



The Corporation of the City of Grand Forks
Regular Meeting of Council
MINUTES

Meeting #: R-2018-06
Date: Monday, March 26, 2018, 7:00 pm
Location: 7217 - 4th Street, City Hall Council Chambers

Present: Mayor Frank Konrad
Councillor Julia Butler
Councillor Chris Hammett
Councillor Neil Krog
Councillor Christine Thompson
Councillor Beverley Tripp

Absent: Councillor Colleen Ross (with notice)

Staff: Diane Heinrich - Chief Administrative Officer / Corporate Officer
Daniel Drexler - Deputy Corporate Officer
Juliette Rhodes - Chief Financial Officer
Cavan Gates - Deputy Manager of Operations & Sustainability
Graham Watt - Senior Planner

GALLERY

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Konrad called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

a. Adopt agenda

March 26, 2018, Regular Meeting agenda

Resolution #: R088/18/03/26

Moved by: Krog

Seconded by: Thompson

THAT Council adopts the March 26, 2018, Regular Meeting agenda as presented.

Carried

3. MINUTES

- a. Adopt minutes - Special to go In-Camera

March 12, 2018, Special to go In-Camera Meeting minutes

Resolution #: R089/18/03/26

Moved by: Tripp

Seconded by: Krog

THAT Council adopts the March 12, 2018, Special to go In-Camera Meeting minutes as presented.

Carried

- b. Adopt minutes - Regular

March 12, 2018, Regular Meeting minutes

Resolution #: R090/18/03/26

Moved by: Tripp

Seconded by: Thompson

THAT Council adopts the March 12, 2018, Regular Meeting minutes as presented.

4. REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. REPORTS, QUESTIONS AND INQUIRIES FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

a. Written Reports of Council

Corporate Officer's Report

Resolution #: R091/18/03/26

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Tripp

THAT all written reports of Council submitted to the March 26, 2018, Regular Meeting be received.

Carried

7. REPORT FROM COUNCIL'S REPRESENTATIVE TO THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF KOOTENAY BOUNDARY

a. Verbal Report - RDKB Representative

Corporate Officer's Report

Verbal report from Council's representative to the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary

Read the RDKB agendas here:

<https://rdkb.civicweb.net/filepro/documents/314>

Mayor Konrad advised that there was no report for this evening.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF FOR DECISIONS

a. Sensitive Ecosystem Inventory Implementation in Official Community Plan

Development and Engineering Services

Resolution #: R092/18/03/26

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Butler

THAT Council directs staff to develop the implementation of the Sensitive Ecosystem Inventory by drafting amendments to the Official Community Plan and associated bylaws.

Carried

- b. Grand Forks Art Gallery Revised Lease Agreement

Corporate Services

Brief discussion ensued regarding the process at the art gallery society for approval of the amended lease agreement.

Resolution #: R93/18/03/26

Moved by: Butler

Seconded by: Thompson

THAT Council approves the changes made to the pre-existing lease between the Grand Forks Art Gallery Society and the City of Grand Forks as presented.

Carried

9. REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

10. INFORMATION ITEMS

- a. Memo 2018 - Cannabis survey results

Engineering and Development

Discussion ensued regarding the screening process for out of area participants and multiple submissions by the same participant.

Resolution #: R094/18/03/26

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Hammett

THAT Council receives the memorandum from Engineering and Development regarding the Cannabis Survey results for discussion purposes.

Carried

- b. Ministry of Finance

Letter reply regarding request that local governments share in provincial cannabis taxation revenue

Resolution #: R095/18/03/26

Moved by: Hammett

Seconded by: Thompson

THAT Council receive the letter from the Ministry of Finance for information.

Carried

c. Boundary Museum

2017 budget carried to 2018

Discussion ensued regarding the carried forward funds for the Boundary Museum year end.

Resolution #: R096/18/03/26

Moved by: Hammett

Seconded by: Tripp

THAT Council receive the updated budget items from the Boundary Museum for information.

Carried

d. UBCM

Provincial response to 2017 resolutions put forward

Councillor Tripp spoke regarding the possibility of microcells being located on utility poles and potential health hazards.

Councillor Thompson spoke regarding the abolishment of the daylight savings time motion.

Discussion continued regarding process and the amount of resolutions being brought forward to the Province.

Resolution #: R097/18/03/26

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Krog

THAT Council receive the response from the Province regarding the 2017 UBCM resolutions.

Carried

11. BYLAWS

- a. Elections Bylaws First Three Readings

Corporate Services

Resolution #: R098/18/03/26

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Butler

THAT Council gives the first three readings of the “General Local Government Election Bylaw No. 2042, 2018”;

Carried

Resolution #: R099/18/03/26

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Hammett

THAT Council gives the first three readings of the “Automated Voting Machines Authorization Bylaw No. 2043, 2018”.

Carried

- b. Final Reading of OCP Bylaw Amendment and Zoning Bylaw replace and repeal

Development and Engineering Services

Resolution #: R100/18/03/26

Moved by: Tripp

Seconded by: Hammett

THAT Council gives final reading to Official Community Plan Bylaw Amendment 1919-A2;

Carried

Resolution #: R101/18/03/26

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Hammett

THAT Council gives final reading to Zoning Bylaw 2039;

Carried

Resolution #: R102/18/03/26

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Hammett

THAT Council gives final reading to Zoning Bylaw Repeal 1606-R1.

Carried

c. Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 2045

Chief Financial Officer

Discussion ensued regarding:

- proposed tax increases
- possibility of "sharpening the pencil" in the future even more
- possible reduction on capital projects/costs
- community organizations budget - proposed increases were included in the budget presented at the budget workshops

Resolution #: R103/18/03/26

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Hammett

THAT Council gives first three readings to the Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw 2018-2022, No. 2045.

Opposed (2): Butler, and Tripp

Carried

12. LATE ITEMS

13. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC AND THE MEDIA

Nigel James:

- 5 year capital plan and concerns regarding tax and utility cost increases
- Mr. James read a prepared article to be published in the Grand Forks Gazette this week regarding:
 - the costs of utilities compared to rate of inflation and fixed incomes over the past couple of years - Service levels could be reduced to potentially reduce costs to property owners
 - costs of FOI requests - unexpected expenses occur

Ray Hanson inquired regarding the possibility of including big horn sheep in the ecological sensitive system inventory report.

Gloria Koch reminded Council that the entire area is home for all animals including big horn sheep, deer, and birds.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The March 26, 2018, Regular Meeting was adjourned at 7:49 pm.

Resolution #: R104/18/03/26

Moved by: Krog

Seconded by: Butler

THAT the Regular Meeting be adjourned at 7:49 pm.

Carried

Mayor Frank Konrad

Deputy Corporate Officer - Daniel
Drexler