

**THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**Monday, October 16, 2017, 9:00 am
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 Bev Tripp

ADMINISTRATION: Diane Heinrich - Chief Administrative Officer - interim /
Corporate Officer
Daniel Drexler - Deputy Corporate Officer
Daphne Popoff, Corporate Administrative Assistant
Juliette Rhodes - Chief Financial Officer
David Reid - Manager of Operations
Dolores Sheets - Manager of Development & Engineering
Services
Dale Heriot - Fire Chief
Cavan Gates - Deputy Manager of Operations & Sustainability
Graham Watt - Planner

GALLERY

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The Committee of the Whole Meeting was called to order at 9:00 am.

2. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AGENDA**

a. Adopt agenda

October 16, 2017, Committee of the Whole

MOVED BY: TRIPP

RESOLVED THAT the COTW adopts the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

- b. In-Camera Reminder

In-Camera Meeting directly following the COTW Meeting.

3. REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

- a. Grand Forks Art Gallery Society

Introduction of new Director/Curator and Quarterly Report

Terry Woodruff, along with Theresa Rezensoff, introduced the new Director/Curator, Tim van Wijk. They presented an overview of Gallery 2 regarding backstory, highlights, artists, collections, Heritage Gallery, educational programs, fundraising events, Visitor Centre, art rental and sales program, revenue generation and grants, Gift Shop, Strategic Plan and Financial overview.

Discussion:

- Gift Shop purchases and revenue
- fundraising revenue and expenses
- grants and facility rentals

MOVED BY: ROSS

RESOLVED THAT the COTW receives for information the Quarterly Report from the Grand Forks Art Gallery Society.

CARRIED

- b. The Boundary Museum Society

Quarterly Report

Lee Derhousoff, along with Shannon Profili (replacing Cher Wyers) presented an overview of The Boundary Museum regarding visitor statistics, Summer students, events, tours, maintenance and grounds, venue rentals, marketing, grant applications, and request for funding increase of \$10,000.

Discussion:

- revenue from the City of Grand Forks

- RDKB revenue contributions, project grants
- admission, operating hours, additional staff
- School District No. 51 donations
- future fundraising events

MOVED BY: ROSS

RESOLVED THAT the COTW receives for information the Quarterly Report from The Boundary Museum Society.

CARRIED

4. REGIONAL TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION - WITH AREA D

5. PRESENTATIONS FROM STAFF

a. Establishment and In-Kind Support of a Disc Golf Course

Manager of Development and Engineering Services

Dan Macmaster gave an overview presentation regarding Disc Golf with the proposed location west of Angus MacDonald Park, vision, benefits, conservation, and economics.

Discussion:

- traffic safety concerns at location
- cost and maintenance
- user group fees, tournaments
- future use of location
- Kate, Grand Forks Gazette, inquired as to the difference between the Disc as opposed to the Frisbee, and was advised that Frisbee is a brand name
- liability insurance

MOVED BY: BUTLER

RESOLVED THAT the COTW recommends to Council to consider the establishment and in-kind support of a disc golf course at 2699 -68th Ave. and a funding and stewardship agreement with RDKB Area 'D' / Rural Grand Forks at the October 30th, 2017, Regular Meeting.

CARRIED

- b. Housing First Homeless Initiative Partnership and Funding Opportunity
Manager of Development and Engineering Services

Dara Sutton, Executive Director of The Boundary Women's Coalition, gave an overview presentation for the proposed grant for the Boundary region, importance of municipal participation, the Plan - apply for \$100,000 federal funding, Point in Time Count, secure funding, facts, and the Housing First Intervention - housing, choice, recover, support, community.

Councillor Tripp left the COTW Meeting at 11:24 am.

Councillor Tripp rejoined the COTW Meeting at 11:26 am.

Discussion:

- BC Housing
- hub of service
- strategic plan
- statistics
- affordable housing for everybody
- support from other RDKB areas and municipalities

Mayor Konrad called a recess of the COTW Meeting at 11:31 am.

Councillor Hammett left the COTW Meeting at 11:31 am.

Mayor Konrad reconvened the COTW Meeting at 11:38 am.

MOVED BY: ROSS

RESOLVED THAT the COTW receives the presentation from the Boundary Women's Coalition regarding a community-led funding application for developing a Housing First Program to address housing challenges of people experiencing or at risk of homelessness.

CARRIED

MOVED BY: TRIPP

RESOLVED THAT the COTW recommends to Council to have the City submit a letter in support of the application by the Boundary Women's Coalition to the Homelessness Partnering Strategy Rural and Remote Funding Program at the October 16, 2017, Regular Meeting.

CARRIED

MOVED BY: BUTLER

RESOLVED THAT the COTW recommends that Council appoint liaisons for the Boundary Interagency Group Board at the October 16, 2017, Regular Meeting.

CARRIED

a. Monthly Highlight Reports

Department Managers

Discussion:

- Bylaw Enforcement Officer's attendance at conference in Langley, BC regarding homelessness
- homeless camps, bylaw, and Crown land
- Manager of Bylaw Services reported on upcoming crime prevention strategies meeting with a consultant that will take place this week
- electrical voltage conversion, residential rebates through Fortis
- Fortis tier rate structure
- Les Johnson inquired regarding the sewage lagoon activity

MOVED BY: KROG

RESOLVED THAT the COTW receives the monthly activity reports from department managers.

CARRIED

6. **REPORTS AND DISCUSSION**

7. **PROPOSED BYLAWS FOR DISCUSSION**

- a. Bylaw 2041 - 2018 Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw
Chief Financial Officer

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT the COTW recommends that Council gives the first three readings to Bylaw No. 2041, "2018 Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw" at the October 30th, 2017, Regular Meeting.

CARRIED

8. INFORMATION ITEMS

- a. Memo - Processes for Council Minutes
Corporate Services

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT the COTW receives the memorandum regarding processes for Council minutes for information and discussion.

Opposed (1): BUTLER

CARRIED

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT the COTW recommends to Council to support the staff recommendation to "omit the Councillor's name that moves and seconds a resolution" at the October 30, 2017, Regular Meeting.

Opposed (1): BUTLER

CARRIED

- b. Memo 2017 - Campground Summary
Deputy Manager of Operations and Sustainability

MOVED BY: ROSS

RESOLVED THAT the COTW receives for information the memorandum regarding the 2017 Campground Summary.

CARRIED

- c. Memo 2017 - Community Satisfaction Survey Oct
Deputy Manager of Operations and Sustainability

Discussion:

- certain personal questions on the survey
- action plan
- difference between the Official Community Plan and this survey
- outreach to the public

MOVED BY: ROSS

RESOLVED THAT the COTW receives the memorandum regarding the Community Satisfaction Survey for information and discussion.

CARRIED

9. **CORRESPONDENCE ITEMS**

10. **LATE ITEMS**

11. **REPORTS, QUESTIONS AND INQUIRIES FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL (VERBAL)**

12. **QUESTION PERIOD FROM THE PUBLIC**

- Fred Scott inquired regarding water utility charges and if Council read the Ombudsmen report? Interim CAO responded that this cannot be discussed currently because the Ombudsmen Act is treated like an FOI
- Les Johnson inquired if an audience member's name will be part of the minutes, but then why a Council member's name who made a motion would possibly be not?

13. **IN-CAMERA RESOLUTION**

- a. Chief Administrative Officer - In-Camera

Immediately following the COTW Meeting, Council will hold an In-Camera Meeting.

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT Council convene an In-Camera Meeting as outlined under Section 90 of the Community Charter to discuss matters in a closed meeting which are subject to Section 90 (1) (b) personal information about an identifiable individual who is being considered for a municipal award or honour, or who has offered to provide a gift to the municipality on condition of anonymity, and Section 90 (1) (c) labour relations or other employee relations;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT persons, other than members, officers, or other persons to whom Council may deem necessary to conduct City business, will be excluded from the In-Camera Meeting.

CARRIED

14. ADJOURNMENT

The October 16, 2017, Committee of the Whole Meeting was adjourned at 12:37 pm.

MOVED BY: TRIPP

RESOLVED THAT the October 16, 2017, Committee of the Whole Meeting be adjourned at 12:37 pm.

CARRIED

MAYOR FRANK KONRAD

CORPORATE ADMINISTRATIVE
ASSISTANT - DAPHNE POPOFF