

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF ROSSLAND

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

MONDAY, MAY 12, 2014

PRESENT: MAYOR GREG GRANSTROM
COUNCILLOR KATHY MOORE (via Telephone)
COUNCILLOR CARY FISHER
COUNCILLOR JILL SPEARN
COUNCILLOR TIM THATCHER

ABSENT: COUNCILLOR JODY BLOMME

STAFF PRESENT: DEPUTY CAO/CORPORATE OFFICER T. Butler
PLANNING ASSISTANT S. Lightbourne
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT C. Añonuevo

GALLERY

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Granstrom called the Meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD:

Ms. Julie Pin, 1652 Le Roi Avenue, landscape gardener requested Council for an area to be provided to put green waste. Ms. Pin expressed that this may be a solution to dumping and is a way to help the environment. There are places that people are dumping and would like to see an allocated area to place cuttings.

Mr. Bill Profili, Esling Park Lodge Society, read a response statement from the Rossland Seniors Housing Board to Council in regards to Council's decision on the Esling Park Lodge loan repayment. Mr. Profili proposal the option of an interest only payment for the next 5 years after which principal and interest payments would commence.

Mr. Bill Profili, 2807 Happy Valley Road, stated that the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary has increased their stipends and requested an that Rossland citizens demand more information regarding the Regional District's spending and stated that an audit should be performed on the Regional District.

Ms. Rachel Roussin and Ms. Eva Cameron, stated that they will be coming to Council as a delegation and will be requesting Council for support to pursue a wetland restoration project at the north end of Jubilee Park. Ms. Roussin and Ms. Cameron invited Council to attend the BC

Wildlife Federation's Wetlands Restoration workshop and Open House on May 24, 2014 and circulated information.

Mr. Paul Oostindie, 1725 Black Diamond Drive, stated to council his concerns over height and size of the development variance permit application submitted by his neighbour at 913 Earl Street.

Ms. Patricia Marshall-Thompson, Lower Columbia Affordable Housing Society, requested Council to consider their request for any affordable housing units purchased in Rossland to be included in the permissive tax exemption bylaw in order to reduce the cost of the housing in perpetuity.

Mr. Barry Maclean, 2291 Elmore, announced his support for Mr. Cosbey and Mr. Strakken presentation made at the April 28, 2014 Regular Meeting of Council to request the extension of the skatepark location agreement.

Mr. Tyler Merringer, 1533 Monita Street, spoke in support of the extension for the proposed location agreement for the Skatepark.

Mr. Dylan Moran, Skatepark Society, spoke to the merits of having a skatepark in Rossland and expressed his support for an extension to their proposed location agreement.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

MOTION: FISHER/SPEARN

RESOLVED THAT THE MAY 12, 2014 REGULAR MEETING AGENDA BE ADOPTED.

CARRIED.

ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES:

MOTION: SPEARN/THATCHER

RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON APRIL 28, 2014 BE ADOPTED.

CARRIED.

REGISTERED PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS:

a) Delegation from Tourism Rossland

Ms. Deanne Steven, Executive Director, will present to Council on the 2013/2014 Free Ride Shuttle Bus Report. Ms. Steven summarized the usage numbers and survey results for the Shuttle Bus and the peak periods of when the bus was used. Ms. Steven presented on the proposed changes for next year to the service including accommodation for students and service to lower Rossland and expand service to Black Jack and the rationale for maintaining free service. Entire board and museum voted that this project is the number one priority for the community.

b) Delegation from the Innovative Education Task Force

Ms. Amy Short, Innovative Education Task Force, will present a PowerPoint presentation to Council to introduce the Task Forces' new project: the Monashee Institute. Ms. Short stated the purpose, vision and mission of the Monashee Institute. Ms. Short stated that the Monashee Institute will serve as a solution to increase tourism and summarized the competitive advantages that Rossland can supply. Ms. Short stated that the website will be launched this week and invited Council to an Open House to be held on May 21, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at the Rossland Art Gallery.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**a) Request for Council Decision, As and When Engineering Services Contract-
Reconsideration of Motion, Deputy CAO/ Corporate Officer**

MOTION: THATCHER/FISHER

RESOLVED THAT IF THE CITY IS LOOKING FOR AN ENGINEERING FIRM, ON A CONTRACT BASIS, THAT THIS CONTRACT BE TENDERED.

CARRIED.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF FOR DECISION:

**a) Request for Council Decision, Approval of the 2013 Audited Financial Statements, Acting
Chief Financial Officer**

MOTION: FISHER/SPEARN

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL APPROVES THE 2013 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SUBJECT TO THE AMENDMENTS TO THE AUDITOR.

CARRIED.

b) Request for Council Decision, Development Variance Permit Application – 913 Earl Street, Planning Assistant

Councillor Moore declared a conflict of interest at 7:52 p.m.

MOTION: SPEARN/THATCHER

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL APPROVES THE DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT APPLICATION TO VARY THE HEIGHT REQUIREMENT FOR A DETACHED SECONDARY SUITE ABOVE A GARAGE FROM 6.0 METRES TO 8.6 METRES – A 2.6 METRE VARIANCE; FOR THE PROPERTY LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS LOT 2, SECTION 26, PLAN NUMBER NES211, LAND DISTRICT 26 TOWNSHIP 9A; LOCATED AT 913 EARL STREET.

DEFEATED.

Councillor Moore returned at 8:02 p.m.

c) Request for Council Decision, Review of New RDKB Area ‘B’ Zoning Bylaw, Planning Assistant

MOTION: FISHER/THATCHER

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL RECOMMEND TO RDKB APPROVAL OF THE BYLAW WITH THE EXCEPTION OF COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT ZONE 1 - FINDLAY CREEK RANCH FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:

- (a) IT PROMOTES SPRAWLING DEVELOPMENT.
- (b) IT WILL IMPACT ROSSLAND INFRASTRUCTURE WITH NO OFFSETTING REVENUE BASE FOR THE CITY OF ROSSLAND.

AND FURTHER;

RESOLVED THAT IF COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT ZONE 1 IS INCLUDED IN THE NEW ZONING BYLAW, DEVELOPMENT IS SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

- (a) THE DEVELOPER MUST CONDUCT A TRAFFIC IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND DOCUMENT THE ON AND OFF SITE TRAFFIC IMPACTS, ALONG WITH APPROPRIATE MITIGATION MEASURES (IF REQUIRED), TO ACCOMPANY THE SUBDIVISION APPLICATION; AND DOCUMENT THE ANALYSIS IN A REPORT THAT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE CITY OF ROSSLAND.
- (b) THE DEVELOPER IS TO PROVIDE FOR A SPOKANE STREET ‘MAJOR ROAD’ REBUILD THAT UPGRADES SPOKANE STREET TO AN IMPROVED STANDARD WHICH MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CITY OF

ROSSLAND SUBDIVISION AND SERVICING BYLAW, TO THE PARCEL LINE OF PARCEL 11, PLAN X62, TOWNSHIP 9A, KOOTENAY LAND DISTRICT, EXCEPT PLAN REF PL 81324I.

- (c) THE STRATA DEVELOPMENT MUST FUND ANNUAL COSTS RELATED TO ROAD MAINTENANCE TO THE SOUTHERLY CITY LIMITS ALONG SPOKANE STREET WHICH MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CITY OF ROSSLAND.
- (d) THAT TRAILS IN THE AREA ARE ENHANCED AND CONNECTED TO THE EXISTING TRAILS WITHIN THE CITY OF ROSSLAND TRAIL NETWORK.

CARRIED.

- d) **Request for Council Decision, Request for Renewal of Miners' Hall Lease to the Gold Fever Follies Society, Deputy CAO/Corporate Officer**

MOTION: SPEARN/THATCHER

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL DIRECT STAFF TO RENEW THE GOLD FEVER FOLLIES SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR THREE YEARS (2014-2016) TO PROVIDE SUMMER THEATRE TO THE COMMUNITY IN EXCHANGE FOR USE OF THE MINERS' HALL FREE OF CHARGE FOR 2014 AND THAT STAFF NEGOTIATE A RENTAL FEE WITH THE FOLLIES FOR 2015 AND 2016.

CARRIED.

- e) **Request for Council Decision, Rossland Public Library Interior Renovation Plans, Deputy CAO/Corporate Officer**

MOTION: SPEARN/THATCHER

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL GRANT PERMISSION TO THE ROSSLAND LIBRARY BOARD TO RENOVATE THE INTERIOR OF 2180 COLUMBIA AVENUE TO INCLUDE UPGRADES TO WASHROOMS FOR ACCESSIBILITY, REMOVAL OF THE SOUTH EAST PARTITION WALL, ADDITION OF PARTITIONING WALLS TO CREATE NEW SPACES, PAINTING, FLOORING AND SHELVING.

CARRIED.

- f) **Request for Council Decision, Request from the Rossland Skatepark Association to Extend the Emcon Yard Site Dedication, Deputy CAO/Corporate Officer**

MOTION: FISHER/SPEARN

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL DEDICATE THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE EMCON YARD, FOR A SKATEPARK, FOR AN ADDITIONAL TWO YEARS (UNTIL

DECEMBER 2016), IN ORDER FOR THE ROSSLAND SKATEPARK ASSOCIATION TO EXPLORE FURTHER FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES.

CARRIED.

REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE:

a) Request for Council Decision, Reciprocal Facility Use Proposal – Seven Summits Centre for Learning, Recreation Department

MOTION: SPEARN/MOORE

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL AGREE TO ENTER A RECIPROCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE SEVEN SUMMITS CENTRE FOR LEARNING.

NOT VOTED ON.

MOTION: SPEARN/MOORE

RESOLVED THAT ITEM 8(A), RECIPROCAL FACILITY USE PROPOSAL WITH SEVEN SUMMITS CENTRE, BE REFERRED BACK TO STAFF.

CARRIED.

b) Request from the Lower Columbia Affordable Housing Society

MOTION: MOORE/SPEARN

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL APPROVES THE REQUEST FROM THE LOWER COLUMBIA AFFORDABLE HOUSING SOCIETY TO INCLUDE PROPOSED HOUSING UNITS IN THE PERMISSIVE TAX EXEMPTION BYLAW.

CARRIED.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

INFORMATION ITEMS NUMBERED 9(a) to 9(n):

- a) UBCM – The Compass Newsletters dated: April 23 & April 30, 2014
Recommendation to receive and file.

- b) Rossland Public Library 2013 Annual Report. **Recommendation to receive and file.**
- c) Columbia Basin Trust Youth Action Grants Action Plan for RossGlenn Park and Correspondence from Mr. Mike Kent. **Recommendation to approve grant application and release \$500 donation.**
- d) UBCM Correspondence regarding Payment – Community Wildfire Protection Plan dated April 30, 2014. **Recommendation to receive and file.**
- e) UBCM Correspondence regarding the Completion of Fuel Management Project dated March 31, 2014. **Recommendation to receive and file.**
- f) Heritage Commission Minutes from the March 17 and April 28, 2014 Regular Meetings. **Recommendation to receive and approve any recommendations within.**
- g) Design Review Panel Minutes from the April 29, 2014 Regular Meeting. **Recommendation to receive and approve any recommendations within.**
- h) Lower Columbia Community Development Team (LCCDT) Annual General Meeting – Chair Remarks. **Recommendation to receive and file.**
- i) Kootenay Columbia Learning Centre Graduation Ceremony to take place on Wednesday, June 11, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. **Recommendation to RSVP if wishing to attend.**
- j) Selkirk College Continuing Education Update on Continuing Educations in Rossland. **Recommendation to receive and file.**
- k) Tourism Rossland 2013/2014 Free Ride Shuttle Report. **Recommendation to receive and file.**
- l) Trail Girls Softball Application for Differential Fee Subsidy for Use of Greater Trail Facilities as per Policy 03-02. **Recommendation to approve grant in the amount of \$1020 for 5 girls from Rossland to participate.**
- m) Rossland Tennis Courts Copy of the Lease & Service Agreement. **Recommendation to approve Service Agreement.**
- n) Tourism Rossland Minutes from the Board of Directors Meeting held on May 1, 2014. **Recommendation to receive and file.**

MOTION: THATCHER/FISHER

RESOLVED THAT INFORMATION ITEMS 9(a) to 9(n) ARE RECEIVED AND ACTED UPON AS RECOMMENDED.

CARRIED.

BYLAWS:

- a) **Request for Council Decision, Zoning Bylaw Amendment – Secondary Suite Size, Planning Assistant**

MOTION: THATCHER/SPEARN

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 2567, ZONING AMENDMENT BYLAW 2014(3) BE READ FOR THE THIRD TIME.

CARRIED.

MOTION: THATCHER/FISHER

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 2567, ZONING AMENDMENT BYLAW 2014(3) BE ADOPTED.

CARRIED.

Ms. Lightbourne was excused at 8:54 p.m.

b) Request for Council Decision, 2014 Municipal Tax Rate Bylaw No. 2569, Acting Chief Financial Officer

MOTION: FISHER/SPEARN

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 2569, 2014 MUNICIPAL TAX RATE BYLAW, BE READ FOR THE FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME.

CARRIED.

c) Request for Council Decision, 2014 Red Mountain Specified Area Tax Rate Bylaw No. 2570, Acting Chief Financial Officer

MOTION: SPEARN/THATCHER

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 2570, 2014 RED MOUNTAIN SPECIFIED AREA TAX RATE BYLAW, BE READ FOR THE FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME.

CARRIED.

d) Request for Council Decision, Ophir Reservoir Local Service Parcel Tax Bylaw No. 2571, Acting Chief Financial Officer

Councillor Fisher declared a conflict of interest at 8:55 p.m.

MOTION: THATCHER/SPEARN

RESOLVED THAT BYLAW NO. 2571, 2014 OPHIR RESERVOIR LOCAL SERVICE PARCEL TAX BYLAW, BE READ FOR THE FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME.

CARRIED.

Councillor Fisher returned at 8:56 p.m. The Mayor called a recess from 8:56 p.m. to 8:58 p.m.

MEMBERS REPORTS (VERBAL)

Councillor Moore:

Councillor Moore reported on the following items:

- Requested that Staff provides a monthly report on progress of the Action Plan from the Auditor General for Local Government's report
- Noted that the only contract with ISL Engineering that the Auditor General for Local Government found was the construction management project that was managed by Mr. Maturo
- Stated that she would like to see the suggestions from the Auditor General for Local Government Report be implemented by Staff (i.e. Procurement Policy, purchase orders and contracts) and feels that this level of detail should have been included in the Action Plan.
- Stated that she would like to see Exhibit 7 from the Auditor General for Local Government Report be incorporated into the staff monthly report and submitted the following notice of motions:
 - Resolved that staff be directed to incorporate the steps in Exhibit #7, Capital Planning and procurement process from the Auditor General for Local Government Report into the City's standard operating procedures.
- Stated that the Auditor General for Local Government has released a publication under their Perspective Series on Capital Projects, planning and Procurement which suggests using 26 questions as tool for municipalities and submitted the following notice of motion:
 - Resolved that Staff be directed to include a discussion of the Auditor General for Local Government's paper: Perspective Series on Capital Projects, Planning and Procurement in an upcoming agenda.
- Councillor Fisher suggested that a committee be struck to discuss and work with staff on the AGLG report

MOTION: FISHER/MOORE

RESOLVED THAT COUNCIL STRIKES A COMMITTEE TO ADDRESS THE ACTION PLAN FROM THE AUDITOR GENERAL FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPORT.

CARRIED.

Councillor Fisher:

Councillor Fisher reported on the following items:

- Stated that he recently drove around to other City Halls in the area and made a comparison the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary Building in Trail. Stated that there is a disconnect between the communities even though members of Council sit on committees, but the question is never asked “where does the money go”.
 - Stated that he believes that the local municipalities should inquire about the spending of the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary.
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Councillor Spearn:

Councillor Spearn reported on the following items:

- Stated that she not attended a Chamber meeting due to a communication error, but will bring an updated to Council soon.
 - Stated that ‘Rusty the Horse’ sculpture has been installed and that it is great to see public art installed downtown.
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Councillor Thatcher:

Councillor Thatcher reported on the following items:

- Announced the current events happening at the Rossland Museum: Mr. Walter Volovsek, author of “The Green Necklace: The Vision Quest of Edward Mahon will be speaking at 6:30 p.m. in the Cominco Theatre on May 24, 2014 and Family Day will be held on May 31, 2014 day with blacksmithing demonstration and BBQ.
 - Attended Silver City Days in Trail and was approached by members of the community inquiring about Rossland’s lack of attendance in their parade. Stated that Rossland should make an effort to attend some of the surrounding community events.
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Mayor Granstrom:

Mayor Granstrom reported on the following items:

- Stated he will be using \$200 from the Mayor's discretionary fund on behalf of Rossland City Council to sponsor a hole at the Jumpstart Charity Golf Tournament put on by Canadian Tire to assist kids to participate in sports who cannot afford it.

CLOSED MEETING RESOLUTION:

MOTION: SPEARN/THATCHER

RESOLVED THAT THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL BE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC PURSUANT TO SECTION 90(1)(c) LABOUR RELATIONS OF THE *COMMUNITY CHARTER*.

CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: MAYOR GRANSTROM

RESOLVED THAT THIS REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL BE ADJOURNED AT 9:22 P.M.

CARRIED.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:



MAYOR GREG E. GRANSTROM



CORPORATE OFFICER – TRACEY BUTLER