



COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CASTLEGAR

Regular Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Council of the City of Castlegar held February 1, 2016
7:00 p.m. at Community Forum, 445 -13th Avenue, Castlegar, B.C.

**MEMBERS
PRESENT:**

Mayor Lawrence Chernoff
Councillor Kevin Chernoff
Councillor Deb McIntosh
Councillor Dan Rye
Councillor Florio Vassilakakis

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Councillor Sue Heaton-Sherstobitoff
Councillor Bruno Tassone

ALSO PRESENT:

John Malcolm, Chief Administrative Officer
Andre Buss, Director of Finance
Tracey Butler, Director of Corporate Services
Chris Barlow, Director of Transportation and Civic Works
Sam Lattanzio, Deputy Fire Chief
Phil Markin, Director of Development Services
Gerry Rempel, Fire Chief
David Bristow, Information Technology Manager
Public and Media

CALL TO ORDER:

There being a quorum present, the Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

**AGENDA:
22-16**

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

Carried.

**DELEGATIONS:
1ST. ROBSON SCOUT
GROUP**

Mr. Dean Christianson and members of the 1st. Robson Scout Group, requested Council consider raising the Scout flag during Scout Week, February 21-27, 2016, or at least for Baden Powell, Founders Day February 22, 2016. The Delegation provided Council with background information on the history of scouting and the success of the 1st. Robson Group.

23-16

Moved and seconded,
that Council approve the request from the 1st. Robson Scout Group to raise the Scout flag during Scout Week, February 21-27, 2016.

Carried.

**CASTLEGAR
REFUGEE PROJECT**

Ms. Rosemary Manarin and Ms. Sally Williams, Castlegar Refugee Project Committee, provided Council with an overview of the Project's goal to bring a pre-screened refugee family from the Middle East to Castlegar in 2016. The Committee will be responsible for overseeing the social and emotional support for the family, as well as their financial needs for shelter and sustenance for the first year. The goal is that the family will be self-sufficient by the end of the first year in Canada.

The Committee requested Council support to raise awareness within City Hall and to nurture a welcoming attitude toward a new family from the Middle-East.

MINUTES:

24-16
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 18, 2016
MINUTES

Moved and seconded,
that the minutes of the regular meeting held January 18, 2016 be approved as presented.

Carried.

REPORTS:

AIRPORT: Nil

**COMMUNITY
WELLNESS &
SOCIAL SERVICES:** Nil

**CULTURAL AND
CIVIC PRIDE:** Nil

**FINANCE AND
CORPORATE
SERVICES:**

25-16
MINUTES

Moved and seconded,
that the draft minutes of the Finance and Corporate Services Committee meeting held January 21, 2016 be received for information.

Carried.

26-16
ACCOUNTS
PAYABLE
SEPTEMBER 2015
TO DECEMBER 2015

Moved and seconded,
that the list of accounts payable for September, 2015 to December 2015, totaling \$4,395,219.62 covered by cheque numbers 62228 to 62740 inclusive, be received for information and recorded in the minutes.

Carried.

27-16
SPONSORSHIP
REQUEST BC
SENIOR GAMES
ZONE 6 (#16-13)

Moved and seconded,
that Council approve a grant in the amount of \$500 out of the City's 2016 grants budget line item, to assist with the costs associated with Castlegar seniors attending the 2016 BC Senior Games in Coquitlam, BC September 20-24, 2016.

Carried.

28-16
GRANT
APPLICATION
CASTLEGAR SENIOR
CITIZENS BRANCH
46 TEA (#16-14)

Moved and seconded,
that Council approve a \$150 grant to the Castlegar Senior Citizens Branch 46 to assist with the costs associated with hosting the 80's and over seniors tea to be held at the Castlegar Senior Centre on May 4, 2016.

Carried.

29-16
WEST KOOTENAY
JUNIOR DRAGONS'
DEN COMPETITION
SPONSORSHIP
REQUEST (#16-16)

Moved and seconded,
that the request from Mr. John Reed, Youth Initiatives Coordinator, Community Futures Development Corporation for sponsorship in the amount of \$2,500 to assist with the costs associated with hosting the West Kootenay Junior Dragons' Den Competition April 30, 2016 at the Charles Bailey Theatre in Trail, BC, be referred back to the Finance and Corporate Services Committee to provide other options for sponsorship.

Carried.

30-16
CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE GRANT
FUNDING
AGREEMENT
2016-2018 (#16-17)

Moved and seconded,
that the 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 three year term ending December 31, 2018.

Carried.

31-16
WILDSAFE BC
PROGRAM
REQUEST FOR
FUNDING 2016
(#16-18)

Moved and seconded,
that the City submit an application for participation in the 2016 WildSafe BC Program and appointment of a Community Coordinator in Castlegar, and

that the City contribute to the program by providing \$6,000 in financial support (\$3,000 from 2016 annual grants budget and \$3,000 from Environmental Health Consulting budget) and \$2,500 in kind support, and further,

that the Mayor and Director of Corporate Services be authorized to sign the Community Program Application / Contractual Agreement, should our application be successful.

Carried.

32-16
GRANT REQUEST
SELKIRK COLLEGE
CREATIVE WRITING
WORKSHOP
(#16-19)

Moved and seconded,
that Council approve a grant in the amount of \$500 to Selkirk College to assist with the costs associated with hosting a two day creative writing workshop with author Lawrence Hill on April 23 and 24, 2016 at the MIR Centre in Castlegar, BC.

Carried.

**PLANNING AND
DEVELOPMENT:**
MINUTES
33-16

Moved and seconded,
that the draft minutes of the Planning and Development Committee meeting held January 28, 2016 be received for information.

Carried.

34-16
DEVELOPMENT
VARIANCE PERMIT
APPLICATION
DVP-2/15
120 OOTISCHENIA
ROAD (#15-129)

Moved and seconded,
That, subject to the following conditions, the Mayor and Director of Corporate Services be authorized to issue Development Permit DP-2/15 to allow the construction of a Fortis BC Regional Operations Centre at 120 Ootischenia Road (Lot A, District Lot 4598 Kootenay District Plan EPP42654):

1. That development will substantially conform to the following documents submitted by MQN Architects:
 1. A102 - Site Plan - dated January 14, 2016.
 2. A402- Exterior Elevations Colour - dated December 11, 2015.
 3. L-101- Landscape Plan - dated December 11, 2015.
 4. Street View I, II, III and IV- received January 11, 2016.
 5. Signage- dated December 17, 2010.
2. The applicant will provide the City with a quote and security deposit for the full cost of landscaping until the landscaping is completed to the City's satisfaction.
3. Any issues identified by Interior Health Authority and the Ministry of Environment are resolved to the City's satisfaction.
4. Any servicing and infrastructure issues identified by City of Castlegar Transportation and Civic Works and City of Castlegar Fire Department are resolved to the City's satisfaction.
5. The applicant will provide the City with a copy of an Access Permit issued by the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure.

Carried.

- PUBLIC SAFETY:** Nil
- SUSTAINABILITY & TECHNOLOGICAL INITIATIVES:** Nil
- TRANSPORTATION AND CIVIC WORKS:** Nil
- R.D.C.K. REPORT:**
35-16
MINUTES
- Moved and seconded,
that the minutes of the Regional District of Central Kootenay Board Meeting held December 10, 2015 be received for information.
- Carried.
- CORRESPONDENCE:** 36-16
- Moved and seconded,
that the correspondence, be received for information from the Castlegar Festival Society & Castlegar Sunfest re: Thank you for support, be received for information.
- Carried.
- REPORTS OTHER:** Nil
- MAYOR'S REPORT:**
- Mayor Chernoff reported on his attendance at the following events:
- January 19 – Recreation Commission Meeting
 - January 20 – RDCK Budget Meeting
 - January 21 – Joint Resource Recovery Meeting
 - January 21 – RDCK Board Meeting
 - January 28 – Chamber Business after Business at the Thirsty Duck
- Councillor Rye, Councillor Vassilakakis and Councillor Chernoff highlighted the success of the delegation, to attract potential developer to Castlegar, at the 2016 International Council of Shopping Centers Conference.
- NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Nil
- BYLAWS:** Nil
- NEXT MEETING:** Regular Meeting, February 15, 2016 7:00 p.m. at the Community Forum, 445 -13th Avenue, Castlegar, B.C.
- NOTICE OF MOTION:** Nil
- QUESTION PERIOD:**
MR. RUDIGER
CLAUSS
- Mr. Rudiger Clauss requested clarification on the payment structure for ¼ utility billing and the status of water meters for commercial properties. Mr. Clauss inquired if there was a rate reduction for water for those who grow vegetables. Staff explained there are no reductions.
- Mr. Clauss asked what renters need to do if their living accommodations are substandard. Council explained that help is available through the Government Agents Office and the Landlord Tenants Act.
- MS. ANTOINETTE HALBERSTADT**
- Ms. Antoinette Halberstadt commented on Mr. Clauss questions regarding rental housing.
- Ms. Halberstadt informed Council that the mortgage of Woodland Park Coop would be paid off this year and that CMHC subsidy will end. Ms. Halberstadt encouraged Council to support the creation of more affordable housing opportunities in Castlegar.

ADJOURNMENT:
37-16

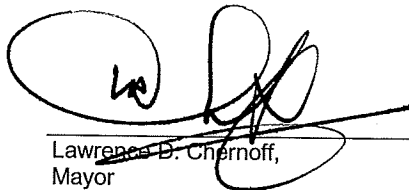
Moved and seconded,
that the meeting adjourn at 8:07 p.m.

Carried.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:



Tracey Butler
Director of Corporate Services



Lawrence B. Chernoff,
Mayor