The Corporation of the City of Grand Forks

Regular Meeting of Council

MINUTES

Meeting #: **R-2018-21**
Date: **Monday, December 10, 2018, 7:00 pm**
Location: **7217 - 4th Street, City Hall Council Chambers**

Present: Mayor Brian Taylor
Councillor Zak Eburne-Stoodley
Councillor Cathy Korolek
Councillor Neil Krog
Councillor Chris Moslin
Councillor Christine Thompson
Councillor Rod Zielinski

Staff: Diane Heinrich - Chief Administrative Officer
Daniel Drexler - Corporate Officer
Kevin McKinnon - Deputy Corporate Officer
Juliette Rhodes - Chief Financial Officer
Cavan Gates - Deputy Manager of Operations & Sustainability

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Taylor called the December 10, 2018, Regular Meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

a. Adopt agenda

December 10, 2018, Regular Meeting agenda

The mayor indicated that there were several additions to the agenda as originally distributed.

4a - Delegation from Selkirk College/University of Victoria
Presentation about a street outreach program for marginalized people in Grand Forks.

12a - RDKB Aquatic Centre requisition - brought forward from COTW.

12b - Emergency funding for 2019 Freshet preparation - brought forward from COTW.

Resolution #: R326/2018/12/10

Moved by: Korolek

Seconded by: Thompson

THAT Council adopts the December 10, 2018, Regular Meeting agenda as amended.

Carried

3. MINUTES

a. Adopt minutes - Special to go In-Camera

November 19, 2018, Special to go In-Camera Meeting minutes

Resolution #: R327/2018/12/10

Moved by: Moslin

Seconded by: Eburne-Stoodley

THAT Council adopts the November 19, 2018, Special to go In-Camera Meeting minutes as presented.

Carried

b. Adopt minutes - Regular

November 19, 2018, Regular Meeting minutes

Resolution #: R328/2018/12/10

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Krog

THAT Council adopts the November 19, 2018, Regular Meeting minutes as presented.

Carried

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a. Appointment of Recreation Commission Representative

Councillor Moslin has agreed to represent the City on the Grand Forks Recreation Commission.

Resolution #: R329/2018/12/10

Moved by: Zielinski

Seconded by: Thompson

THAT Council appoint Councillor Moslin as the City representative to the Grand Forks Recreation Commission.

Carried

5. REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

a. Selkirk College and The University of Victoria

Presentation on a street outreach program for marginalized people in Grand Forks

Rescheduled from Dec 10, 2018 COTW meeting.

Ty Wright and Gwendilyn Grieves, fourth year nursing students from Selkirk College, presented a review of a street outreach study that they conducted over the previous three months as a research project and a description of the resource navigation tool they created to help refer people who need services. One component of their project was using a "street nursing kit" to provide Naloxone, sharps containers, vitamins, and other harm reduction equipment to marginalized residents.

Council discussed existing services and providers (local mental health, recovery team's health pillar)

An outreach program would include distribution of products from the street nursing kit, along with referrals to local services.

Harm reduction resources in West Kootenay communities are currently funded by ANKORS and Mental Health.

The Mayor will assist in collaborating with other agencies to direct a letter of support in the most effective manner.

Resolution #: R330/2018/12/10

Moved by: Korolek

Seconded by: Thompson

RESOLVED THAT Council receives for information the presentation.

Carried

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7. REPORTS, QUESTIONS AND INQUIRIES FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

a. Written Reports of Council

Councillors

In addition to the written reports provided, several verbal additions were presented.

Councillor Thompson added congratulations to all those who participated in the Santa Claus Parade and Christmas Lightup at Gyro Park, and Mayor Taylor added positive comments about the LED Christmas decorations.

Councillor Korolek attended the Red Cross Small Business presentation and encouraged all small businesses to apply, even those who may not obviously fit into a defined category.

Councillor Moslin added to his report based on updated information on post-Freshet work presented at this morning's COTW meeting. He added that more work has been completed than is obviously noticeable and that work continues, some in the background, and money is not only being applied for but is also being spent.

Resolution #: R331/2018/10/12

Moved by: Krog

Seconded by: Eburne-Stoodley

THAT all written reports of Council submitted to the December 10, 2018, Regular Meeting be received.

Carried

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

a. Verbal Report - RDKB Representative

Mayor Taylor

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

Highlights from the RDKB meeting agenda were discussed:

- library funding
- reuse of waste rock wool at the landfill
- approval of the purchase of a new fire engine for protection in Rural Grand Forks
- the establishment of a new service between the City and Area D to enable the funding of co-operative Economic Development work.

Resolution #: R332/2018/10/12

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Krog

THAT Mayor Taylor's report on the activities of the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary, given verbally at this meeting be received.

Carried

9. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF FOR DECISIONS

a. Policy 805 – exception for Technology Items

Corporate Service / Information Technology

There was a brief discussion to ensure data would be wiped from any equipment being sold.

Resolution #: R333/2018/12/10

Moved by: Krog

Seconded by: Thompson

THAT Council permits the disposal or sale of outdated or unused Technology Items without following Section 3.4.ii of Policy No. 805 – "Asset Disposal Procedure Policy" if the Items are sold via a public auction process.

Carried

b. Solar Now Project Budget Amendment

Deputy Manager of Operations and Sustainability

A summary of the work completed thus far on the SolarNow project was presented.

The original scope of the project was reviewed, and the existing 2018 budget approval explained.

Power generated will supply the lift station and back into the power grid. Council requested to have the supply metered to monitor the power that is generated.

Resolution #: R334/2018/12/10

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Korolek

THAT Council approves a budget increase of $6,000 for the SolarNow project and directs staff to amend the 2018-2022 Financial Plan bylaw.

Carried

10. REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

11. INFORMATION ITEMS

a. Grand Forks International Baseball Tournament Society

Letter of request for a Special Occasion Liquor Licence from June 22 - July 1, 2019, during the GFI

Resolution #: R335/2018/12/10

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Korolek

THAT Council approves the issuing of a Special Occasion Liquor Licence to the Grand Forks International Baseball Tournament Society from June 22-July 1, 2019, from 11:00 am-11:00 pm (depending on projected end time of last game), at James Donaldson Park, subject to obtaining third party (party alcohol) liability insurance naming the City of Grand Forks as an additional insured on that policy; all event liquor providers to hold a Serving It Right Licence Certificate; and ICBC "Drinking and Driving" warning posters to be displayed.

Carried

b. Grand Forks Community Christmas Dinner

Letter of request for contribution

Resolution #: R336/2018/12/10

Moved by: Korolek

Seconded by: Krog

THAT Council receives for information the letter from the Grand Forks Community Christmas dinner, which Council has already approved a $500 contribution for as part of the 2018 budget process.

Carried

c. Grand Forks Seniors Society

Letter of request for assistance

Resolution #: R337/2018/12/10

Moved by: Eburne-Stoodley

Seconded by: Zielinski

THAT Council receives the letter of request for assistance from the Grand Forks Seniors Society for discussion.

Carried

d. Downtown Business Association

Letter of application for Fee for Service 2019

Resolution #: R338/2018/12/10

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Korolek

THAT Council receives the 2019 Fee for Service request from the Downtown Business Association and forwards the request to the 2019 budgeting process.

Carried

e. Quarter 3 Financial Report

Chief Financial Officer

The financial report from Q3 was presented.

Council requested a workshop about reading the financial reports as presented at meetings, to be scheduled following the holiday season.

Resolution #: R339/2018/12/10

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Zielinski

THAT Council receives for information the Quarter 3 Financial Report from the Chief Financial Officer.

Carried

12. BYLAWS

13. LATE ITEMS

a. RDKB Aquatic Centre Requisition

Corporate Services

Per the presentation made at the December 10, 2018 Committee of the Whole meeting, the attached resolution, as required by the RDKB, is presented for Council's consideration.

Resolution #: R340/2018/12/10

Moved by: Krog

Seconded by: Moslin

THAT the Municipal Council for the Corporation of the City of Grand Forks consents to the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary Board of Directors adopting Bylaw No. 1682 being the "Regional District of Kootenay Boundary Grand Forks and District Aquatic Centre Service Amendment Bylaw No. 1682, 2018."

Carried

b. Freshet Preparation

Corporate Services

From the Committee of the Whole meeting on December 10, 2018.

Resolution #: R341/2018/12/10

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Korolek

THAT Council determines to dedicate $250,000 to assist the City for 2019 Freshet preparation not funded by other means, with funding to come from surplus or reserves.

Carried

14. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC AND THE MEDIA

Laura Savinkoff expressed thanks on behalf of the Boundary Peace Initiative for the letter of support written by the Mayor for her trip to the Canadian Peace Congress conference.

15. ADJOURNMENT

The December 10, 2018, Regular Meeting was adjourned at 8:29 pm.

Resolution #: R342/2018/12/10

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Zielinski

RESOLVED THAT the Regular Meeting be adjourned at 8:29 pm.

Carried

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Mayor Brian Taylor Corporate Officer - Daniel Drexler