

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

REGULAR MEETING of COUNCIL
MONDAY NOVEMBER 21, 2005

PRESENT: MAYOR JAKE RAVEN
COUNCILLOR ANN GORDON
COUNCILLOR NEIL KROG
COUNCILLOR PATRICK O'DOHERTY
COUNCILLOR TOM SHKRABUIK
COUNCILLOR BOB SMITH

CITY MANAGER V. Kumar
CITY CLERK L. Burch
DEPUTY CLERK/TREASURER D. Zabinsky

GALLERY

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m.

REGULAR MEETING ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

➤ none

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / SHKRABUIK

RESOLVED THAT THE AGENDA BE ADOPTED, AS CIRCULATED.

CARRIED.

MINUTES:

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / GORDON

RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH, AND THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2005, BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED.

CARRIED.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

None

DELEGATIONS:

none

COMMUNICATIONS FOR INFORMATION:

a) Summary Information Items

MOTION: SMITH / O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL INFORMATION SUMMARY, ATTACHED TO THE REPORT DATED NOVEMBER 16, 2005, BE RECEIVED AND ACTED UPON AS RECOMMENDED.

CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Nil

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS REQUIRING ACTION:

a) GFI – Past Financial Contribution

MOTION: GORDON / O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT THE REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER, DATED OCTOBER 31, 2005, REGARDING PAST FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE GRAND FORKS INTERNATIONAL BE RECEIVED.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL APPROVES THE FORGIVENESS OF PAST DEBT AND SEED FUNDING TOWARDS THE GFI INCLUDING THE 1/3 LIQUOR PROFIT SHARE AS AN OFFSET TOWARDS PARK IMPROVEMENTS DONE BY THE VOLUNTEERS.

CARRIED.

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT THE CITY MANAGER'S REPORT, DATED OCTOBER 12, 2005, OUTLINING THE REQUEST FROM SELKIRK COLLEGE TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE LEGACY OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMUNITIES BE RECEIVED.

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / KROG

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL ENDORSES THE CITY'S ANNUAL FINANCIAL PARTICIPATION OF \$6,000 UP TO FIVE YEARS AND THAT A LETTER OF COMMITMENT BE SENT TO SELKIRK COLLEGE COMMITTING TO WORK WITH THE KETTLE VALLEY COMMUNITIES FOR INCLUSION OF THIS FUNDING IN THE EDC BUDGET FOR 2006 – 2010.

CARRIED.

Councillor Gordon and Councillor Shkrabuik voted against the motion.

c) Transfer Outstanding Accounts Receivable to Arrears Taxes

MOTION: KROG / SHKRABUIK

RESOLVED THAT HAVING AFFORDED ANDREW DAVID COONEY AND/OR JENNIFER DIANA COONEY THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD BY COUNCIL, AND GIVEN THAT THEY HAVE NOT RESPONDED BY APPEARING BEFORE COUNCIL, THAT THE AMOUNT OF \$1,070.00 BE TRANSFERRED TO THEIR TAXES IN ARREARS IF NOT PAID BY DECEMBER 31, 2005.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT HAVING AFFORDED HUANG SHUN YI AND/OR AGC INC. THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD BY COUNCIL, AND GIVEN THAT THEY HAVE NOT RESPONDED BY APPEARING BEFORE COUNCIL, THAT THE AMOUNT OF \$362.12 BE TRANSFERRED TO THEIR TAXES IN ARREARS IF NOT PAID BY DECEMBER 31, 2005.

AND BE IT ALSO RESOLVED THAT HAVING AFFORDED LUCY ROUSE THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD BY COUNCIL, AND GIVEN THAT SHE HAS NOT RESPONDED BY APPEARING BEFORE COUNCIL, THAT THE AMOUNT OF \$6,200.81 BE TRANSFERRED TO HER TAXES IN ARREARS IF NOT PAID BY DECEMBER 31, 2005.

CARRIED.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

- Congratulated all those who were elected to Council on November 19th.
- Congratulated all those who allowed their name to stand for election.

Councillor Gordon brought forward the matter of the NOTAM at the Grand Forks Airport and advised that it has now been lifted by Transport Canada, allowing for night landings. She stated that Heli-jet will be doing their training to allow for night medivac.

Councillor Gordon announced an initiative by the BC Government to have communities participate in health initiatives, stating that some communities have received funding for health initiatives. She went on to suggest that the City could propose a health initiative surrounding the matter of crystal meth.

Councillor Gordon announced that the BC Government is asking communities to come forward to promote their communities at the "Visit BC" display in Italy at the 2006 Olympic winter games. She stated that the application deadline is December 2nd.

Councillor Gordon brought forward the matter of a letter received from the health minister in response to her letter about services at the Grand Forks Hospital. She stated that she has been advised that the Cancer society determines where chemotherapy will be offered and suggested that a letter be sent to them requesting that chemotherapy services be provided at the Grand Forks hospital so Boundary area patients do not have to travel to Trail for treatment.

MOTION: GORDON / SHKRABUIK

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL WRITE A LETTER, COPIED TO THE CITY OF GREENWOOD, THE VILLAGE OF MIDWAY AND ELECTORAL AREAS C, D, AND E, TO THE CANADIAN CANCER SOCIETY REQUESTING THAT CHEMOTHERAPY SERVICES BE OFFERED AT THE BOUNDARY HOSPITAL IN GRAND FORKS, AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO BOUNDARY RESIDENTS HAVING TO TRAVEL TO TRAIL FOR CANCER TREATMENT.

CARRIED.

MOTION: KROG / O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT CITY STAFF BE DIRECTED TO INVESTIGATE THE POSSIBILITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE COMMUNITY HEALTH INITIATIVES FUNDING PROGRAM, SPECIFICALLY FOR INITIATIVES TO DEAL WITH THE PROBLEM OF CRYSTAL METH IN THE BOUNDARY AREA.

CARRIED.

- a) **Bylaw No. 1791** cited as “**Amendment to the City of Grand Forks Zoning Bylaw No. 1791, 2005**” (**R-1 Single and Two Family Residential – R-2 (Small Lot)**)

MOTION: GORDON / SHKRABUIK

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1791, CITED AS “AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS ZONING BYLAW NO. 1791, 2005”, BE GIVEN THIRD READING.

DEFEATED.

- b) **Bylaw No. 1792** cited as “**Amendment to the City of Grand Forks Zoning Bylaw No. 1791, 2005**” (**R-3 Multiple Family – CU Community Use**)

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / GORDON

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1792, CITED AS “AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS ZONING BYLAW NO. 1792, 2005”, BE GIVEN THIRD READING.

CARRIED.

MOTION: GORDON / KROG

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1792, CITED AS “AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS ZONING BYLAW NO. 1792, 2005”, BE FINALLY ADOPTED.

CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: SHKRABUIK

RESOLVED THAT THIS REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL BE ADJOURNED AT 7:52 P.M.

CARRIED.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

MAYOR
NOVEMBER 21, 2005

CORPORATE SERVICES MANAGER
REGULAR MEETING

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