THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MONDAY OCTOBER 6TH, 2014

PRESENT: MAYOR BRIAN TAYLOR

COUNCILLOR BOB KENDEL COUNCILLOR NEIL KROG

COUNCILLOR PARTICK O'DOHERTY

COUNCILLOR GARY SMITH

COUNCILLOR MICHAEL WIRISCHAGIN

COUNCILLOR CHER WYERS

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
CORPORATE OFFICER
ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGIST
DEPUTY CORPORATE OFFICER

MANAGER OF BUILDING AND

BYLAW SERVICES W. Kopan MANAGER OF OPERATIONS R. Huston

PRESENTATIONS

The Mayor presented letters of thanks to the Economic Development Advisory Committee for all of their work on Economic Development in the City.

CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the October 6th, 2014 COTW meeting to order at 9:05 am.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AGENDA

Adoption of the October 6th, 2014, agenda

MOTION: SMITH

RESOLVED THAT the October 6th, 2014 Committee of the Whole agenda be adopted as

presented.

CARRIED.

D. Allin

R. Shepherd

D. Heinrich

D. Sheets

S. Winton

REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

Doug Allin - Chief Administrative Officer Verbal report to Committee of the Whole - Update and Strategic Plan review

The Chief Administrative Officer spoke with regard to the 2012-2014 Strategic Plan and provided an update to the plan.

MOTION: O'DOHERTY

Receive for Information

CARRIED.

Lynne Burch Rotary Spray Park update

Ms. Burch provided an update on the Spray Park Project and advised:

- That the Rotary Club thanks Council and Staff for the work they have done towards the project
- Gray water from the park will be reused and the project is in keeping with water conservation initiatives of the City
- Several grant applications have been submitted, the application to the Vancouver Foundation was rejected but the Phoenix Foundation approved \$23,000 towards the project
- Financial update: the lobster dinner netted the club \$30,000, Community Futures \$10,000, BFISS \$1800, miscellaneous \$2,063 with a total of over \$100,000 and with all other donations - land included, means that the club is close to their goal to accomplish the project.
- Rotary will need to work with the City to determine how the partnership will move forward
- Club still needs: detailed budget, to secure remaining funding, IHA approval
- Construction is reliant on the City and Rotary would like to see construction begin in the spring of 2015.

MOTION: SMITH

Receive for Information

CARRIED.

PRESENTATIONS FROM STAFF

Manager of Operations HVAC Grand Forks Library

The Chief Administrative Officer advised that this was part of the 2014 financial plan and provided an overview. The City would get 3 quotes before proceeding with work.

MOTION: WYERS

RESOLVED THAT the Committee of the Whole receive the memorandum regarding HVAC at the Grand Forks Library.

CARRIED.

Manager of Development and Engineering City Hall Reconstruction Progress Report

The Chief Administrative Officer advised that in order to proceed with work being completed at City Hall, all change work orders must be approved by the insurance company which often holds up the process.

MOTION: SMITH

RESOLVED THAT the Committee of the Whole receives for Information the memorandum regarding the City Hall progress report.

CARRIED.

Manager of Development and Engineering
Heritage Revitalization Status Update and Chronological List of Events

The Chief Administrative Officer advised that this initiative is still on staff's radar and this is an update regarding next steps; the establishment of committee will move forward and includes a thorough communications strategy in order to seek community input.

MOTION: WYERS

RESOLVED THAT the Committee of the Whole receives the memorandum regarding the Heritage Revitalization Status update and chronological list of events.

CARRIED.

Manager of Development and Engineering

To close that portion of unnamed, undeveloped road traversing through lot 1 and 2, District Lot 534, S.D.Y.D., Plan KAP73069, located between Sagamore Road and 2nd Street.

There was no public input.

MOTION: O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT Committee of the Whole hears any comments and/or concerns from surrounding property owners and the public (written or in person), regarding Bylaw 2002 - Sagamore Road and 2nd Street whereas there were no comments from the public.

Monthly Highlight Reports from Department Managers
Staff request for Council to receive monthly activity reports from department managers

There was discussion regarding the electrical meter upgrades in the community and included:

- the locking of the meters
- risk to fire department if meters are locked
- impact on home owners insurance if meters are locked
- the process for checking and changing out the meters
- clarification that this is not a replacement program, the meters are being checked and if they are not working properly then they are replaced, if they are working properly the meter is reinstalled.

Ms. Semenoff spoke with regard to electronic voting machines.

MOTION: O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends to Council to receive the monthly activity reports

CARRIED.

REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

PROPOSED BYLAWS FOR DISCUSSION

Chief Financial Officer
Bylaw 2005-2014-2018 Financial Plan Amendment

MOTION: O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that Council give first three readings to Bylaw No. 2005-2014-2018 Financial Plan Amendment at the October 20th, 2014 Regular meeting of Council.

CARRIED.

Manager of Development and Engineering Services Subdivision and Development Repeal Bylaw No. 1424-R

The Chief Administrative Officer advised that this helps determine types of development in the City. He further requested that Council consider giving this bylaw first and second reading at the October 20th meeting and then seek public feedback before it goes for third reading, in order to have a public open house.

MOTION: WYERS

RESOLVED THAT Council determine to give the Subdivision and Development Repeal Bylaw No. 1424-R first and second reading at the October 20th, 2014, Regular Meeting; AND Further resolved that the Bylaw then be available for public input before it receives third reading.

CARRIED.

Manager of Development and Engineering Services Subdivision Servicing Bylaw No. 1970, 2014

MOTION: WIRISCHAGIN

RESOLVED THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends to Council to receive the introduction of the new Subdivision, Development and Servicing Bylaw No. 1970, 2014 and refers the Bylaw to the October 20th, 2014, Regular Meeting of Council for first and second readings.

CARRIED.

Manager of Development and Engineering and Manager of Operations Sewer Regulation and Rates Repeal Bylaw No. 1500-R, 2014

The Chief Administrative Officer advised that this bylaw reflects current requirements and allows for better management of City infrastructure.

MOTION: SMITH

RESOLVED THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends to Council to receive the Sewer Regulation and Rates Repeal Bylaw No. 1500-R, 2014 and refer the bylaw to the October 20th, 2014, Regular Meeting of Council for first, second and third readings.

CARRIED.

Manager of Development and Engineering and Manager of Operations Sewer Regulations Bylaw No. 1974, 2014

MOTION: KENDEL

RESOLVED THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends to Council to receive the introduction of the new Sewer Regulations Bylaw No. 1974, 2014 and refers the Bylaw to the October 20th, 2014, Regular Meeting of Council for first, second and third readings.

CARRIED.

INFORMATION ITEMS

CORRESPONDENCE ITEMS

LATE ITEMS

REPORTS, QUESTIONS AND INQUIRIES FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL (VERBAL)

QUESTION PERIOD FROM THE PUBLIC

The Mayor congratulated James Wilson from the Boundary Country Regional Chamber of Commerce on a great job with that organization.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT the October 6th, 2014, Regular Meeting was adjourned at 10:15am. CARRIED.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

MAYOR BRIAN TAYLOR

DEPUTY CORPORATE OFFICER -

SARAH WINTON