

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

MONDAY OCTOBER 16, 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: SHKRABUIK / 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 7:28 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

- Delete from the agenda Item No. 9 a) Bylaw No. 1815, cited as the 81st Avenue Road Closure Bylaw, proposed for final reading.

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT THE OCTOBER 16, 2006 REGULAR MEETING AGENDA BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED. CARRIED.

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MINUTES:

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / ROBERT

RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2006, BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED. CARRIED.

REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS:

NONE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF FOR DECISIONS:

a) City Clerk's Report – Joint Operation and Management of the Fire/Rescue Service

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / SHKRABUIK

RESOLVED THAT THE CITY CLERK'S REPORT, DATED OCTOBER 4, 2006, RELATIVE TO THE PROPOSED JOINT OPERATION AND MANAGEMENT OF THE FIRE/RESCUE SERVICE, BE RECEIVED.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL AUTHORIZES THE MAYOR AND THE CORPORATE OFFICER TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT, ATTACHED TO THE CLERK'S REPORT, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY.

CARRIED.

b) Manager's of Works and Services Report – Awarding of the 2006 Paving Contract

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / GORDON

RESOLVED THAT THE MANAGER OF WORKS & SERVICES' REPORT, DATED OCTOBER 10, 2006, RELATIVE TO THE AWARDING OF THE 2006-PAVING CONTRACT, BE RECEIVED.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL AWARDS THE 2006-PAVING CONTRACT TO SELKIRK PAVING LTD., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$300,000.

CARRIED.

c) Acting Superintendent's Report – Portable Sound System

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / ROBERT

RESOLVED THAT THE ACTING SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT, DATED OCTOBER 11, 2006, REGARDING THE PURCHASE OF A PORTABLE SOUND SYSTEM, BE RECEIVED.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT STAFF BE AUTHORIZED TO PROCEED WITH THE PURCHASE OF A PORTABLE SOUND SYSTEM, COMPLETE WITH TRAILER, AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000. CARRIED.

REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE:

a) Unsightly Premises, 1730 68th Avenue – Show Cause Hearing

The property owner, Nadine Heiberg, was provided an opportunity to be heard. Nadine Heiberg stated that she has taken three truckloads of items off her property today. She went on to itemize her renovation, building and canning projects, stating that these projects will be impacted as she has had to haul items off her property. She advised that in her opinion the Unsightly Premises Bylaw impacts on her freedom and further requested that Council abolish the Unsightly Premises Bylaw. Discussion ensued between Ms. Heiberg and members of Council as to what is unsightly.

MOTION: HINTER / SHKRABUIK

RESOLVED THAT STAFF BE DIRECTED TO ATTEND MS HEIBERG'S RESIDENCE AT 1730 68TH AVENUE AND POINT OUT TO THE PROPERTY OWNER WHAT IS IN NON-COMPLIANCE OF THE UNSIGHTLY PREMISES BYLAW. CARRIED.

b) Building Bylaw Contravention, 6451 Highway 3 East – Show Cause Hearing

The property owner, Wayne Battrick, was provided an opportunity to be heard. Mr. Battrick began by stating that he has hired a civil engineer to assess the situation and to provide a report to the building inspector, however due to the time constraints of the engineer, this has not been completed to date. Mr. Battrick requested Council's consideration in providing him an extension of time.

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / HINTER

RESOLVED THAT THE CITY CLERK'S REPORT, DATED OCTOBER 3, 2006, REGARDING THE FILING OF A NOTICE ON TITLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 57 OF THE COMMUNITY CHARTER AGAINST THE PROPERTY OWNED BY WAYNE AND DEBRA BATTRICK, BE RECEIVED. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL GRANT A 60-DAY EXTENSION OF TIME FOR THE RESOLUTION OF THE CONTRAVENTION OF THE CITY'S BUILDING BYLAW FOR A ROOF CONSTRUCTION OVER A TRAILER. CARRIED.

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INFORMATION ITEMS:

MOTION: HINTER / ROBERT

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

BYLAWS:

a) Bylaw 1818 - Overweight Traffic Regulation Amendment Bylaw

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / ROBERT

**RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1818, CITED AS "OVERWEIGHT TRAFFIC REGULATION
AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 1818, 2006, BE FINALLY ADOPTED.**

CARRIED.

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

MOTION: HINTER / ROBERT

**RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1814, CITED AS AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF
GRAND FORKS ZONING BYLAW NO, 1814, 2006, BE GIVEN FIRST AND SECOND
READING.**

CARRIED.

c) Bylaw 1817 – Cross Connection Control Bylaw

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / GORDON

**RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1817, CITED AS CROSS CONNECTION CONTROL
BYLAW NO. 1817, 2006, BE GIVEN FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READINGS.**

CARRIED.

LATE ITEMS:

None

Councillor Shkrabuik reported on the following activities:

- Attended a Recreation Commission meeting this past week wherein the new Community Centre was discussed.
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Councillor Robert:

Councillor Robert reported on the following activities.

- He reported that he attended the Phoenix Foundation annual meeting, stating he was particularly impressed with the Y Shift presentation
- He reported on his attendance at an Air Quality meeting on October 11.

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

Councillor Moslin:

Councillor Moslin reported on the following activities:

- Reported on his attendance at many Air Quality meetings and thanked Council Members for their individual support.
 - Reported on his attendance at the opening of the new Nelson Museum which is now located in the former City Hall.
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Mayor Krog:

Mayor Krog reported on the following:

- He reported that subsequent to his absence at the last meeting, he has circulated his report on activities of the Regional District, etc. to all members of Council via email.
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Councillor Hinter –

Councillor Hinter reported on the following activities

- Announced that the BC Corps of Commissionaires have begun their regular patrols today. At Councillor Hinter's request, the City Manager reported on the program envisioned which will be on-going for one year on a trial basis.
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Councillor O'Doherty:

No Report

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Councillor Gordon

- Reported on her attendance at a regular 4-pillar meeting, outlining the various activities and programs being undertaken by the 4 pillars group.
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MOTION: O'DOHERTY / ROBERT

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 8:25 P.M. CARRIED.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

MAYOR NEIL KROG

CITY CLERK - LYNNE BURCH