pedestrian traffic, and speed limit

14. ADJOURNMENT

- a) Mayor Konrad adjourned the February 14, 2017, Regular Meeting at 8:09 pm.

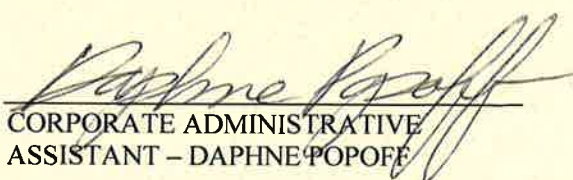
MOTION: BUTLER / ROSS

RESOLVED THAT the February 14, 2017, Regular Meeting be adjourned at 8:09 pm.

CARRIED.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:


MAYOR FRANK KONRAD


CORPORATE ADMINISTRATIVE
ASSISTANT - DAPHNE POPOFF