

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING OF COUNCIL
MONDAY JUNE 25TH, 2012

PRESENT:

MAYOR BRIAN TAYLOR
COUNCILLOR BOB KENDEL
COUNCILLOR NEIL KROG
COUNCILLOR PATRICK O'DOHERTY
COUNCILLOR GARY SMITH
COUNCILLOR MICHAEL WIRISCHAGIN
COUNCILLOR CHER WYERS

CFO/DEPUTY CAO
CORPORATE OFFICER
FIRE CHIEF
MANAGER OF OPERATIONS
MAN OF ENVIRONMENT & BUILDING
CONSTRUCTION SERVICES

C. Arnott
D. Heinrich
D. Heriot
H. Wright
W. Kopan

GALLERY

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

MOTION: KROG / KENDEL

RESOLVED THAT THE AGENDA OF THE PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD MONDAY, JUNE 25TH, 2012, BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED.

CARRIED.

DELEGATIONS:

- a) Delegation, Boundary Success by 6

Ellen Strelaef, Coordinator for the Boundary Family & Individual Services and Angela Soukoroff representing the lead for the Boundary Success by 6 Initiative, of the Boundary Family & Individual Services Society made a presentation to Council requesting endorsement and support with regard to a Family Friendly Business Initiative.

Angela Soukoroff advised that the City could show its support by supplying the City Logo on their brochures and other information available to businesses and the public, and further advised that this program is more of an awareness raising initiative.

MOTION: WIRISCHAGIN / KROG

RESOLVED THAT THE PRIMARY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL TO RECEIVE THE PRESENTATION AND ADVISE THAT THE CITY OFFICIALLY PARTNERS, SUPPORTS AND ENDORSES THE BOUNDARY SUCCESS BY 6 INITIATIVE. CARRIED.

Councillor Smith advised that he has been liaising with this organization in correlation with the Economic Development Advisory Committee.

b) Delegation, Vicom Design Inc. and the Kettle Valley Express Trail Guide

Brian McAndrew and Barbara Bleiler, of Vicom Design Inc. and the Kettle Valley Express Trail Guide made a presentation to Council requesting that the City advertise in their publication. They advised that this publication will be yearly magazine commencing the beginning of next year. They further advised that more information and an overview of the magazine could be found on their website at: www.vicomdesign.com. They commented that they will be asking for advertising support later on in the year and that the deadline for advertising is September 15th, 2012. The magazine goes to print the 1st week in December.

MOTION: SMITH / O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT THE PRIMARY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL TO RECEIVE THE PRESENTATION AND REFERS THE ISSUE FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION. CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION:

- a) Corporate Officer's Report – Amendments to the Zoning Bylaw and the Sustainable Community Plan

The City has received an application to re-designate the property west of 7450- 17th Street at the end of 75th Avenue, from Highway & Tourist Commercial to R-1, Single & Two Family residential.

MOTION: SMITH / O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT THE PRIMARY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL THAT STAFF BE DIRECTED TO DRAFT A SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY PLAN AMENDMENT BYLAW, WHICH WOULD RE-DESIGNATE THE PROPERTY LEGALLY KNOWN AS LOT A, DISTRICT LOT 380, SDYD, PLAN KAP86963 LOCATED WEST OF 7450-17TH STREET AT THE END OF 75TH AVENUE, FROM HIGHWAY AND TOURIST COMMERCIAL TO LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL AND REMOVE THE SUBJECT PROPERTY FROM THE COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT AREA, AND THAT FURTHER DIRECTION BE GIVEN TO DRAFT A ZONING AMENDMENT BYLAW WHICH WOULD REZONE THE SUBJECT PROPERTY FROM HC HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL TO R1 SINGLE AND TWO FAMILY RESIDENTIAL. CARRIED.

OPERATIONAL DISCUSSION FROM STAFF:

- a) Management's Presentation to Council – Verbal and PowerPoint Presentation on a five month update

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / SMITH

RESOLVED THAT THE PRIMARY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL TO RECEIVE THE VERBAL PRESENTATION GIVEN BY MANAGEMENT WITH REGARD TO A FIVE MONTH UPDATE AND FURTHER APPROVES OF STAFF MOVING FORWARD AS PER THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE PRESENTATION.

CARRIED.

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.

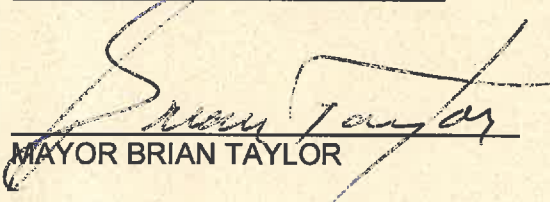
BILL CAMPBELL – He inquired with regard to the \$814,000 City deficit as indicated in an article in the Gazette. He was advised that this is a non-cash deficit and that the City must record this for amortization.

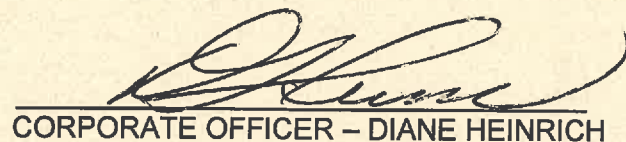
ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: SMITH

RESOLVED THAT THIS PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING BE ADJOURNED AT 8:47 P.M. CARRIED.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:


MAYOR BRIAN TAYLOR


CORPORATE OFFICER – DIANE HEINRICH