

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

Monday, June 19, 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)
Councillor Christine Thompson
Councillor Bev Tripp

ADMINISTRATION: Diane Heinrich - Chief Administrative Officer - interim /
Corporate Officer
Daniel Drexler - Deputy Corporate Officer
Graham Watt - Senior Planner

GALLERY

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Konrad called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

a. Adopt agenda

June 19, 2017, Regular Meeting agenda

Discussion ensued regarding:

- Boundary Country Regional Chamber of Commerce Fee for Service Agreement
- Councillor Hammett's Report

MOVED BY: TRIPP

SECONDED BY: KROG

RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the Regular Meeting agenda as presented.

Opposed (1): BUTLER

CARRIED

3. MINUTES

- a. Adopt minutes - Special

May 29, 2017, Special Meeting minutes

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: HAMMETT

RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the May 29, 2017, Special Meeting minutes as presented.

CARRIED

- b. Adopt minutes - Regular

May 29, 2017, Regular Meeting minutes

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: HAMMETT

RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the May 29, 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

Discussion ensued regarding:

- concerns regarding the Boundary Country Regional Chamber of Commerce (BCRCC) and Downtown Business Committee (DBC)
- financial funding issues for BCRCC and the DBC
- history of past Executive Directors for BCRCC
- history of BCRCC 2017 AGM and issues surrounding that AGM
- etiquette regarding leaving Chambers to break quorum

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: HAMMETT

RESOLVED THAT all written reports of Council submitted to the June 19, 2017, Regular Meeting be received.

Opposed (2): BUTLER, and TRIPP

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 had no report for this meeting.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF FOR DECISIONS

a. Administrative Department

Council's approval of Fee for Service Contract

Based on Section 131 (1) of the Community Charter, Mayor Konrad brought back to the table the motion from Councillor Ross regarding the funding of the Chamber from the May 29, 2017, Regular Meeting of Council.

During the discussion, a member of the Gallery, Laurie Edeburn, was asked to leave and was advised by the Mayor that she will not be permitted at Council meetings in the future.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- Boundary Country Regional Chamber of Commerce (BCRCC) 2017 AGM outcome
- membership for the BCRCC from Grand Forks businesses compared to the overall amount of businesses in Grand Forks to possibly align with funding
- regional mandate of the BCRCC
- possibility to hold another AGM for the BCRCC according with their bylaws and constitution of the BCRCC, and once completed properly, funding would be re-instated
- fiduciary duty to the taxpayers of the community for dispersing funds
- funding structure of the fee for service agreement between the City and BCRCC going forward
- possibly funding the BCRCC with a total value of \$15,000. The other \$5,000 would possibly be made available to the Downtown Business Association (DBA) in the future through another fee for service agreement.
- Dean Engen, President of the BCRCC was permitted to speak regarding the funding options for the BCRCC. It was agreed that the DBA would receive the remainder of the funds marked for them from the BCRCC for the Canada 150 project of \$3,500 and the balance of the unused allocation portion for 2016 of \$3,800.

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: HAMMETT

RESOLVED THAT Council bring back to the table the motion regarding the re-instatement of the Fee for Service Agreement discussed and voted on at the May 29, 2017, Special Meeting of Council.

Opposed (2): BUTLER, and TRIPP

CARRIED

MOVED BY: ROSS

SECONDED BY: BUTLER

RESOLVED THAT Council re-instate the funding for the Boundary Regional Chamber of Commerce for 2017.

Opposed (3): KONRAD, HAMMETT, and THOMPSON

CARRIED

MOVED BY: TRIPP

SECONDED BY: BUTLER

RESOLVED THAT Council allow Dean Engen, President of the Boundary Country Regional Chamber of Commerce, to speak.

CARRIED

MOVED BY: BUTLER

SECONDED BY: TRIPP

RESOLVED THAT Council approves of the revised 2017 Fee for Service Agreement between the Boundary Country Regional Chamber of Commerce and the City of Grand Forks as amended.

AMENDED

Amendment:

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: KROG

RESOLVED THAT Council amend the 2017 Fee for Service Agreement for the Boundary Country Regional Chamber of Commerce by reducing the amount to \$15,000 from originally \$20,000.

CARRIED

Amended Motion:

MOVED BY: BUTLER

SECONDED BY: TRIPP

RESOLVED THAT Council approves of the 2017 Fee for Service Agreement between the Boundary Country Regional Chamber of Commerce and the City of Grand Forks as amended with a value of \$15,000.

CARRIED

b. Extension to Noise Bylaw 1963 for Cannafest Event

Deputy Corporate Officer - Cannafest Noise Bylaw Extension

Discussion ensued regarding possible end times for Liquor Licence and Noise Bylaw extension.

MOVED BY: KROG

SECONDED BY: THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT Council determines to approve the request to extend the Noise Control Bylaw No. 1963 to 1:30 am, from August 10-12, 2017, for the Cannafest event.

AMENDED

Amendment:

MOVED BY: ROSS

SECONDED BY: TRIPP

RESOLVED THAT the noise extension end time be amended to 1:00am for each day of the Cannafest event.

Opposed (1): THOMPSON

CARRIED

Amended Motion:

MOVED BY: KROG

SECONDED BY: THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT Council approves to extend the Noise Control Bylaw No. 1963 to 1:00 am, from August 10-12, 2017, for the Cannafest event.

CARRIED

- c. 7716 Donaldson Development Variance Permit 2017

Manager of Development & Engineering

MOVED BY: BUTLER

SECONDED BY: TRIPP

RESOLVED THAT Council approve the Development Variance Permit application by allowing an increase in the residential portion from 30% to 50% floor area in a building zoned Neighbourhood Commercial at 7716 Donaldson Drive, legally described as Lot B DL 520 SDYD Plan KAP86374.

CARRIED

- d. 6581 - 7th St. Development Variance Permit (DVP)

Manager of Development & Engineering

MOVED BY: BUTLER

SECONDED BY: TRIPP

RESOLVED THAT Council approves the Development Variance Permit application by allowing a reduction in the front parcel line from 6 metres to 1.83 m for an addition on an existing non-conforming house and a reduction in the exterior side parcel line setback from 4.5 m to 1.5 m for reconstruction of a workshop on the same foundation, for the property at 6581 - 7th St., Lot 1 Block 33 DL 534 S.D.Y.D. PI 108.

CARRIED

9. REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

10. INFORMATION ITEMS

- a. SOII - Cannafest - Special Occasion Liquor Licence

Cannafest - Special Occasion Liquor Licence

Discussion ensued regarding the end time of the liquor permit for each day of the event.

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: KROG

RESOLVED THAT Council approves the issuing of a Special Occasion Liquor Licence to CannaFest Music Festival Ltd. for the CannaFest 2017 event from August 10-12, 2017, between the hours of 2pm to 1:30am each day at the James Donaldson Park, subject to obtaining third party (party alcohol) liability insurance naming the City of Grand Forks as an additional insured on that policy; all event liquor providers to hold a Serving It Right Licence Certificate; and ICBC 'Drinking and Driving' warning posters to be displayed.

AMENDED

Amendment:

MOVED BY: BUTLER

SECONDED BY: TRIPP

RESOLVED THAT the motion be amended by setting an end time of midnight for each day.

CARRIED

Amended Motion:

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: KROG

RESOLVED THAT Council approves the issuing of a Special Occasion Liquor Licence to CannaFest Music Festival Ltd. for the CannaFest 2017 event from August 10-12, 2017, between the hours of 2pm to midnight each day at the James Donaldson Park, subject to obtaining third party (party alcohol) liability insurance naming the City of Grand Forks as an additional insured on that policy; all event liquor providers to hold a Serving It Right Licence Certificate; and ICBC 'Drinking and Driving' warning posters to be displayed.

CARRIED

- b. SOII - Taps & Tapas - Special Occasion Liquor Licence
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MOVED BY: BUTLER

SECONDED BY: HAMMETT

RESOLVED THAT Council approves the issuing of a Special Occasion Liquor Licence to Grand Forks Art Gallery Society for the Taps and Tapas Event on August 19, 2017, between 7pm-10pm at the Grand Forks Art Gallery grounds, subject to obtaining third party (party alcohol) liability insurance naming the City of Grand Forks as an additional insured on that policy; all Taps and Tapas Event liquor providers to hold a Serving It Right Licence Certificate; and ICBC 'Drinking and Driving' warning posters to be displayed.

CARRIED

- c. SOII - Dennis Chappell - Apple Tree Entertainment

Information on services to create a video of Grand Forks 'The Grand Tour of Grand Forks'

MOVED BY: BUTLER

SECONDED BY: TRIPP

RESOLVED THAT Council receives for information the correspondence from Apple Tree Entertainment regarding creating a video of 'The Grand Tour of Grand Forks'.

CARRIED

- d. SOII - Thompson Okanagan Tourism Association

Interior Cascades Route 97 Touring Program

MOVED BY: HAMMETT

SECONDED BY: BUTLER

RESOLVED THAT Council receives for information Interior Cascades Route 97 Touring Program from the Thompson Okanagan Tourism Association.

CARRIED

- e. SOII - Canada Day Committee

Invitation to Council to participate in Opening Ceremonies in City Park at 11:00 am

Invitation for the Mayor to Emcee and entertainment Co-Chair for celebration until 3:30 pm with a few words from the Mayor on the theme 'Celebrating 150 Years of Diversity'

Invitation for two Council members to assist with serving the Canada Day cake at 12:30 pm

Discussion ensued regarding attendance of Councillors for cutting the cake. Councillors Butler, Tripp and Thompson will attend to the cutting of the Canada Day cake.

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: TRIPP

RESOLVED THAT Council receives for information and discussion the invitations from the Canada Day Committee regarding the July 1st, 2017, celebrations.

CARRIED

f. SOII - Frank Triveri

Letter regarding the 2nd Street water leak and water meters

Discussion ensued regarding the letter. The Deputy Manager of Operations will respond with a short letter.

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: BUTLER

RESOLVED THAT Council receives for information the letter from Frank Triveri regarding the 2nd Street water leak and water meters.

CARRIED

g. SOII - Laura Savinkoff

Email suggestion for further discussion of the Boundary Country Regional Chamber of Commerce

MOVED BY: THOMPSON

SECONDED BY: HAMMETT

RESOLVED THAT Council receives for information the email from Laura Savinkoff regarding further discussion of the Boundary Country Regional Chamber of Commerce.

CARRIED

11. **BYLAWS**

12. **LATE ITEMS**

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

Kate Saylors from the Grand Forks Gazette inquired regarding:

- Statements made regarding the discussion with the Chamber why these were personal? - Councillor Butler explained that these were personal based on the past Executive Director of the Chamber, Kathy Wright recording a DBC meeting.

- How does Council have access to the unadopted minutes of the Chamber. - DBC would have access to them

- Why did Council scale back the funding for the Chamber to \$15,000? - \$20,000 was budgeted. \$5,000 of that funding was supposed to go to DBC while Chamber uses \$15,000 for their operations. With both organizations separating, \$5,000 intends go directly to the DBC.

- clarification on bringing the motion back, how to access Chamber and DBC meetings, connections between organizations and members of Council

Kathy Korolek spoke regarding the need to work together as a team to be successful for the DBC, the Chamber, and Council.

Les Johnson spoke regarding video recording and potential issues with broadcasting this meeting due to potential legal jeopardy due to statements made during the meeting.

James Hamilton spoke regarding Les Johnson's concerns.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The Regular Meeting was adjourned at 9:50 pm

MOVED BY: TRIPP

SECONDED BY: THOMPSON

RESOLVED THAT the Regular Meeting be adjourned at 9:50 pm.

CARRIED

Mayor Frank Konrad

Deputy Corporate Officer - Daniel
Drexler