

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING OF COUNCIL  
MONDAY JANUARY 31, 2011

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 L. Burch  
CORPORATE OFFICER D. Heinrich

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

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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

MOTION: WYERS/WIRISCHAGIN

**RESOLVED THAT THE AGENDA OF THE PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD MONDAY, JANUARY 31<sup>ST</sup>, 2011, BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED.**  
CARRIED.

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REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS:

- a) Chief Administrative Officer's Report - Delegation, Grand Forks & District Fall Fair Society

Les Braden, President of the Grand Forks Fall Fair Society presented a proposal to use land west of Angus McDonald Park, and Angus McDonald Park as the site for the 2011 Fall Fair Society. He advised that the current venue isn't large enough to house a successful Fall Fair.

Councillor Robert asked with regard to use of the Pavilion Property for a Fall Fair site, and Mr. Braden advised that the Pavilion lacks space for animal events.

Councillor Moslin asked if the Fall Fair Society considered a partnership with the Boundary Horse Association to use their rodeo grounds, and was advised by Mr. Braden that their area is too small

as well. Councillor Moslin further inquired if the Grand Forks Fall Fair could be held in conjunction with the Grand Forks International Baseball Tournament; and Mr. Braden advised that there would not be enough volunteers in our area to cover both events simultaneously.

Councillor Thompson asked how much land the Fall Fair Society feels they need in order to operate a successful Fall Fair, and was advised that approximately 20 acres would be required.

MOTION: DAVIES/ROBERT

**RESOLVED THAT THE PRIMARY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL TO RECEIVE THE PRESENTATION MADE BY MR. LES BRADEN, PRESIDENT OF THE GRAND FORKS FALL FAIR SOCIETY. CARRIED.**

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b) Chief Administrative Officer's Report - Delegation, Boundary Museum Society

Bob DeMaertelaere, a representative of the Boundary Museum Society requested a meeting with Council to discuss options to house the community archival collection. He read a report on behalf of the Boundary Museum Society which is attached to these minutes.

Councillor Moslin asked if the Boundary Museum Society would be interested in entering into a Service Agreement with the City of Grand Forks and was advised that the Boundary Museum Society would consider that. Councillor Moslin asked if the Boundary Museum Society would still consider using the basement at City Hall as previously planned, and was advised by Mr. DeMaertelaere that a partnership with the City would be considered and that the City also has a need to have their own archives catalogued.

MOTION: THOMPSON/WIRISCHAGIN

**RESOLVED THAT THE PRIMARY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL TO RECEIVE THE DELEGATION FROM BOB DEMAERTELAERE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE BOUNDARY MUSEUM SOCIETY. CARRIED.**

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c) Chief Administrative Officer's Report - Delegation, Boundary Wanderers Rugby Football Club

Clint Faulkner of the Boundary Wanderers Rugby Football Club addressed Council with a proposal that the City construct a multi-use sporting field in City Park. He advised their organization has had dialogue with both the BMX Track members and with members of the Grand Forks Senior's Centre. He further reported that the Club has received positive response from both organizations in favour of having a multi-use playing field in City Park. He further advised that the Rugby Club has obtained the proper insurance documentation that relieves the City of liability should an injury occur.

Councillor Thompson asked if the organization had received written letters of support from both the BMX Track and the senior's Centre and Mr. Faulkner advised that he would obtain support letters from both organizations.

MOTION: WIRISCHAGIN/ROBERT

**RESOLVED THAT THE PRIMARY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL TO RECEIVE THE DELEGATION MADE BY CLINT FAULKNER OF THE BOUNDARY WANDERERS RUBGY FOOTBALL CLUB REGARDING A PROPOSAL THAT THE CITY CONSTRUCT A MULTI-USE SPORTING FIELD IN CITY PARK, AND FURTHER DETERMINES TO DEFER OTHER DECISIONS TO THE REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 31, 2011.** CARRIED.

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**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

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**RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION:**

None

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**INFORMATION ITEMS:**

None

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**PROPOSED BYLAWS FOR DISCUSSION:**

None

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**LATE ITEMS:**

None

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

None

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**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.

- No members of public came forward to speak

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**ADJOURNMENT:**

MOTION: WIRISCHAGIN

**RESOLVED THAT THIS PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING IS ADJOURNED AT 7:48P.M.  
CARRIED.**

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**CERTIFIED CORRECT:**

  
MAYOR BRIAN TAYLOR

  
CORPORATE OFFICER - DIANE HEINRICH