

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

MONDAY NOVEMBER 17, 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
CITY CLERK

V. Kumar
L. Burch

CALL TO ORDER:

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

RECESS TO PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING:

MOTION: HINTER / SHKRABUIK

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 7:38 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

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MOTION: O'DOHERTY / ROBERT

RESOLVED THAT THE NOVEMBER 17, 2008 REGULAR MEETING AGENDA BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED.

CARRIED.

MINUTES:

MOTION: GORDON / HINTER

RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2008, BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED.

CARRIED.

REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS:

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF FOR DECISIONS:

None

REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE:

None

INFORMATION ITEMS:

MOTION: SHKRABUIK / MOSLIN

RESOLVED THAT INFORMATION ITEMS NUMBERED 5A TO 5D,

- a) Letter from the Ministry of Environment.
- b) News Release from the Office of the Premier – New Steps to Help Homeowners.
- c) News Release from the Office of the Premier – Economic Plan.
- d) Minutes of the RDKB Meeting of October 2, 2008

BE RECEIVED AND ACTED UPON AS RECOMMENDED.

CARRIED.

Speaking to Information Item (a), Councillor Moslin stated that the City of Grand Forks needs to insist that the Ministry of Environment commit to the Ministry provided air quality monitoring equipment remaining in Grand Forks indefinitely, that the Ministry commits to providing timely results from the monitoring equipment, and that efforts be made for easy contact with the Ministry.

BYLAWS:

None

LATE ITEMS:

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

Councillor Shkrabuik:

- Councillor Shkrabuik thanked Council for the past term stating it was an honour to serve with them.
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Councillor Robert:

Councillor Robert reported on the following:

- Stated that he has been honoured to be part of the table, and stated his appreciation to each and every departing member of Council.
- Stated he is looking forward to working with the new Council.

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

Councillor Moslin:

Councillor Moslin reported on the following:

- Reported on the Carbon Neutral telephone conference, held on November 5th which focused on the steps Communities will take pursuant to the signing of the Climate Action Charter. He went on to discuss creating our own carbon off-sets, like planting trees.
 - Reported on his attendance at the recent Habitat for Humanity meeting and reported on the group's development intentions. He further suggested that the public notice on the closure of the "cowpath" should include School District 51 Boundary, and emergency services.
 - Reported on his attendance at the Grand Forks Art Gallery's Wine tasting.
 - Congratulated all those who ran for election, and to the winners.
 - Thanked this Council for the hard work in the past term.
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Councillor Hinter:

- Thanked this Council for the honour of having served with them. Welcomed the new Council. Thanked Staff at all levels for the fabulous job done.
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Councillor O'Doherty:

- Thanked this Council for the honour of having served with them. Offered best wishes to the new Council.
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Councillor Gordon:

- Presented a report on her meeting with the Grand Forks & District Supportive Housing Coalition, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.
 - Thanked Council for the honour of having served with them, offering good luck to everyone.
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Mayor Krog:

- Suggested that this Council has made a difference. Thanked all members of Council for acting in a professional manner.
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MOTION: SHKRABUIK / O'DOHERTY

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


ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION:

RESOLVED THAT THIS REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL BE ADJOURNED AT 8:05 P.M. CARRIED.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:


MAYOR NEIL KROG


CITY CLERK - LYNNE BURCH