

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF ROSSLAND

PUBLIC HEARING

MONDAY, February 25, 2013

PRESENT: Mayor Greg Granstrom
Councillor Kathy Moore
Councillor Jill Spearn
Councillor Tim Thatcher
Councillor Kathy Wallace
Councillor Jody Blomme (Arrived 7:05pm)

ABSENT: Councillor Cary Fisher (Excused due to a conflict of interest)

STAFF PRESENT: Deputy CAO/Corporate Officer T. Butler
Executive Assistant C. Añonuevo
Gallery

The Chair called the Public Hearing to order at 7:01p.m.

The Chair stated that this Public Hearing is being convened pursuant to Section 890 of the Local Government Act and is intended to consider the proposed bylaws No. 2542 – Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw, 2012(1) and Bylaw No. 2543 - City of Rossland Zoning Amendment Bylaw, 2012(7).

He stated that any person present, who believes that his or her interest in property is affected by the proposed bylaw, shall be given an opportunity to express their views and concerns with regard to Bylaw No. 2542 and Bylaw No. 2543. He added that those who wished to speak should commence their address by clearly stating their name and address, prior to presenting their views concerning the bylaw.

The Chair advised that Members of Council could ask questions of the presenters; however, he stated that the purpose of the hearing is not to argue the merits of the bylaw, but rather to listen to any presentations that anyone may wish to make regarding the proposed bylaw. He went on to advise that a summary of these proceedings would be recorded and presented to the Council.

He requested that those in attendance refrain from applause or other expressions of emotion, as this enables others whose views maybe different to exercise their right to express their views.

Bylaw No. 2542 and Bylaw No. 2543

The Corporate Officer advised that a notice was published in the February 14 & 22, 2013 editions of the Rossland News, posted on the City bulletin board and web site since February 4, 2013, and that staff mailed all owners and residents within 100m of the proposed OCP and rezoning with notice of the proposed bylaws as required by City Bylaw and the *Local Government Act*. The City has received four written submissions regarding this application.

Public comments:

Aldo Sterpin, 913 Redstone Drive, voiced concerns of the proposed bylaw amendment. He objects to the proposal due to safety concerns, potential traffic congestion and a possible increase to the number of people and vehicles. He feels misled by the developer as this plan was not presented to him at the time of purchasing his home. He suggested that this proposal may devalue existing properties values and would like to see the development remain as it was presented when he purchased at Redstone. He inquired about a letter from Redstone and that he felt it alluded to a decision already made. Proposed alternatives: not to advance the bylaw amendment (OCP) and a possible issue with property identifier numbers. Thanked Councillor Fischer and Tracey Butler for ensuring the installation of the public hearing sign.


Vince Pasemco, 925 Redstone Drive, concurred with Aldo's comments and encouraged developers follow the original plan. He expressed concerns over traffic and safety, signage and speed control. He also voiced concerns over the Wagon Road being inaccessible or changed.

Adjournment:


MOTION: GRANSTROM

THAT THERE BEING NO FURTHER PRESENTATIONS TO COUNCIL, THE PUBLIC HEARING BE ADJOURNED AT 7:13 P.M.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:



Mayor Greg E. Granstrom, Chair



Corporate Officer – Tracey Butler

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REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2013

PRESENT: MAYOR GREG GRANSTROM
 COUNCILLOR KATHY WALLACE
 COUNCILLOR JILL SPEARN
 COUNCILLOR CARY FISHER
 COUNCILLOR TIM THATCHER
 COUNCILLOR KATHY MOORE
 COUNCILLOR JODY BLOMME

STAFF PRESENT: DEPUTY CAO/ CORPORATE OFFICER
 EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

T. Butler
C. Añonuevo

GALLERY

CALL TO ORDER:

The Mayor called the Meeting to order at 7:14 p.m.

PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD:

Marty Unger, Rossland citizen/Rossland Radio Cooperative Member, stated that he would appreciate the gas bill for the Rossland Radio Cooperative to be forgiven and voiced concerns how the bill may impede future volunteer membership growth. Thanked Council for previous rent reduction agreement they had received. He stated that fund raising is continuing and would like to see the Cooperative help promote local music and future endeavors, however, the outstanding gas bill may impede future ability to grow.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

MOTION: MOORE/THATCHER

RESOLVED THAT THE FEBRUARY 25, 2013 REGULAR MEETING AGENDA BE ADOPTED.

CARRIED.

MINUTES:

MOTION: SPEARN/MOORE

RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2013, BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED BY THE FOLLOWING TWO CHANGES TO COUNCILLOR MOORE’S MEMBER REPORT.

- Will be attending the Columbia Basin Trust Climate Change Thinktank meeting next week.
- ...requested some approximate figures regarding the Columbia/Washington Project be released to the community...

CARRIED.

MOTION: SPEARN/MOORE

RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 18, 2013 BE ADOPTED WITH THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION WITHIN APPROVED:

“RESOLVED THAT THE COMMITTEE RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO AMEND THE ANIMAL CONTROL BYLAW NO. 2357 TO ALLOW ATTENDED DOGS TO BE WALKED DOWNTOWN ON A LEASH.

RESOLVED THAT THE COMMITTEE RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL THAT BYLAW ENFORCEMENT BE INCREASED ONCE THE ANIMAL CONTROL BYLAW NO. 2357 IS AMENDED.

RESOLVED THAT THE COMMITTEE RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO AMEND THE ANIMAL CONTROL BYLAW NO. 2357 TO INCLUDE A FEE STRUCTURE FOR FINES TO BE APPLIED CUMULATIVELY PER DOG, PER OFFENSE WITHOUT RESETTING ON AN ANNUAL BASIS.

RESOLVED THAT THE COMMITTEE RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO AMEND THE ANIMAL CONTROL BYLAW NO. 2357 TO PROHIBIT TIED UP DOGS IN THE DOWNTOWN EXCLUSION ZONE.”

CARRIED.

DELEGATIONS:

a) Delegation from the Rossland Historical Museum and Archives Society

Libby Martin, director and Vince Profili, treasurer, presented an update on the Museum Gateway Project and gave a 2013 update. Libby expressed the society’s need to hire full-time staff as a succession plan. She stated that their current manager plans to retire in 2014 and thinks this will be a good opportunity to revise their current staffing model. The society would like to hire a full-time Manager/Curator and/or a full-time employee to run the Visitor Centre and assist the museum year-round. Vince spoke to the society’s plan to open the museum for regular hours year-round in order to attract business during the ski season. Libby stated that grant funding can be difficult to find funding for operations and suggested the society will be looking for an increased amount of funding from the City, at least in the short term. Vince mentioned that they are currently in talks with Teck to improve the grounds around the museum to increase the presence. Libby mentioned that they are also trying to develop school programs and heritage tours and to develop relationships within the school system and continue building their relationship with Tourism Rossland.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a) **Rossland Radio Co-operative – Request for Decision regarding utility bill forgiveness and continued reduction in rent.**

MOTION: SPEARN/FISCHER

RESOLVED THAT THAT COUNCIL DIRECT STAFF TO RENEW THE LEASE WITH THE ROSSLAND RADIO CO-OPERATIVE FOR USE OF THE WEST SIDE OF THE MAIN FLOOR OF 1807 COLUMBIA AVENUE FOR A 3 YEAR TERM COMMENCING MARCH 1, 2013 AT THE REDUCED RENT OF \$110 PER MONTH AND AN INCREASE FOR THE ELECTRICAL UTILITY TO \$55.00 PER MONTH,

AND FURTHER;

THAT THE GAS UTILITY CHARGES FOR 2012 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$805.74 STAND AND CHARGES FOR THE YEARS 2010 AND 2011 BE WAIVED.

MOTION NOT VOTED ON.

AMENDED MOTION: SPEARN/FISCHER

RESOLVED THAT THAT COUNCIL DIRECT STAFF TO RENEW THE LEASE WITH THE ROSSLAND RADIO CO-OPERATIVE FOR USE OF THE WEST SIDE OF THE MAIN FLOOR OF 1807 COLUMBIA AVENUE FOR A 1 YEAR TERM COMMENCING MARCH 1, 2013 AT THE REDUCED RENT OF \$110 PER MONTH AND AN INCREASE FOR THE ELECTRICAL UTILITY TO \$55.00 PER MONTH,

AND FURTHER;

THAT THE GAS UTILITY CHARGES FOR 2012 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$805.74 STAND AND CHARGES FOR THE YEARS 2010 AND 2011 BE WAIVED.

CARRIED.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF FOR DECISION:

- a) **Stacey Lightbourne – Request for Decision regarding the Development Variance Application for 2676 Spokane Street**

MOTION: WALLACE/MOORE

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE APPLICATION REGARDING 2676 SPOKANE STREET TO REDUCE THE FRONT SETBACK FROM FOUR METRES TO ZERO METRES TO ALLOW FOR A REBUILT GARAGE.

CARRIED.

REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE:

Nil

INFORMATION ITEMS:

INFORMATION ITEMS NUMBERED 4(a) TO 4(o):

- a) BC Seniors Games Society Request for Support of the 2013 Games in Kamloops. **Recommendation to Council to provide \$100 grant to attend games.**
- b) UBCM – The Compass Newsletter for February 6 & 13, 2013. **Recommendation to file.**
- c) City of Rossland Building Inspection Department – Building Permit Report. **Recommendation to file.**
- d) Letter from Alex Atamanenko, MP with op-ed piece by MP Dan Albas. **Recommendation to receive and file.**
- e) UBCM – Memo regarding UBCM Membership. **Recommendation to receive and file.**
- f) UBCM – Member Release regarding Brownfield Renewal: Update and Survey. **Recommendation to receive and file. Staff to respond to survey questions.**
- g) Email from Councillor Wallace regarding AKBLG resolution Canada Post. **For consideration with AKBLG.**
- h) City of Rossland Heritage Commission Meeting Minutes from February 4, 2013. **Recommendation to receive and file.**
- i) Letter from Olivia Chow, MP regarding Infrastructure Fund. **Recommendation to receive and file.**
- j) Liquor Control and Licensing Branch – Five new policy directives. **Recommendation to receive and file.**
- k) Honours and Awards Secretariat – Order of BC Nominations to be received by March 1, 2013. **Nominations must be received by March 1, 2013**
- l) Letter of funding request from the Chamber of Commerce, Renee Clark. **Refer to budget discussions.**

- m) Letter from Rossland REAL Food requesting permission to operate the Rossland Mountain Market downtown between Queen Street and Columbia Avenue. **Recommendation for Council to approve operation of the market at the Queen Street location.**
- n) City of Rossland Memo from the Recreation Department regarding KIDs Access Bursary Fund. **Recommendation for Council to approve grant application.**
- o) CivicSpatial Grant Program Application dated February 13, 2013 from Stacey Lightbourne. **Recommendation for Council to approve grant application.**

MOTION: WALLACE/FISHER

RESOLVED THAT INFORMATION ITEMS 4(a) TO 4(o) EXCEPT FOR ITEM 4(a) AND 4(n) BE RECEIVED AND ACTED UPON AS RECOMMENDED.

CARRIED.

MOTION: FISHER/BLOMME

RESOLVED THAT THE CITY OF ROSSLAND NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE SENIOR GAMES GRANT PROGRAM THIS YEAR.

CARRIED.

MOTION: MOORE/BLOMME

RESOLVED THAT ITEM 4(n) BE AMENDED TO INCLUDE PROOF OF INCOME BE USED TO QUALIFY APPLICANTS RATHER THAN A NOMINEE OR SPONSOR AND THAT AT LEAST TWO MEMBERS OF STAFF ARE INVOLVED IN THE APPROVAL PROCESS.

CARRIED.

BYLAWS:

- a) **Mike Maturo, Manager of Planning and Development – Request for Council Decision**

MOTION: MOORE/THATCHER

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL RESCIND THE SECOND READING OF BYLAW NO. 2541 – ZONING AMENDMENT BYLAW, COOKE AVENUE.

CARRIED.

b) Mike Maturo, Manager of Planning and Development – Request for Council Decision

MOTION: FISHER/SPEARN

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL GIVES FIRST AND SECOND READING TO BYLAW NO. 2546 – ZONING AMENDMENT BYLAW, 1606 THOMPSON AVENUE AND TO SET A PUBLIC HEARING DATE OF MARCH 11, 2013.

CARRIED.

Councillor Fisher declared a direct conflict of interest in regards to the next agenda item and was excused from the meeting at 8:45p.m.

c) Mike Maturo, Manager of Planning and Development – Request for Council Decision

MOTION: WALLACE/SPEARN

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL GIVE THIRD READING TO BYLAW NO. 2542 – OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN AMENDMENT BYLAW, 2012(1).

CARRIED.

MOTION: SPEARN/WALLACE

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL ADOPT BYLAW NO. 2542– OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN AMENDMENT BYLAW, 2012(1).

CARRIED.

d) Mike Maturo, Manager of Planning and Development – Request for Council Decision

MOTION: WALLACE/THATCHER

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL GIVE THIRD READING TO BYLAW NO. 2543– ZONING AMENDMENT BYLAW, 2012(7).

CARRIED.

MOTION: SPEARN/WALLACE

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL ADOPT BYLAW NO. 2543 – ZONING AMENDMENT BYLAW, 2012(7).

CARRIED.

Councillor Fisher returned to the meeting at 9:13 p.m.

MEMBERS REPORTS (VERBAL)

Councillor Moore:

Councillor Moore reported on the following items:

- Attended Heritage Week event at the Bank of Montreal building
 - Attended the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Award ceremony for Al Fisher
 - Attended the Columbia Basin Trust Climate Change Thinktank meeting
 - Sustainability Commission initiative to become a part of the car share program and they will requesting a letter of support from Council
 - Inquired about the Delegation Bylaw review committee and if it has met or when a meeting will be scheduled
 - Suggested Council take a look at the corruption article she sent out regarding procurement bylaws
 - Suggested that any budget questions should be in writing to staff in order to prepare for budget discussions.
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Councillor Fischer:

Councillor Fischer reported on the following items:

- Inquired about the Delegation Bylaw review committee and if it has met or when a meeting will be scheduled.
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Councillor Blomme:

Councillor Blomme reported on the following items:

- Mentioned that Red Mountain Resort paid for additional pages in the Visitor Guide in order to include more information
 - Inquired to staff when another discussion regarding the Strategic Plan would be as it is related to budget discussions
 - Is under the impression that there is no room on the Resort Municipality Initiative sign for public information posted by the City and will verify this information
 - Postponed strategic planning with the Rossland Chamber of Commerce until Monday, March 4, 2013.
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Councillor Wallace:

Councillor Wallace reported on the following items:

- Will be attending West Kootenay Boundary Hospital Board meeting on Wednesday, February 27, 2013 and is looking for Council's input on supporting the \$1 million contribution to a reserve fund.
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MOTION : WALLACE/FISHER

RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL SUPPORT \$1M CONTRIBUTION TO THE HOSPITAL BOARD RESERVE FUND.

CARRIED.

Councillor Spearn voted opposed.

- Reported that the Regional District's new solid waste management plan will be released soon and reported that some transfer stations will be closed
 - Commented on the East End Services meeting and that it was an interesting presentation on the importance of Columbia Basin Trust & Columbia Power in this area
 - Reported that the Fire Service Committee is contributing \$40K for the study and that instead of an 8% increase for the fire service tax it will now be a 5% increase for fire services.
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Councillor Thatcher:

Councillor Thatcher reported on the following items:

- Will be attending the Museum Gateway Meeting on February 27, 2013.
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Councillor Spearn:

Councillor Spearn reported on the following items:

- Was unsure of the results regarding the School District's 3rd reading of the bylaw adoption to keep K-9 in Rossland
 - Reminded Council of the Neighbourhood of Learning Community meeting at Rossland Secondary School at 7 p.m. on Thursday, February 28, 2013
 - Will have update for Council regarding options to keep K-12 in Rossland
 - Is preparing information and a survey for this week's for release this Friday. The survey is to collect information from Rossland taxpayers to see what kind of increase to taxes they are willing to pay in order to retain K-12 in Rossland
 - Attended a teleconference with Deputy Minister Gorman, Ministry of Education.
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Mayor Granstrom:

Mayor Granstrom reported on the following items:

- Looking for Council's input to moving member reports in the agenda in order to more brief and focused
 - Meeting with Mr. Chernoff was cancelled regarding municipal schools.
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ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: GRANSTROM

RESOLVED THAT THIS REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL BE ADJOURNED AT 9:52 P.M.

CARRIED.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:



MAYOR GREG E. GRANSTROM



CORPORATE OFFICER – TRACEY BUTLER