

**THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GRAND FORKS  
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL**

**Monday, October 30, 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 Colleen Ross (via Telephone from 7:04pm – 8:34pm)  
Councillor Christine Thompson  
Councillor Bev Tripp

**ADMINISTRATION:** Diane Heinrich - Chief Administrative Officer - interim /  
Corporate Officer  
Daniel Drexler - Deputy Corporate Officer  
Juliette Rhodes - Chief Financial Officer (until 8:53pm)  
David Reid - Manager of Operations (until 9:03pm)  
Dolores Sheets - Manager of Development & Engineering  
Services  
Graham Watt - Senior Planner

**GALLERY**

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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 30, 2017, Regular Meeting agenda

Brief discussion ensued regarding potential Committee of the Whole items that were being brought forward to a Regular Meeting of Council.

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: HAMMETT

**RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the October 30, 2017, Regular Meeting agenda as presented.**

CARRIED

3. **MINUTES**

a. Adopt minutes - COTW

October 16, 2017, Committee of the Whole Meeting minutes

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: HAMMETT

**RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the October 16, 2017, Committee of the Whole Meeting minutes as presented.**

CARRIED

b. Adopt minutes - Public Hearing

October 16, 2017, Public Hearing Meeting minutes

MOVED BY: BUTLER

SECONDED BY: THOMPSON

**RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the October 16, 2017, Public Hearing Meeting minutes as presented.**

CARRIED

c. Adopt minutes - Regular

October 16, 2017, Regular Meeting minutes

MOVED BY: TRIPP

SECONDED BY: HAMMETT

**RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the October 16, 2017, Regular Meeting minutes as presented.**

CARRIED

4. **REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS**

- a. Boundary Country Regional Chamber of Commerce  
Quarterly Report and Fee for Service request for 2018  
Cathy Korolek gave a short review of the BCRCC highlighting:
- new executive director
  - movies in the park
  - community event attendance and BCRCC events
  - fee for service request
  - ambitious schedule for 2018 for promoting the City and region

Discussion ensued regarding:

- financial budgets for 2017 and 2018
- availability of financial statements to the City
- communications with BCRCC members
- scheduling of BCRCC board meetings
- travel needs and reimbursements

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: HAMMETT

**RESOLVED THAT Council receives for information the Quarterly Report and Fee for Service request for 2018 from The Boundary Country Regional Chamber of Commerce.**

Opposed (2): BUTLER, and TRIPP

CARRIED

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: HAMMETT

**RESOLVED THAT Council refers the Fee for Service request to the 2018 budgeting process.**

Opposed (2): BUTLER, and TRIPP

CARRIED

**5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

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

a. Corporate Officer's Report

Written reports of Council

MOVED BY: TRIPP

SECONDED BY: KROG

**RESOLVED THAT all written reports of Council submitted to the October 30, 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>

The Mayor gave a brief update regarding the RDKB Board meeting:

- Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) - outreach program was launched. If the City is not part of the PCP program the Mayor suggested to join the program.

- discussion regarding marihuana legislation options

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: BUTLER

**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. Processes for Council Minutes

Corporate Services

Discussion ensued regarding:

- transparency
- Roberts Rules Of Order recommendations
- the motion itself is the important part
- past experiences with other boards
- accountability of the individual
- possible grand standing

MOVED BY: HAMMETT

SECONDED BY: THOMPSON

**RESOLVED THAT Council instructs staff to omit the Councillor's name that moves or seconds a resolution during the minute taking processes for any type of Council or Committee meeting(s) as of November 1, 2017.**

Opposed (4): KONRAD, BUTLER, ROSS, and TRIPP

DEFEATED

b. Stakeholder Submission – Cannabis Legalization and Regulation in BC

Engineering and Development Services

Discussion ensued regarding the various options. The majority of Council agreed with the following:

Minimum Age - 19 years;

Personal Possession - 30g;

Public Consumption - no, unless in designated areas;

Drug-impaired Driving - zero tolerance;

Personal Cultivation - 4 plants;

Distribution Model - no preference as long as it's safe, fair, and regulated;

Retail - no preference as long as it's safe, fair, and regulated.

Council asked to include a requirement for public education to be added to the response letter.

MOVED BY: KROG

SECONDED BY: HAMMETT

**RESOLVED THAT Council supports the following policy submissions to the Province's stakeholder feedback process: Minimum Age - 19 years; Personal Possession - 30g; Public Consumption - no, unless in designated areas; Drug-impaired Driving - zero tolerance; Personal Cultivation - 4 plants; Distribution Model - no preference as long as it's safe, fair, and regulated; Retail - no preference as long as it's safe, fair, and regulated; Public Education - must be done.**

CARRIED

c. Solid Waste Contract Review

Outside Works

Brief discussion ensued regarding the upcoming open house and topics to be discussed.

MOVED BY: KROG

SECONDED BY: BUTLER

**RESOLVED THAT Council directs staff to hold a public engagement session prior to the end of November and report back on the results.**

CARRIED

d. Fire Season Deployment Reimbursement

Fire Chief

Brief discussion ensued regarding the report and the training grounds facility.

MOVED BY: BUTLER

SECONDED BY: TRIPP

**RESOLVED THAT Council approves of the surplus of the provincial fire season deployment funds, after expenses, in the amount of approximately \$11,330 to be applied to the Volunteer Firefighter Training Facility to contract the work of insulating the burn building fire room.**

CARRIED

9. **REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE**

10. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

- a. Memo - Quarter 3, 2017 Financials

Chief Financial Officer

Brief discussion ensued regarding the report.

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: BUTLER

**RESOLVED THAT Council receives for information the memorandum from the Chief Financial Officer regarding the Quarter 3, 2017 Financial Reports.**

CARRIED

- b. Downtown Business Association

Request for an updated 'Action Plan' from the City based on joint meetings of November 11th and December 14th, 2016.

Staff report also attached.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- DBA requests
- parking time limits

- speed limits downtown
- current safety issues
- way-finding signage
- topics to be included at the Open House on November 8, 2017

MOVED BY: BUTLER

SECONDED BY: HAMMETT

**RESOLVED THAT Council receives for information the request from the Downtown Business Association regarding an updated 'Action Plan' from the City along with the staff report.**

CARRIED

MOVED BY: BUTLER

SECONDED BY: TRIPP

**RESOLVED THAT Council directs staff to engage residents in a discussion on the speed limit and parking time limits downtown.**

CARRIED

c. Memo Disc Golf Funding and Stewardship Oct 2017

Development and Engineering Services

MOVED BY: KROG

SECONDED BY: BUTLER

**RESOLVED THAT Council receives for information the memorandum regarding the disc golf funding and stewardship from the Manager of Development and Engineering Services.**

CARRIED

**11. BYLAWS**

a. Bylaw 1606-A6 - rezone 7357-10th St. from R-1 to R-3A

Development and Engineering Services

Councillor Tripp recused herself for this topic at 8:53 pm.



Discussion ensued regarding:

- property and parking stalls locations
- use of the property
- turning radius in back alley

MOVED BY: KROG

SECONDED BY: THOMPSON

**RESOLVED THAT Council gives third reading to the Zoning Bylaw Amendment No. 1606-A6.**

CARRIED

- b. Bylaw 1919-A2 - Introduction of OCP Bylaw Amendment and Zoning Bylaw replace and repeal

Development and Engineering Services

Councillor Tripp returned to the meeting at 9:02 pm.

The Mayor called for a brief recess at 9:02pm. The meeting was called back to order at 9:08 pm.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- amount of zones tiny homes and carriage houses are allowed
- process for public hearing, workshops, and future readings of the bylaws
- zoning map and potential tiny home zones
- lot coverages and parking
- amount of zones and similarities between zones
- community use zone and usage

MOVED BY: TRIPP

SECONDED BY: THOMPSON

**RESOLVED THAT Council gives first and second reading to Official Community Plan Bylaw Amendment 1919-A2.**

CARRIED

MOVED BY: KROG

SECONDED BY: THOMPSON

**RESOLVED THAT Council gives first and second reading to Zoning Bylaw 2039.**

CARRIED

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: KROG

**RESOLVED THAT Council gives first and second reading to Zoning Bylaw Repeal 1606-R1.**

CARRIED

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: KROG

**RESOLVED THAT Council gives public hearing to Bylaws 1919-A2, 2039, and 1606-R1 on November 27, 2017, at 6:00 pm at City Hall.**

CARRIED

- c. Bylaw 1959-A1 - Parks Access Amendment  
Development and Engineering Services

Discussion ensued regarding:

- timelines for being allowed in the park
- timelines for temporary shelters

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: KROG

**RESOLVED THAT Council gives final reading and adopts the "City of Grand Forks Parks Access Amendment Bylaw No. 1959-A1, 2017".**

CARRIED

- d. Bylaw 2041 - Revenue Anticipation 2018

Chief Financial Officer

MOVED BY: BUTLER

SECONDED BY: THOMPSON

**RESOLVED THAT Council gives three readings to Bylaw No. 2041, "2018 Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw".**

CARRIED

**12. LATE ITEMS**

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

Kate Saylors, Grand Forks Gazette inquired regarding

BCRCC:

- proposed budget for 2018 and adoption process by the board

- fee for service request

DBA:

- public consultation regarding speed limits

Gloria Koch commented regarding tenting time limits in park and that sun shelters for children might be seen as tents. She also inquired regarding consuming alcohol in the parks and was advised of laws against public alcohol consumption.

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

The Regular Meeting was adjourned at 9:48 pm

MOVED BY: KROG

SECONDED BY: THOMPSON

**RESOLVED THAT the Regular Meeting be adjourned at 9:48pm.**

CARRIED

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Mayor Frank Konrad

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Deputy Corporate Officer - Daniel  
Drexler

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