



COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CASTLEGAR

Regular Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Council of the City of Castlegar held July 15, 2013, 7:00 p.m. in the Community Forum, 445 – 13th Avenue, Castlegar, B.C.

**MEMBERS
PRESENT:**

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

MEMBERS ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT:

John Malcolm, Chief Administrative Officer
Andre Buss, Director of Finance
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 7:13 p.m.

**AGENDA:
273-13**

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

DELEGATIONS:

-MS. SUZANNE
LEHBAUER,
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
CASTLEGAR HOSPICE
SOCIETY AND THE
HONOURABLE ROGER
SIMMONS, P.C.

Ms. Suzanne Lehbauer, Executive Director of the Castlegar Hospice Society, and the Honourable Roger Simmons, P.C., attended the meeting to update Council on the Society's regional hospice facility project.

Ms. Lehbauer advised Council that it has been a long-standing mission of the Castlegar Hospice Society to establish a regional, free-standing hospice facility in Castlegar. The Society is now ready to proceed to the next step of the project and is requesting at this time that the City make available a piece of land for the project. Ms. Lehbauer noted that a copy of the Society's business plan, dated July, 2013 and entitled "Hospice Without Borders: A Plan to Build and Operate a Hospice House in Kootenay Boundary", has been made available to members of Council and is included in their agenda packages.

Ms. Lehbauer advised that she had met with Mr. Markin and Mr. Malcolm to identify potential City owned sites that may be appropriate for this development. Four properties were identified and reviewed. Mr. Simmons advised that the Society ultimately decided that the property located on 6th Avenue, behind the Fire Hall was the most preferable site due to the access, central location, and the fact that it was the least expensive to develop.

Members of Council expressed concerns that this site may not be appropriate for this purpose because of its location adjacent to the Fire Hall, Ambulance Station, MTI trucking company, Skateboard Park, the railway and the soccer field, all which generate considerable noise and traffic. Concerns about access to the site and the impact on potential expansion of the Community Complex were also raised.

In response to questions from Council, Ms. Lehbauer advised that they have had preliminary discussions with the Interior Health Authority regarding the facility, and noted that once land has been secured the Society will be in a position to then secure the proper funding. Ms. Lehbauer also advised Council that in their view the existing Castlegar & District Community Health Centre would not be suitable space for a hospice facility. Mr. Simmons noted that a hospice facility must be a free-standing building with a peaceful setting.

Mr. Simmons noted that once the facility is operational it would employ between 10 – 15 permanent staff and would provide a cost effective alternative to end of life hospital care. Mr. Simmons also noted that, although they have identified a preferred site, the goal of the Society is to secure a piece of land for a hospice facility.

274-13
- CASTLEGAR
HOSPICE SOCIETY

Moved and seconded,
that the request from the Castlegar Hospice Society that the City donate land for the site of a regional hospice facility, be referred to the Planning and Development Committee for consideration and report to Council. Carried.

Ms. Lehbauer thanked Mr. Markin and Mr. Malcolm for working with them to identify potential sites.

Mayor Chernoff thanked Ms. Lehbauer and Mr. Simmons for their presentation.

MINUTES:
275-13
-REGULAR MEETING
-JUNE 17, 2013

Moved and seconded,
that the minutes of the regular meeting held June 17, 2013, be approved as presented. Carried.

276-13
- SPECIAL MEETING
- JULY 3, 2013

Moved and seconded,
that the minutes of the special meeting held July 3, 2013, be approved as presented. Carried.

REPORTS:
AIRPORT:

**COMMUNITY
WELLNESS & SOCIAL
SERVICES:**
277-13
-MINUTES

Moved and seconded,
that the draft minutes of the Community Wellness and Social Services Committee meeting held July 10, 2013, be received for information. Carried.

Councillor Turner reported that he has received very positive feedback on the City's Canada Day BBQ and movie in the park. Councillor Turner expressed appreciation and thanks to Nicole Brown, Administrative Assistant for all of her hard work in planning and preparing the Canada Day festivities.

**CULTURAL AND CIVIC
PRIDE:**
278-13
-MINUTES

Moved and seconded,
that the draft minutes of the Cultural and Civic Pride Committee meeting held July 2, 2013, be received for information. Carried.

**FINANCE AND
CORPORATE
SERVICES:**

279-13
-MINUTES

Moved and seconded,
that the draft minutes of the Finance and Corporate Services
Committee meeting held July 2, 2013, be received for information.
Carried.

**PLANNING AND
DEVELOPMENT:**

280-13
-MINUTES

Moved and seconded,
that the draft minutes of the Planning and Development Committee
meeting held July 10, 2013, be received for information. Carried.

281-13
-BUSINESS LICENSE
REPORT – JUNE, 2013
(#13-129)

Moved and seconded,
that the Business License Report for June, 2013, be received for
information. Carried,

282-13
-BUILDING PERMIT
REPORT – JUNE, 2013
(#13-130)

Moved and seconded,
that the Building Permit Report for June, 2013, be received for
information. Carried.

283-13
-MOBILE VENDORS
(REPORT #3) (#13-121)

Moved and seconded,
that the draft operating guidelines for Mobile Food Vendors be
received for information and implementation and that staff be
directed to amend the Business License Bylaw to reflect a \$250.00
business license fee for Mobile Food Vendors. Carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

284-13
-MINUTES

Moved and seconded,
that the draft minutes of the Public Safety Committee meeting held
June 17, 2013, be received for information. Carried.

285-13
-EMERGENCY
SERVICES MONTHLY
REPORT – JUNE 2013
(#13-135)

Moved and seconded,
that the Emergency Services Monthly Report for June, 2013, be
received for information. Carried.

286-13
-24th STREET & 11TH
AVENUE (VEHICLE
SPEED CONCERNS)
(#13-104)

Moved and seconded,
that Report #13-104 entitled 24th Street and 11th Avenue (Vehicle
Speed Concerns), dated May 27, 2013 from the Operations
Manager, be received for information. Carried.

**TRANSPORTATION
AND CIVIC WORKS:**

287-13
-MINUTES

Moved and seconded,
that the draft minutes of the Transportation and Civic Works
Committee meeting held June 27, 2013, be received for information
Carried.

288-13
- PESTICIDES

Moved and seconded,
that Mr. Chris Barlow, Director of Transportation and Civic Works be
directed to provide, for the August 12, 2013 or September 3, 2013
regular Council meeting, a report on the City's plans for pesticide
use in City parks and open spaces; and

that the community and the Citizens for a Pesticide-Free Castlegar
and Area be notified in advance when the next application is to be
carried out; and

that it be noted that the Citizens for a Pesticide-Free Castlegar and Area have asked for a moratorium on spraying until the report is received and they do not want a city-wide ban on pesticide use, but have asked for a moratorium on the use of pesticides in City parks and open spaces only. Carried.

R.D.C.K REPORT:

289-13
-MINUTES

Moved and seconded,
that the minutes of the Regional District of Central Kootenay Board meetings held March 28, 2013, April 11, 2013 and May 16, 2013, be received for information. Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

290-13

Moved and seconded,
that the correspondence from Ms. Chelan Padmoroff regarding appreciation for the Cobra Climb, be received for information. Carried.

REPORTS OTHER:

Nil

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Nil

**NEW & UNFINISHED
BUSINESS:**

Nil

BYLAWS:

291-13
- BYLAW 1127
- 1ST READING

Moved and seconded,
that Bylaw 1127, Building Amendment Bylaw (Radon Mitigation), be read a first time by title. Carried.

292-13
- BYLAW 1127
- 2ND READING

Moved and seconded,
that Bylaw 1127, Building Amendment Bylaw (Radon Mitigation), be read a second time by content. Carried.

293-13
- BYLAW 1127
- 3RD READING

Moved and seconded,
that Bylaw 1127, Building Amendment Bylaw (Radon Mitigation), be read a third time. Carried.

NEXT MEETINGS:

Regular Meeting, August 12, 2013, 7:00 p.m. at the Community Forum, 445 – 13th Avenue, Castlegar, B.C.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

Nil

QUESTION PERIOD:

- MS. ANTOINETTE
HALBERSTADT

Ms. Halberstadt asked about the timeline and process for Council to address the issues raised by the Citizens for a Pesticide-Free Castlegar and Area delegation.

Ms. Halberstadt was advised that the issue will go to the Transportation and Civic Works Committee for discussion. A report will be prepared for the August 13, 2013 or September 3, 2013 regular meeting for Council's consideration. The public will be advised in advance of any applications that are planned to take place in the near future.

- MR. GEORGE
KOOCHIN

Mr. Koochin commented on his pending eviction from the art studio space he has occupied at the Doukhobor Discovery Centre. Mr. Koochin wished to present to Council a report on his tenancy of the "Blue Building" which outlines the work he has undertaken and improvements he has done over the years and the benefits the studio has provided to the community. A petition supporting Mr. Koochin's continued tenancy is also included in the report.

Mr. Koochin was advised to submit the report to the Director of Corporate Services.

ADJOURNMENT:
294-13

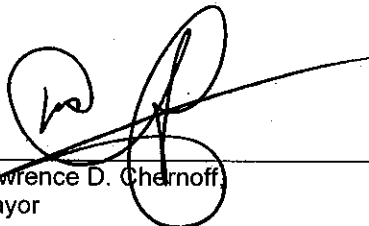
Moved and seconded,
that the meeting adjourn at 8:04 p.m.

Carried.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:



Carolyn Rempel,
Director of Corporate Services



Lawrence D. Chernoff,
Mayor

