

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

**REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL**

**MONDAY DECEMBER 4, 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

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**CALL TO ORDER:**

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

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**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

- None.

MOTION: ROBERT / O'DOHERTY

**RESOLVED THAT THE DECEMBER 4, 2006 REGULAR MEETING AGENDA BE  
ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED. CARRIED.**

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**MINUTES:**

MOTION: GORDON / O'DOHERTY

**RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20, BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED. CARRIED.**

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MOTION: SHKRABUIK / HINTER

**RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES, AND RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED THEREIN, OF THE PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2006, BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED. CARRIED.**

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**REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS:**

None

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**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

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**RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF FOR DECISIONS:**

**a) City Clerk's Report – Appointment of Acting Mayor**

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / GORDON

**RESOLVED THAT THE CITY CLERK'S REPORT, DATED NOVEMBER 22, 2006, RELATIVE TO THE APPOINTMENT OF ACTING MAYORS FOR THE ENSUING YEAR, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 18.1 OF THE GRAND FORKS PROCEDURES BYLAW, BE RECEIVED.**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE FOLLOWING COUNCILLORS BE APPOINTED AS ACTING MAYOR FOR THE CORRESPONDING TWO-MONTH PERIOD FOR THE ENSUING COUNCIL YEAR:**

COUNCILLOR GORDON – DECEMBER 2006 AND JANUARY 2007

COUNCILLOR HINTER – FEBRUARY 2007 AND MARCH 2007

COUNCILLOR MOSLIN – APRIL 2007 AND MAY 2007

COUNCILLOR O'DOHERTY – JUNE 2007 AND JULY 2007

COUNCILLOR ROBERT – AUGUST 2007 AND SEPTEMBER 2007

COUNCILLOR SHKRABUIK – OCTOBER 2007 AND NOVEMBER 2007

CARRIED.

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**b) City Clerk's Report – Appointment of Members to the Regional Arts & Culture Committee**

MOTION: ROBERT / SHKRABUIK

**RESOLVED THAT THE CITY CLERK'S REPORT, DATED NOVEMBER 22, 2006, REGARDING APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE REGIONAL ARTS & CULTURE COMMITTEE, BE RECEIVED. ....// Continued on next page**

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** THAT THE MATTER OF THE REGIONAL ARTS & CULTURE BE DEFERRED UNTIL AFTER THE COMPLETION OF THE REGIONAL CULTURAL SCAN.

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**REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE:**

None

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**INFORMATION ITEMS:**

MOTION: HINTER / O'DOHERTY

**RESOLVED THAT** INFORMATION ITEMS NUMBERED 5A TO 5B BE RECEIVED.  
CARRIED.

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MOTION: ROBERT / SHKRABUIK

**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 AUTHORIZED USES OF THE LAND BEING ALLOWED TO CONTINUE.

**AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION:**

MOTION: MOSLIN / O'DOHERTY

**RESOLVED THAT** THE MAIN MOTION BE AMENDED TO ADD THAT THE MINISTRY BE FURTHER ADVISED THAT THE BOOTHMAN OXBOW RIVERFRONT PROPERTY REMAIN ACCESSIBLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC FOR RECREATIONAL PURPOSES.

On the Vote: The amendment to the motion was carried. The main motion as amended was carried.

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MOTION: GORDON / SHKRABUIK

**RESOLVED THAT** THE CITY CLERK'S REPORT RELATIVE TO THE DEER FEEDING BYLAW BE RECEIVED.  
CARRIED.

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**BYLAWS**

**a) Bylaw 1814 – Amendment to the City of Grand Forks Zoning Bylaw**

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / HINTER

**RESOLVED THAT** BYLAW NO. 1814, CITED AS “AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS ZONING BYLAW NO. 1814, 2006”, BE FINALLY ADOPTED.

CARRIED.

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**b) Bylaw 1819 – Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw**

MOTION: HINTER / SHKRABUIK

**RESOLVED THAT** BYLAW NO. 1819, CITED AS “CITY OF GRAND FORKS REVENUE ANTICIPATION BORROWING BYLAW – 2007”, BE GIVEN FIRST READING.

CARRIED.

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MOTION: O'DOHERTY / GORDON

**RESOLVED THAT** BYLAW NO. 1819, CITED AS “CITY OF GRAND FORKS REVENUE ANTICIPATION BORROWING BYLAW – 2007”, BE GIVEN SECOND READING.

CARRIED.

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MOTION: SHKRABUIK / ROBERT

**RESOLVED THAT** BYLAW NO. 1819, CITED AS “CITY OF GRAND FORKS REVENUE ANTICIPATION BORROWING BYLAW – 2007”, BE GIVEN THIRD READING.

CARRIED.

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

**Councillor Moslin:**

Councillor Moslin Reported on the Following Items:

- Advised that the BAQC is considering adopting new procedures that will allow the group to make consensus decisions, but not to delay decisions. He stated that the Committee will be adding members from Ministry of Forests and the GFSS Environment Club. He advised that a presentation will be made to the Committee on what the Ministry of Environment can do for them. He stated that at this time no live TEOM data is available but it is being updated daily on the City's website. In conclusion, he thanked citizens of Grand Forks for filling out the air quality surveys.

**Councillor Robert:**

Councillor Robert reported on the following activities.

- Thanked the public for attending the financial plan and community centre meetings.
- Advised of the many upcoming cultural events

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

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**Councillor Shkrabuik:**

No Report

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**Councillor Gordon:**

Councillor Gordon reported on the following activities:

- Inquired if the Boundary Air Quality Committee had statistics from Interior health on the impact that poor air quality has on the health of Grand Forks residents. Councillor Moslin advised that there are no local statistics available that would correlate poor air quality dates with an increase in health problems, he advised however there are national statistics, proving that the poor air quality has an impact on health.
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**Councillor O'Doherty:**

No Report

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**Councillor Hinter:**

Councillor Hinter reported on the following items:

- Councillor Hinter advised that he would have a report on his attendance at the meeting of the Columbia Basin Trust Restitution Committee for the next meeting of Council.
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**ADJOURNMENT:**

MOTION: ROBERT

**RESOLVED THAT THIS REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL BE ADJOURNED AT  
7:54P.M. CARRIED.**

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Regular Meeting of Council  
December 4, 2006

**CERTIFIED CORRECT:**

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MAYOR NEIL KROG

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CITY CLERK – LYNNE BURCH