THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL MONDAY DECEMBER 18, 2006

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 CITY CLERK CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

V. Kumar L. Burch D. Zabinsky

GALLERY

CALL TO ORDER:

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

RECESS TO PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING:

MOTION: HINTER / ROBERT

RESOLVED THAT THIS REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL BE RECESSED AT 7:01 P.M. TO ALLOW FOR THE PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING, AND THAT THIS REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL BE RECONVENED AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING. CARRIED.

The Meeting was recessed at 7:01 p.m. and reconvened at 7:22 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

- RECOMMENDATION #1 OF CITY MANAGER'S REPORT DATED DECEMBER 12, 2006, DEBATED AT THE PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING.
- RECONSIDERATION OF SUPPORT FOR CLASS A PARKS DESIGNATIONS IN THE GRAND FORKS AREA

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MOTION: GORDON / SHKRABUIK

RESOLVED THAT THE DECEMBER 18, 2006 REGULAR MEETING AGENDA BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED. CARRIED.

MINUTES:

MOTION: GORDON / O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2006, BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED. CARRIED.

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The Mayor requested that Council reconsider their decision of December 4, 2006 to support the proposal to designate the Gilpin Grasslands and the Boothman Oxbow as Class A Parks. He stated that at the Regular Meeting on December 4th he advised Council that the RDKB had supported the matter, and that Council's stated desire was to support the RDKB inasmuch as the proposed parks are within the jurisdiction of the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary. He requested that the matter be reconsidered at this time, inasmuch as Council's support of the matter was may have been based on their desire to be consistent with the RDKB. The Mayor went on to clarify that although the Planning & Development Committee of the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary had supported the designation, the board of the RDKB has actually tabled the matter. In this regard, he requested that Council reconsider their decision to support the matter at this time.

MOTION: GORDON / MOSLIN

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL'S SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSAL TO DESIGNATE THE GILPIN GRASSLANDS AND THE BOOTHMAN OXBOW AS CLASS A PARKS, OUTLINED IN A RESOLUTION OF DECEMBER 4, 2006, BE RECONSIDERED AT THIS TIME IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 131 OF THE COMMUNITY CHARTER INASMUCH AS THE VOTE ON THE MOTION MAY HAVE BEEN BASED ON INACCURATE INFORMATION.

CARRIED.

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MOTION: HINTER / GORDON

RESOLVED THAT THE ORIGINAL MOTION OF DEC 4, 2006, WHICH IS OUTLINED AS FOLLOWS:

"Resolved that the letter from the Ministry of Environment requesting input into a proposal to designate Class A parks in the Grand Forks region, be received. Be it further resolved that the Ministry be advised that Council supports the designation of the Gilpin Grasslands and the Boothman Oxbow as Class A Parks, subject to all existing/resolution continued on next page

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authorized uses of the land being allowed to continue. And be it also resolved that the Ministry be advised that the Boothman Oxbow Riverfront Property remain accessible to the general public for recreational purposes."

STAND AND COUNCIL'S POSITION OF SUPPORT BE RECONFIRMED. MOTION WAS DEFEATED.

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MOTION: MOSLIN / O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT STAFF WRITE A LETTER TO THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT COMMUNICATING COUNCIL'S CONCERNS WITH THEIR PREVIOUSLY STATED SUPPORT AND COUNCIL'S DESIRE TO STAY IN STEP WITH THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF KOOTENAY BOUNDARY ON THIS MATTER, AND IN THIS REGARD, THE PREVIOUSLY STATED SUPPORT IS WITHDRAWN PENDING CONSULTATION WITH THE RDKB, AND THE RECEIVING OF INPUT FROM THE CONSERVATIONALISTS AND THE CATTLE RANCHERS. CARRIED.

REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS:

NONE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF FOR DECISIONS:

Brought forward for discussion was the recommendation from the Primary Committee Meeting in regards to Water and Sewer Proposed Rate Structure for 2007 – 2010, outlined in the City Manager's Report to the Primary Committee, dated December 12, 2006

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / HINTER

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL AUTHORIZES THE INSTALLATION OF METERS COMMENCING WITH ALL COMMERCIAL, INSTITUTIONAL AND INDUSTRIAL RATEPAYERS IN 2007. CARRIED.

REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE:

None

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INFORMATION ITEMS:

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / GORDON

RESOLVED THAT INFORMATION ITEMS NUMBERED 5A TO 5B BE RECEIVED AND ACTED UPON AS RECOMMENDED. CARRIED.

BYLAWS:

a) Bylaw 1819 – Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1819, CITED AS "CITY OF GRAND FORKS REVENUE ANTICIPATION BORROWING BYLAW - 2007, BE FINALLY ADOPTED.

CARRIED.

b) Bylaw 1821 – Year 2007 – 2011 Financial & Services Plan

MOTION: GORDON / SHKRABUIK

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1821, CITED AS "YEAR 2007 – 2011 FINANCIAL PLAN BYLAW, BE GIVEN FIRST READING.

CARRIED.

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MOTION: HINTER / GORDON

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1821, CITED AS "YEAR 2007 – 2011 FINANCIAL PLAN BYLAW, BE GIVEN SECOND READING. CARRRIED.

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MOTION: O'DOHERTY / SHKRABUIK

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1821, CITED AS "YEAR 2007 – 2011 FINANCIAL PLAN BYLAW, BE GIVEN THIRD READING. CARRIED.

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c) Bylaw 1816 – Cemetery Bylaw

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / GORDON

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1816, CITED AS "THE GRAND FORKS CEMETERY BYLAW NO. 1816, 2006, BE GIVEN FIRST READING.

CARRIED.

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MOTION: HINTER / ROBERT

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1816, CITED AS "THE GRAND FORKS CEMETERY BYLAW NO. 1816, 2006, BE GIVEN SECOND READING.

CARRIED.

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MOTION: SHKRABUIK / ROBERT

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1816, CITED AS "THE GRAND FORKS CEMETERY BYLAW NO. 1816, 2006, BE GIVEN THIRD READING. CARRIED.

LATE ITEMS:

None

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

Councillor Shkrabuik :

No Report

Councillor Robert:

Councillor Robert reported on the following activities.

• Conveyed Christmas Greetings to all.

A copy of Councillor Robert's report is attached to and forms part of these minutes.

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Councillor Moslin:

Councillor Moslin reported on the following activities:

• Congratulated Phoenix Mountain Ski Society on the early opening of the ski hill.

• Reported on a meeting that he attended of the Christina Lake Stewardship Society

Mayor Krog:

Mayor Krog reported on the following:

• He attended the statutory meeting of the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary, and advised that at the meeting, the RDKB Board supported the City's request to apply for the community centre rural infrastructure funding under the RDKB banner.

Councillor Hinter -

No Report

Councillor O'Doherty:

• Conveyed Christmas Greetings to all

Councillor Gordon

• Reported on the tour of the hospital construction that she has received. She advised that the hospital will have a new fascade and new gardens. She stated that the construction is on schedule.

MOTION: ROBERT / SHKRABUIK

RESOLVED THAT ALL REPORTS OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL, GIVEN VERBALLY AT THIS MEETING BE RECEIVED. CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: SHKRABUIK

RESOLVED THAT THIS REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL BE ADJOURNED AT 7:55 P.M. CARRIED.

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<u>CERTIFIED CORRECT</u>:

Regular Meeting of Council December 18, 2006

MAYOR NEIL KROG

CITY CLERK - LYNNE BURCH

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