

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 14, 2015

PRESENT:

MAYOR FRANK KONRAD
COUNCILLOR JULIA BUTLER
COUNCILLOR CHRIS HAMMETT
COUNCILLOR COLLEEN ROSS
COUNCILLOR CHRISTINE THOMPSON

ACTING CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
ACTING CORPORATE OFFICER
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
MANAGER OF OPERATIONS
FIRE CHIEF

D. Heinrich
S. Winton
R. Shepherd
D. Reid
D. Heriot

GALLERY

ABSENT:

COUNCILLOR NEIL KROG

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7pm.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

- a) Adopt agenda
September 14th, 2015, Regular Meeting agenda
The Mayor amended the agenda to remove item 8 (a), a report from the Manager of Development and Engineering regarding a Planning Grant Project Approval.

MOTION: THOMPSON / HAMMETT

RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the September 14th, 2015, Regular Meeting agenda as amended.

CARRIED.

3. MINUTES

- a) Adopt minutes
August 17th, 2015, Committee of the Whole minutes

MOTION: ROSS / THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the August 17th, 2015, Committee of the Whole minutes as presented.

CARRIED.

- b) Adopt minutes
August 17th, 2015, Regular minutes

There was a correction made to Roma Hamilton's name, from Rona to Roma. This will be reflected in the minutes.

MOTION: ROSS / HAMMETT

RESOLVED THAT Council adopt the August 17th, 2015, Regular 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

Councillor Thompson amended her report as she did not attend Leda Leander's retirement party.

Councillor Hammett gave a verbal report. She advised that:

- Kathy Wright is the new Executive Director for the BCRCC
- Update from TOTA regarding regional rail trails
- She attended the service for Susan Harris on Friday and that she will be missed

MOTION: HAMMETT / THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT all written reports of Council 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
Councillor Krog is absent and the Acting CAO advised that:
- The City will be donating a gift basket to UBCM and that elected officials who are attending are asked to assist with manning the booth

MOTION: THOMPSON / ROSS

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

CARRIED.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF FOR DECISIONS

- a) Corporate Services
Volunteer Appreciation Night - Call for Nominations - Policy #204

MOTION: THOMPSON / BUTLER

RESOLVED THAT Council provides notice to the public calling for nominations from the public for exceptional volunteer service in the City of Grand Forks in accordance with Council Policy #204.

CARRIED.

- b) Chief Financial Officer
Appointments of City of Grand Forks Voting Delegates for the Municipal Insurance Association Annual Meeting

Council discussed this request and past practice. Councillor Thompson volunteered to be the voting delegate.

MOTION: THOMPSON / BUTLER

RESOLVED THAT Council receives the staff report and resolves to appoint Councillor Thompson as the Voting Delegate at the 2015 MIABC Annual General Meeting, and appoints Councillor Ross and Mayor Konrad as the alternates.

CARRIED.

- c) Chief Financial Officer
Rescind Policy #1205

MOTION: THOMPSON / BUTLER

RESOLVED THAT Council rescind Policy #1205 - Public Works-Electrical Utility Rate Increases.

CARRIED.

- d) Chief Financial Officer
Travel Policy #112 Amendment

MOTION: THOMPSON / HAMMETT

RESOLVED THAT Council adopt Policy #112-A1 - Travel Allowances Expenses.

CARRIED.

9. **REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE**

10. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

- a) Vancouver Island Building Trades
Letter to Prime Minister Stephen Harper regarding asbestos awareness and registries

MOTION: BUTLER / HAMMETT

RESOLVED THAT Council receive for information.

CARRIED.

- b) Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure
New Building Canada Fund - Small Communities Fund Project - Wastewater
Treatment Plant Ultra-Violet Disinfection

MOTION: BUTLER / THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT Council receive for information.

CARRIED.

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- c) Selkirk College
Thank you letter and photos from Selkirk College's Mural Madness Camps

MOTION: BUTLER / HAMMETT

RESOLVED THAT Council receive for information.

CARRIED.

- d) Winnipeg Liquor Store
Letter asking for support on liquor reform policies that could affect local businesses

MOTION: THOMPSON / BUTLER

RESOLVED THAT Council receive for information and refer the request to staff for recommendations.

CARRIED.

11. **BYLAWS**

- a) Manager of Operations
Water Regulations Bylaw No. 1973-A1

The Mayor recused himself from the discussion at 7:17pm. Councillor Hammett chaired the meeting as Acting Mayor in Mayor Konrad's absence.

Councillor Ross extended the opportunity to Councillor Butler to recuse herself from the discussion. Councillor Butler declined.

The Manager of Operations advised that the final reading could be deferred to the October 13th, 2015, Regular meeting.

MOTION: THOMPSON / ROSS

RESOLVED THAT Council defer final reading to Bylaw No. 1973-A1 Water Regulations Bylaw to the October 13th, 2015, Regular meeting.

CARRIED.

Mayor Konrad returned to the meeting at 7:21pm.

- b) Manager of Building Inspections & Bylaw Services
Amendment Bylaw No. 1957 A-3 to the Municipal Ticketing & Information Bylaw No. 1957

MOTION: THOMPSON / HAMMETT

RESOLVED THAT Council receive the Amendment Bylaw No. 1957 A-3 of the Municipal Ticketing & Information Bylaw No. 1957, and give the Amendment Bylaw No. 1957 A-3 the first, second and third readings.

CARRIED.

- c) Chief Financial Officer
Bylaw 2020 to Establish Community Works Reserve Fund

MOTION: THOMPSON / HAMMETT

RESOLVED THAT Council give first three readings to Community Works Reserve Fund Establishment Bylaw 2020, 2015.

CARRIED.

12. LATE ITEMS

13. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC AND THE MEDIA

- a) The Mayor advised that questions that are directed to Council must be relevant and be included in the agenda for this evening.

Councillor Butler asked the gallery for one of the CUPE Local signs advising that she knows how it feels to be disrespected.

Craig Lindsay, of the Grand Forks Gazette, asked if the Mayor would speak to job cuts in the organization.

14. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT Council adjourn the meeting at 7:25pm.

CARRIED.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:



MAYOR FRANK KONRAD



ACTING CORPORATE OFFICER –
SARAH WINTON

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