THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL MONDAY FEBRUARY 4, 2008

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

L. Engels

CALL TO ORDER:

The Mayor called the Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

None.

MOTION:

HINTER / O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT THE FEBRUARY 4, 2008 REGULAR MEETING AGENDA BE

ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED.

CARRIED.

MINUTES:

MOTION:

O'DOHERTY / GORDON

RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY JANUARY 21, 2008, BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED. CARRIED.

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MOTION:

SHKRABUIK / HINTER

RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, JANUARY 21, 2008, BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED. CARRIED.

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MOTION:

HINTER / GORDON

RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 31, 2008, BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED.

CARRIED.

MOTION:

GORDON / SHKRABUIK

RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY JANUARY 21, 2008, AND THE RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED THEREIN BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED.

CARRIED.

REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS:

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF FOR DECISIONS:

a) City Clerk's Report – Proposed Resolutions to Association of Kootenay Boundary Local Governments

MOTION:

HINTER / GORDON

RESOLVED THAT THE CITY CLERK'S REPORT, DATED JANUARY 24, 2008, REGARDING PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS TO BE FORWARDED TO THE ASSOCIATION OF KOOTENAY BOUNDARY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, FOR DELIBERATION AT THEIR CONFERENCE IN APRIL, 2008, BE RECEIVED.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT ALL SEVEN RESOLUTIONS, TITLED:

- CARBON TAX REVENUE SHARING
- COMMUNITIES RELIANT ON FORESTRY
- EMISSIONS TRADING
- HOMELESSNESS AND MENTAL ILLNESS CARE
- Pm 2.5 POINT SOURCE PERMITS BASED ON CANADIAN WIDE STANDARDS
- REPORTING OF GREEN HOUSE GAS EMISSIONS
- SAFETY OF PUBLICLY OWNED HIGHWAYS

BE ENDORSED BY COUNCIL, AND FORWARDED TO THE AKBLG BY THE FEBRUARY 7, 2008 DEADLINE. CARRIED.

b) City Manager's Report – AKBLG Forum Discussion

MOTION:

SHKRABUIK / ROBERT

RESOLVED THAT THE CITY MANAGER'S REPORT, DATED JANUARY 29, 2008, CONTAINING A SUMMARY OF ISSUES IDENTIFIED BY MEMBERS OF COUNCIL FOR SUBMISSION TO THE 2008 AKBLG MUNICIPAL FORUM, AND INCLUDING:

YOUTH AT RISK

PARTY, CRACK AND DRUG HOUSES MINIMUM MANDATORY SENTENCING

AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER OF RIGHTS AND FREEDOM

INCREASED FUNDING FOR WELLNESS CENTERS

BE APPROVED.

CARRIED.

REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE:

None

INFORMATION ITEMS:

MOTION:

ROBERT / GORDON

RESOLVED THAT INFORMATION ITEMS NUMBERED 5A TO 5O.

- a) 2010 Legacies Now Annual Review.
- b) Ministry of Small Business and Revenue, tobacco retail authorization
- c) Grand Forks Curling Club invitation to BC Senior Men's Provincial Championships
- d) Minister of Environment, advising that request for funding denied
- e) Honours and Awards Secretariat Order of British Columbia Nominations
- f) Dr. Lynn Naylor Chiropractor request for handicap parking stall
- g) Mona Lee Dalton request for 2nd Street pedestrian sign or crosswalk
- h) Government of Canada 2008 Funding Application for Celebrate Canada
- i) BC Children's Hospital Foundation Jeans Day Fundraising Campaign
- j) Peter Julian, MP removal of PBDE's.
- k) Grand Forks & District Public Library, drought tolerant and xeriscape gardening
- 1) Ministry of Finance News Release Homeowner Grant Threshold
- m) Office of the Premier News Release Transit Plan for Greenhouse Gas Targets
- n) FCM Green Municipal Study Fund
- o) UBCM increase in 2008 membership dues

BE RECEIVED AND ACTED UPON AS RECOMMENDED.

CARRIED.

BYLAWS:

a) City Clerk's Report – Bylaw 1842 Amendment to the City of Grand Forks Zoning Bylaw Rezoning property at 7439 7th Street from R-1 to R-2

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / HINTER

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1842, CITED AS "AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS ZONING BYLAW NO. 1842, 2007", BE FINALLY ADOPTED.

CARRIED.

b) City Clerk's Report – Bylaw 1843 Amendment to the City of Grand Forks Zoning Bylaw Rezoning property east of Valley Heights, known as the 3rd Phase of Valley Heights

MOTION: HINTER / SHKRABUIK

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1843, CITED AS "AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS ZONING BYLAW NO. 1843, 2007", BE FINALLY ADOPTED.

CARRIED.

c) Chief Financial Officer's Report – Bylaw 1849 Year 2008 – 2012 Financial Plan Bylaw intended to establish the City's Five Year Financial Plan

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / GORDON

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1849, CITED AS "YEAR 2008 – 2012 FINANCIAL PLAN BYLAW" BE FINALLY ADOPTED. CARRIED.

d) Chief Financial Officer's Report – Bylaw 1845 Water Regulations & Rates Amendment Bylaw

MOTION: HINTER / GORDON

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1845, CITED AS "CITY OF GRAND FORKS WATER REGULATIONS AND RATES AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 1845, 2008", BE FINALLY ADOPTED. CARRIED.

e) Chief Financial Officer's Report – Bylaw 1846 Sewer Regulations & Rates Amendment Bylaw

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1846, CITED AS "CITY OF GRAND FORKS SEWER REGULATIONS AND RATES AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 1846, 2008, BE FINALLY ADOPTED. CARRIED.

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f) Chief Financial Officer's Report – Bylaw 1847 Residential Garbage Regulations and Rates Amendment Bylaw

MOTION: HINTER / GORDON

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1847, CITED AS "CITY OF GRAND FORKS RESIDENTIAL GARBAGE REGULATIONS AND RATES AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 1847, 2008, BE FINALLY ADOPTED. CARRIED.

g) Chief Financial Officer's Report – Bylaw 1848 Electrical Utility Regulatory Amendment Bylaw

MOTION:

O'DOHERTY / ROBERT

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW 1848, CITED AS "ELECTRICAL UTILITY REGULATORY AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 1848, 2008", BE FINALLY ADOPTED.

CARRIED.

h) Chief Financial Officer's Report – Bylaw 1844 Revenue Anticipation Bylaw

MOTION: SH

SHKRABUIK / ROBERT

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW 1844, CITED AS "CITY OF GRAND FORKS REVENUE ANTICIPATION BORROWING BYLAW – 2008", BE FINALLY ADOPTED.

CARRIED.

i) Chief Financial Officer's Report – Bylaw 1850 Water Regulations & Rates Amendment Bylaw

MOTION:

GORDON / O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1850, CITED AS "CITY OF GRAND FORKS WATER REGULATIONS AND RATES AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 1850, 2008", BE FINALLY ADOPTED.

CARRIED.

j) Chief Financial Officer's Report – Bylaw 1851 Sewer Regulations & Rates Amendment Bylaw

MOTION:

O'DOHERTY / ROBERT

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1851, CITED AS "CITY OF GRAND FORKS SEWER REGULATIONS AND RATES AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 1851, 2008, BE FINALLY ADOPTED. CARRIED.

LATE ITEMS:

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

Councillor Shkrabuik:

• Brought forward the matter of the upcoming Grand Forks Aquatic Centre referendum and encouraged all residents to vote in the referendum

Councillor Robert:

Councillor Robert reported on the following items:

- Public Meeting scheduled for February 21st to discuss matters of crime
- Advised that the pool referendum will be held on March 15th and encouraged the public to come out and vote in referendum.
- Advised that he participated in BC Assessment Appeal process.
- Advised on his meeting with the Sunshine Valley Community Services Group

A copy of Councillor Robert's report is attached

Councillor Moslin:

Councillor Moslin reported on the following items:

- Advised that the Ministry of Environment has awarded funding for an anti- idling program between May and August 2008, utilizing co-op students, and has agreed to contribute funding for the wood stove exchange program, picking up all administration costs and advertising costs, as well as contributing \$250.00 per stove.
- Advised that the next meeting of the Boundary Air Quality Committee will be held at the RDKB office on Wednesday, February 6, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.
- Brought forward the matter of funding for the Black Train Bridge. He stated that the Grand Forks and District Trails Society has applied for funding from SIDIT. He stated that the City of Grand Forks has begun negotiations with CPR for the acquisition of the Black Train Bridge.
- Advised that the Grand Forks Chamber of Commerce is hosting a Winter Fiesta on Friday and Saturday, February 15th and 16th, co-sponsored by the CBT.

Councillor Hinter: No report		
Councillor O'Doherty: No report		
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Councillor Gordon:

• Added her support for the Grand Forks Aquatic Centre and encouraged Grand Forks residents to support the pool.

Mayor Krog:

• Reported on his attendance at the RDKB meeting on Thursday. He stated that the referendum question will ask for permission to borrow up to \$1.5 million to fix the pool, and stated his concern that this amount will not be enough. He stated that the bylaw will be finalized under the Special Voting Regulation, with the \$1.5 million limit.

MOTION: HINTER / O'DOHERTY

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 7:42 P.M. CARRIED.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

MAYOR NEIL KROG

CITY CLERK - LYNNE BURCH

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Mayor Krog called this Special Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ADOPTION OF IN-CAMERA MEETING AGENDA:

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

> None

MOTION:

HINTER / ROBERT

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

IN-CAMERA RESOLUTION:

MOTION:

GORDON / 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 SECTION 90 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.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION:

GORDON

RESOLVED THAT THIS SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL BE ADJOURNED AT 6:31 P.M. CARRIED.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

MAYOR NEIL KROG

CITY CLERK – LYNNE BURCH