

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING OF COUNCIL
MONDAY JULY 19TH, 2010

PRESENT:

MAYOR BRIAN TAYLOR
COUNCILLOR CHRIS MOSLIN
COUNCILLOR MICHAEL WIRISCHAGIN
COUNCILLOR GENE ROBERT
COUNCILLOR CHRISTINE THOMPSON
COUNCILLOR CHER WYERS

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
CORPORATE OFFICER
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
(CFO arrived at 7:25 PM)
GALLERY

L. Burch
D. Heinrich
C. Arnott

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:03p.m.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

MOTION: ROBERT/WIRISCHAGIN

RESOLVED THAT THE AGENDA OF THE PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING OF MONDAY, JULY 19TH, 2010, BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED. CARRIED.

REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS:

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION:

- a) **Corporate Officer's Report – Woodburning Appliance Bylaw Policy. Proposed Policy guideline in conjunction with the proposed Wood Burning Appliance Bylaw No. 1879 which appears in the July 19th Regular Meeting Agenda under "Bylaws".**

MOTION: MOSLIN/THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL TO RECEIVE THE CORPORATE OFFICER'S REPORT DATED JULY 13TH, 2010 REGARDING A WOODBURNING APPLIANCE BYLAW POLICY AND THAT COUNCIL APPROVES THE WOOD BURNING APPLIANCE BYLAW ENFORCEMENT GUIDELINE POLICY NUMBERED 403 AS PRESENTED. CARRIED

Councillor Robert voted against the motion.

Due to the absence of the Chief Financial Officer, her report on the Second Quarter Financial Update will be postponed under her arrival later on in the evening. The Mayor advised that the Question Period from the public will proceed.

OPERATIONAL DISCUSSION & PRESENTATIONS BY STAFF:

None

INFORMATION ITEMS:

None

PROPOSED BYLAWS FOR DISCUSSION:

None

LATE ITEMS:

None

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

None

QUESTION PERIOD FROM THE PUBLIC:

Mayor Taylor 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 Council has set up some parameters to follow, and the normal rules apply.

- **Sylvia Treptow** – She spoke with regard to the Multi-Purpose Playing Field and asked Council to adopt the same motion as they had previously adopted at the February 8th, 2010 Regular Meeting.
- **Nicki Best** – She advised that she was representing the Youth in the area and expressed her concerns on how Council deals with youth issues as opposed to senior's issues.
- **Clint Faulkner** – He advised that he is speaking as a representative of the Boundary Wanderers Rugby Club and advised of his concerns that almost a year has been lost due to indecision to the issue of a playing field in City Park.
- **Roly Russell** – He advised that a multi-use playing field in City Park would be great for the families of our community.
- **Dean Mandrick** – He advised that he is one of the coaches for baseball in the area for both minor and major leagues. He advised that the baseball schedules currently take up four nights a week in addition to playing double headers on Saturday and Sunday, and that the teams are already struggling for times as it is without other sports included in Dick Bartlett Park.
- **Chris Evers** – He advised that he is from the local youth soccer association, and feels that City Park as the venue for a multi-use playing field would be great for their youth.
- **Dixie Anderson** – She advised that she doesn't see City Park as a "meditation" park, but rather that it's made for activities which should include a multi-purpose playing field.

The Chief Financial Officer joined the meeting at 7:25 PM and proceeded with her presentation on the Second Quarter Financial Update to Council.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION (cont'd):

- b) Chief Financial Officer's Report – Second Quarter Financial Update Presentation to Council.**

The Chief Financial Officer spoke with regard to 1) Operations of the City and optimizing resources available; 2) Capital projects such as the Recreational Infrastructure Canada (RInC), the Lift Station project, the Fibre Communications Project and the Electrical Line Truck 3) Infrastructure Improvements where the City would be working with KWL Engineering Report. 4) Financial Plan 2010 – 2014 which was adopted this year with the focus on longer term fiscal responsibility and general guidelines, and 5) Fiscal Assessment – guidelines for the next five year plan.

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Primary Committee Meeting of Council
JULY 19TH, 2010

MOTION: ROBERT/THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL TO RECEIVE THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT AND PRESENTATION ON THE FINANCIAL STATUS OF THE MUNICIPALITY. CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: WIRISCHAGIN

RESOLVED THAT THIS PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING BE ADJOURNED AT 7:39 P.M.

CARRIED.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:



MAYOR BRIAN TAYLOR



CORPORATE OFFICER - DIANE HEINRICH