

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING OF COUNCIL
MONDAY DECEMBER 17, 2007

PRESENT: ACTING MAYOR 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	L. Engels

GALLERY

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

➤ none

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / HINTER

RESOLVED THAT THE AGENDA OF THE PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING OF MONDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2007, BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED. CARRIED.

It was stated that a delegation of the Boundary Museum Society will be addressing Council during Question Period.

REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS:

None

QUESTION PERIOD FROM THE PUBLIC:

Acting Mayor Gordon stated that City Council is interested in hearing from the public on the issues it is dealing with or on any other issue that is of interest to the general public. To ensure that this process is open and does not feel uncomfortable to anyone, he advised that .../ continued on next page

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Council has set up some parameters to follow. She requested the gallery that prior to speaking about their issue that they would advise Council of the following:

1. Identify yourself, stating your name and place of residence and the issue you are bringing forward.
2. The subject of your participation should be limited to items of broad public interest, not personal to your property. This is not a forum for complaints. Any complaints will be dealt with by Staff and can be made by calling or attending City Hall or other City department during business hours.
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4. Presentations: You must limit your questions and or comments to a maximum of five (5) minutes including questions from Council. This will permit time for all that are present to participate.
5. Council may not make any decisions at this meeting and if Council wishes, the item would be referred to Staff for follow-up and recommendation for Council to consider at a regular meeting of Council.

Christine Thompson representing Adhoc Committee of Boundary Museum Society:

Ms. Thompson advised Council that she and Brian Taylor are an Adhoc committee of the Boundary Museum Society who have met with Councillor Robert and Mayor Krog to discuss Museum matters. She went on to request that the Boundary Museum Society have access to the Museum building on December 27th and 28th to facilitate moving the Boundary Museum Society's office out of the "Centennial" building, advising that the artifacts will remain intact in the building. Ms Thompson advised that this access be confirmed in writing by December 19th. Councillor Robert commented that the meeting held last week was a positive meeting and complimented the Adhoc Committee. Brian Taylor commented that the meeting was positive, and stated that the new society, who will run the museum, will need the back-up of the existing museum society. Councillor Moslin inquired as to suggestions by the Adhoc Committee. Brian Taylor suggested that the Society has a job to do to allow the move and to organize in their new role of assisting, volunteer to volunteer, with the new board liaising directly with the Boundary Museum Society. Councillor Robert stated that during the regular meeting, he intends to request that Council consider adding another seat on the new Society Board of Directors, to be appointed by the Boundary Museum Society. Councillor Moslin inquired if this is premature, stating that consultation is required by the Boundary Museum Society and the Grand Forks Society for the Preservation of Arts & Culture Board of Directors.

OPERATIONAL DISCUSSION & PRESENTATIONS BY STAFF:

None

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION:

None

REQUESTS FROM CORRESPONDENCE:

None

INFORMATION ITEMS:

None

LATE ITEMS:

None

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

ADJOURNMENT:


MOTION: HINTER

**RESOLVED THAT THIS PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING BE ADJOURNED 7:18 P.M.
CARRIED.**

CERTIFIED CORRECT:



ACTING MAYOR ANN GORDON



CITY CLERK - LYNNE BURCH