

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS

SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL
FRIDAY MAY 10TH, 2013

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

 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER D. Allin
 CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER R. Shepherd
 DEPUTY CORPORATE SECRETARY S. Winton

GALLERY

CALL TO ORDER:

The Mayor called the Meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

RECESS TO IN-CAMERA MEETING:

MOTION: O'DOHERTY /SMITH

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 SECTIONS 90(1)(I) DISCUSSIONS WITH MUNICIPAL OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES RESPECTING MUNICIPAL OBJECTIVES, MEASURES AND PROGRESS REPORTS FOR THE PURPOSES OF PREPARING AN ANNUAL REPORT UNDER SECTION 98 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.

The Special Meeting reconvened at 10:30 a.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

The mayor advised that the following late item is to be included in the agenda:

a) The external auditor's presentation to Council regarding the 2012 Audited Financial Statements, as required under the Community Charter to be presented as a Delegation under Item 4 a) of the agenda

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / SMITH

RESOLVED THAT THE MAY 10TH, 2012, SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED. CARRIED.

DELEGATION:

- a) Delegation, Mr. Stefan Lehmann of the firm Berg, Lehman Chartered Accountants made a presentation to Council on the 2012 Audited Financial Statements, as required under the Community Charter.

Mr. Lehmann advised that due to changes in the accounting standards, the 2012 Financial Report required Council's prior approval before being made available for public viewing.

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / SMITH

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL ACCEPT QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC WITH REGARD TO THE AUDIT.

CARRIED

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MOTION: SMITH / O'DOHERTY

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL RECEIVES THE PRESENTATION FROM STEFAN LEHMANN, CA, OF THE FIRM OF BERG, LEHMANN CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS, WITH REGARD TO THE 2012 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND FURTHER ACCEPTS THE 2012 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS REQUIRED UNDER THE COMMUNITY CHARTER.

CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF FOR DECISIONS:

None

BYLAWS:

a) Chief Financial Officer's Report - Bylaw No. 1951 – 2013 Annual Property Tax Rates Bylaw

MOTION: O'DOHERTY / SMITH

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW No. 1951, CITED AS "The City of Grand Forks 2013 Annual Tax Rates, Bylaw No. 1951, BE GIVEN FINAL READING.

CARRIED.

LATE ITEMS:

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Ms. Sylvia Treptow: She spoke with regard to the referendum for upgrades on the recreation centre and inquired why the Recreation committee is still discussing this project. Mayor Taylor advised that there will be community consultation around this issue and that council will take her input into consideration.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: SMITH

RESOLVED THAT THIS REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL BE ADJOURNED AT 10:48 am.

CARRIED.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:


MAYOR BRIAN TAYLOR


DEPUTY CORPORATE SECRETARY –
SARAH WINTON