

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
MONDAY MARCH 5, 2007

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

V. Kumar
L. Burch

GALLERY

CALL TO ORDER:

The Mayor called the Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. At this time the Mayor called Tim O'Doherty to the podium and presented Mr. O'Doherty with a Certificate of Appreciation commemorating his three consecutive terms representing the City on the Grand Forks & District Recreation Commission. The Mayor thanked Mr. O'Doherty for his contribution of service to the City of Grand Forks.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

- None

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / ROBERT

**RESOLVED THAT THE MARCH 5, 2007 REGULAR MEETING AGENDA BE ADOPTED
AS CIRCULATED. CARRIED.**

MINUTES:

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / GORDON

**RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2007, BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED.**

CARRIED.

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MOTION: HINTER / ROBERT

RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2007, BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED. CARRIED.

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / GORDON

RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES, AND RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED THEREIN, OF THE PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2007, BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED. CARRIED.

REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS:

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF FOR DECISIONS:

a) City Clerk's Report – Contravention of the Overweight Traffic Bylaw

MOTION: GORDON / ROBERT

RESOLVED THAT THE CLERK'S REPORT DATED FEBRUARY 27, 2007, REGARDING INFORMATION SUBMITTED SUBSTANTIATING CONTRAVENTION OF THE OVERWEIGHT TRAFFIC BYLAW, BE RECEIVED, AND THAT STAFF BE DIRECTED TO WRITE LETTERS TO THE OWNERS OF THE OFFENDING VEHICLES REQUESTING COMPLIANCE WITH THE BYLAW. CARRIED.

b) City Manager's Report – Air Monitoring Agreement

MOTION: ROBERT / O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE RENEWAL OF THE AIR MONITORING AGREEMENT, BETWEEN THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS, THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF KOOTENAY BOUNDARY, THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, AND OTHER INDUSTRIAL STAKEHOLDERS, AND CONTINUE THE ONSITE SERVICE COMMITMENT FOR THE YEAR 2006, AND FOR THE YEAR 2007 COMMIT THE ONSITE SERVICE COMMITMENT PLUS \$1,000.00 IN CASH.

CARRIED.

c) City Manager's Report – Speeding and Policing

MOTION: GORDON / ROBERT

RESOLVED THAT THE CITY MANAGER'S REPORT, DATED FEBRUARY 27, 2007, ON SPEEDING AND POLICING, BE RECEIVED. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL REQUEST THE RCM POLICE TO INCREASE THE FREQUENCY OF TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT ON KEY CITY STREETS AND UTILIZE RADAR TO REDUCE VEHICLES SPEEDING ON 75TH AVENUE, KETTLE RIVER DRIVE, 68TH AVENUE AND RIVERSIDE DRIVE. CARRIED.

Councillor Shkrabuik voted against the resolution.

MOTION: MOSLIN / ROBERT

RESOLVED THAT STAFF BE DIRECTED TO CONTACT ICBC AND DISCUSS THE AVAILABILITY OF THE ROAD SAFE PROGRAM, TO BE CONDUCTED HERE IN GRAND FORKS IN AN EFFORT TO REDUCING SPEEDING ON CITY STREETS. CARRIED.

REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE:

None

INFORMATION ITEMS:

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / GORDON

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

BYLAWS:

None

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

Mayor Krog:

Mayor Krog read out a City of Grand Forks Press Release intended to be issued immediately, advising that after months of negotiations, the City has reached an agreement with the Attorney

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General's office to relocate circuit court in a building that the City will purchase, located across the street from the existing court house. He stated that the court house heritage building will be used to house the City's heritage, culture and the arts, as part of the Towne Square Project. A copy of this press release is attached to these minutes.

- The Mayor reported on his attendance at the RDKB board meeting in Trail on Feb 22nd, highlighting that the Board passed a resolution in favour of including the Boundary region in the Columbia Basin Trust.
- The Mayor advised that David Walsh was appointed to the Grand Forks & District Recreation Commission by resolution of the Board.
- Reported that the Board has supported a resolution calling for smoke free zones around all Regional District of Kootenay Boundary recreation facilities.

Councillor Gordon:

Councillor Gordon reported on the following items:

- Her attendance at the Four Pillars Committee Meeting
- Her attendance at a meeting with youth coordinators at Selkirk college
- Her attendance at a meeting with the Hospital Administrator regarding the front page article in the Gazette of patient dissatisfaction. She stated that the Hospital Administrator has advised that the matter has been corrected to the complainant's satisfaction.
- She advised that area's transportation needs have been forwarded to BC Transit

A Copy of Councillor Gordon's report is attached to these minutes.

Councillor O'Doherty:

No report

Councillor Hinter:

No Report

Councillor Moslin:

Councillor Moslin reported on the following activities:

- Attended a meeting in Republic, Washington on the issue of trails as Republic is facing rail abandonment and is looking to develop trails.
- He discussed the recent correspondence from the District of Squamish, and their municipality's 12-step pledge to achieve environmental standards.

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MOTION: MOSLIN / ROBERT

RESOLVED THAT STAFF BE DIRECTED TO INCLUDE THE CITY MANAGER'S REPORT INVOLVING A PROPOSED 3 LEVEL ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP PLAN FOR THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS ON THE AGENDA FOR THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL. CARRIED.

- Discussed the City's involvement in reducing future air emissions

MOTION: MOSLIN / HINTER

RESOLVED THAT THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS SEEKS MEASURABLE IMPROVEMENT IN THE QUALITY OF THE GRAND FORKS AIRSHED FROM THE PROVINCIAL AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENTS, AS WELL AS THE LOCAL COMMUNITY OF GRAND FORKS, WITHIN THE NEXT THREE YEARS. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councillor Robert:

- Advised of the success of the musical production Music Man held in Grand Forks over the past two weekends.
- He congratulated Council on their commitment to Arts and Culture in Grand Forks, stating that cultural tourism is an economic driver for Grand Forks, referring to the Town of Chemamus and their cultural murals project.

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

Councillor Shkrabuik:

No report

MOTION: HINTER / O'DOHERTY

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

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: O'DOHERTY

**RESOLVED THAT THIS REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL BE ADJOURNED AT 8:10
P.M. CARRIED.**

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

MAYOR NEIL KROG

CITY CLERK – LYNNE BURCH

**THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS
AGENDA – REGULAR MEETING**

Monday March 5, 2007 – 7:00 p.m.

	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>SUBJECT MATTER</u>	<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>
1.	<u>CALL TO ORDER</u>	7:00 p.m. Call to Order	Call Meeting to Order at 7:00 p.m.
2.	<u>REGULAR MEETING AGENDA</u> -	March 5, 2007 Agenda	Adopt Agenda
3.	<u>MINUTES</u> - February 19, 2007 - February 19, 2007 - February 19, 2007	Regular Meeting Minutes Special Meeting Minutes Primary Committee Meeting Minutes	Adopt Minutes Adopt Minutes Adopt Minutes and recommendations contained therein.
4.	<u>REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS</u> None		
5.	<u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS:</u> None		
6.	<u>RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF FOR DECISIONS:</u>		
	a) City Clerk's Report – Contravention of the Overweight Traffic Bylaw	Information received on vehicles contravening the Overweight Traffic Bylaw	Resolved that the Clerk's Report dated February 27, 2007, regarding information submitted substantiating contravention of the Overweight Traffic Bylaw, be received, and Staff be directed to write letters to the owners of the offending vehicles requesting compliance with the bylaw.
	b) City Manager's Report – Air Monitoring Agreement	Funding Request and Contributions from MOE	Council approve the renewal of the Agreement and continue the onsite service commitment for the year 2006, and for the year 2007 commit the onsite service commitment plus \$1,000.00 in cash.
	c) City Manager's Report – Speeding & Policing	Enforcement	Council request the RCM Police to increase the frequency of traffic enforcement on key city streets and utilize radar to reduce vehicles speeding on 75 th

Avenue, 68th Avenue, Kettle
River Drive and Riverside Drive.

7. **REQUESTS ARISING FROM
CORRESPONDENCE:**

None

8. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

- Summary of Informational Items Various subject matter

Receive the items and direct
staff to act upon as
recommended

9. **BYLAWS**

None

10. **LATE ITEMS**

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

- a) City Clerk Report

Members of Council may ask
questions, seek clarification and
report on issues

Issues seeking information on
city operations be referred to the
City Manager prior to the
meeting.

12. **ADJOURNMENT**