



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

Meeting #: R-2019-12
Date: Monday, June 24, 2019, 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
Daphne Popoff - Corporate Administrative Assistant
Dolores Sheets - Manager of Development & Engineering Services
Juliette Rhodes - Chief Financial Officer

GALLERY

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Taylor called the June 24, 2019, Regular Meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

2. ANNUAL REPORT

a. Annual Report 2018

2018 Annual Report, consideration of report and submissions and questions from the public

Deputy Corporate Officer gave an overview of the Annual Report.

There were no submissions or questions from the public regarding the Annual Report.

Resolution #: R217/18/6/25 MOVED/SECONDED

THAT Council receives the 2018 Annual Report and considers submissions and questions from the public.

Carried

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

a. Adopt agenda

June 24, 2019, Regular Meeting agenda

Resolution #: R218/19/06/24 MOVED/SECONDED

THAT Council adopts the June 24, 2019, Regular Meeting agenda as presented.

Amended

Resolution #: R219/19/06/24 MOVED/SECONDED

THAT Council adopts the June 24, 2019, Regular Meeting agenda as amended to add a 'Late Item' discussion on the Warming Center.

Carried

4. MINUTES

a. Adopt minutes - Special to go In-Camera

June 10, 2019, Special to go In-Camera Meeting minutes

Resolution #: R220/19/06/24 MOVED/SECONDED

THAT Council adopts the June 10, 2019, Special to go In-Camera Meeting minutes as presented.

Carried

- b. Adopt minutes - Regular

June 10, 2019, Regular Meeting minutes

Resolution #: R221/19/06/24 MOVED/SECONDED

THAT Council adopts the June 10, 2019, Regular Meeting minutes as presented.

Carried

5. REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

- a. West Boundary Community Services Co-op Association

Vicki Gee, Regional Director, RDKB

Vicki Gee gave an overview and presented a request for the Mayor to sign letter of support for Food Hub grant application. Spoke in regard to: university involvements, lab food testing, grant opportunities, funding, explanation of Food Hub, land area is 4.6 acres for Co-op building and Food Hub as second building.

Resolution #: R222/19/06/24 MOVED/SECONDED

THAT Council supports the Mayor to sign letter of support for Food Hub grant application.

Carried

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7. REPORTS, QUESTIONS AND INQUIRIES FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

- a. Reports of Council

Councillors

Councillor Moslin spoke in regard to the Roger Brooks videos for downtown revitalization.

Councillor Eburne-Stoodley spoke in regard to the Car Show, Grad Ceremonies and the Roger Brooks videos.

Councillor Thompson asked that the Downtown Business Association present an overview from the Roger Brooks presentations. All Council agreed.

- Amber from the DBA and Jeff from the Chamber of Commerce spoke in regard to the Roger Brooks workshops (he is a revitalization specialist), plans for Grand Forks downtown revitalization and business and street improvements, and the July 20th Party in the Streets

Councillor Zielinski gave a shout out to those that maintain James Donaldson Park during the GFI, all the volunteers and all the sponsors, also to the Granby Dental office for fitting in a Cuban player last minute. He would also like an update on the landscaping around the Women's Transitional House.

Councillor Korolek spoke in regard to the downtown businesses and the Roger Brooks workshops, Boundary Museum funding for students and the Citizens on Patrol meeting.

Resolution #: R223/19/06/24 MOVED/SECONDED

THAT all reports of Council at the June 24, 2019, Regular Meeting be received.

Carried

Resolution #: R224/19/06/24 MOVED/SECONDED

THAT Council directs staff to discuss with Council and provide budget numbers for 2020 for the maintenance of the boulevards from the Regional District office to OK Tire.

Carried

Resolution #: R225/19/06/24 MOVED/SECONDED

THAT Council directs staff to include in the Electrical Master Plan the removal of utility poles from 2nd Street to OK Tire.

Carried

b. Discussion on 2nd Street Development

Discussion:

- project set back to September
- community not in favor
- BC Housing has not come forth with any further information, not enough resources from policing to mental health available in our community
- require stability for the current people that attend Warming Center
- City did look at Wildlife Hall area
- Core Commercial Zone in Zoning Bylaw

Resolution #: R226/19/06/24 MOVED/SECONDED

THAT Council supports a 34 unit supportive housing facility on 2nd Street and Central.

Opposed (6): Eburne-Stoodley, Korolek, Krog, Moslin, Thompson, and Zielinski

Defeated

Resolution #: R227/19/06/24 MOVED/SECONDED

THAT Council acknowledges that a 34 unit supportive housing building, as described in the letter of intent, does not fit the definition of core commercial zoning.

Opposed (1): Taylor

Carried

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

a. Verbal Report - RDKB Representative

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 Taylor had no report. However, did mention that the next meeting would be on Thursday and that the RDKB is putting together a Code of Conduct.

9. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF FOR DECISIONS

10. REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

11. INFORMATION ITEMS

- a. Meeting requests with Premier Horgan, Provincial Cabinet Ministers and Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Civic Info. - UBCM

Discussion:

- flood mitigation, smaller and rural communities, forestry, Premier and Ministers, Interior Health, natural resources, housing
- Corporate Officer stated that through this Council discussion and feedback, he will go forward with drafting briefing appointments and discussions

Mayor Taylor stated that there will not be a motion, just feedback.

12. BYLAWS

- a. Bylaw 2045-A2 - 2018-2022 Financial Plan Amendment

Financial Services

Resolution #: R228/19/06/24 MOVED/SECONDED

THAT Council gives first three readings to the 2018-2022 Financial Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 2045-A2.

Carried

- b. Bylaw 2060 - Reserve Fund Establishment

Financial Services

Discussion:

- point 3.6 funds allocated from the annual operating budget or surplus
- budgeting process
- capital reserve fund

- land sales reserve

Resolution #: R229/19/06/24 MOVED/SECONDED

THAT Council gives first three readings to Reserve Fund Establishment Bylaw No. 2060, 2019.

Opposed (1): Moslin

Carried

- c. Bylaw 2054 – Smoke- and Vape-Free Places

Corporate Services

Discussion:

- point 3. under Smoking Regulation
- enforcement of bylaw - public to be proactive, designated smoking areas

Resolution #: R230/19/06/24 MOVED/SECONDED

THAT Council gives final reading and adoption of Bylaw No. 2054, Smoke- and Vape-Free Places.

Carried

- d. Bylaw 2057-A1 - Amendment of Parks Access Bylaw 2057 Schedule “A”

Corporate Services

Resolution #: R231/19/06/24 MOVED/SECONDED

THAT Council give final reading to the Parks and Public Spaces Access Amendment Bylaw No. 2057-A1.

Carried

- e. Bylaw 2039-A4 - Third Reading - Rezoning from R1 Residential to R4 Rural Residential to accommodate agricultural uses on 7600 Block of 8th Street

Development, Engineering and Planning

Resolution #: R232/19/06/24 MOVED/SECONDED

THAT Council gives third reading to Zoning Bylaw Amendment No. 2039-A4.

Carried

- f. Bylaw 2039-A7 - Proposed Rezoning and Development Variance Permit
2680 - 75th Avenue

Development, Engineering & Planning

Resolution #: R233/19/06/24 MOVED/SECONDED

THAT Council approves the variance request for relaxation of the rear yard setback from 6.0m to 2.72 m on proposed Lot 2; AND FURTHER THAT Council gives first and second readings to Zoning Bylaw Amendment 2039-A7.

Carried

13. LATE ITEMS

- a. Warming Center Discussion

Discussion:

- was for an extreme weather shelter and is now more
- Whispers of Hope and BC Housing meeting

Resolution #: R234/19/06/24 MOVED/SECONDED

THAT Council supports its Planning bylaws with light industrial not allowing overnight accommodation other than a watchman quarter; AND FURTHER directs staff to enforce those bylaws.

Opposed (1): Taylor

Carried

14. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC AND THE MEDIA

- Les Johnson spoke in regard to the Polonicoff building and zoning on Donaldson Drive

- Bronwen Bird, SD51, spoke in regard to the School District passing a policy at the last meeting regarding that smoking of any kind is not allowed on any SD51 property
- Amber Esovoloff, DBA, spoke in regard to the 2nd Street and Market intersection and that City Public Works vehicles use an alternate route other than 2nd Street
- Jensen Edwards, Gazette, regarding retail Cannabis stores in Grand Forks
- Angela Nichols spoke in regard to the outcome if the Warming Center closed, felt that the center was working, expectations moving forward, treatment of people
- Pamela Kennedy spoke in regard to helping people by working together to find a location that works for everyone

15. ADJOURNMENT

The June 24, 2019, Regular Meeting was adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Resolution #: R235/19/06/24 MOVED/SECONDED

THAT the June 24, 2019, Regular Meeting was adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Carried

Mayor Brian Taylor

Corporate Administrative Assistant -
Daphne Popoff