



CITY OF GREENWOOD
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Monday January 10, 2011,
7:00 pm in the Council Chambers of City Hall

PRESENT

Mayor Lang, Councillors Perry, Phelps and Stevenson

ABSENT

ALSO PRESENT

Gerry Henke, Administrator
Tami Peters, Deputy Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Lang called meeting to order at 7:00 pm with approximately 25 members of the public in attendance

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

(001-11)

Moved by Councillor Phelps, seconded by Councillor Perry
That the Agenda be adopted as presented

Carried

DELEGATIONS

CTQ

Murray Noble, P.Eng and Jim Roe of CTQ Consultants came to update Council on the Water Master Plan and the Towns for Tomorrow Grant Application. The Towns for Tomorrow Grants is for Well Development (the existing wells will be rehabilitated or a new well drilled), a new pumphouse (which will include up to date energy efficient electrical controls and instrumentation), and leak detection and remediation.

The grant application is 80/20 cost sharing, Councillor Stevenson asked where the City's share of the funding would come from. The Administrator advised it would come from Gas Tax Funding.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

(002-11)

Moved by Councillor Stevenson, seconded by Councillor Phelps
That the minutes from the regular meeting of 13 December 2010 and special meeting of 15 December 2010 be adopted.

Carried

CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

(003-11)

Moved by Councillor Phelps, seconded by Councillor Perry
That correspondence for information items 5(a) -5(0) is received.

Carried

Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development – By Election

The City applied for, and received, a Minister's Order granting the City an exception from the requirement in s.37(1) of the Local Government Act to hold a by-election.

Members of the public asked permission to take part in the discussion. The Mayor granted permission for them to do so.

Members of the public in attendance voiced their displeasure with not having a by-election. They felt the vacant seat should be filled.

The public asked why the exception was applied for. Council advised that the exception was applied for to save the citizens the cost of a by-election when the General Elections was less than a year away.

The Administrator advised that the motion to appoint him as Chief Elections Officer at the special meeting of December 15th needs to be rescinded, whether council proceeds with a by-election or not.

(004-11)

Moved by Councillor Phelps, seconded by Councillor Perry
That motion (304-10) appointing Gerald Henke as Chief Elections Officer is rescinded.
Carried

After public input on the by-election, it was
Moved by Mayor Lang, seconded by Councillor Perry
That a by-election to fill the vacant seat be held as soon as legally possible.

Members of the public expressed their opinion.

Mayor Lang asked for the motion to be carried. Council did not support the Mayors request;

Mayor Lang declared the motion defeated.

The members of the public were not happy with the defeat of the motion.

Councillor Stevenson voiced his concerns with the public demanding council to make on the spot decisions. He asked Mayor Lang for a Committee of the Whole Meeting of Council.

At 7:20 pm the council went into a Committee of the Whole to discuss the by-election. Council returned to the regular council meeting at 7:30 pm.

Mayor Lang reported to the public that the by-election issue is tabled to public special meeting to be held 17th January 2011 at 9:30 am. Council will poll the residents on this issue prior to the meeting.

The members of the public were not happy with this.

The Mayor directed staff to prepare a written notice to every household asking them for their opinion on the matter of whether to hold a by-election or not. A written response will be requested by a certain date.

Resignation of Ann Daniels

Administrator read letter from Ann Daniels regarding her resignation as Deputy Clerk for the City of Greenwood, effective December 31, 2010. Mayor Lang accepted her resignation with regret.

(005-11)

Moved by Councillor Stevenson, seconded by Councillor Perry
That a card and gift be purchase for Ann Daniels, thanking her for her many years of service to the City of Greenwood.
Carried

CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION

Towns for Tomorrow Grant Application (006-11)

Moved by Councillor Perry, seconded by Councillor Phelps
That Council authorizes the Well Replacement/Rehabilitation Project to proceed, and the Administrator/Treasurer and the Public Works Superintendent be authorized to sign the Towns for Tomorrow application form and the Certification Form.

Carried

Statistics Canada – National Household Survey (007-11)

Moved by Councillor Stevenson, seconded by Councillor Phelps
That council supports the campaign of Statistics Canada to promote awareness of the new National Household Survey and to encourage the participation of all residents of Canada.

Carried

Community Futures – Boundary Communities Regional Chamber of Commerce (008-11)

Moved by Councillor Perry, seconded by Councillor Stevenson
That letter from Community Futures regarding Boundary Communities Regional Chamber of Commerce is tabled to next meeting.

Carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

OTHER REPORTS

MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Lang attended the annual Fire Department Meeting. The executive remained the same with Fire Chief Roy Tereshita, Assistant Fire Chief, Jordan Fieber, Secretary, Patti Illy, Treasurer, and Chris Fieber.

Mayor Lang advised that she, Councillor Stevenson, and Wayne Dieb have been working on a new website for the City of Greenwood.

ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Administrator read his report

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Administrator read Public Works Report

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (009-11)

Moved by Councillor Perry, seconded by Councillor Stevenson
That teller payments, auto debits and cheques #3378-3453 in the amount of \$83,477.96

be approved.

Carried

NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Discussion on Outdoor Rink
Councillor Stevenson has asked for discussion on efforts to support the outdoor rink in the following ways: signage, advertising, monetary, thank you to Don Huggett and Darcy Retnic for their efforts.

Signage –Councillor Perry asked where would signage be placed, Councillor Stevenson thought that possible highway signage promoting outdoor rink.

Administrator advised that timers have been installed on the lights to save on electrical.

Mayor Lang thanked Don Huggett and Darcy Warnick for their efforts. The Administrator was asked if criminal record checks have been done. Administrator advised that one criminal record check was done.

2011 Schedule of Acting Mayor
(010-11)

Moved by Council Phelps, seconded by Councillor Perry
That the 2011 Schedule of Acting Mayor be tabled to next meeting.

Carried

2011 Schedule of Regular
Council Meetings
(011-11)

Moved by Councillor Perry, seconded by Councillor Phelps
That the 2011 Schedule of Regular Council Meetings as adopted.

Carried

Website/Media Button
(012-11)

Moved by Councillor Perry, seconded by Councillor Phelps
That a select committee be established for the design of a new city web site, members appointed will consist of Mayor Colleen Lang, Councillor Stevenson and Wayne Deib.

Carried

Econ Development – Midway
Mill/Community Forest

Administrator advised we are still trying to find a date to meeting with Midway Council, and Director Baird, to discuss the Community Forest application. After discussion, Administrator advised to see if January 12th in the AM would work for a meeting.

BY-LAWS

By-law No. 849

Tabled to next meeting for correction on the number of members

QUESTION PERIOD

Darla Ashton-update on pool

Darla Ashton updated council on pool and guard shack progress. Also advised committee is exploring possibility of upgrades to back wall of pool facing museum.

Berkeley Springs International
Water Tasting Competition

Correspondence to be put on the agenda at the next regular meeting, for Council
action.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned 8:10 pm

Mayor

Certified Correct

Administrator