



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

Meeting #: R-2018-08
Date: Monday, April 23, 2018, 7:00 pm
Location: 7217 - 4th Street, City Hall Council Chambers

Present: Mayor Frank Konrad
Councillor Julia Butler (*joined the meeting at 7:26 pm*)
Councillor Chris Hammett
Councillor Neil Krog
Councillor Colleen Ross
Councillor Christine Thompson
Councillor Beverley Tripp

Staff: Diane Heinrich - Chief Administrative Officer / Corporate Officer
Daniel Drexler - Deputy Corporate Officer
Daphne Popoff - Corporate Administrative Assistant
Juliette Rhodes - Chief Financial Officer
Dolores Sheets - Manager of Development & Engineering Services
Cavan Gates - Deputy Manager of Operations & Sustainability
Graham Watt - Senior Planner

GALLERY

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Konrad called the April 23, 2018, Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

a. Adopt agenda

April 23, 2018, Regular Meeting agenda

Resolution #: R125/18/04/23

Moved by: Tripp

Seconded by: Ross

THAT Council adopts the April 23, 2018, Regular Meeting agenda as presented.

Carried

3. MINUTES

a. Adopt minutes - Special to go In-Camera

April 9, 2018, Special to go In-Camera Meeting minutes

Resolution #: R126/18/04/23

Moved by: Ross

Seconded by: Tripp

THAT Council adopts the April 9, 2018, Special to go In-Camera Meeting minutes as presented.

Carried

b. Adopt minutes - Regular

April 9, 2018, Regular Meeting minutes

Resolution #: R127/18/04/23

Moved by: Ross

Seconded by: Tripp

THAT Council adopts the April 9, 2018, Regular Meeting minutes as presented.

Carried

4. REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

- a. Boundary Country Regional Chamber of Commerce

Quarterly Report

The BCRCC report was deferred to the Regular Meeting of Council on April 23, 2018.

Kendra Begg and Cathy Korolek gave an overview of the BCRCC 2017/2018 year, announced the new board positions after the AGM in March, provided a list of events that the Chamber does yearly and is looking forward to moving to the new office space on Market Avenue.

- b. Grand Forks Downtown Business Association

Fee for Service

Amber Esovoloff from Work n Play, Chairperson of the DBA, and John McNamara, Dave Dale Insurance, gave an overview of the various activities of the Association.

Discussion:

- heritage signs - brochures and passports
- concerns of the downtown core - pedestrians and fast cars on Market and 2nd Street, parking

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. REPORTS, QUESTIONS AND INQUIRIES FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

- a. Written Reports of Council

Corporate Officer's Report

Councillor Krog made a Notice of Motion regarding repainting of the rainbow crosswalks with everlasting rainbow paint.

Councillor Thompson made a Notice of Motion regarding the provincial government's denial for additional funding of 130 RCMP officers throughout the province.

Councillor Tripp announced the three resolutions put forth by Council at the AKBLG were approved, one of the resolutions was ranked in the top seven.

Resolution #: R128/18/04/23

Moved by: Ross

Seconded by: Tripp

THAT all written reports of Council submitted to the April 23, 2018, Regular Meeting be received.

Carried

b. Councillor Hammett

Motion regarding concerns of the downtown core with excessive speeds and safety

Discussion:

- different types of roundabouts for consideration, traffic flow

Resolution #: R129/18/04/23

Moved by: Hammett

Seconded by: Ross

WHEREAS the Grand Forks Downtown Business Association (DBA) is concerned about excessive speeds and safety in the downtown core, citing several accidents and near miss accidents on downtown roads;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council directs staff to install 4-way stop signs at 72nd Avenue and 2nd Street, and at Market Avenue and 2nd Street;

AND FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council directs staff to reduce the speed limit to 30km per hour within the boundaries of 72nd Avenue on the South to 75th Avenue to the North and 6th Street from the West to Riverside Drive on the East excluding Central Avenue.

Amended

Amendment:

Resolution #: R130/18/04/23

Moved by: Ross

Seconded by: Hammett

WHEREAS the Grand Forks Downtown Business Association (DBA) is concerned about excessive speeds and safety in the downtown core, citing several accidents and near miss accidents on downtown roads;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council directs staff to research the installation of 4-way stop signs at 72nd Avenue and 2nd Street, and at Market Avenue and 2nd Street;

AND FURTHER to research the reduction of the speed limit to 30km per hour within the boundaries of 72nd Avenue on the South to 75th Avenue to the North and 6th Street from the West to Riverside Drive on the East excluding Central Avenue.

Carried

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

a. Verbal Report - RDKB Representative

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 had no report this evening.

He mentioned that there will be a meeting with BC Transit on May 2nd to discuss transportation between Grand Forks and Greenwood.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF FOR DECISIONS

a. Temporary Use Permit for Tourist Commercial / Special Events Camping

Development and Engineering Services

Discussion:

- public notice feedback

- planned security at camping site

Resolution #: R131/18/04/23

Moved by: Ross

Seconded by: Krog

THAT Council grant a Temporary Use Permit for Tourist Commercial / Special Event Camping with special event and recreational activities to CannaFest Music Festival Ltd. on land zoned Small Lot Residential (R-2), legally described as Lot 1 District Lots 380 & 520 SDYD Plan KAP64274.

Carried

- b. Licence of Occupation and Zoning Compliance for Grand Forks Wildlife Association Rifle Range

Development and Engineering

Discussion:

- noise concerns and possible sound reduction options
- RCMP and Canadian Border Services use of the range for training
- hours of operation for the range 9am-9pm (depending on daylight)
- usage of range throughout the year
- Wildlife Association land area use on City and Regional District properties

Resolution #: R132/18/04/23

Moved by: Hammett

Seconded by: Thompson

THAT Council receives the report on the requested Licence of Occupation;

AND FURTHER THAT Council directs staff to prepare the Licence of Occupation for the Grand Forks Wildlife Association for a rifle and trap range on the property legally described as Portion of District Lot 495 shown on Plan B2093 SDYD excluding plans B5146 B5147 B6314 7267 27381 KAP61265 KAP64475 KAP67245 & KAP67367.

Resolution #: R133/18/04/23

Moved by: Krog

Seconded by: Butler

THAT Council allows John McNamara, Secretary of the Grand Forks Wildlife Association, to speak on the subject matter.

Carried Unanimously

Amendment:

Resolution #: R134/18/04/23

Moved by: Hammett

Seconded by: Thompson

THAT Council directs staff to prepare a Temporary Licence of Occupation for the Grand Forks Wildlife Association for a rifle and trap range on the property legally described as Portion of District Lot 495 shown on Plan B2093 SDYD excluding plans B5146 B5147 B6314 7267 27381 KAP61265 KAP64475 KAP67245 & KAP67367.

Opposed (1): Ross

Carried

9. REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

10. INFORMATION ITEMS

- a. Boundary Musical Theatre Society
Request for establishment of permanent home

Resolution #: R135/18/04/23

Moved by: Tripp

Seconded by: Krog

THAT Council directs staff to forward a copy of correspondence to Community Futures who is championing a Community Centre study for the area.

Carried

Resolution #: R136/18/04/23

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Tripp

THAT Council may further determine to direct staff to research the feasibility of a City area to consider storage of Theatre Society property with the understanding that the Society would require their own insurance responsibilities.

Carried

b. Brian Noble

Correspondence regarding the Grand Forks Wildlife Association Gun Range location

Resolution #: R137/18/04/23

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Tripp

THAT Council receives for information the correspondence from Brian Noble.

Carried

11. BYLAWS

a. Bylaw 2046 - 2018 Tax Rates
Chief Financial Officer

Resolution #: R138/18/04/23

Moved by: Ross

Seconded by: Thompson

THAT Council gives first three readings to the 2018 Tax Rates Bylaw No. 2046.

Carried

- b. Bylaw 2047- Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Update
Corporate Services

Resolution #: R139/18/04/23

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Krog

THAT Council gives the first three readings of the proposed Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Bylaw No. 2047;

AND FURTHER instructs Staff to present the Bylaw for final reading at the May 7, 2018, Regular Meeting.

Carried

- c. Bylaw 2048 – Records and Information Management Program Bylaw update

Corporate Services

Resolution #: R140/18/04/23

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Ross

THAT Council gives the first three readings of the proposed Records and Information Management Program Bylaw No. 2048;

AND FURTHER instructs Staff to present the Bylaw for final reading at the May 7, 2018, Regular Meeting.

Carried

- d. Bylaw 1958-A4 - Campground Fees and Charges Update
Corporate Services

Resolution #: R141/18/04/23

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Krog

THAT Council gives final reading to the “City of Grand Forks Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 1958-A4, 2018”.

Carried

e. Bylaw 2039-A1 - Zoning Bylaw Cannabis Amendment

Development and Engineering

Discussion:

- public input survey
- cannabis smoking area restrictions
- business licensing procedures
- production and processing requirements
- retail and industrial

Resolution #: R142/18/04/23

Moved by: Thompson

Seconded by: Hammett

THAT Council gives first and second readings to Zoning Bylaw Amendment No. 2039-A1.

Opposed (1): Butler

Carried

12. LATE ITEMS

13. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC AND THE MEDIA

Kate Saylor, Gazette, inquired as to the resolutions that were brought forth to the AKBLG/UBCM? Councillor Tripp replied, 1) additional crown lawyers, 2) increased access to court services in rural communities, and 3) to drop the

"Substantial Likelihood of Conviction" standard to a "Reasonable Likelihood of Conviction" standard.

Kate also asked Council Ross the perspective of Council if she thought that they were overstepping by trying to set the hours for the Grand Forks Wildlife Range, which is mostly on Crown land? Councillor Ross replied that in her opinion it was not overstepping, just to potentially cooperate and have a greater empathy to those who are not comfortable of gun fire and to modernize their usage.

Gene Koch agreed with Councillor Ross and stated that rifles used to be smaller before and that the rifle range should be outside of City limits.

Nigel James spoke in regards to the speed limits and intersections on 2nd Street and would like to write a discussion paper for Council and Staff.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The April 23, 2018, Regular Meeting was adjourned at 8:28 pm.

Resolution #: R143/18/04/23

Moved by: Hammett

Seconded by: Krog

THAT the April 23, 2018, Regular Meeting be adjourned at 8:28 pm.

Carried

Mayor Frank Konrad

Corporate Administrative Assistant -
Daphne Popoff