



MOTION: DAVIES/THOMPSON

**RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND, 2010, BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED. CARRIED.**

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MOTION: WYERS/THOMPSON

**RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY FEBRUARY 22, 2010, AND ALL RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED THEREIN BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED. CARRIED.**

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**REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS:**

None

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**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- a) Chief Administrative Officer's Report – Council request to review and provide further options for the construction of the proposed Multi-use Playing Field

MOTION: THOMPSON/ DAVIES

**RESOLVED THAT THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT DATED MARCH 3<sup>RD</sup>, 2010, ON MULTI-PURPOSE PLAYING FIELD OPTIONS BE DEFERRED UNTIL THE FIRST REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING ON APRIL 6<sup>TH</sup>, 2010, SO THAT THE CITY HAS AN OPPORTUNITY TO DIALOGUE WITH THE SCHOOL BOARD AS A PARTNER FOR THIS PROJECT AND TO RESEARCH THE COSTS. CARRIED.**

Councillor Wirischagin voted against the motion.

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

**Councillor Davies:**

Councillor Davies reported on the following items:

- She reported on a Community Futures Summary Report for LIRN BC and advised that the report will be posted on the Community Futures website. From an economic development perspective she spoke with regard to communities that were dying which now are on the road to coming back to life. She encouraged everyone to read the detailed report when it comes out.
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**Councillor Thompson:**

Councillor Thompson reported on the following items:

- She advised that, due to illness, she was unable to attend a meeting of the Phoenix Foundation on February 24<sup>th</sup>, but was able to attend a special meeting on March 8<sup>th</sup> where the grants committee requested and received an increase in the funding for the 2010 proposals.
  - On Wednesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, Councillor Thompson reported on her attendance at a meeting of the Boundary Museum Society and advised that displays are being readied at the Fructova museum site for May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010. She also advised that a Grand Opening celebration will be scheduled later this year.
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**Councillor Robert:**

Councillor Robert reported on the following items:

- He reported that he will be attending a meeting with elected officials of the Boundary Area at Community Futures Office on Tuesday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 with regard to Interfor's Point of Appraisal.
  - He reported on his attendance to the Boundary Economic Development Committee Meeting as the City's alternate in place of Mayor Taylor on March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2010, and talked about the group's professional level of governance and advocacy to the needs of our regional community.
  - He reported on his attendance at a School Board Meeting on March 2, 2010, with regard to the possible closing of Beaverdell School and went on to advise the major concerns of the group were with regard to the impact their small community would experience should the school close.
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**Councillor Wyers:**

Councillor Wyers reported on the following items:

- She reported on her attendance at the Grand Forks Library Annual General Meeting on February 24<sup>th</sup>, and advised of the excellent turn out involved in electing five new members to the library board.
  - On March 6<sup>th</sup>, Councillor Wyers visited the Heritage Display that is now showing at the Grand Forks Art Gallery which features Ranching, Dairy and Cheese Making.
  - As a follow up to Councillor Robert's report, she reported on her attendance at the BEDC Meeting on March 2<sup>nd</sup>, and advised that the Regional Tour Guide will be available this summer. She went on to report that this edition is in a "Visitor's Choice" format and that she is asking for business support in the form of advertising.
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**Councillor Wirischagin:**

Councillor Wirischagin reported on the following items:

- He reported on his attendance at a Fall Fair Meeting last week
  - Councillor Wirischagin announced that the Senior Boy's basketball won second in the Kootenays Tournament, and advised that he is the new Senior Boy's basketball coach.
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**Acting Mayor Chris Moslin:**

Acting Mayor Moslin reported on the following items:

He advised that he was going to give a notice of motion at the next Primary Committee Meeting on March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2010:

**THAT THE PROPOSED DOG PARK BE CONSTRUCTED AT THE SOUTH WEST END OF CITY PARK SOUTH OF THE PAVED TRAILS BY THE BMX TRACK.**

Councillor Davies inquired if Staff would arrange a walk about with Council at the site of the proposed Dog Park and the CAO confirmed that this would be arranged.

- Acting Mayor Moslin spoke regarding plans for the RInC Trail Project, and stated that he is waiting for further details from the engineer's report. He asked members of the public to take a look at the present Interfor fence placement, and advised that if anyone had further ideas, that they could feel free to contact him with suggestions. He also advised that the 9th Street access between 72<sup>nd</sup> and 73<sup>rd</sup> wouldn't be a single ramp but would be built as a switch-back. Further, he reported that the portion of the trail adjacent to the highway needs to be recognized as being a part of the Trans Canada Trail to passersby.
- He advised that he has a copy of the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary Climate Change Action Plan and that the Regional District plans to reduce emissions from their buildings and facilities by 10% on their natural gas use, and a further 15% reduction on fleet emissions (diesel and gas). He also advised that the Regional District is currently working on a municipal template which will be brought forward this spring.
- He reported on his attendance at the Public Safety Committee Meeting where issues of an emergency shelter at the former Hardy view lodge were addressed in addition to Habitat for Humanity shelter needs for disabled adults.
- He reported on his attendance at a Trails meeting in Kettle Falls, WA, which involved four separate trails groups. He mentioned that one group is focused on a trail between Kettle Falls and Colville, WA, while another group is in place to develop a trail in the event the railway is abandoned between Kettle Falls, WA and the US-Canada Border. He also advised that George Longden is involved with trails contained within the City as well as outside the City limits.
- He reported on his attendance to the festivities put on by the Grand Forks Curling Club at the Masters Bonspiel held on March 4<sup>th</sup>. He advised that 64 curlers made up of 16 teams came from around the province and provided fantastic entertainment and sportsmanship. Acting Mayor Moslin also thanked Gerry Foster and his Curling Club volunteers for helping to make such a successful event.

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MOTION:      ROBERT/WIRISCHAGIN

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

CARRIED.

**REPORT FROM THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF KOOTENAY BOUNDARY (VERBAL)**

- Acting Mayor Moslin advised that there was no report to be given at this meeting.

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**RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF FOR DECISIONS:**

- a) Corporate Officer's Report – Show Cause Hearing for Unsightly Premises for property located at 7630-17<sup>th</sup> Street, Grand Forks. The owner, Leo Bolinoff, and/or tenant, Dan Planidin have been requested to appear before Council to “show cause” why Council should not take steps to declare this property a nuisance, and to further inquire of the owner and/or tenant, the steps that are proposed to be taken by the tenant/owner, and the time frame within which the property will be rehabilitated to a reasonable and acceptable condition.

Dan Planidin came forward to speak to the time frame of the clean up. He advised that he would be able to clean up some of the property prior to the end of April 2010, and that he was planning to build a 6-foot fence. His advised that his plan was also to relocate his cars and that the total clean up should be complete by June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010

MOTION: DAVIES/THOMPSON

**RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL GRANTS AN EXTENSION OF TIME FOR THE CLEAN-UP OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 7630 – 17<sup>TH</sup> STREET BY JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2010, TO THE TENANT, DAN PLANIDIN, IN VIEW THAT THE TENANT HAS ADVISED THAT HE IS IN THE PROCESS OF REMOVING VEHICLES AND ENCLOSING A 6 FOOT FENCE TO SAID PROPERTY.**

MOTION DEFEATED.

MOTION: THOMPSON/DAVIES

**RESOLVED THAT THE CORPORATE OFFICER'S REPORT, DATED MARCH 2<sup>ND</sup>, 2010, REGARDING THE SHOW CAUSE HEARING FOR THE UNSIGHTLY PREMISES LOCATED AT 7630-17<sup>TH</sup> STREET, LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS LOT 4, PLAN NUMBER 30628, D.L. 380, L.D. 54, BE RECEIVED, AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL AUTHORIZES A 30 DAY EXTENSION OF TIME FOR THE CLEAN-UP OF SAID PROPERTY, TO THE TENANT, DAN PLANIDIN, IN VIEW THAT THE TENANT HAS ADVISED THAT HE IS IN THE PROCESS OF REMOVING VEHICLES AND CONSTRUCTING A 6 FOOT FENCE ON THE PROPERTY.** CARRIED.

Councillor Davies advised that she was going to put forward a notice of motion at the next Regular Meeting scheduled for March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2010:

THAT STAFF REPORT TO COUNCIL WITH ALTERNATIVE SUGGESTIONS OF BYLAW ENFORCEMENT, INCLUDING A REQUIREMENT FOR MORE THAN ONE PERSON TO COMPLAIN PRIOR TO THE BYLAW ENFORCEMENT PROCESS TO START.

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- b) Chief Administrative Officer's Report – Extension of contract to provide residential garbage and yard waste collection service

MOTION: ROBERT/WIRISCHAGIN

**RESOLVED THAT THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT, DATED FEBRUARY 23<sup>RD</sup>, 2010, REGARDING THE EXTENSION OF CONTRACT TO PROVIDE RESIDENTIAL GARBAGE AND YARD WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE, BE RECEIVED. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL APPROVES THE EXTENSION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS AND ALPINE DISPOSAL AND RECYCLING (INTERIOR DIVISION) LTD., FOR THE PROVISION OF RESIDENTIAL COLLECTION OF GARBAGE AND YARD WASTE SERVICE, FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM FROM JULY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2010 TO JUNE 30TH, 2011, AT A COST OF \$115,008. PLUS TAXES, AND FURTHER AUTHORIZES THE SIGNING OF THE ATTACHED EXTENSION AGREEMENT.**

CARRIED.

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- c) Chief Administrative Officer's Report – Application for Development Variance Permit

MOTION: ROBERT/WIRISCHAGIN

The Acting Mayor invited members of public to come forward to speak on the application for a development variance permit.

**RESOLVED THAT THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT, DATED FEBRUARY 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2010, REGARDING THE APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT PROPOSED BY BEN EDEBURN, PROPERTY OWNER, TO CONSTRUCT A 768 SQ.FT. WORKSHOP AND STORAGE BUILDING ACCESSORY TO HIS SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE LOCATED AT 6574-9<sup>TH</sup> STREET, BE RECEIVED. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL APPROVES THE APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT, THEREBY VARYING SECTION 33(2)(g) ALLOWING FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF A WORKSHOP TO BE GREATER THAN 50% OF THE PRINCIPLE RESIDENCE STRUCTURE.**

CARRIED.

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**REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE:**

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**INFORMATION ITEMS:**

MOTION: ROBERT/WIRISCHAGIN

**RESOLVED THAT INFORMATION ITEMS NUMBERED 10(a) TO 10(m)  
BE RECEIVED AND ACTED UPON AS RECOMMENDED AND/OR AS AMENDED.**

CARRIED.

- a) Carol Kusch correspondence and neighbourhood petition regarding concerns about the use of Hardy View Lodge – **Recommend that correspondence and petition be referred to the Public Safety Focus Committee.** Councillor Robert advised that he will take the petition forward to the Public Safety Focus Committee.
- b) Correspondence from Grand Forks Secondary School Scholarship Committee's request for 2010. **Recommend that Council confirms City scholarship as in previous years.**
- c) Correspondence from Brian Fletcher on Business Licence Fees. **Recommend that the Mayor respond to this letter.** Councillor Davies wished to elaborate on Mr. Fletcher's two main points advising that it's not a government's responsibility to dictate on the number of similar businesses applying to do business within the City. She addressed his second point regarding the licensing fees to be allocated to promote the City, where she advised that this Council is already taking action towards tourism and promotional means and that the City fully supports the Chamber of Commerce in its future endeavors. Councillor Wyers also contributed her views with regard to the Chamber of Commerce stating that, like other organizations, is experiencing economic difficulties but still maintains a positive outlook for the future.
- d) Correspondence from Corus Custom Networks requesting support to their application to CRTC for a proposed new local television channel. **Recommend that Staff write a letter of support from the City and to advise members of public who wish to support this proposal that they may do so by visiting the web site indicated in the correspondence.**
- e) Community Social Services requesting support regarding their campaign to raise awareness of community-based social services. **Recommend that Staff write a letter of support to the organization and to advise that the City does not issue proclamations.**

MOTION: ROBERT/DAVIES

**RESOLVED THAT THE CITY SEND A LETTER OF SUPPORT TO THE COMMUNITY SOCIAL SERVICES ORGANIZATION ON THE IMPORTANCE AND VALUE THAT THIS PROGRAM PROVIDES TO OUR COMMUNITY.**

CARRIED.

- f) Email regarding Child & Youth Friendly Planning Guidelines and advising that the current Draft BC document is available on their site for download and review. **Members of Council may issue comments prior to March 12th.**
- g) The Union of Spiritual Communities of Christ (USCC) Invitation for the Mayor to attend 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual Union of Youth Festival on May 22 and 23<sup>rd</sup> in Castlegar. **Recommend that the Mayor RSVP by April 15th if planning to attend.**

- h) Correspondence from Linda Ashe offering suggestions on Boundary Expansion for City and Medical Marijuana. **Recommend that the Mayor respond to her letter.**
- i) Grand Forks International Sponsor's Package for 2010 offering different package rates and advertising options. **Recommend that the City place a ½ page message from the City at a cost of \$589.00, and if Council desires, discussion on Sponsorship Level should be referred to Grant in Aid Process.** The City to place a ½ page ad/message from the City for a cost of \$589.00.
- j) Operation Clean Sweep Week from April 19 – 25<sup>th</sup>. **Recommend to receive for information.**
- k) Acknowledgement letter from Ministry of Children & Family Development regarding City's letter of support on Treatment Options for Youth. **Recommend to file.**
- l) 2009 UBCM resolutions which have been referred to the UBCM executive. **Recommend to file.** Acting Mayor Chris Moslin stated that he was concerned with regard to the missing resolution on the health care for volunteer firefighters. CAO advised Council that Staff will investigate with the UBCM on the status of this resolution and report back at a subsequent meeting.
- m) February 22<sup>nd</sup> Task List from Primary & Regular Meetings of completed and in progress tasks. **Recommend to file.** The Acting Mayor brought forward the task regarding Mr. Smith's proposed Casino venture with the recommendation for Council to respond.

**MOTION: THOMPSON/DAVIES**

**RESOLVED THAT STAFF BE DIRECTED TO WRITE A LETTER TO MR. BOB SMITH ADVISING THAT COUNCIL REQUIRES FURTHER INFORMATION ON HIS PROPOSAL DETAILS FOR A CASINO IN GRAND FORKS, AND THAT COUNCIL WOULD CONSIDER CONSULTING THE PUBLIC BY A REFERENDUM. CARRIED.**

Meeting was recessed at 9:00 PM and reconvened at 9:08 PM

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**BYLAWS:**

**a) Chief Financial Officer's Report – Bylaw 1894 – City of Grand Forks 2010-2014 Financial Plan Bylaw**

**MOTION: THOMPSON/ROBERT**

**RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1894, CITED AS "THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS 2010-2014 FINANCIAL PLAN BYLAW 1894", BE GIVEN FINAL READING CARRIED.**



**LATE ITEMS:**

- a) Chief Administrative Officers Report – 2010 Age-Friendly Community Planning & Project Grant Funding Program.

MOTION: ROBERT/DAVIES

**RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL APPROVES THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS FILING THE APPLICATION FOR FUNDING FROM THE UBCM SENIORS' HOUSING & SUPPORT INITIATIVE UNDER THE 2010 AGE-FRIENDLY COMMUNITY PLANNING & PROJECT GRANT FUNDING PROGRAM, FOR FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$19,924.00 FOR THE PROJECT, "GRAND FORKS COMMUNITY GARDEN-SENIOR FRIENDLY PHASE".**

CARRIED.

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**QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC AND THE MEDIA:**

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**ADJOURNMENT:**

MOTION: ROBERT

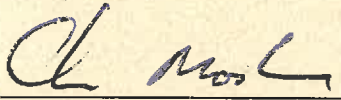
**RESOLVED THAT THIS REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL BE ADJOURNED AT 9:53 P.M.**

CARRIED.

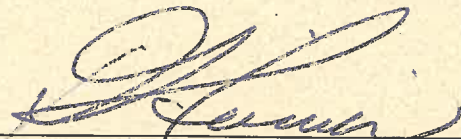
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**CERTIFIED CORRECT:**



ACTING MAYOR CHRIS MOSLIN



CORPORATE OFFICER- DIANE HEINRICH