

**THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL**  
**Monday, October 16, 2017, 7:00 pm**  
**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'*)

**ADMINISTRATION:** Diane Heinrich - Chief Administrative Officer - interim /  
Corporate Officer  
Daphne Popoff - Corporate Administrative Assistant  
Dolores Sheets - Manager of Development & Engineering  
Services  
Cavan Gates - Deputy Manager of Operations & Sustainability

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

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

**2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

a. Adopt agenda

October 16, 2017, Regular Meeting agenda

Mayor Konrad stated that he will be amending the agenda to add two late items:

- 1) the RFD from the Manager of Development and Engineering Services for application to the Community Emergency Preparedness Fund, and
- 2) the appointment of Council liaisons to the Boundary Interagency Group Board from the October 16th COTW Meeting resolution.

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: TRIPP

**RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL amends the October 16, 2017, Regular Meeting agenda to add a late item from the Manager of Development and Engineering Services for application to the Community Emergency Preparedness Fund.**

CARRIED

MOVED BY: BUTLER

SECONDED BY: THOMPSON

**RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL amends the October 16, 2017, Regular Meeting agenda to add a second late item, the appointment of Council liaisons to the Boundary Interagency Group Board from the October 16th COTW Meeting resolution.**

CARRIED

MOVED BY: TRIPP

SECONDED BY: HAMMETT

**RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the October 16, 2017, Regular Meeting agenda as amended.**

CARRIED

### 3. **MINUTES**

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

September 18, 2017, Special to go In-Camera Meeting minutes

MOVED BY: HAMMETT

SECONDED BY: THOMPSON

**RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the September 18, 2017, Special to go In-Camera Meeting minutes as presented.**

CARRIED

- b. Adopt minutes - Regular

September 18, 2017, Regular Meeting minutes

MOVED BY: TRIPP

SECONDED BY: BUTLER

**RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the September 18, 2017, Regular Meeting minutes as presented.**

CARRIED

4. **REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS**

5. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

6. **REPORTS, QUESTIONS AND INQUIRIES FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL**

- a. Corporate Officer's Report

Written reports of Council

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: HAMMETT

**RESOLVED THAT all written reports of Council submitted to the October 16, 2017, Regular Meeting be received.**

CARRIED

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

- a. 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 reported in regards to:

- Boundary Community Development Committee (BCDC) Meeting on October 3rd
- SIDIT presentation

- Kettle River Watershed Meeting
- Board Meeting of October 11th
- Wood Stove Exchange Program
- Greyhound letters of concerns

MOVED BY: TRIPP

SECONDED BY: HAMMETT

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

CARRIED

**8. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF FOR DECISIONS**

a. Contracted Bylaw Enforcement Officer

Manager of Building Inspection & Bylaw Services

Discussion:

- suggestion to keep Mr. Alcock on for a month to remove the camps and then bring him back on next Spring or perhaps till the end of 2017
- shared services with the Regional District
- funding already in the budget, Mr. Alcock is well received in the community
- Ministries, unsightly premises

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: HAMMETT

**RESOLVED THAT Council receives the report and approves an extension of the Contracted Bylaw Services for the remainder of 2017. The extended Bylaw Services would be funded through the Bylaw Enforcement budget approved in the 2017 Financial Plan. The 2018 budget will reflect the continuation of the Bylaw Services position until October 30, 2018.**

Opposed (2): BUTLER, and TRIPP

CARRIED

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

The third resolution is the result of the amended agenda second Late Item.

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: BUTLER

**RESOLVED THAT Council 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.**

CARRIED

MOVED BY: KROG

SECONDED BY: BUTLER

**RESOLVED THAT Council have staff amend the letter, as directed by Council, in support of the application by the Boundary Women's Coalition to the Homelessness Partnering Strategy Rural and Remote Funding Program.**

CARRIED

MOVED BY: KROG

SECONDED BY: THOMPSON

**RESOLVED THAT Council appoints Councillors Butler, Tripp and Ross as liaisons for the Boundary Interagency Group Board.**

CARRIED

**9. REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE**

**10. INFORMATION ITEMS**

- a. Grand Forks & District Public Library

Thank you letter to the City for work on the Library facility

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: HAMMETT

**RESOLVED THAT Council receives for information the thank you letter from the Grand Forks & District Public Library regarding City work on the facility.**

CARRIED

b. Grand Forks Downtown Business Association

Certification of Incorporation and Fee for Service request

Discussion:

- suggestion was made for staff to advise the Downtown Business Association to enter into a Fee for Service Agreement

*Councillor Hammett recused herself at 7:48 pm because of her involvement with the Downtown Business Association.*

- request of DBA 2017 budget report

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: KROG

**RESOLVED THAT Council receives for discussion and direction to staff for distribution of funds in the amount of \$5,000.**

CARRIED

c. Village of Midway

Letter of appreciation to the Grand Forks Fire Department for their assistance

MOVED BY: BUTLER

SECONDED BY: KROG

**RESOLVED THAT Council receives for information the letter of appreciation to the Grand Forks Firefighters from the Village of Midway.**

CARRIED

d. Spencer Tracy

Concerns regarding Phoenix Ski Hill and transit accessibility

Discussion:

- other transit possibilities
- Phoenix Ski Hill Society
- Rec Commission

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: TRIPP

**RESOLVED THAT Council receives for information the concerns regarding Phoenix Ski Hill and transit accessibility. This service is funded through the Regional District.**

CARRIED

e. Linda Larson, MLA

Letter to the Passenger Transportation Board regarding Greyhound service reductions

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: BUTLER

**RESOLVED THAT Council receives for information the letters from Linda Larson, MLA, and from Mayor Konrad to the Passenger Transportation Board regarding Greyhound service reductions.**

CARRIED

11. **BYLAWS**

a. Bylaw 2036-A1 - 2017-2021 Financial Plan Amendment final reading  
Chief Financial Officer

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: TRIPP

**RESOLVED THAT Council gives final reading to Bylaw 2030-A1 - 2017-2021 Financial Plan Amendment.**

CARRIED

- b. Parks Access Amendment Bylaw No. 1959-A1, 2017

Manager of Development and Engineering Services

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: TRIPP

**RESOLVED THAT Council gives the first three readings of the "City of Grand Forks Parks Access Amendment Bylaw No. 1959-A1, 2017";**

**AND FURTHER THAT Council directs staff to present the amendment bylaw for adoption at the October 30th, 2017, Regular Meeting.**

CARRIED

**12. LATE ITEMS**

- a. Manager of Development and Engineering Services

Application to Community Emergency Preparedness Fund

MOVED BY: KROG

SECONDED BY: THOMPSON

**RESOLVED THAT Council directs staff to apply for the UBCM Community Emergency Preparedness Fund for Floodplain Mapping Analysis and Planning.**

CARRIED

**13. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC AND THE MEDIA**

- Kate Saylor, Grand Forks Gazette, requested a copy of the letter of support for the housing initiative when ready
- Kate also asked if the wording to the Parks amendment was legally reviewed? Interim CAO responded that some of the bylaw wording was a result from the decision of the courts
- Ed Lautard, Riverside Dr. resident, read a letter regarding concerns along the banks of the Kettle River. Mayor Konrad recommended that Mr. Lautard also send a letter to the Ministry



**14. ADJOURNMENT**

The Regular Meeting was adjourned at 8:22 pm.

MOVED BY: KROG

SECONDED BY: BUTLER

**RESOLVED THAT the October 16, 2017, Regular Meeting be adjourned at 8:22 pm.**

CARRIED

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Mayor Frank Konrad

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Corporate Administrative Assistant –  
Daphne Popoff