

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

**REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL**  
**MONDAY MARCH 20, 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	V. Kumar
CITY CLERK	L. Burch
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	D. Zabinsky

GALLERY

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**CALL TO ORDER:**

The Mayor called the Meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

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**ADOPTION OF IN-CAMERA MEETING AGENDA:**

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

➤ None

MOTION: GORDON / ROBERT

**RESOLVED THAT** THE AGENDA FOR THE IN-CAMERA MEETING SCHEDULED TO IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW, BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED.

CARRIED.

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**IN-CAMERA RESOLUTION:**

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / O'DOHERTY

**RESOLVED THAT** COUNCIL CONVENE AN IN-CAMERA MEETING AS OUTLINED UNDER SECTION 90 OF THE COMMUNITY CHARTER TO DISCUSS MATTERS IN A CLOSED MEETING WHICH ARE THE SUBJECT OF SECTIONS 90(1) AND 90(2) OF THE COMMUNITY CHARTER.

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** THAT PERSONS, OTHER THAN MEMBERS, OFFICERS, OR OTHER PERSONS TO WHOM COUNCIL MAY DEEM NECESSARY TO CONDUCT CITY BUSINESS, WILL BE EXCLUDED FROM THE IN-CAMERA MEETING.

CARRIED.

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The Regular Meeting was recessed at 6:11 p.m. The Mayor reconvened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed all those in attendance.

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MOTION: ROBERT / SHKRABUIK

**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 8:35 p.m.

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**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

- None

MOTION: GORDON / SHKRABUIK

**RESOLVED THAT** THE AGENDA BE ADOPTED, AS AMENDED.

CARRIED.

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**MINUTES:**

MOTION: GORDON / O'DOHERTY

**RESOLVED THAT** THE MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON MONDAY, MARCH 6, 2006, BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED.

CARRIED.

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Councillor Moslin brought forward an omission in the Regular Meeting of Council Minutes of March 6, 2006. He advised that during his presentation, Mr. Raymond Gaudart stated that he would investigate a bag friendly "mailbox" type door for the recycling bins at the downtown depot site.

MOTION: ROBERT / MOSLIN

**RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, MARCH 6, 2006, BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED.**

**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 – Board of Variance**

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / HINTER

**RESOLVED THAT THE CITY CLERK'S REPORT, DATED MARCH 9, 2006, ADVISING OF THE RESIGNATION OF DON SUMNER FROM THE CITY'S BOARD OF VARIANCE, BE RECEIVED.**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL WRITE A LETTER THANKING MR. SUMNER FOR VOLUNTEERING TO SIT ON THE BOARD OF VARIANCE AND INVITE HIM TO A COUNCIL MEETING TO OFFICIALLY PRESENT HIM WITH A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION.**

**AND BE IT ALSO RESOLVED THAT STAFF BE DIRECTED TO PLACE ADVERTISEMENTS IN THE NEWSPAPER STATING THAT THEY ARE ACCEPTING RESUMES FROM INDIVIDUALS INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING TO SIT ON THE CITY'S BOARD OF VARIANCE.** **CARRIED.**

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**b) City Manager's Report – Electrical Boom Hydraulic Truck**

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / SHKRABUIK

**RESOLVED THAT THE CITY MANAGER'S REPORT, DATED MARCH 8, 2006, ON THE ELECTRICAL TRUCK PURCHASE, BE RECEIVED.**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF A NEW TRUCK AT A COST OF \$220,000.00 EXCLUDING APPLICABLE TAXES.**

**CARRIED.**

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**c) City Manager's Report – Regional Standards for Garbage Collection Programs**

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / GORDON

**RESOLVED THAT** THE CITY MANAGER'S REPORT, DATED MARCH 13, 2006, REGARDING THE REGIONAL WASTE STANDARD PROPOSAL, BE RECEIVED. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS CONTINUES WITH THE EXISTING RESIDENTIAL COLLECTION SYSTEM AND STRIVE TOWARDS THE GOAL OF ACHIEVING REGIONAL SYSTEM PARAMETERS WITHIN THE CITY AND TAXPAYER'S AVAILABLE FINANCIAL CONSTRAINTS AND ADVISE THE REGIONAL DISTRICT. CARRIED.

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**d) City Clerk's Report – Application for a Development Permit to subdivide property in a Commercial Development Permit Area.**

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / GORDON

**RESOLVED THAT** THE CITY CLERK'S REPORT, DATED MARCH 13, 2006, REGARDING AN APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO SUBDIVIDE COMMERCIAL PROPERTY, BE RECEIVED. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** THE APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT, SUBMITTED BY KOOTENAY CHRYSLER LTD., TO SUBDIVIDE PROPERTY ADJACENT TO THE KOOTENAY CHRYSLER CAR DEALERSHIP ON HIGHWAY 3, BETWEEN 25<sup>TH</sup> AND 27<sup>TH</sup> STREETS, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED.

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**e) City Manager's Report – Adoption of Several Policies**

MOTION: HINTER / O'DOHERTY

**RESOLVED THAT** THE CITY MANAGER'S REPORT, DATED MARCH 14, 2006, REGARDING SEVERAL POLICIES, BE RECEIVED. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** COUNCIL APPROVE THE PROPOSED PURCHASING POLICY AND THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE TRAVEL EXPENSE MILEAGE RATE TO COMPLY WITH THE INCOME TAX ACT. CARRIED.

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**f) City Manager's Report – Chamber of Commerce request for funding for brochures**

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / HINTER

**RESOLVED THAT** THE CITY MANAGER'S REPORT, DATED MARCH 6, 2006, REGARDING THE REQUEST FROM THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR FUNDING FOR BROCHURES, BE RECEIVED.

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL PROVIDE FUNDING ON A COST BASIS AND SPECIFIC PROJECT THAT MIGHT NOT BE SUPPORTED BY ADVERTISING REVENUE TO A MAXIMUM OF \$4,500.00.**

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Deferral Motion:

MOTION: MOSLIN / ROBERT

**RESOLVED THAT THE ABOVE RESOLUTION REGARDING FUNDING FOR THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO PRODUCE REGIONAL TOURISM GUIDES BE DEFERRED UNTIL THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING.**

DEFEATED.

THE ORIGINAL MOTION WAS CARRIED.

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**g) City Manager's Report – Museum Location**

MOTION: HINTER / SHKRABUIK

**RESOLVED THAT THE CITY MANAGER'S REPORT, DATED MARCH 15, 2006, REGARDING THE RELOCATION OF THE MUSEUM, BE RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION.**

CARRIED.

MOTION: MOSLIN / SHKRABUIK

**RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL INSTRUCTS STAFF TO DEVELOP A REPORT ON THE POSSIBILITY OF MAKING THE COURTHOUSE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC.**

CARRIED.

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**REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE:**

None

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**INFORMATION ITEMS:**

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / ROBERT

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

CARRIED.

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**BYLAWS**

**a) Bylaw 1800 - Amendment to the City of Grand Forks Zoning Bylaw**

MOTION: HINTER / SHKRABUIK

**RESOLVED THAT** BYLAW NO. 1800, CITED AS “AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS ZONING BYLAW NO. 1800, 2006”, BE FINALLY ADOPTED.

CARRIED.

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**b) Bylaw 1802 - Amendment to the City of Grand Forks Zoning Bylaw**

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / ROBERT

**RESOLVED THAT** BYLAW NO. 1802, CITED AS “AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS ZONING BYLAW NO. 1802, 2006, BE GIVEN FIRST AND SECOND READING.

CARRIED.

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**c) Bylaw 1803 - Amendment to the Grand Forks Mobile Home Park Bylaw**

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / ROBERT

**RESOLVED THAT** BYLAW NO. 1803, CITED AS “AMENDMENT TO THE GRAND FORKS MOBILE HOME PARK BYLAW”, BE GIVEN FIRST AND SECOND READING.

CARRIED.

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**d) Bylaw 1805 - Municipal Road Maintenance Services Flat Tax on Parcels Roll Bylaw**

MOTION: GORDON / HINTER

**RESOLVED THAT** BYLAW NO. 1805, CITED AS “MUNICIPAL ROAD MAINTENANCE SERVICES FLAT TAX ON PARCELS ROLL BYLAW 1805, 2006”, BE GIVEN FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READING.

CARRIED.

MOTION: MOSLIN / ROBERT

**RESOLVED THAT** COUNCILLORS SHKRABUIK, MOSLIN AND GORDON BE APPOINTED TO SIT ON THE MUNICIPAL ROAD MAINTENANCE SERVICES FLAT TAX ON PARCELS ROLL COURT OF REVISION SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 25

CARRIED.

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**LATE ITEMS:**

None

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

**Councillor Shkrabuik** – reported on his attendance at the Grand Forks and District Recreation Commission meeting, and further advised that the Recreation Commission will provide Aquatic Centre passes for those attending the Association of Kootenay Boundary Local Government Conference in Grand Forks April 25 – 27<sup>th</sup>, 2006.

**Councillor Robert** – reported that there are a number of teams scheduled to play in the Grand Forks International in Grand Forks later this summer. He commented on the undertakings of the Communities in Bloom volunteers. He reported that he had attended a luncheon with FortisBC representatives on behalf of the City of Grand Forks. He further advised that at that luncheon he accepted an award on behalf of the City of Grand Forks for environmental and energy conservation achievement. At this time he presented the award to the Mayor.

**Councillor Moslin:**

Reported on the progress of the Air Quality Committee to date stating that Dr. Lyle Olsen has agreed to chair Air Quality Committee. He advised that the next meeting will be held April 11<sup>th</sup>. He also reported that Michelle Caskey and Lyle Olsen will attend the BC Lung Forum, scheduled to be held in Vancouver. In closing Councillor Moslin reported on the results of the particulate matter study, the data of which was collected from the monitor on City Hall. He stated that the results are not surprising and indicate a need to manage the airshed.

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MOTION: MOSLIN / SHKRABUIK

**RESOLVED THAT STAFF BE DIRECTED TO WRITE A LETTER TO RAYMOND GAUDART, RESOURCE RECOVERY MANAGER FOR THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF KOOTENAY BOUNDARY INQUIRING AS TO WHAT ACTIONS HAVE BEEN TAKEN ON THE PROPOSED BAG FRIENDLY “MAILBOX” TYPE DOOR AT THE RECYCLING DEPOT BINS.**

CARRIED.

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**Councillor Hinter:**

Reported on his attendance at Boundary Economic Development Meetings, stating that Strategic planning was held earlier this month and the final report is forthcoming. He advised that he and the City Manager are continuing to meet with local businesses and industries.

**Councillor Gordon:**

Reported on her attendance at the recent Food Action Forum sponsored locally by the Boundary Family and Individual Services Society. She stated that it was pointed out at the forum that

Individuals are suffering from malnutrition due to the lack of nutritional values in fast food. She stated that concerns are being expressed that families today are busy and there appears to be a lack of interest in cooking.

**Mayor Krog**

Reported that he attended the BEDC meeting, and reported on several initiatives including CIS program marketing the Boundary as a whole, Boundary Focus 2006 a positive report on the economic state of the area, a transition study for Midway, proposal for cultural scan which is tentatively approved.

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**ADJOURNMENT:**

MOTION: O'DOHERTY

**RESOLVED THAT THIS REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL BE ADJOURNED AT 9:38P.M.**

CARRIED.

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MAYOR NEIL KROG

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CITY CLERK - LYNNE BURCH