

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
MONDAY, MARCH 13, 2017

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

ABSENT: COUNCILLOR BEVERLEY TRIPP ("with notice")

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
CORPORATE OFFICER
DEPUTY CORPORATE OFFICER

D. Allin
D. Heinrich
D. Drexler

GALLERY

1. CALL TO ORDER

a) Mayor Konrad called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

a) Adopt agenda
March 13, 2017, Regular Meeting agenda

MOTION: HAMMETT / BUTLER

RESOLVED THAT Council amend the agenda to include two late items:

- 1. Take back from the table the discussion on Way-finding Signage.**
- 2. Appointment of the Approving Officer**

CARRIED.

MOTION: KROG / BUTLER

RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the March 13, 2017, Regular Meeting agenda as amended.

CARRIED.

3. MINUTES

- a) Adopt minutes
February 27, 2017, Special Meeting to go In-Camera minutes

MOTION: THOMPSON / KROG

RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the February 27, 2017, Special Meeting to go In-Camera minutes as presented.

CARRIED.

- b) Adopt minutes
February 27, 2017, Regular Meeting minutes

MOTION: THOMPSON / HAMMETT

RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the February 27, 2017, Regular Meeting minutes as presented.

MOTION: BUTLER / THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT Council amend the minutes to include three amendments:

- 1. 2.a) to include Councillor Tripp as being opposed**
- 2. 2.a) to include Councillor Tripp's motion, which was seconded by Councillor Butler and was CARRIED by Council regarding a late item to set a timeline for discussion on voting on Capital Projects for the financial budget.**
- 3. 3.a) to include Councillor Butler's motion, which was seconded by Councillor Tripp and was DEFEATED by Council, to indicate the reason Councillor Butler's vote to oppose the to go into the In-Camera meeting resolution as Section 90 (1) (c) and Section 90 (1) (g) were omitted.**

AND FURTHER THAT Council adopt the minutes as amended.

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

Discussion ensued regarding:

- AKBLG participation by members of Council
- Cost to the City to attend conferences in general
- Motions at the AKBLG initiated by Council

MOTION: KROG / THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT all written reports of Council submitted to the March 13, 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 did not have a report due to meeting scheduling conflicts, report will follow at the next meeting.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF FOR DECISIONS

9. REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

10. INFORMATION ITEMS

- a) Manager of Development and Engineering
Memorandum regarding the postponement of an application for a Development Variance Permit to vary the Subdivision, Development and Servicing Bylaw 1970

MOTION: THOMPSON / KROG

RESOLVED THAT Council receives for information the memorandum from the Manager of Development and Engineering regarding the postponement of an application for a development variance permit to vary the Subdivision, Development and Servicing Bylaw No. 1970.

CARRIED.

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- b) Grand Forks Piranhas Swim Club Society
Letter requesting support from the City of Grand Forks, specifically to help with pool rental fees

MOTION: THOMPSON / KROG

RESOLVED THAT Council receives for information the letter from the Grand Forks Piranhas Club Society requesting support from the City of Grand Forks; AND FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council provides direction to staff for a response to the Society advising that the City does not have a Grant in Aid Policy.

CARRIED.

- c) Town of Osoyoos
Letters requesting grant in aid support from the Town of Osoyoos for minor hockey teams going to provincials

Discussion regarding local players attending and personal funding

MOTION: BUTLER / THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT Council receives for information the letters from the Town of Osoyoos requesting grant in aid support from the City of Grand Forks; AND FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council provides direction to staff for a response to the Town of Osoyoos advising that the City does not have a Grant in Aid Policy.

CARRIED.

- d) Regional District of Kootenay Boundary (RDKB)
Upcoming recycling event regarding Tire Stewardship BC Tire Round Up on March 18, 2017, at OK Tire

MOTION: THOMPSON / KROG

RESOLVED THAT Council receives for information from the RDKB the upcoming Tire Stewardship BC Tire Round Up event on March 18, 2017, at OK Tire, with a Notice linked to the City of Grand Forks webpage for community information.

CARRIED.

11. **BYLAWS**

12. **LATE ITEMS**

- a) Bring back from the table the discussion for Way-finding signage

Discussion regarding Way-finding signage:

- installation
- type of signage
- public design voting process

- chosen design

MOTION: HAMMETT / THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT Council bring back from the table the discussion on the Way-finding Signage.

CARRIED.

Councillor Butler was opposed to this motion.

MOTION: HAMMETT / THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT Council instruct Staff to proceed with the Way-finding signage project with the design chosen by the public and approved through the early budget approval process.

CARRIED.

Councillor Butler was opposed to this motion.

b) Appointment of Approving Officer

The CAO gave a brief review of the authority and autonomy of the Approving Officer regarding land use items.

MOTION: KROG / THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT Council appoints Dolores Sheets as the Approving Officer for the City of Grand Forks.

CARRIED.

13. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC AND THE MEDIA

a) Questions from the Media and Public.

Thank you for Mr. Allin from Council. Mr. Allin thanked the Community and Council and spoke to his years as CAO for the City regarding challenges and achievements including awarded grants as a result of diligent and hard-working staff.

Kathleen Saylor:

Ms. Saylor thanked Mr. Allin's and asked questions regarding the future of the CAO position and the Approving Officer position after his departure. The Mayor announced that Mrs. Heinrich has been hired as interim CAO while also fulfilling her duties of Corporate Officer. Ms. Sheets will fulfill the duties of the Approving Officer as she has the professional resources.

Les Johnson:

Mr. Johnson commented on how effective CAO Mr. Allin was for the community. He spoke about issues of council as a whole and the loss of the CAO to another community. He asked council to be professional.

14. **ADJOURNMENT**

a) Mayor Konrad adjourned the meeting at 7:57 pm.

MOTION: ROSS / BUTLER


RESOLVED THAT the meeting be adjourned at 7:57 pm.

CARRIED.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:



MAYOR FRANK KONRAD



DEPUTY CORPORATE OFFICER – DANIEL
DREXLER