



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

Meeting #: R-2018-14
Date: Monday, August 20, 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 Colleen Ross
Councillor Christine Thompson
Councillor Beverley Tripp (via phone)

Staff: Diane Heinrich - Chief Administrative Officer
Daniel Drexler - Corporate Officer
Juliette Rhodes - Chief Financial Officer
Cavan Gates - Deputy Manager of Operations & Sustainability
David Bruce - Manager of Inspection & Bylaw Services

GALLERY

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Konrad called the August 20, 2018, Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

- a. Adopt agenda
August 20, 2018, Regular Meeting agenda

The agenda was amended to include items:

12. a. Bylaw #2050 - Council Remuneration

12. b. Temporary Use Permit

Resolution #: R227/18/08/20

Moved by: Ross

Seconded by: Thompson

THAT the agenda be amended to include late items:

12. a. Bylaw #2050 - Council Remuneration

12. b. Temporary Use Permit

Carried

Resolution #: R228/18/08/20

Moved by: Ross

Seconded by: Thompson

THAT Council adopts the August 20, 2018, Regular Meeting agenda as amended.

Carried

3. MINUTES

a. Adopt minutes - Special to go In-Camera

July 23, 2018, Special to go In-Camera Meeting minutes

Resolution #: R229/18/08/20

Moved by: Ross

Seconded by: Krog

THAT Council adopts the July 23, 2018, Special to go In-Camera Meeting minutes as presented.

Carried

- b. Adopt minutes - Regular

July 23, 2018, Regular Meeting minutes

Resolution #: R230/18/08/20

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Butler

THAT Council adopts the July 23, 2018, Regular Meeting minutes as presented.

Carried

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

July 27, 2018, Special to go In-Camera Meeting minutes

Resolution #: R231/18/08/20

Moved by: Ross

Seconded by: Thompson

THAT Council adopts the July 27, 2018, Special to go In-Camera Meeting minutes as presented.

Carried

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

August 1, 2018, Special to go In-Camera Meeting minutes

Resolution #: R232/18/08/20

Moved by: Ross

Seconded by: Thompson

THAT Council adopts the August 1, 2018, Special to go In-Camera Meeting minutes as presented.

Carried

4. REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

a. Danville Border - Crossing Hours

Johnna Exner - Commissioner for Ferry County

Johnna Exner, Commissioner for Ferry County, gave a review regarding the reduction of the Danville Border hours and discussion ensued regarding:

- involvement of US Congresswoman and US Senator on behalf of Ferry County
- past involvement of the Village of Midway in a similar situation
- possible impact on businesses and residents on both sides of the border
- potential economic impact on the communities
- planned conference calls between stakeholders
- potential to gather daily statistics
- federal issue that affects local municipality
- possibility to contact federal Canadian resources, MLA and MP to get the statistics for the Canadian side of the border

Resolution #: R233/18/08/20

Moved by: Hammett

Seconded by: Butler

THAT Council directs staff to send letters to MLA Linda Larson and MP Richard Cannings to:

- **inquire regarding border hour data and statistics**
- **advocate for continued border hours to midnight in order to continue economic opportunities for communities on both sides of the border.**

Carried

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. REPORTS, QUESTIONS AND INQUIRIES FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

a. Written Reports of Council

Corporate Officer's Report

Councillor Hammett gave a brief review of the challenges that the DBA faces regarding recovery processes in the downtown and the related Rural Dividend Fund grant applications.

Resolution #: R234/18/08/20

Moved by: Ross

Seconded by: Hammett

THAT all written reports of Council submitted to the August 20, 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. Drought - Watering Restrictions

Deputy Manager of Operations & Sustainability

City Staff received a call regarding drought level 3 & 4 stages anticipated for Grand Forks and area.

Staff requires a Council resolution to implement further Watering Restrictions.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- lower water levels in rivers currently
- farmers may be impacting the rivers by drawing water from the streams directly
- potential safety issues with not watering due to elevated fire risk
- proposed stage 2 restrictions to reduce to 2 days a week from 3.5 days
- provincial website data and statistics for the aquifer are from July 12, 2018 and not current

Resolution #: R235/18/08/20

Moved by: Ross

Seconded by: Hammett

THAT Council directs staff to implement watering restrictions in accordance with the provincial drought levels, such that:

- **levels 1 and 2 drought trigger watering restrictions stage 1;**
- **level 3 drought triggers stage 2 watering restrictions; and**
- **level 4 drought triggers stage 3 watering restrictions.**

Opposed (2): Butler, and Tripp

Carried

9. REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

10. INFORMATION ITEMS

11. BYLAWS

- a. Annual Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw 2049

Chief Financial Officer

Resolution #: R236/18/08/20

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Butler

THAT Council gives first three readings to Bylaw No. 2049 “2019 Permissive Tax Exemptions”.

Carried

12. LATE ITEMS

a. Bylaw #2050 - Council Remuneration

Chief Financial Officer / Corporate Officer

Discussion ensued regarding:

- impacts on payroll expenses
- additional expenses for Councillors
- potential of letting the next Council decide

Resolution #: R237/18/08/20

Moved by: Ross

Seconded by: Tripp

THAT Council selects Option 1 for the 2019 annual remuneration amounts to be included in Council Remuneration and Expenses Bylaw No. 2050.

Opposed (2): Konrad, and Krog

Carried

b. Temporary Use Permit

Development and Engineering

Resolution #: R238/18/08/20

Moved by: Krog

Seconded by: Ross

THAT Council directs staff to proceed with the statutory requirements for public notice respecting a Temporary Use Permit Application for a Tiny House on Wheels (TUP 1802) proposed for 6379 12th Street (Lot A, Plan KAP87507, DL 382, PID: 027-648-273).

Carried

Resolution #: R239/18/08/20

Moved by: Ross

Seconded by: Thompson

THAT Council directs staff to prepare a draft Temporary Use Permit that considers adequate flood management, servicing, building code and bonding requirements.

Carried

Resolution #: R240/18/08/20

Moved by: Ross

Seconded by: Krog

THAT Council waive the \$750 Temporary Use Application fee as part of the City's recovery program to help flood victims in the City.

Carried

13. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC AND THE MEDIA

Les Johnson, GFTV, inquired regarding other watering restrictions for residents on other water services - He was advised that only city water utility customers would be affected by the restrictions.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The August 20, 2018, Regular Meeting was adjourned at 7:57 pm.

Resolution #: R241/18/08/20

Moved by: Ross

Seconded by: Butler

THAT the August 20, 2018, Regular Meeting be adjourned at 7:57 pm.

Carried

Mayor Frank Konrad

Corporate Officer - Daniel Drexler