

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 4, 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 CLERK
DEPUTY CLERK/TREASURER
GALLERY

L. Burch
D. Zabinsky

CALL TO ORDER:

The Mayor called the Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. At this time, the Mayor called upon Councillor Hinter to make a presentation. Councillor Hinter stated that he had the opportunity to greet the Fire Chief/Public Works Superintendent of the City's Sister City in Germany, Spremburg, who was in Grand Forks over the holiday weekend. Councillor Hinter presented the City's Fire Chief with a helmet and uniform patches, a gift from the Spremburg Fire Chief and Fire Department, to the City of Grand Forks Fire Department.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

- None

MOTION: ROBERT / SHKRABUIK

RESOLVED THAT THE SEPTEMBER 4, 2007 REGULAR MEETING AGENDA BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED. CARRIED.

MINUTES:

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / GORDON

RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, AUGUST 20, 2007, BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED.

CARRIED

MOTION: HINTER / GORDON

RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON MONDAY, AUGUST 20, 2007, BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED. CARRIED.

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / MOSLIN

RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL, HELD ON MONDAY, AUGUST 20, 2007, BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED. CARRIED.

Councillor Moslin pointed out an error in the minutes, page 5819 regarding Councillor Moslin's report on the air quality monitoring, stating that the \$7,214 was for the redeployment of the two existing partisols that are currently on city hall roof to other places in the valley, not for the recorded cost of the mobile unit.

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / ROBERT

RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES, AND RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED THEREIN, OF THE PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, AUGUST 20, 2007, BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED. CARRIED.

REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF FOR DECISIONS:

- a) City Clerk's Report – Annual Tax Exemption Bylaw

MOTION: HINTER O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT THE CITY CLERK'S REPORT, DATED AUGUST 27, 2007, REGARDING THE APPLICATIONS FROM NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS REQUESTING INCLUSION IN THE 2008 ANNUAL TAX EXEMPTION BYLAW, BE RECEIVED.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL GRANTS APPROVAL TO NINE OUT OF TEN TAX EXEMPTION APPLICANTS, AS LISTED BELOW:

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1. GRAND FORKS SENIOR CITIZENS SOCIETY BRANCH 143 (SLAVONICS)
2. GRAND FORKS HOSPITAL AUXILIARY (THRIFT SHOP)
3. GRAND FORKS SENIOR CITIZENS SOCIETY BRANCH 68 (CITY PARK)
4. SUNSHINE VALLEY LITTLE PEOPLE'S CENTRE
5. ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION
6. HARMONY LODGE FREEMASONS (MASONIC HALL)
7. BC SPCA (PORTION OF THE PROPERTY USED AS AN ANIMAL SHELTER)
8. GRAND FORKS WILDLIFE ASSOCIATION (WILDLIFE HALL)
9. ABBEYFIELD CENTENNIAL HOUSE

FOR INCLUSION IN THE 2008 ANNUAL TAX EXEMPTION BYLAW AND THAT STAFF BE DIRECTED TO PROCEED WITH THE DRAFTING OF THE BYLAW FOR COUNCIL'S CONSIDERATION. CARRIED.

b) City Treasurer's Report – New Dump Truck and Sander for Public Works

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / GORDON

RESOLVED THAT THE CITY TREASURER'S REPORT, DATED AUGUST 20, 2007, REGARDING A NEW DUMP TRUCK AND SANDER REQUIRED BY PUBLIC WORKS, BE RECEIVED.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL APPROVES THE ORDERING OF A DUMP TRUCK / SANDER UNIT NOW FOR DELIVERY IN NOVEMBER, 2007.

AND BE IT ALSO RESOLVED THAT THE TRUCK BE PAID FOR IN 2007 BY MOVING BUDGETED EQUIPMENT ITEMS FROM 2007 BUDGET TO 2008 BUDGET.

CARRIED.

c) City Manager's Report – Downtown Grand Forks Recycling Depot Move

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / HINTER

RESOLVED THAT THE CITY MANAGER'S REPORT, DATED AUGUST 28, 2007, REGARDING THE DOWNTOWN GRAND FORKS RECYCLING DEPOT MOVE, BE RECEIVED.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL REQUEST THE WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF KOOTENAY BOUNDARY PROVIDE A RECYCLING DEPOT ON THE CITY-OWNED PROPERTY ACROSS FROM THE LANDFILL SITE AND CLOSE THE DOWNTOWN RECYCLING DEPOT AS HAS BEEN DONE IN OTHER COMMUNITIES.

MOTION WAS DEFEATED.

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / MOSLIN

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL REQUESTS THAT STAFF OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS COME UP WITH A CONCEPT OF AN IMPROVED RECYCLING DEPOT FOR THE EXISTING SITE, FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION WITH THE RDKB WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.

CARRIED.

Staff was requested to contact the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary and request their cooperation in cleaning up the downtown recycling depot more frequently.

REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE:

None

INFORMATION ITEMS:

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / GORDON

RESOLVED THAT INFORMATION ITEMS NUMBERED 5A TO 5M BE RECEIVED,

- a) Canada/BC Municipal Rural Infrastructure Funds
 - b) Gas Tax/Public Transit Management Services
 - c) Fraser Basin Council
 - d) Nadine Heiberg
 - e) BC Health Coalition
 - f) BC Transmission Corporation
 - g) Minister of Community Services
 - h) Minister of Community Services
 - i) Ministry of Environment
 - j) UBCM Member Notice
 - k) UBCM Member Notice
 - l) Regional District of Kootenay Boundary Board Meeting Minutes
 - m) West Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital District Board meeting minutes
- AND ACTED UPON AS RECOMMENDED.

CARRIED.

BYLAWS:

- a) City Clerk's Report – Bylaw No. 1833, Amendment to the Official Community Plan (7141 3RD Street)

MOTION: HINTER / SHKRABUIK

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1833, CITED AS “AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN DESIGNATION BYLAW NO. 1833, 2007”, BE GIVEN THIRD READING.

CARRIED.

**b) City Clerk's Report – Bylaw No. 1834, Amendment to the City of Grand Forks
Zoning Bylaw (7141 3RD Street)**

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1834, CITED AS “AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS ZONING BYLAW NO. 1834, 2007”, BE GIVEN THIRD READING.

CARRIED.

**c) City Clerk's Report – Bylaw No. 1835, Amendment to the City of Grand Forks
Zoning Bylaw (Addition to the permitted uses in the I3 Zone)**

MOTION: HINTER / GORDON

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1835, CITED AS “AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS ZONING BYLAW NO. 1835, 2007”, BE GIVEN THIRD READING.

CARRIED.

d) City Clerk's Report – Bylaw No. 1836 – Anti-Idling Bylaw

MOTION: HINTER / O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1836, CITED AS “CITY OF GRAND FORKS ANTI-IDLING BYLAW”, BE GIVEN FIRST READING.

CARRIED.

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / GORDON

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1836, CITED AS “CITY OF GRAND FORKS ANTI-IDLING BYLAW”, BE GIVEN SECOND READING.

CARRIED.

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / ROBERT

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1836, CITED AS “CITY OF GRAND FORKS ANTI-IDLING BYLAW”, BE GIVEN THIRD READING

CARRIED.

e) City Clerk's Report – Bylaw No. 1837, Parkland Acquisition Reserve Fund Establishment

MOTION: HINTER / SHKRABUIK

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1837, CITED AS “PARKLAND ACQUISITION AND DEVELOPMENT RESERVE FUND BYLAW”, BE FINALLY ADOPTED.

CARRIED.

f) Deputy Clerk/Treasurer's Report – Bylaw No. 1839, Campground Fees and Charges

MOTION: ROBERT / SHKRABUIK

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1839, CITED AS “CITY PARK MUNICIPAL CAMPGROUND FEES AND CHARGES BYLAW NO. 1839, 2007”, BE GIVEN FIRST READING.

CARRIED.

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / HINTER

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1839, CITED AS “CITY PARK MUNICIPAL CAMPGROUND FEES AND CHARGES BYLAW NO. 1839, 2007”, BE GIVEN SECOND READING.

CARRIED.

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / SHKRABUIK

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1839, CITED AS “CITY PARK MUNICIPAL CAMPGROUND FEES AND CHARGES BYLAW NO. 1839, 2007”, BE GIVEN THIRD READING.

CARRIED.

LATE ITEMS:

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

Councillor Shkrabuik:

- Reported on his attendance at the Grand Forks & District Recreation Commission Meeting including updates to the condition of the Grand Forks Aquatic Centre.
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Councillor Robert:

- Invited all of Council to the Fall Fair this Saturday, highlighting all the activities that are planned at this year's Fall Fair.
- Reported on his attendance at the Festival at the Forks
- Reported on his attendance at the 10th Anniversary of the Phoenix Foundation celebration in City Park on Saturday, September 1st.
- Thanked Helen Schulties for working with the Museum Committee promoting the move to the Heritage Site.
- Apologized to City Staff for missing the "meet and greet" sessions on Friday, August 31.
- Commended City Staff on the installation of Doggy Doo Doo stations in City Park

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

Councillor Moslin:

- Apologized to City Staff for missing the "Meet and Greet" opportunities with City Staff
 - Reported on the Roxul Permit issued by the Ministry of Environment, stating that the permit is an improvement, representing a compromise between MOE and Roxul. A copy of Councillor Moslin's statement on the issue is attached to these minutes
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Councillor Hinter:

Councillor Hinter reported on the following:

- Reported on his attendance at the "Meet and Greet" with City Staff
 - Reported on his meeting with the people of Spremburg, Germany
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Councillor O'Doherty:

- No Report
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Councillor Gordon:

- Reported on her attendance at the "Meet and Greet" session with the Inside Staff
 - Advised that she will be attending the Deer Count tomorrow morning with Councillor Moslin
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MOTION: HINTER / O'DOHERTY

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

ADJOURNMENT:


MOTION: ROBERT

**RESOLVED THAT THIS REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL BE ADJOURNED AT 8:24
P.M. CARRIED.**

CERTIFIED CORRECT:



MAYOR NEIL KROGH



CITY CLERK - LYNNE BURCH

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

Tuesday September 4, 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>	September 4, 2007 Agenda	Adopt Agenda
3. <u>MINUTES</u>		
- August 20, 2007	Special Meeting Minutes	Adopt Minutes
- August 20, 2007	Public Hearing	Adopt Minutes
- August 20, 2007	Regular Meeting Minutes	Adopt Minutes and
- August 20, 2007	Primary Committee Meeting Minutes	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 – Annual Tax Exemption Bylaw	Applications Requesting Inclusion in the 2008 Annual Tax Exemption Bylaw	Council grants approval to all 10 applicants for inclusion in the 2008 Annual Tax Exemption Bylaw.
b) Treasurer's Report – New Dump Truck and Sander	Purchase equipment in 2007 instead of 2008	Council approve the ordering of a City dump truck / sander unit now for the delivery in November 2007 and further resolve that the truck be paid for in 2007 by moving budgeted equipment items from 2007 budget to 2008 budget.
c) City Manager's Report – Regional District Waste Management	Downtown Grand Forks Recycling Depot Move	Council requests the Waste Management Committee of the RDKB to provide a recycling depot on the city-owned property across from the landfill site and close the downtown recycling depot as has been done in other communities.

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**
- a) City Clerk's Report – Bylaw 1833 Amendment to the City of Grand Forks Official Community Plan Bylaw Third Reading
 - b) City Clerk's Report – Bylaw 1834 Amendment to the City of Grand Forks Zoning Bylaw Third Reading
 - c) City Clerk's Report – Bylaw 1835 Amendment to the City of Grand Forks Zoning Bylaw Third Reading
 - d) City Clerk's Report – Bylaw 1836 City of Grand Forks Anti-Idling Bylaw First, Second and Third readings
 - e) City Clerk's Report – Bylaw 1837 Parkland Acquisition Reserve Fund Establishment Bylaw Final Reading
 - f) Treasurer's Report – Bylaw 1839 City Park Municipal Campground Fees and Charges Bylaw First, Second and Third readings
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**