

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING OF COUNCIL
MONDAY SEPTEMBER 20TH, 2010

PRESENT: MAYOR BRIAN TAYLOR
COUNCILLOR JOY DAVIES
COUNCILLOR CHRIS MOSLIN
COUNCILLOR GENE ROBERT
COUNCILLOR CHRISTINE THOMPSON
COUNCILLOR MICHAEL WIRISCHAGIN
COUNCILLOR CHER WYERS

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
CORPORATE OFFICER

L. Burch
D. Heinrich

GALLERY

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:01p.m.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

MOTION: WIRISCHAGIN/THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT THE AGENDA OF THE PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH, 2010, BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED.

CARRIED.

REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS:

- a) **Corporate Officer's Report – Delegation – Ronald J. Driedger, Executive Director for the BC Used Oil Management Association**

Mr. Driedger made a presentation to Council with regard to the BC Used Oil Management Association's used oil stewardship program. He spoke with regard to the recycling of used oil, used filters, and oil containers and that out of the over 4,000 recycling generators, 290 of them are designated return collection facilities for the do-it-yourselfer. He advised that complete information on the program can be found on their website at: www.usedoilrecycling.com.

Mr. Driedger further advised that the one of the biggest concerns is that some participants are dropping off recycle items after business hours which increases clean up costs and concerns for liability. He further spoke with regard to the backyard mechanics that generate fairly large

quantities of used oil, filters and containers and advised that there are registered collectors who can be contacted and should pick up these larger amounts for free; their contact toll free number is 1-855-254-0555.

He advised that the BC Used Oil Management Association (BCUOMA) currently has 38 Local governments that are currently working with the BCUOMA and further advised that a suitably sized double-walled oil tank for local governments would be provided to start their own programs and arrangements would then need to be made with a collector such as Newalta or Environ West. He reported that Grand Forks is located in Zone 6 of the Stewardship Area and this region receives \$0.13 for used oil per litre; \$.90 for used oil filters, and \$1.50 for each used oil container.

Mr. Driedger confirmed Councillor Robert's statement that there are only two recycling depots in Grand Forks which are Lorne's Pit Stop, who takes used oil and filters only; and TomKat Automotive who takes used oil, filters and used oil containers. Mr. Driedger further informed that the BCUOMA is looking to consider further compensation for those businesses that are recycling the used oil products that are accepted within the Oil Stewardship Program. He further advised that Brand owners (oil companies) are required to have an approved stewardship plan. In this plan, the BC Used Oil Management Association then determines who collects the used oil.

Mr. Driedger spoke of the program's future plans where an antifreeze & vehicle battery program is to be operational in July 2011, considering a direct payment to a RCF that take back antifreeze and antifreeze containers, and that by mid 2012-everything with a cord, battery or lighting and thermostats containing mercury will be under a stewardship plan in BC which includes fridges and lawnmowers.

In ending his report, he advised he can be contacted at: rdreidger@usedoilrecycling.ca; or by phone number 604-703-1990.

Council Questions:

Councillor Thompson inquired if the BC Used Oil Management Association has any recommendations to dispose of paint thinners, gun wash, and varsol. Mr. Driedger advised that these products are not part of the stewardship program and do incur costs for the collection of these products. He further advised that one may Google "Producecare" and that they have approximately 5 depots within the area. Councillor Thompson reported that it would cost a home-based business approximately \$90.00 a month for a collector to pick up products that are not part of the stewardship program.

Councillor Davies inquired with regard to the proper disposal of cooking oil. He advised there is a company in Vernon that provides a collection service, and that there would be collection charge.

Councillor Moslin inquired about the impending future of recycling where Mr. Driedger advised that there will be a critical transitional period between the stewards and local governments to take a look at the existing contracts which may pose a huge impact.

Councillor Robert advised that he would be putting a notice of motion directing staff to investigate on the option that the City could take on an initiative on a used oil collection service.

MOTION: DAVIES/WIRISCHAGIN

RESOLVED THAT PRIMARY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL THAT THE PRESENTATION MADE BY MR. RONALD J. DRIEDGER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR THE BC USED OIL MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION, REGARDING THE BC USED OIL MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION'S USED OIL STEWARDSHIP, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

Following the "Question Period from the Public" of the Primary Committee Meeting, Council wished to further discuss the Used Oil Management Stewardship issue.

Councillor Thompson and Councillor Davies advised of their disappointment with the Regional District for not participating in a collection alternative and stated that this action is not environmentally responsible. The Mayor advised that he will take the matter forward to the next Regional District of Kootenay Boundary meeting to receive further clarification on Allen Stanley's position.

Councillor Thompson inquired if Grand Forks is the only area in the Regional District that has this issue with the disposal of used oil and questioned how Greenwood, Midway, Area C, D, & E handle oil recycling.

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b) Corporate Officer's Report – Delegation – George Longden of the Grand Forks & District Trails Society

Mr. George Longden of the Grand Forks and District Trails Society made a presentation to Council which provided an update regarding trail development in Grand Forks. He advised that he was representing the Grand Forks and District Trails Society as their Chairperson.

He gave a very informative PowerPoint Presentation on the transformation of the Grand Forks Trails System and further spoke about the river bank restoration which was under the watchful eye of the Minister of Environment. He commented on another possible opportunity to create a dog park on the Interfor Property if new fencing were to run from existing fencing and if Interfor would consider having a dog park named after them. He further advised that he had envisioned a "Trans Canada Trail" sign be placed in the triangle spot of Hwy 3 entrance where the Trail splits.

Councillor Thompson questioned if there were plans to have a painted crosswalk on the crossing of Donaldson Drive between Motel 99 and Flexus.

MOTION: DAVIES/MOSLIN

RESOLVED THAT PRIMARY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL THAT THE PRESENTATION MADE BY MR. GEORGE LONGDEN, OF THE GRAND FORKS AND DISTRICT TRAILS SOCIETY, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION:

a) Chief Financial Officer's Report – Five Year Financial Plan Guidelines

The Chief Financial Officer's report regarding a Financial Plan Guideline document which would serve as a tool in ensuring that Council objectives are met and clearly defined was brought forward for discussion.

MOTION: ROBERT/THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT THE PRIMARY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL THAT THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT DATED SEPTEMBER 13TH, 2010 REGARDING A FIVE YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN GUIDELINE DOCUMENT BE RECEIVED, AND FURTHER APPROVES THE FINANCIAL PLAN GUIDELINE DOCUMENT AS PRESENTED.

AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION:

MOTION: MOSLIN/ROBERT

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT A PORTION OF THE ABOVE RESOLUTION BE AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

“THE PRIMARY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL THAT THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT DATED SEPTEMBER 13TH, 2010 REGARDING A FIVE YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN GUIDELINE DOCUMENT BE RECEIVED, AND FURTHER APPROVES THE FINANCIAL PLAN GUIDELINE DOCUMENT WITH THE INCLUSION OF AN ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE STRATEGIC PLAN BY COUNCIL AND STAFF.”

CARRIED AS AMENDED.

THE ORIGINAL MOTION AS AMENDED:

RESOLVED THAT THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL THAT THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT DATED SEPTEMBER 13TH, 2010 REGARDING A FIVE YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN GUIDELINE DOCUMENT BE RECEIVED, AND FURTHER APPROVES THE FINANCIAL PLAN GUIDELINE DOCUMENT WITH THE INCLUSION OF AN ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE STRATEGIC PLAN BY COUNCIL AND STAFF.

On the vote, the amendment to the motion was carried. The main motion, as amended, was carried.

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.

Ray Hanson – He questioned the grading with regard to the new Trail on the portion from Kettle River to the Highway which he advised, has now created a ditch. He suggested that the firm doing the project should consider moving the burme down a bit. Councillor Moslin advised that the engineers are really mindful of drainage and this portion of the project is incomplete. Mr. Hanson also spoke in favour of an anti-deer feeding bylaw.

ADJOURNMENT:

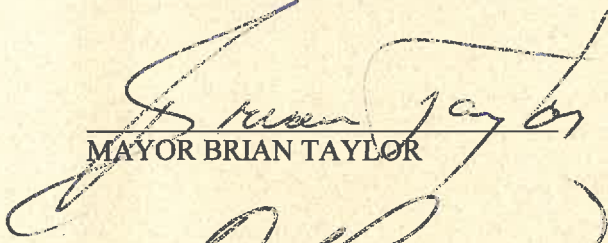
MOTION: THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT THIS PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING BE ADJOURNED AT 8:31 P.M.

CARRIED.

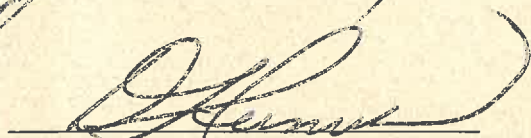
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MAYOR BRIAN TAYLOR



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CORPORATE OFFICER – DIANE HEINRICH