

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
MONDAY, MAY 28TH, 2012

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

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER L. Burch
CORPORATE OFFICER D. Heinrich

GALLERY

CALL TO ORDER:

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

RECESS TO PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING:

MOTION: SMITH / O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT THIS REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL BE RECESSED AT 7:01 P.M. TO ALLOW FOR THE PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING, AND THAT THIS REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL BE RECONVENED AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE PRIMARY COMMITTEE MEETING. CARRIED.

The regular meeting reconvened at 7:40 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Amendment to the Agenda:

The Mayor advised that Council will be going into an In-Camera Meeting immediately following the Regular Meeting this evening in compliance with Section 90 (1) (a)

MOTION: SMITH / KENDEL

RESOLVED THAT THE MAY 28TH, 2012, REGULAR MEETING AGENDA BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED. CARRIED.

MINUTES:

Amendment to the minutes:

The Mayor advised that the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 7th, 2012, be amended to include his Mayoral power in accordance with Section 131 of the Community Charter, to bring back the issue of a defeated motion with regard to the re-allocation of entrance sign funding to go towards a branding exercise.

MOTION: SMITH / O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY MAY 7TH, 2012, BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED.

CARRIED.

Councillor Wirischagin and Councillor Wyers voted against the motion.
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MINUTES:

MOTION: SMITH / O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY MAY 15TH, 2012, BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED.

CARRIED.

DELEGATION:

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a) Corporate Officer's Report – Application for subdivision in the Agriculture Land Reserve

At the May 7th, 2012 Regular Meeting, Council deferred this item so that more information regarding the proposed use and intentions of the property could be provided.

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / WIRISCHAGIN

RESOLVED THAT THE STAFF REPORT DATED MAY 22ND, 2012, REGARDING THE APPLICATION FOR SUBDIVISION IN THE AGRICULTURAL LAND RESERVE, BE RECEIVED, AND THAT COUNCIL DETERMINES TO SUPPORT THIS APPLICATION AND FURTHER DIRECTS STAFF TO ADVISE THE AGRICULTURAL LAND COMMISSION OF COUNCIL'S POSITION IN REGARDS TO THE APPLICATION TO SUBDIVIDE PROPERTY LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS LOT 2, DL 533, SDYD, PLAN KAP90660, LOCATED AT 2150 KETTLE RIVER DRIVE, AS SUBMITTED BY PROPERTY OWNERS, ALEX & SHIRLEY PEREVERZOFF.

CARRIED.

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

Councillor Wirischagin:

Councillor Wirischagin reported on the following items:

- He reported on his attendance at the USCC Youth Festival on May 19th in Castlegar. He advised that such an extravagant event was put on by high school students.
- He reported on his attendance at a Grand Forks Recreation Commission meeting last Thursday and advised that Grand Forks isn't receiving Grant Funding from the Province, as these grants are intended to retrofit existing structures and are not intended for new projects.
- He advised that he has been approached by persons asking with regard to the Economic Development Advisory Committee and of the minutes to these meetings which should be made available to the public. Councillor Smith advised that the minutes could be made available at next Council meeting on June 11th, 2012

Councillor Wyers:

Councillor Wyers reported on the following items:

- She reported on her attendance at a May 9th Dog Sled Race meeting, and advised that January 25 to 27, 2013, are the intended dates for next year's event.
- She reported on her attendance on May 10th, at a Boundary Restorative Justice Committee Meeting and advised that this committee will be hosting a three day training session in July. She further reported that this is a free training session and that 11 persons have registered to date. She advised that anyone interested should call Richard at 442-8633.
- Councillor Wyers reported on her attendance at a Concerned Citizens for Gilpin Grasslands Meeting on May 10th.
- She reported on her attendance at the Greenwood Celebration for the "Best Drinking Water in the World" on May 11th.
- She reported on her attendance at a May 12th Elks Canada Open House celebration.
- She advised that on May 15th, 2012, Council had a Special Meeting that included the yearly Auditor's Financial Report.
- She reported on her attendance on May 23rd, at an Interior Health delegation in Grand Forks where there was a discussion on the roles of the provincial health services. She further advised that the Boundary Hospital will be constructing a helicopter pad at the hospital, and that the project is expected to be complete in the spring of 2013.
- She advised that the Grand Forks Environment Committee received a grant to hire a student to conduct Nephelometer Readings on air particulates in the area. She advised that Jordon Andrews, a local student, was the success applicant.
- She advised that she joined Mayor Taylor on May 24th at City Hall to participate in a tour with Grades 2-3 Perley Students and that the "Mock Council Meeting" was very entertaining.

- She advised that Adrian Dix, candidate for the NDP party, visited Grand Forks on May 26th at a Meet and Greet Session in Gyro Park.
 - She announced that BETHS (Boundary Emergency Transitional Housing Society) is holding their Annual General Meeting on May 30th at Selkirk College and that everyone is welcome to attend.
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Councillor O'Doherty:

Councillor O'Doherty reported on the following items:

- He advised that he had no report
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Councillor Smith:

Councillor Smith reported on the following items:

- He reported on his attendance at an ATV function
 - He reported on his attendance at a meeting on May 17th which was a discussion on how to enhance the airport
 - He reported on his attendance at a Phoenix Foundation meeting
 - He reported on his attendance at an Economic Development Advisory Committee meeting on May 22nd
 - On May 24th, he reported on his attendance at a meeting that discussed branding for for the community.
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Councillor Kendel:

Councillor Kendel reported on the following items:

- He reported his attendance at an ATV function where fun was had by all
 - He reported on his attendance at a meeting on May 17th which was a discussion on how to enhance the airport
 - He reported on his attendance at an Economic Development Advisory Committee meeting on May 22nd, where topics that included community branding and airport opportunities were discussed
 - He reported on his attendance at the Elks Club Open House on May 12th.
 - He spoke with regard to a Scooter concern, and advised that the pedals need to be "on board" but not necessarily attached.
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Mayor Taylor:

The Mayor reported on the following items:

- The Mayor spoke with regard to the Mayor's Caucus which was in held in Penticton on May 16 and 17th. He reported that there were 81 Mayors out of 160

in attendance. He advised that the Mayors were really committed to finding better ways of doing things for less money and still provide the same services to their communities. He further advised that there was a discussion on the costs of grant programs, and that the grant process sets up Local Governments to work against each other to compete for the same funds; whereas these communities should be working together.

- He advised that the local Elks Club are showing support for the Slavonic Hall by utilizing this facility and by working with the Slavonic Hall members on making improvements to the hall.
- He advised that he has received thanks to the City of Grand Forks from the City of Greenwood for the use of Grand Forks water truck and City crew for hauling their drinking water to Miller Springs for processing.
- He spoke with regard to a conversation that he had with Interior Health with regard to the Airport and advised that IHA were not aware that the City funds 100% of the airport.

MOTION: SMITH / WYERS

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)

The March 30th, 2012 Minutes of the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary were included in the report.

- The Mayor advised that the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary has a meeting this Tuesday evening, May 29th, in Trail, and that this is an open meeting.
- He advised that the Boundary Economic Development Committee will be meeting on June 5th, and that the beginning of meeting will be an In-Camera Meeting intended to discuss Community Forests.

MOTION: SMITH / WIRISCHAGIN

RESOLVED THAT THE MAYOR'S REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF KOOTENAY BOUNDARY, GIVEN VERBALLY AT THIS MEETING, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF FOR DECISIONS:

- a) Chief Administrative Officer's Report – Request for comments on the proposal from the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resources.

Referral from the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resources requesting comments on a proposal to construct two snowmobile shelters for public use as outlined in the application as submitted by the Boundary Snowmobile Club

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / KENDEL

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL RECEIVES THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT DATED, MAY 22ND, 2012, REGARDING A REFERRAL NOTICE RECEIVED FROM THE MINISTRY OF FORESTS, LANDS AND NATURAL RESOURCES, WITH REGARD TO A PROPOSAL TO CONSTRUCT TWO SNOWMOBILE SHELTERS FOR PUBLIC USE IN THE GABLE AND UPPER TRAVERSE AREAS IN THE BOUNDARY AREA NORTH OF GRAND FORKS BY THE BOUNDARY SNOWMOBILE CLUB, AND THAT THE MINISTRY BE ADVISED THAT THE CITY'S INTERESTS ARE NOT IMPACTED BY THIS PROPOSAL. CARRIED.

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- b) Chief Administrative Officer's Report – Green Bin Kitchen Food Waste Collection

Expansion of the Val Mar Green Bin Kitchen Food Waste Collection Pilot Project to all Residential Garbage Collection customers in the City of Grand Forks

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / SMITH

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL DETERMINES TO EXPAND THE KITCHEN WASTE COLLECTION PROGRAM TO ALL OF THE CITY'S GARBAGE COLLECTION SERVICE CUSTOMERS, AND FURTHER DIRECTS STAFF TO REVIEW THE RESIDENTIAL GARBAGE COLLECTION BYLAW TO DETERMINE APPROPRIATE GARBAGE COLLECTION RATES AS WELL AS ANY ADMINISTRATIVE BYLAW CHANGES REQUIRED. CARRIED.

REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE:

None

INFORMATION ITEMS:

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / SMITH

RESOLVED THAT INFORMATION ITEMS NUMBERED 11(a) TO 11(f) BE RECEIVED AND ACTED UPON AS RECOMMENDED AND/OR AS AMENDED. CARRIED.

- a) Correspondence from N. Heiberg regarding backyard campfires - In addition, excerpts from the City's Fire & Life Safety Bylaw 1320- Sections 5 & 8 are enclosed for information purposes. **Recommend to receive for information.**
- b) Correspondence from Grand Forks International - Requesting permission to sell liquor at James Donaldson Park for the 2012 GFI Baseball Tournament. **Recommend that Council approve the issuing of a special occasion liquor license.**

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / WIRISCHAGIN

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE ISSUING OF A SPECIAL OCCASION LIQUOR LICENSE TO THE GRAND FORKS INTERNATIONAL FOR THE SIX DAY EVENT FROM AUGUST 29TH TO SEPTEMBER 3, 2012, AT THE JAMES DONALDSON PARK SUBJECT TO THE GFI OBTAINING 3RD PARTY (PARTY ALCOHOL) LIABILITY INSURANCE, NAMING THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS AS AN ADDITIONAL INSURED ON THAT POLICY FOR THE SIX DAY EVENT; ALL GFI LIQUOR PROVIDERS TO HOLD A SERVE-IT-RIGHT LICENSE CERTIFICATE; AND ICBC "DRINKING AND DRIVING" WARNING POSTERS TO BE DISPLAYED. CARRIED.

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c) Invitation to Castlegar Stakeholder Meeting on Thursday, June 21st from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm - Notice of Public Consultation regarding BC Hydro's Draft Integrated Resource Plan. **Recommend to receive for information – Members of Council wishing to attend may do so by emailing or by phone as per information contained in the correspondence.**

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d) From Ministry of Forests and Range Tenure Amendment - These changes in the Forest Development Unit Boundary location do not change the status or location of BC Timber Sales operating area. **Recommend to receive for information. Any comments must be forwarded in writing by July 10th, 2012. The Mayor advised that he is meeting with a group with regard to forest tenures and its impact on wildlife in the Lynch Creek area.**

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e) Email from the Water Supply Association of BC - Advising on Interior Health Document now available at on-line address in the correspondence. **Recommend to receive for information.**

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f) May 7th Task List. List of completed and in-progress tasks. **Recommend to file.**

BYLAWS:
None

LATE ITEMS:

None

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:

LES JOHNSON – He advised that he is looking into putting Council Meetings on UTUBE which would also provide members of the public, the opportunity to comment on the meetings.

IN-CAMERA RESOLUTION:

MOTION: WIRISCHAGIN / O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL CONVENE AN IN-CAMERA MEETING AS OUTLINED UNDER SECTION 90 OF THE COMMUNITY CHARTER TO DISCUSS MATTERS IN A CLOSED MEETING WHICH ARE THE SUBJECT OF SECTION 90(1)(a) PERSONAL INFORMATION ABOUT IDENTIFIABLE INDIVIDUAL(S) WHO ARE BEING CONSIDERED BY A POSITION APPOINTED BY THE MUNICIPALITY; OF THE COMMUNITY CHARTER.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT PERSONS, OTHER THAN MEMBERS, OFFICERS, OR OTHER PERSONS TO WHOM COUNCIL MAY DEEM NECESSARY TO CONDUCT CITY BUSINESS, WILL BE EXCLUDED FROM THE IN-CAMERA MEETING.

CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: WYERS

RESOLVED THAT THIS REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL BE ADJOURNED AT 8:35 P.M.

CARRIED.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:


MAYOR BRIAN TAYLOR


CORPORATE OFFICER- DIANE HEINRICH