



CITY OF GREENWOOD
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Monday,
February 28, 2011, 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers of City Hall

PRESENT Mayor Lang, Councillors Perry, Phelps, Stevenson

ABSENT

ALSO PRESENT Gerry Henke, Administrator
Tami Peters, Deputy Clerk

Gallery

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Lang called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

ADOPTION OF AGENDA
(045-11)

Motion: Stevenson/Phelps

Resolve that the 28th February 2011 regular meeting agenda be adopted as circulated.

Carried

DELEGATIONS

None

ADOPTION OF MINUTES
(046-11)

Motion: Phelps/Perry

Resolve that the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on 14th of February 2011 be adopted as circulated.

Carried

**CORRESPONDENCE FOR
INFORMATION**
(047-11)

Motion: Stevenson/Perry

Resolve that correspondence for information items 5(a)-5(b) be received and acted upon as recommended and/or as amended.

Carried

a) Alex Atamanenko, MP

Open House Council Chambers January 11, 2011. **Recommended to Receive and File.**

b) List of Correspondence not Copied

Recommended keep for 2 weeks then destroy.

CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION

- a) Greenwood Demolition Derby Use of facilities and equipment, permission for a beer garden for 16th Annual Demolition Derby, May 28th, 2011.

(048-11) **Motion: Stevenson/Perry**
Resolved that Council approve the Greenwood Demolition Derby request to use the Derby Site, City Loader, scaffolding, two way radios, garbage cans, bleachers, picnic tables and hold a beer garden on derby site as outlined in request.

Carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS

No Report

OTHER REPORTS

Councillor Stevenson: Full Report on File

Reported on the following items:

- Reported on outcome of the Providence Dam Meeting February 16th in Grand Forks.
- Public meeting to follow within 30 days of the Final Report being available.
- Stakeholders, user groups, public need to get involved to ensure the long term survival of this dam and lake.
- Need for teleconferencing capacity in West Boundary.

Reported on the following three resolutions for consideration:

- Scrap Metal Licensing and Regulation
- Recycling Deposit and Refund System Expansion
- Council Remuneration Resolution

Reported on Progress of the Website Committee:

- Logo/Layout done
- Progressing well

Reported on RDKB & Hospital Meetings

- BEDC Meeting January 31st
- P & D Meeting February 10th
- Okanagan Film Commission –Vernon – budget, strategic planning, review of activities, governance policies
- RDKB Board – Grand Forks February 24th - \$300 grant in aid approved for Greenwood Pool from Area E.
- WKBRHD – Castlegar February 23rd – vote on reserves passed - \$1 million into reserves

FCM Halifax June – Federation of Canadian Municipalities

- Will be attending FCM Conference –paid for by RDKB

Berkeley Springs – entry

- Greenwood did not place this year

Water Conservation – Gas Tax Funding

- General Strategic Priorities Fund – April 29th deadline – Administrator will look into.
- Administrator advised that we do not have a water conservation committee formed to date.

Sign Board – Midway Library

- Staff to obtain information on electronic sign boards. Also contract Midway Library for addition information.

RDKB Boundary Stakeholders meeting – March 7th –Grand Forks

- Budgets for Boundary Functions/services reviewed.
- Available for anyone wishing to review.

Councillor Phelps: Verbal

Reported on the following items:

- Attended February 21st Library Meeting
- Library has received \$1,200 from Kootenay Library Fund for Computers
- Library has applied for summer student grant

MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Lang: Verbal

Reported on the following items:

- Providence Dam Meeting update
- On behalf of Council, Mayor Lang would like a letter of thank you to be forwarded to Mr. John Martin who faithfully picks up garbage daily.

(049-11)

Motion: Mayor/Unanimous Council

Resolved that a letter of thank you be forwarded to Mr. John Martin expressing council’s appreciation for his efforts on keeping the City litter free.

Carried

- Budget Meeting is scheduled for March 2nd, 4:00 pm
- Skating Rink has been shut down. The facility has been vandalized.

(050-11)

Motion: Perry/Stevenson

Resolved that Andy Shelton, ASE, be authorized to contact Fortis Inc., on behalf of the City to have the power service disconnected to the Skating Rink Facility/Buildings.

Carried

- Mayor Lang advised that due to the increased number of break-ins, security/smoke alarms will be installed in all City Buildings.
- Meeting to be set up on Thursday, March 3, 2011, at 11:00 am with the RCMP, invitation to Paul Brandon, Citizen on Patrol to discuss the increased criminal activities occurring in the City.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The Administrator read his report (full report on file)

Items for Discussion

- Planning grant application for a comprehensive leak detection study has been sent. A copy of the application and supporting documentation from CTQ is attached. A motion from Council supporting the application is needed.

(051-11)

Motion: Phelps/Perry

Resolved that Council approved the application under Infrastructure Planning Grant Program for a Comprehensive Leak Detection Study.

Carried

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Administrator read the Public Works Foreman's Report

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

(052-11)

Motion: Perry/Stevenson

Be it resolved that teller payments, auto debits and cheques #3552-3581 in the amount of \$53,119.63 be approved.

Carried

NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(a) Greenwood Volunteer Fire Department

Criminal Records Checks

- Concerns to be brought up at RCMP Meeting

(053-11)

Motion: Stevenson/Perry

Resolved that a letter be forwarded to Inspector Nick Romanchuk, RCMP, regarding fee increase for criminal record checks and financial impact on volunteers and businesses.

Carried

Copy of letter be forward to Ken Vance, Senior Policy Advisor, UBCM.

b) Gerry Henke, Administrator

AKBLG Conference – who is attending – approval of resolutions

(054-11)

Motion: Phelps/Perry

Resolved that the following motions be approved:

SCRAP METAL LICENSING AND REGULATING #1

WHEREAS damage and loss resulting from the theft of metals costs British Columbia millions of dollars each year.

AND WHEREAS there are no mechanisms in place to regulate, control, monitor and enforce the market for scrap metal that provides the economic basis for metal theft, vandalism and property crime.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the UBCM lobbies the provincial government to implement a system to licence & regulate the scrap metal economy in British Columbia

RECYCLING DEPOSIT AND REFUND SYSTEM EXPANSION #2

WHEREAS the recycling of tires, batteries and other items benefits the environment, economy and society.

AND WHEREAS the Return-It beverage refund-deposit system achieves the highest return rate for recyclable materials in the Province, by providing a direct incentive to users to recycle items and materials.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the UBCM petitions the Provincial Government to mandate the expansion of deposit and refund systems currently used for beverage containers to other recyclables.

REMUNERATION RESOLUTION #3

WHEREAS local elected officials are responsible for adjusting their own pay/remuneration/compensation.

AND WHEREAS elected officials should not have the power to or responsibility for adjusting their own compensation.

THEREFORE be it resolved that the UBCM lobbies the provincial government to work with UBCM to establish an independent, automatic, universal mechanism for adjusting remuneration/compensation for local elected officials

Carried

Anyone wish to go to AKBLG, please advise staff as soon as possible.

c) Gerry Henke, Administrator

Climate Action Report for 2010

- Report on Action taken to reduce energy consumption and GHG Emissions to be carbon neutral by 2012.
- Switch to energy efficient heating system, reduce leaks in water system, upgrade water pump efficiency.
- Administrator will set up a public meeting for discussions on ways to reduce GHG Emissions.

d) Gerry Henke, Administrator

Motion 040-11 Delegates to UBCM Convention

(055-11)

Motion: Phelps/Perry

Resolved that Motion 040-11 “ that due to 2011 being an election year, we would not be sending delegates to the UBCM Convention”, be rescinded.

Carried

(056-11)

Motion: Stevenson/Phelps

Resolved that Councillor Stevenson be authorize to attend the 2011 UBCM Convention.

Carried

Councillor Stevenson spoke to the value of representation and networking that comes with delegates attending the UBCM. The resources that come back for present and future reference are very helpful.

BYLAWS

a) Bylaw 850

City of Greenwoods Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw 850, 2011

(057-11)

Motion: Phelps/Stevenson

Be it resolved that Bylaw 850, cited as “City of Greenwoods Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw No. 850, 2011, be reconsidered and finally adopted this 28th day of February, 2011.

Carried

QUESTION PERIOD

Darla Ashton

Requested a breakdown of Fortis Accounts – Staff instructed to copy requested accounts for Darla Ashton.

Mr. Kettle

Spoke of the increase crime in the City, and stating people need to be diligent in reporting suspicious activity.

Mr. Chaffee

Why does the RCMP not publish the criminal activity in the local newspaper? Council will bring up this concern with RCMP when they meet with them.

Further discussion took place on criminal record check and the impact on recruiting volunteers and possible costs being downloaded onto businesses.

(058-11)

Motion: Stevenson/Phelps

Resolved that the City establish a budget for reimbursement of successful candidates by apply to the Greenwood Volunteer Fire Department.

Carried

This policy could be provided for other emergency services within the City of Greenwood.

ADJOURNMENT

(059-11)

Motion: Perry

Resolve that this regular meeting of Council be adjourned at 8:05 pm

Mayor

Certified Correct

Administrator