

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

Monday, April 20, 2015 – 6:00 PM

7217 4th Street, City Hall

PUBLIC HEARING MEETING OF COUNCIL

PRESENT:

MAYOR FRANK KONRAD
COUNCILLOR JULIA BUTLER
COUNCILLOR CHRIS HAMMETT
COUNCILLOR NEIL KROG
COUNCILLOR COLLEEN ROSS
COUNCILLOR CHRISTINE THOMPSON
COUNCILLOR MICHAEL WIRISCHAGIN

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
CORPORATE OFFICER
MANAGER OF DEVELOPMENT & ENGINEERING

D. Allin
D. Heinrich
S. Bird

GALLERY

PRESENTATIONS

CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor call the Public Hearing to order at 6:03 pm

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF FOR DECISIONS

- a) Manager of Development & Engineering - Amendment to the City's Zoning Bylaw No. 1606

The Mayor declared the public hearing open at 6:03 PM, and advised that this Public Hearing was being convened pursuant to Section 890 of the Local Government Act to consider Bylaw No. 1606-A2, "Amendment to the City of Grand Forks Zoning Bylaw No. 1606-A2, 2015". He advised that the bylaw is intended to amend the City of Grand Forks' Zoning Bylaw No. 1606, 1999, by adding "tool and equipment rental establishments" as an intended use to Section 45, I-2 (General Industrial) Zone.

He commented that at this Hearing, any person present who believes that his or her interest in properties within the boundaries of the City are affected by the proposed bylaw, shall be given the opportunity to be heard on matters contained in the bylaw. Further, he stated that it is important that all who speak at this Hearing restrict their remarks to matters contained in the bylaw and it is the Mayor's responsibility as Chair of the meeting, to ensure that all remarks are so restricted.

He advised that those persons who wish to speak concerning the proposed bylaw should, at the appropriate time, commence their address to the Council and the meeting by clearly stating their name and address, and then they may give Council the benefits of their views concerning the proposed bylaw.

Members of Council, may, if they so wish, ask questions of speakers following their presentation; but added that is it the main function of council members at this Hearing, to listen to the views of the public. Further the Mayor added that it is not the function of Council, at this hearing, to debate the merits of the proposed bylaw with individual citizens, or with each other.

The Mayor added that everyone who deems his or her interest in the property to be affected by the bylaw shall be given the opportunity to be heard at this Hearing, and that no one will be, or should feel discouraged or prevented from making their views known.

After this Hearing is concluded, the Council may, without further notice, give whatever effect council deems proper to the representations made at this Hearing.

The Mayor commented that during the course of a Public Hearing, people sometimes tend to become too enthusiastic or emotional. Regardless of whether they are in favour or oppose any particular application or argument, and to please refrain from applause or other expressions of emotion. Restraint enables other whose views may or may not coincide with your own, to exercise their right to express their views and enables all views expressed to be heard in as impartial a forum as possible.

The Mayor thanked those present, for their patience and cooperation, and advised that the Hearing would proceed.

The hearing remained opened for a 15 minute period, as required, where no member of the public attended the hearing.

The Mayor asked if anyone here wished to speak;
After hearing none, he declared the Public Hearing Closed at 6:22 pm

BYLAWS

LATE ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment of the Public Hearing

MOTION: THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT the Public Meeting be adjourned at 6:22 pm.

CARRIED.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:



MAYOR FRANK KONRAD



CORPORATE OFFICER - DIANE HEINRICH