



CITY OF GREENWOOD
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on
Monday, June 27, 2011, at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers of
City Hall

PRESENT Mayor Lang, Councillors Perry, Phelps, Stevenson

ALSO PRESENT Gerry Henke, Administrator
Tami Peters, Deputy Clerk

Gallery

ABSENT

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

ADOPTION OF AGENDA **Motion: Phelps/Stevenson**
(140-11) Resolved that the 13 June 2011 regular meeting agenda be adopted as
circulated. **Carried**

DELEGATIONS Roy Terashita, Fire Chief, was in attendance to discuss the need for to have
(141-11) a contingency plan for an alternate water source. They would like to see 3-
4 dry hydrants installed near the creek, throughout the city.

Motion: Stevenson/Perry
Be it resolved that dry hydrant construction concept be passed to the Public
Works Superintendent for recommendations.

Carried

Administrator will ask the Public Works Superintendent to provide Council
with recommendation.

The Fire Chief also brought to council's attention that we have only 2
members available for the long weekend in July. The fire chief has made
arrangements with Grand Forks Fire Department to cover in the event of a
fire. He stressed the fact that the department needs more volunteers to help
protect the community. Mayor Lang thanked the Fire Department for all
they do.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES **Motion: Perry/Phelps**
(142-11) Resolved that the minutes of the 13 June 2011 regular meeting minutes be
adopted as circulated. **Carried**

CORRESPONDENCE FOR **Motion: Stevenson/Perry**
INFORMATION Resolved that correspondence for information only items 5(a)-(d) be
(143-11) received and acted upon as recommended and/or amended. **Carried**

Items for discussion

5b) Powerhouse Development Inc-
Extension of Certificate – Cascade
heritage Power Project

Councillor Stevenson advised that the extension was turned down by the
RDKB Board.

5d) Cops for Kids – 2011 Mayors Challenge

Mayor Lang advised that she is taking part in the 2011 Mayors Challenge for Cops for Kids.

CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION

6a) Fotgis – Request to use tennis court and swimming pool for family swim on 23 July 2011.

(144-11)

Motion: Perry/Stevenson

Resolved that Council motion to have request put on the table for discussion

Carried

Councillor Perry asked why we have not received the financial statements that have been requested by council. Darla Ashton, Fotgis Representative, addressed the question. Darla advised that yes a request was made by council for financials, she said that it took months for the city to give Fotgis the information that she said she needed to complete the financials. The Administrator stated that the information was supplied to Fotgis in early May, and we still have not received the financials to date. Darla advised that she asked the Deputy Clerk to put Fotgis on the 11 July 2011 agenda in which an invitation would be extend to council for the town hall meeting. Darla advised that she is going to present the financials to the Council and Community together at the town hall meeting

Councillor Stevenson feels that council should be given the financials before they are presented to the Community at a Town Hall Meeting. Council want a meeting set up with Darla Ashton, as soon as possible to go over the financials.

(145-11)

Motion: Stevenson/Perry

Resolved that the Request from Fotgis to use Tennis Court and Swimming Pool for family swim on 23 July 2011 be put on the floor for discussion.

Carried

Councillor Stevenson advised that he supports the starlight swim but feels there should be a reporting mechanism. It is public fund that were committed and feels council has a right to ask for financials. He would like a meeting set up with Council and Darla to go over financials.

Councillor Phelps also added that Community Groups that use the facilities should be responsible for the damages should anything happen. Darla asked Councillor Phelps to explain what she is referring to. Councillor Phelps pointed out the broken glass incident at the last Starlight Swim. Darla advised that she disagrees with groups being held responsible for accidents that could happen anytime.

(146-11) ✓

Motion: Stevenson/Perry

Resolved that Council support Fotgis request to hold an open air dance at the tennis court, hold a beer garden between the two venues and swimming pool for family swim on 23 July 2011.

Carried

Mayor Lang apologized to the Fotgis Group for having to go through a council meeting in which no support was given to a group that has done so much for our community. Darla thanked the Mayor for this and hoped that the Boundary Creek Times would print the apology.

6b) Board of Trade – Grant in Aid for 2011

Motion: Stevenson/Phelps

Resolved that council approve Board of Trades request for Grant in Aid in the amount of \$3,000.00 for 2011.

Carried

6c) RVwest Readers Choice – advertising in summer issue.

Mayor Lang advised that other community groups are not participating, so council will not be participating in the RVwest Readers Choice as per council motion (034-11), which read “*Council approve in principal advertising in the 5th Annual RVwest Readers Choice pending contribution from other community groups.*”

6d) Gerry Henke, Administrator – request to hold advance poll

Administrator advised that he received a written request to hold an advance poll prior to the required advance poll on 9 November 2011. Administrator’s recommendation was that due to timelines it would make it difficult to hold an additional advance poll.

6e) Gerry Henke, Administrator – Mail ballot voting

Administrator also advised that a request for mail ballot voting was received. A bylaw would need to be drafted and adopted by 8th August 2011 in order to do mail ballot voting.

(147-11)

Motion: Stevenson/Phelps

Resolved that a bylaw be drafted for to permit voting by mail ballot and establish procedures therefore.

Carried

6f) Gerry Henke, Administrator – Election General

Administrator asked council if they would like to see any changes to the Elections Bylaw. Council decided no changes were required to the Elections Bylaw.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

OTHER REPORTS

Councillor Stevenson: Verbal

Full Report held on file: Councillor Stevenson update council on the following

- June 14th – BEDC Meeting in Grand Forks
- June 15th – Community Economic Development Forum
- June 16th – BCRCC Event
- June 21st = Cemetery Tour
- June 23rd – RDKB Meeting

Councillor Phelps: Verbal

- Advised council that Amanda MacLean and Nora McNeil were hired as summer help.
- Book lending is up and internet is down.
- Ant problem at the City Hall Entrance, works crew to be notified.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Lang: Verbal

- Updated Council on meeting in Midway regarding Community Forest License.
- Media Button will forward proof of website and website committee will get together to review information prior to launching the site.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrators Report: Full report on file

- Mr. Zibin was in the office on 23 June 2011. He would like to put a set of stairs in the from 230S Copper Avenue to the alley behind the pool. Administrator presented different material options.
- Administrator met with Mr. Nunn regarding a problem with the balcony above the front entrance way to City Hall. Administrator and Mr. Nunn did an inspection of the balcony and repair work is required. Administrator recommends to council that they spend the \$2,500 to have Mr. Nunn fix the balcony.

(148-11) ✓

Motion: Phelps/Stevenson

Be it resolved that council approve \$2,500 to have the balcony above the front entrance way to City Hall fixed.

Carried

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

No Report

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
(149-11)**

Motion: Perry/Stevenson

Be it resolved that teller payments, auto debits and cheques #3875-3924 in the amount of \$39,889.69 be approved.

Carried

NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS

13a) Towns for Tomorrow Grant

Administrator updated council on the Towns for Tomorrow Grant. The project will take 5 months to complete once construction starts. The City and the Province needs to sign the grant agreement once it arrives and the project is put out to tender.

The City has to pay for the work and then claim reimbursement. Administrator has contacted MFA and obtained the forms needed to get the money to cover the grant until the province reimburses the City.

BYLAWS**None**

QUESTION PERIOD

Wayne Dieb

Advised that the washrooms that are used by the campers at O'Hairi park are in extremely rough shape. The Board of Trade feels that the washroom should be locked and closed to the public. The City Park washrooms are also in extremely rough shape. Board of Trade is looking at the possibility of portable washrooms. Wayne feels that we should close them washrooms as well and look at costs for high quality portable washrooms.

Ray Harrison

The power installation to A Frame for concession and power costs. Does Mr. Zibin pay these costs? Administrator advised that he will be reimbursing the City. He is also paying for monthly power costs.

Jim Nathorst

Have the City buildings been commissioned yet? Administrator advised that they have not. Mr. Nathorst asked how they are any safer. Staff will follow up on getting buildings commissioned as soon as possible.

Nipper

Concern of 2 fireman only on duty for the long weekend, this is very troubling. The fire chief stated that Grand Forks is aware of this and will be on standby. Randy Smith will be doing the fire works for the Canada Day Celebration, will the fire truck be on site – Administrator will check to see if Liz will be there.

Pat Kelly

Rural Fire Protection – Has the agreement been signed? Administrator advised that the agreement was signed late in the year. Is it true that they are asking for the rural fire protection money back because the grant was not signed on time? Administrator advised that we will not receive the grant for 2011, in lieu of keeping the 2010 grant.

Roy Tershita, Fire Chief, advised he has some concerns regarding the Rural Fire Protection Agreement and being able to fulfill specifics in agreement. Councillor Stevenson advised that he has talked to Regional District regarding specifics in agreement and they have advised that as long as we are actively seeking membership, we don't need to meet specifics.

Jim Nathorst

Wage increase for non-union staff – the documentation he has said that non-union staff received as 7% over a 9 month period. Is this correct? Administrator advised that he will do a summary of wages for the past 4 years to show the increases for non-union staff and make it available for the next meeting.


Councillor Perry made a public apology for her statement earlier in the meeting regarding that there are no volunteers in Greenwood.

ADJOURNMENT

(150-11)

Motion: Perry

Resolved that the regular meeting of 13 June 2011, be adjourned at 8:10 pm.



Mayor

Certified Correct



Administrator