

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF ROSSLAND

Minutes of the Regular Open Meeting of Council Held Monday, February 23, 2009

Present

Mayor G.E. Granstrom
Councillor T. L. Charlton
Councillor M.K. Moore
Councillor D.J. Spearn (arrived at 7:21 pm)
Councillor A.W. Stradling (arrived at 7:13 pm)
Councillor K.H. Wallace

Absent

Councillor J.H. Smith

Staff In Attendance

CAO – R. Campbell
Deputy City Clerk – T. Butler
Manager of Planning and Development Services – M. Maturro
Manager of Finance – D. Timm

Mayor Granstrom called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Agenda

Moved by Councillor Moore / Seconded by Councillor Wallace

THAT the agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council held February 23, 2009 be amended by removing items:

8 (g) – New Business – Reports re: Water and Sewer Rates 2009

9 (c) and (d) – Water Rate Bylaw #2433 and Sewer Rate Bylaw #2434

CARRIED

Minutes

Moved by Councillor Wallace / Seconded by Councillor Moore

THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held February 9, 2009 be adopted with an amendment to record Councillor Wallace moving the motion regarding Committee Recommendations - Finance Meeting Jan. 22/09 not Councillor Charlton.

CARRIED

GENERAL MATTERS – Delegation

Mr. Bill Profili

Mr. Bill Profili, voiced his concerns regarding the handling of recycled glass at the Regional District level and requested Council consider educating people of the value of water used to wash the glass that ends up in the landfill.

Mr. Profili commended Council on their participation in the local governance study and requested Rossland take the lead in assuring the study is done to proper scale including the Regional District.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Downtown Streetscape Committee - appointment

December 29, 2008 memorandum from the Deputy City Clerk to the CAO re: second appointment to the Downtown Streetscape Committee.

Moved by Councillor Moore / Seconded by Councillor Wallace

THAT the Streetscape Committee Terms of Reference section 3.1 be amended to say;

“The committee membership will consist of up to two City Councillors appointed by... “

CARRIED

Darrell May – rezoning application

February 12, 2009 correspondence from Darrell May re: objections regarding conditions placed on his rezoning application for a duplex at 2374 Second Avenue.

Moved by Councillor Charlton / Seconded by Councillor Moore

THAT the letter from Darrell May of February 12, 2009 be received and that a letter be sent to Mr. May explaining the issues related to safety and liability and the reasons for snow stops being installed.

DEFEATED

Moved by Councillor Wallace / Seconded by Councillor Moore

THAT condition “F - snow stops”, be removed from the rezoning application submitted by Darrell May for a duplex at 2374 Second Avenue.

CARRIED with Councillor Charlton voting opposed.

MATTERS REFERRED

Councillor Spearn – Notice of Motion

Matter referred from the February 9, 2009 Regular Meeting re: Notice of Motion, Councillor Spearn re: Council expenses during conferences;

Moved by Councillor Charlton / Seconded by Councillor Moore

THAT the item be referred to staff.

Tied Vote – Motion Lost

Moved by Councillor Spearn / Seconded by Councillor Wallace

WHEREAS (certain) Council members have job commitments that curtail them from attending conferences as members of Council because they have financially to pay for replacement employees, let it be moved that a request is

made for the costs of the replacement employee be covered by the City of Rossland as a portion of the conference costs, so that the Council member may attend conferences without being financially penalized in doing so.

Tied Vote – Motion Lost

Moved by Councillor Spearn / Seconded by Councillor Wallace

THAT Staff investigate ways that all Councillors can attend workshops and conferences without being financially penalized due to their employment obligations.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS – Correspondence

**Pitch-in Canada
Week**

Correspondence from Pitch-In Canada re: Council consideration of participation in Pitch-In Canada Week April 20-26, 2009.

Moved by Councillor Spearn / Seconded by Councillor Moore

THAT the City of Rossland participate in the 2009 Pitch-In Canada program.

CARRIED

Councillor Moore and Councillor Spearn to implement the Pitch-In events.

**Sandi Jewell –
request to waive
program fees**

February 13, 2009 memorandum from the Manager of Recreation and February 12, 2009 letter from Sandi Jewell, PRT, re: request to waive program fees for Healthy Back program and donate fees to the Johan Kruus fundraising campaign.

Moved by Councillor Charlton / Seconded by Councillor Moore

THAT the request to waive program fees for the Healthy Back program and donate fees to the Johan Kruus fundraising efforts be denied.

CARRIED

**City of Trail –
Regional Cost
Sharing / Rec.**

February 13, 2009 letter from the City of Trail with attached February 5, 2009 memorandum re: Regional Cost Sharing – Parks, Recreation & Culture

Moved by Councillor Charlton / Seconded by Councillor Spearn

THAT the February 13, 2009 letter from the City of Trail regarding Regional Cost Sharing – Parks, Recreation & Culture be received.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS - Reports

Invitation to fire practice

Oral invitation to Council from the Rossland Volunteer Fire Department Chief, Gerald Woodhouse, to attend fire practice on Thursday nights.

Moved by Councillor Spearn Seconded by Councillor Wallace

THAT interested Councillors inform Staff of their interest and Staff to set up an appropriate date to attend a Rossland Volunteer Fire Department practice.

CARRIED

School District #20 – Council Submission

Draft letter for Council consideration to Jean Borsa, Superintendent, School District #20 re: planning for the future.

Moved by Councillor Spearn / Seconded by Councillor Moore

THAT the draft letter to Jean Borsa, Superintendent, School District #20 presented to Council, be endorsed by Council as amended.

CARRIED

Council Strategic Planning Session

Summary report from the Council Strategic Planning Session held January 24-25, 2009;

Moved by Councillor Spearn / Seconded by Councillor Wallace

THAT the Strategic Planning Summary Report be referred to Staff to provide feed back on each goal outlining, potential time frames and resources required for further Council consideration.

CARRIED

Zoning Amendment – retaining walls & fences

February 16, 2009 report from the Manager of Planning and Development Services re: Zoning Amendment for definitions of retaining walls and fences;

Moved by Councillor Charlton / Seconded by Councillor Stradling

THAT Bylaw #2445 be amended by deleting section 4. 4.15 .3 re: interlocking concrete blocks.

DEFEATED

Moved by Councillor Charlton / Seconded by Councillor Stradling

THAT Bylaw #2445 be amended by changing section 4. 4.15 .2 .4 to read 2.4

meters from 1.9 meters.

DEFEATED

Moved by Councillor Moore / Seconded by Councillor Stradling

THAT Council give amending Bylaw #2445 first and second reading and the public hearing concerning Bylaw #2445 be held March 23, 2009.

CARRIED with Councillor Charlton voting opposed.

**Kaiser/Dobovicnik
– Property Size
Increase**

February 18, 2009 report from the Manager of Planning and Development Services re: Council request per Kaiser/Dobovicnik letter – response from Staff;

Moved by Councillor Moore / Seconded by Councillor Wallace

THAT the City not use any adjacent city-owned properties, under current conditions, to advance the request.

CARRIED

**OCP and Zoning
Amendment –
Redstone Phase III**

February 18, 2009 report from the Manager of Planning and Development Services re: OCP and Zoning Amendment – Redstone Phase III;

Moved by Councillor Charlton / Seconded by Councillor Moore

THAT the OCP Amendment Bylaw #2443 and Zoning Amendment Bylaw #2444 be considered separately.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Moore / Seconded by Councillor Wallace

THAT Council support the application from Rossland Property Investments Ltd. to amend the OCP designation from Resort Recreation, and, Parks Trails and Open Space to Resort Residential by giving first and second reading to Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw #2443 as amended for the following properties;

- PID 017-085-861, SUBLOT 53 (SEE 13354I) SECTION 26 TOWNSHIP 9A KOOTENAY DISTRICT PLAN X62
- PID 016-731-280, ASSIGNED LOT 52A (SEE 13684I AND PLAN DD 6427) OF SECTION 26 TOWNSHIP 9A, KOOTENAY DISTRICT PLAN X62

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Charlton / Seconded by Councillor Spearn

THAT the minimum lot size referred to in CD-6 Residential Zoning be changed

from 278 square meters to 550 square meters.

DEFEATED

Moved by Councillor Wallace / Seconded by Councillor Moore

THAT Council support the rezoning application from Redstone Resort from RR a (Rural Residential), R1 (Single Family Residential) R2 (Duplex Residential) and P2 (Parks/Open Space) to CD 6 (Comprehensive Development Zone 6) by giving first and second reading to Zoning Amendment Bylaw #2444 as amended for the following properties;

- PID 017-085-861, ASSIGNED SUBLOT 53 (SEE 13354I) SECTION 26 TOWNSHIP 9A KOOTENAY DISTRICT PLAN X62,
- PID 016-731-280, ASSIGNED LOT 52A (SEE 13684I AND PLAN DD 6427) OF SECTION 26 TOWNSHIP 9A, KOOTENAY DISTRICT PLAN X62
- PID 017-673-518, PARCEL A (SEE 18272I) OF SUBLOT 32 TOWNSHIP 9A KOOTENAY DISTRICT PLAN X62
- PID 017-085-845, ASSIGNED SUBLOT 51 (SEE 13355I) OF SECTION 26 TOWNSHIP 9A KOOTENAY DISTRICT PLAN X62;

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Charlton / Seconded by Councillor Moore

THAT a sign be posted by the owner on the site stating the intent and purpose of the proposed re-designation of the OCP and rezoning application, within 7 days of the first reading of bylaws #2443 and #2444 and in accordance with the City of Rossland Development Procedures Guidelines;

AND FURTHER;

THAT property owners along the neighbourhood of Thompson Avenue, Washington Street, Queen Street, Union Avenue, Princess Avenue and within 100 meters of the areas effected by the proposed OCP and Zoning Amendments be notified by mail and that a public hearing be scheduled for March 23, 2009;

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Charlton / Seconded by Councillor Moore

THAT the proponent undertake a public consultation session prior to the Public Hearing date of March 23, 2009.

CARRIED

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

**Heritage
Commission
Bylaw #2439**

Amended version of City of Rossland Heritage Commission Bylaw #2439 for Council consideration;

Moved by Councillor Spearn / Seconded by Councillor Wallace

THAT the City of Rossland Heritage Commission Bylaw #2439 be read a first and second time as amended by adding a section 2.9 to deal with the removal of a commission member.

CARRIED

Motion to extend

Moved by Councillor Charlton / Seconded by Councillor Moore

THAT the February 23, 2009 Regular Meeting of Council be extended to 10:15 pm.

CARRIED

**Sustainability
Commission
Bylaw #2442**

Bylaw #2442 – Sustainability Commission Bylaw, for Council consideration and the following readings;

Moved by Councillor Moore / Seconded by Councillor Wallace

THAT Bylaw #2442 – Sustainability Commission Bylaw, 2009 be read a first and second time as amended.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Wallace / Seconded by Councillor Moore

THAT Bylaw #2442 – Sustainability Commission Bylaw, 2009 be read a third time as amended.

CARRIED

**Waste Removal
Service & User
Fee Bylaw#2435**

Bylaw #2435 – Waste Removal Service & User Fee Bylaw, 2009 for Council consideration and the following readings;

Moved by Councillor Spearn / Seconded by Councillor Wallace

THAT Bylaw #2435 – Waste Removal Service & User Fee Bylaw, 2009 be read a first and second time.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Stradling / Seconded by Councillor Wallace

THAT Bylaw #2435 – Waste Removal Service & User Fee Bylaw, 2009 be read a third time.

CARRIED

Motion to extend

Moved by Councillor Spearn / Seconded by Councillor Stradling

THAT the February 23, 2009 Regular Meeting of Council be extended to 10:30 pm.

CARRIED

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Councillor Spearn

Informed Council that the City of Rossland received 5 stars in the Communities in Bloom Winter Lights competition.

Councillor Spearn expressed her concerns regarding the City of Trail letter to School District #20 expressing their desire to see Rossland Secondary School closed.

**Councillor Spearn
– Notice of Motion**

Notice of Motion from Councillor Spearn to be considered at the March 9, 2009 Regular Meeting;

THAT the City of Rossland write a letter to the Minister of Education, Minister Shirley Bond, to change or adjust school funding formulas and the looming budget shortfall that it will create, particularly for rural school districts, as our declining enrollment reaches the bottom of an historical 7 year dip. As we near the bottom of the decline in enrollment we will be receiving 'inadequate funds' for the maintenance of the existing schools in School District #20, Kootenay Columbia, that will be required in the future.

Councillor Moore

Councillor Moore informed Council that Blackjack will be hosting a large tourist group who have inquired about snowshoeing trails at Black Jack.

Councillor Moore reported on her attendance at the Elected Officials Workshop in Nelson and circulated to Council information gathered at the workshop regarding water issues and council meeting procedures.

Councillor Wallace

Councillor Wallace reiterated the necessity to maintain K-12 education in Rossland.

Councillor Wallace inquired as to how Council would like to receive information

regarding Regional District Meetings and informed Council that she has available a DVD on management reports from the RDKB for Council information.

Councillor Stradling

Council Stradling inquired into the Council Newsletter status and the water and sewer bill status.

Councillor Charlton

Councillor Charlton circulated to Council an updated spreadsheet regarding water and sewer charges.

Mayor Granstrom

Mayor Granstrom updated Council on the newsletter to be circulated in March. Mayor Granstrom informed Council that Rossland Search and Rescue will be attending an upcoming Council Meeting to discuss emergency preparedness.

Close

Mayor Granstrom closed the meeting at 10:29 pm.

I hereby certify the preceding to be a true and correct account of the Regular Meeting of Council held on February 23, 2009.

Mayor

Corporate Officer