

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
MONDAY DECEMBER 19, 2005

PRESENT: MAYOR NEIL KROG
COUNCILLOR ANN GORDON
COUNCILLOR TOM HINTER
COUNCILLOR CHRIS MOSLIN
COUNCILLOR PATRICK O'DOHERTY
COUNCILLOR GENE ROBERT
COUNCILLOR TOM SHKRABUIK

CITY MANAGER
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

V. Kumar
D. Zabinsky

GALLERY.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

MOTION: MOSLIN / HINTER

RESOLVED THAT THE AGENDA BE AMENDED TO INCLUDE THOSE WISHING TO SPEAK ON THE DOWNTOWN RECYCLING ISSUE UNDER THE DELEGATION SECTION.

CARRIED.

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / SHKRABUIK

RESOLVED THAT THE AGENDA BE ADOPTED, AS AMENDED.

CARRIED.

MINUTES:

MOTION: GORDON / HINTER

RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE INAUGURAL MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2005, BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED.

CARRIED.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

NONE

DELEGATIONS:

Brain Fletcher presented a verbal and written report to Council requesting that the City contact the Regional District to let them know that the citizens and merchants do not want the recycling bins removed from the downtown location. He also presented a petition to Council. The letter is attached to and forms part of the minutes.

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / ROBERT

RESOLVED THAT THE PRESENTATION FROM BRIAN FLETCHER BE RECEIVED. CARRIED.

MOTION: GORDON / ODOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT THE CITY CONTACT THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF KOOTENAY BOUNDARY BY LETTER TO REQUEST THAT THE DOWNTOWN RECYCLING BINS DO NOT BE REMOVED UNTIL THE CITY HAS EXAMINED OTHER OPTIONS FOR THE BINS.

STAFF TO INCLUDE BRIAN FLETCHER'S LETTER WITH THE LETTER TO THE REGIONAL DISTRICT AND HAVE REGIONAL DISTRICT STAFF PROVIDE A REPORT ON OPTIONS FOR THE DOWNTOWN RECYCLING BINS.

CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS FOR INFORMATION:

MOTION: ODOHERTY / GORDON

RESOLVED THAT INFORMATION ITEMS NUMBERED 5A TO 5P BE RECEIVED AND ACTED UPON AS RECOMMENDED AND THAT STAFF SEND LETTERS TO THE OTHER PHOENIX SKI HILL STAKEHOLDERS TO REMIND THEM OF FUNDING COMMITMENTS.

CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE

NONE

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

a) Request for Council Decision – New Deal Federal Gas Tax

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / GORDON

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL AUTHORIZE ITS SIGNING OFFICERS TO COMPLETE THE COMMUNITY WORKS FUNDING AGREEMENT AS ESTABLISHED UNDER THE AGREEMENT ON THE TRANSFER OF FEDERAL GAS TAX REVENUES UNDER THE NEW DEAL FOR CITIES AND COMMUNITIES.

CARRIED.

b) Request for Council Decision – Terasen Operating Agreement

MOTION: HINTER / ODOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE OPERATING AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER AND CORPORATE ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT. CARRIED.

c) Request for Council Decision – Closing of Downtown Recycling Depot

THIS ITEM WAS COVERED IN THE DELEGATION SECTION ABOVE

d) Request for Council Decision – Appointment of Alternate Director to Regional District of Kootenay Boundary

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / GORDON

RESOLVED THAT COUNCILLOR ANN GORDON BE APPOINTED AS THE CITY'S ALTERNATE DIRECTOR TO THE BOARD OF THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF KOOTENAY BOUNDARY AND THE REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

e) Memo from the Deputy Clerk / Treasurer – Utility rates and Changes for 2006

MOTION: GORDON / MOSLIN

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL RECEIVE THE REPORT ON UTILITY RATES AND CHANGES FOR 2006 AND DIRECT THAT BYLAWS REFLECTING THE CHANGES BE PRESENTED AT THE JANUARY 9, 2006 REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL FOR FIRST THREE READINGS. CARRIED.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Krog reported on the Strategic Planning Session and advised that a report from the session will be forthcoming shortly and available to the public.

Mayor Krog announced the 2005-2008 Committee Liaison Structure, a copy of which is attached to and forms part of the minutes

Mayor Krog announced that the City had received \$180,667 in grant funding under the Canada / BC Infrastructure Program for repairs to the Eastside Reservoir

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / ROBERT

RESOLVED THAT THE REPORT FROM MAYOR KROG BE RECEIVED. CARRIED.

SELECT AND STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

NONE

BYLAWS

a) Bylaw 1793 – Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw

MOTION: ODOHERTY / SHKRABUIK

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW 1793 CITED AS “ CITY OF GRAND FORKS REVENUE ANTICIPATION BORROWING BYLAW 1793” BE GIVEN FIRST THREE READINGS.
CARRIED.

b) Bylaw 1794 - Council Procedure Bylaw

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / HINTER

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW 1794 CITED AS “CITY OF GRAND FORKS COUNCIL PROCEDURE BYLAW 1794” BE GIVEN FIRST THREE READINGS.
CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

- a) Councillor Moslin announced his intention to bring forward a motion at the January 23, 2006 regular meeting regarding the City’s Air shed Management process.**

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: SHKRABUIK

RESOLVED THAT THIS MEETING OF COUNCIL BE ADJOURNED AT 7:40 P.M.
CARRIED.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

MAYOR NEIL KROG

DEPUTY CITY CLERK – DAN ZABINSKY