

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
MONDAY JANUARY 9TH, 2012

PRESENT:

ACTING MAYOR BOB KENDEL
COUNCILLOR NEIL KROG
COUNCILLOR PATRICK O'DOHERTY
COUNCILLOR GARY SMITH
COUNCILLOR CHER WYERS

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

L. Burch
C. Arnott

GALLERY

CALL TO ORDER:

The Acting Mayor called the Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

MOTION: KROG/SMITH

RESOLVED THAT THE JANUARY 9TH, 2012, REGULAR MEETING AGENDA BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED.

CARRIED.

MOTION: O'DOHERTY/SMITH

RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 19TH, 2011, BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED.

CARRIED.

MOTION: KROG/O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 19TH, 2011, BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED.

CARRIED.

MOTION: SMITH/WYERS

RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 19TH, 2011, AND ALL RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED THEREIN BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED.

CARRIED.

REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS:

- a) Corporate Officer's Report – Tonya Galloway, coordinator of the Boundary Emergency & Transition Housing Society (BETHS), will make a presentation to Council with regard to providing an update, review and discussion regarding trends and homelessness in the Boundary Area.

MOTION: KROG/O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL RECEIVE THE PRESENTATION GIVEN BY TONYA GALLOWAY, COORDINATOR FOR THE BOUNDARY EMERGENCY AND TRANSITION HOUSING SOCIETY (BETHS).

CARRIED.

- b) Corporate Officer's Report – Michele Garrison, Ted Invictus and Ray Lafleur, representatives for the Boundary District Arts Council

Representatives of the Boundary District Arts Council made a presentation to Council with regard to their request for funding for the 2012 Kettle River Festival.

MOTION: KROG/WYERS

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL RECEIVES THE PRESENTATION GIVEN BY MICHELE GARRISON, TED INVICTUS AND RAY LAFLEUR OF THE BOUNDARY DISTRICT ARTS COUNCIL WITH REGARD TO THEIR REQUEST FOR FUNDING FOR THE 2012 KETTLE RIVER FESTIVAL, AND DETERMINES TO CONSIDER THEIR REQUEST DURING THE 2012 BUDGETING PROCESS.

CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

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

Councillor O'Doherty:

Councillor O'Doherty reported on the following items:

- He advised that he attended the Christmas dinner at Gospel Chapel Church

Councillor Wyers:

Councillor Wyers reported on the following items:

- She advised that the Grand Forks Citizens on Patrol (COP) are looking for volunteers to join this community group of area residents and that interested citizens can contact the RCMP office at 250-442-8288 for more information. She further advised that volunteers are required to complete a Criminal Record Check at no cost to the applicant and must be 19 years of age or older.
- She advised that the 25th Anniversary of the Rick Hansen Medal Relay will be visiting Grand Forks on April 26th and will be departing at 8:00 am on April 28th. She further advised that Medal Runners are still needed in Grand Forks and that applications can be completed by visiting the website at www.rickhansenrelay.com.
- She reported that the Grand Forks Public Library will be hosting an E-Book Learn at Lunch Seminar on Friday, January 13th, 2012 from 12 noon to 1:00 PM. She further suggested to check out the library's website at www.grandforks.bclibrary.ca for the newest additions to the collections and to access your library account on-line.

Councillor Krog:

- Councillor Krog reported on his attendance at a retirement luncheon for Fire Chief Blair Macgregor. He expressed his appreciation for the years of service as Fire Chief and wished Mr. Macgregor well in his retirement.

Councillor Smith:

Councillor Smith reported on the following items:

- He reported on his attendance at the funeral of Daniel Botkin, an Enderby volunteer firefighter who was killed in the line of duty. He commented that the service had over 2000 people in attendance, and that nearly 1000 of them were career and volunteer firefighters from across BC, as well as paramedics, search and rescue (SAR), Forestry and RCMP.
- On January 3rd, he reported on his attendance at the Kettle River Watershed Meeting along with Mayor Taylor and Councillor Kendel, and advised that one of the main matters dealt with was the selection of persons to sit on the KRWMP Stakeholder Advisory Committee. He advised that the committee will be looking at a cross section of interests that include tourism, agriculture, forestry, environment groups, and industry among others. He further advised that representatives from these various sectors will be contacted to see if they are willing to sit on the committee as the KRWMP moves from Phase 1-the Technical Assessment to Phase 2 – Watershed Planning.

Acting Mayor Kendel:

The Acting Mayor reported on the following items:

- He advised that he and Councillor Smith attended a meeting regarding Edible Strategies where they discussed value change opportunities to grow local products, adding value and marketing them.

MOTION: KROG/O'DOHERTY

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)

None

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF FOR DECISIONS:

- a) Chief Financial Officer's Report – Credit Union Banking Arrangements

Based on the past record of banking service and financial relationship built with the present service provider, the current financial institution continues to meet the City's banking needs.

MOTION: O'DOHERTY/SMITH

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL RECEIVES THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT DATED DECEMBER 28TH, 2011, AND DETERMINES TO CONTINUE WITH THE CURRENT BANKING ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE GRAND FORKS CREDIT UNION FOR AN ADDITIONAL THREE YEARS.

CARRIED.

- b) Corporate Officer's Report – Notice of Work and Reclamation Program Referral – North American Stone Inc. approximately 30 kilometers up the North Fork Road

The City is in receipt of email correspondence from the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resources, advising of an application that they have received for mineral exploration from North American Stone Inc.

MOTION: KROG/O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL RECEIVES THE STAFF REPORT DATED JANUARY 3RD, 2012 REGARDING A REFERRAL NOTICE FROM THE MINISTRY OF FORESTS, LANDS AND NATURAL RESOURCES, REGARDING AN APPLICATION FOR MINERAL

EXPLORATION FROM NORTH AMERICAN STONE INC. – GRANBY RIVER, APPROXIMATELY 30 KM UP NORTH FORK AREA BE RECEIVED, AND THAT THE MINISTRY BE ADVISED THAT ALTHOUGH IT APPEARS THAT THE CITY'S INTERESTS ARE PROTECTED; THE CITY WOULD REQUEST A COPY OF ANY STORM WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN THAT IS IN PLACE, AND FURTHER REQUESTS THAT THE MINISTRY MAKES THIS APPLICATION AVAILABLE TO THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF KOOTENAY BOUNDARY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WATER MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE FOR THEIR INFORMATION.

CARRIED.

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- a) Corporate Officer's Report – Notice of Work and Reclamation Program Referral – North American Stone Inc. approximately 27 km by the Lynch Creek area.

The City is in receipt of email correspondence from the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resources, advising of an application that they have received for mineral exploration from North American Stone Inc.

MOTION: SMITH/O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL RECEIVES THE STAFF REPORT DATED JANUARY 3RD, 2012 REGARDING A REFERRAL NOTICE FROM THE MINISTRY OF FORESTS, LANDS AND NATURAL RESOURCES, REGARDING AN APPLICATION FOR MINERAL EXPLORATION FROM NORTH AMERICAN STONE INC. – LYNCH CREEK, APPROXIMATELY 27 KM UP NORTH FORK ROAD AND 1000 METRES UP THE NEW TRAIL TO BULK SAMPLE SITE PAST LYNCH CREEK ROAD BE RECEIVED, AND THAT THE MINISTRY BE ADVISED THAT ALTHOUGH IT APPEARS THAT THE CITY'S INTERESTS ARE PROTECTED; THE CITY WOULD REQUEST A COPY OF ANY STORM WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN THAT IS IN PLACE, AND FURTHER REQUESTS THAT THE MINISTRY MAKES THIS APPLICATION AVAILABLE TO THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF KOOTENAY BOUNDARY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WATER MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE FOR THEIR INFORMATION.

CARRIED.

REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE:

None

INFORMATION ITEMS:

MOTION: O'DOHERTY/SMITH

RESOLVED THAT INFORMATION ITEMS NUMBERED 10(a) TO 10(d)

BE RECEIVED AND ACTED UPON AS RECOMMENDED AND/OR AS AMENDED.

CARRIED.

- a) Correspondence from the Grand Forks Library – Thanking Council for allowing the library to use the building’s basement for storage. **Recommend to receive for information.**
- b) Newspaper excerpt from the Okanagan brought in by a Citizen regarding possible closures to US Border Crossings. **Recommend to receive for information.**
- c) From AKBLG – Second call for Resolutions 2012 for Annual General Meeting in Trail on April 19, 20 and 21st. **Council to advise if they have any resolutions for the AKBLG. Deadline is Monday, February 20th.**
- d) December 19th Task List - List of Completed and In-Progress Items. **Recommend to file.**

BYLAWS:

- a) **Corporate Officer’s Report – Bylaw 1930 – Electrical Utility Regulatory Amendment Bylaw**

MOTION: O'DOHERTY/SMITH

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1930, CITED AS THE “Electrical Utility Regulatory Amendment Bylaw No. 1920, 2011”, BE GIVEN FINAL READING.

CARRIED.

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- a) **Corporate Officer’s Report – Bylaw 1931 – Revenue Anticipation Bylaw**

MOTION: KROG/WYERS

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 1931, CITED AS THE “City of Grand Forks Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw 2012”, BE GIVEN FINAL READING.

CARRIED.

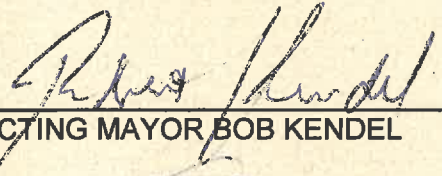
QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC AND THE MEDIA:

ADJOURNMENT:

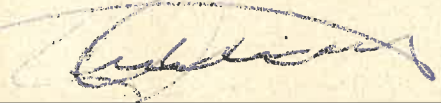
MOTION: SMITH

**RESOLVED THAT THIS REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL BE ADJOURNED AT 8:04
P.M. CARRIED.**

CERTIFIED CORRECT:



ACTING MAYOR BOB KENDEL



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