



COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CASTLEGAR

Regular Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Council of the City of Castlegar held August 13, 2012, 7:00 p.m. in the Community Forum, 445 – 13th Avenue, Castlegar, B.C.

**MEMBERS
PRESENT:**

Mayor Lawrence Chernoff
Councillor Sue Heaton-Sherstobitoff
Councillor Deb McIntosh
Councillor Dan Rye
Councillor Gordon Turner

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Councillor Kevin Chernoff
Councillor Russ Hearne

ALSO PRESENT:

John Malcolm, Chief Administrative Officer
Chris Barlow, Director of Transportation and Civic Works
Phil Markin, Director of Development Services
Carolyn Rempel, Director of Corporate Services
Gerry Rempel, Fire Chief/Airport Manager
Public and Media

CALL TO ORDER:

There being a quorum present, the Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**AGENDA:
345-12**

Moved and seconded,
that the agenda be approved as presented. Carried.

PRESENTATION:

On behalf of City Council, Mayor Chernoff presented Mr. Wayne Groutage and Mr. Robert Pakula with certificates and gifts of appreciation for their years of service on the City's Board of Variance.

DELEGATIONS:

-MR. RALPH LUNN AND
MR. DAVE GRANTHAM
-CASTLEGAR MINOR
SOCCER

Mr. Ralph Lunn, President and Mr. Dave Grantham, Fundraising Coordinator for Castlegar Minor Soccer attended the meeting to thank Council for their support of minor soccer over the years as well as to update Council on soccer in Castlegar.

Mr. Lunn and Mr. Grantham advised that:

- over 450 kids ages 4 – 18 play soccer in Castlegar with over 50 teams and over 75 coaches;
- 4 different fields are used: Millennium Park, Pass creek Park, Community Complex field and Stanley Humphries Secondary School;
- the Association's vision for soccer in Castlegar includes hosting a popular annual soccer tournament, expanding the playing season into the fall and an indoor facility for the winter season;
- potential field improvements identified by Castlegar Minor Soccer include field lights, permanent storage facilities and change room and permanent concession facilities.

Mr. Lunn thanked the City works crew for their work to improve and maintain the City's soccer fields. Mr. Lunn and Mr. Grantham suggested some areas where turf repair and other field improvements are required. The Millennium Park Master Plan, potential priorities for field lighting and the possibility of constructing a concession/storage area attached to the existing Millennium Park washroom building were discussed.

In closing, Mr. Lunn expressed the Association's desire to partner with the City of Castlegar, as well as business groups, to expand soccer in Castlegar.

Council thanked Mr. Lunn and Mr. Grantham for their presentation.

-MR. DAN SAHLSTROM
AND MS. TRACI
GOERTZEN
-NEW VISION HOUSING

Mr. Dan Sahlstrom, Chair of the Castlegar New Vision Housing Society attended the meeting to thank Council for their support to date, to provide an update on the activities of the Society and to introduce intern Ms. Traci Goertzen.

Mr. Sahlstrom advised that the work of the Society has increased thanks to the grant received through the Columbia Basin Trust Community Initiatives Funding Program. The Society is seeking additional funds required to undertake a \$30,000 Housing Need and Demand Study. The Society received \$10,000 in funding through the Teck Service Learning Internship Program and in conjunction with Selkirk College has hired Ms. Goertzen to work on this project. Ms. Goertzen has been working under the guidance of a consultant to research and gather data that the Society believes will be useful to the completion of the Housing Need and Demand Study.

Mr. Sahlstrom discussed the next steps which would include:

- identifying potential parcels of land that would be suitable for housing development in order to received funding from CMHC;
- if CMHC funding is secured, following up with the Columbia Basin Trust for matching funding; and
- building support in order to ensure that the community is included and involved in the initiative.

Ms. Goertzen provided information to Council on the housing projects that were undertaken in Nelson, Salmo, Revelstoke, Fernie and Trail once a Housing Need and Demand Study was completed for each of these communities. Ms. Goertzen also provided statistics regarding affordable housing that she has gathered during her research.

Council thanked Mr. Sahlstrom and Ms. Goertzen for their presentation.

MINUTES:
346-12
-REGULAR MEETING
-JULY 16, 2012

Moved and seconded,
that the minutes of the regular meeting held July 16, 2012, be approved as presented. Carried.

347-12
-SPECIAL MEETING
-JULY 26, 2012

Moved and seconded,
that the minutes of the special meeting held July 26, 2012, be approved as presented. Carried.

REPORTS:
AIRPORT

Nil

**COMMUNITY
WELLNESS & SOCIAL
SERVICES:**
348-12
-MINUTES

Moved and seconded,
that the draft minutes of the Community Wellness & Social Services Committee meeting held August 8, 2012, be received for information. Carried.

**CULTURAL AND CIVIC
PRIDE:**

Nil

**FINANCE AND
CORPORATE
SERVICES:**

349-12
-ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
-JUNE, 2012

Moved and seconded,
that the list of accounts payable for June 1, 2012 to June 30, 2012
totaling \$1,443,929.20 covered by cheque numbers 54005 to 54255
inclusive, be received for information and recorded in the minutes.

Carried.

350-12
-GRANT APPLICATION
- CASTLEGAR ARTS
COUNCIL FOR THE
CASTLEGAR EMBETSU
EDUCATIONAL
EXCHANGE
COMMITTEE

Moved and seconded,
that Council approve an \$840.00 grant, out of the City's grants line
item, to the Castlegar Arts Council, for the Castlegar Embetsu
Educational Exchange Committee, to assist with the costs for five
Castlegar students and two chaperones to travel to Embetsu, Japan
to participate in the 2012 exchange program.

Carried.

351-12
-CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE FUNDING
AGREEMENT

Moved and seconded,
that Mayor and Director of Corporate Services are authorized to
sign the Castlegar and District Chamber of Commerce Grant
Funding Agreement and License agreement for the four year term
ending December 31, 2015.

Carried.

352-12
- APPRECIATION TO
MS. PAM MCLEOD

Moved and seconded,
that the City send a thank you letter to Ms. Pam McLeod expressing
Council's appreciation for her contributions to the community during
her tenure as the Executive Director for the Castlegar & District
Chamber of Commerce.

Carried.

GREEN:
353-12
-MINUTES

Moved and seconded,
that the draft minutes of the Green Committee meeting held August
9, 2012, be received for information.

Carried.

**PLANNING AND
DEVELOPMENT:**
354-12
- ADVISORY PLANNING
COMMISSION
MINUTES

Moved and seconded,
that the draft minutes of the Advisory Planning Commission meeting
held July 30, 2012, be received for information.

Carried.

355-12
BUILDING PERMIT
REPORT – JULY, 2012

Moved and seconded,
that the Building Permit Report for July, 2012, be received for
information.

Carried.

356-12
-BUSINESS LICENCE
REPORT - JULY, 2012

Moved and seconded,
that the Business Licence Report for July, 2012 be received for
information.

Carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Nil

**TRANSPORTATION
AND CIVIC WORKS:**

357-12
-MINUTES

Moved and seconded,
that the draft minutes of the Transportation and Civic Works
Committee meeting held August 8, 2012, be received for
information.

Carried.

358-12
-3309 - 3RD AVENUE
YARD REMEDIATION
REPORT (#12-143)

Moved and seconded,
that Mayor and Council accept Report #12-143 titled "3309-3rd
Avenue Yard Remediation Report" for information.

Carried.

R.D.C.K REPORT:

359-12
-MINUTES

Moved and seconded,
that the minutes of the Regional District of Central Kootenay Board
meeting held June 21, 2012, be received for information.

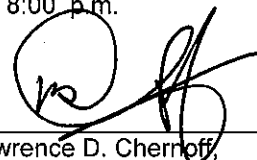
Carried.

- CORRESPONDENCE:**
360-12
- Moved and seconded,
that the correspondence from the Kootenay Pride Committee regarding an invitation to the parade on Sunday, September 2, 2012; Kootenay Festival Committee regarding Gratitude and Appreciation for support and assistance at the Kootenay Festival Event on July 14, 2012; Federal Electoral Boundaries Commission regarding Redistribution of Federal Electoral Boundaries; Ministry of Jobs, Tourism and Innovation regarding Job Fest, be received for information. Carried.
- LETTER #804
- KOOTENAY PRIDE
COMMITTEE
- Councillor McIntosh noted letter #804 from Kootenay Pride inviting members of Council to participate in the parade on Sunday, September 2, 2012 in Nelson. Councillor McIntosh would like to see the City of Castlegar represented and encourages everyone to participate in celebrating diversity. Councillor McIntosh also noted that on August 30, 2012 the first ever Kootenay Pride night will be held in Castlegar at the Club Element.
- LETTER #845
- JOBFEST
- Councillor Heaton-Sherstobitoff noted letter #845 from the Ministry of Jobs, Tourism and Innovation advising of the JobFest event which will be held at the Community Complex on September 4, 2012.
- 361-12
- LETTER #858
- BLUEBERRY CREEK
COMMUNITY SCHOOL
- Moved and seconded,
that the letter dated August 8, 2012 from Ms. Alana Medeiros, Coordinator, Blueberry Creek Community School Society, requesting a letter of support to accompany their grant application to the "School Community Connections Program" for the proposed expansion of the current kitchen facilities at the Blueberry Creek Community School, be received for information; and further,

that a letter of support be provided to the Blueberry Creek Community School Society to accompany their grant application. Carried.
- MAYORS REPORT**
- Mayor Chernoff read the August 13, 2012 Media Release regarding the proposed Fortis West Kootenay Operations Centre in Castlegar.
- BYLAWS**
362-12
BYLAW 1161
-THIRD READING
- Moved and seconded,
that Bylaw 1161, Zoning Amendment Bylaw (875 Columbia Avenue), be read a third time. Carried.
- 363-12
BYLAW 1161
-ADOPTION
- Moved and seconded,
that Bylaw 1161, Zoning Amendment Bylaw (875 Columbia Avenue), be Adopted. Carried.
- NEXT MEETING:**
- Regular Meeting, Tuesday, September 4, 2012, 7:00 p.m. at the Community Forum, 445-13th Avenue, Castlegar, B.C.
- QUESTION PERIOD:**
- Mr. Rudiger Clauss expressed concern with the invasive weeds that are growing along the CP Rail right of way through the city. Staff will approach CP Rail to discuss this issue and will also consult with the Central Kootenay Invasive Plant Committee.
- ADJOURNMENT:**
364-12
- Moved and seconded,
that the meeting adjourn at 8:00 p.m. Carried.
- CERTIFIED CORRECT:**

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Carolyn Rempel,
Director of Corporate Services



Lawrence D. Chernoff,
Mayor