



COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CASTLEGAR

Regular Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Council of the City of Castlegar held October 7, 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-Elect Florio Vassilakakis

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Councillor Gordon Turner

ALSO PRESENT:

John Malcolm, Chief Administrative Officer
Andre Buss, Director of Finance
Chris Barlow, Director of Transportation and Civic Works
Carolyn Rempel, Director of Corporate Services
Gerry Rempel, Fire Chief/Airport Manager
David Bristow, Information Technology Manager
Public and Media

CALL TO ORDER:

There being a quorum present, the Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

**AGENDA:
373-13**

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

OATH OF OFFICE:

- MR. FLORIO
VASSILAKAKIS –
COUNCILLOR

Mayor Chernoff administered the Oath of Office for Councillor-Elect Vassilakakis and welcomed him as a member of City Council.

DELEGATIONS:

- MS. AUDREY
POLOVNIKOFF, MS.
VAL FIELD, MS. BETH
HICKEY - KOOTENAY
GALLERY

Ms. Audrey Polovnikoff, Board Chair, Ms. Val Field, Executive Director and Ms. Beth Hickey, Finance Chair for the Kootenay Gallery of Art, History and Science attended the meeting to present to Council the Society's annual report and financial statements.

Ms. Polovnikoff thanked Council for the City's ongoing support for the Kootenay Gallery and noted that the current three year agreement between the City and the Society expires on December 31, 2013.

Ms. Polovnikoff updated Council on some of the projects, activities and fundraising undertaken by the Society over the past year. Ms. Polovnikoff advised that the Society will be establishing a Task Force to consider the feasibility of moving the Kootenay Gallery to a more visible location within the City.

Ms. Hickey briefly reviewed with Council the Society's audited financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2013. The Society is pleased to report that they have been able to make a small, planned profit over the past few years due to their very successful budgeting process.

Members of Council congratulated the Kootenay Gallery Board on their success over the past year and acknowledged that the Kootenay Gallery of Art, History and Science is a tremendous asset to our community.

Mayor Chernoff thanked Ms. Polovnikoff, Ms. Field and Ms. Hickey for attending the meeting.

MINUTES:

374-13
- REGULAR MEETING
- SEPTEMBER 23, 2013

Moved and seconded,
that the minutes of the regular meeting held September 23, 2013,
be approved as presented. Carried.

REPORTS:

AIRPORT:

Nil

**COMMUNITY
WELLNESS & SOCIAL
SERVICES:**

Nil

**CULTURAL AND CIVIC
PRIDE:**

Nil

**FINANCE AND
CORPORATE
SERVICES:**

375-13
- MINUTES

Moved and seconded,
that the minutes of the Finance and Corporate Services Committee
meeting held October 1, 2013, be received for information.

Carried.

376-13
- 2014 PROPERTY TAX
EXEMPTION BYLAW
(#13-180)

Moved and seconded,
that Council consider giving three readings to the 2014 Property Tax
Exemption Bylaw 1180. Carried.

377-13
- ITEMS TO BE
RELEASED FROM
PREVIOUS IN CAMERA
MEETING (#13-181)

Moved and seconded,
that Council release to the public the resolutions from the
September 3, 2013 Special In Camera meeting as noted in Report
to Council No. 13-181. Carried.

GREEN:

378-13
- MINUTES

Moved and seconded,
that the draft minutes of the Green Committee meeting held October
3, 2013, be received for information. Carried.

379-13
- INCREASE TO
MAXIMUM NUMBER OF
FORTISBC KOOTENAY
ENERGY DIET
SUBSIDIES – REQUEST
FOR RESOLUTION
(#13-187)

Moved and seconded,
that Council increase the number of FortisBC Kootenay Energy Diet
subsidies provided by the City of Castlegar residents from 50 to
100; and

that Council instruct staff to coordinate this increase from FortisBC.
Carried.

**PLANNING AND
DEVELOPMENT:**

380-13
- MINUTES

Moved and seconded,
that the minutes of the Planning and Development Committee
meeting held October 2, 2013, be received for information.

Carried.

381-13
- ADVISORY PLANNING
COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
- SEPTEMBER 11, 2013

Moved and seconded,
that the minutes of the Advisory Planning Commission meeting held
September 11, 2013, be received for information. Carried.

382-13
- BUSINESS LICENSE
REPORT –
SEPTEMBER, 2013
(#13-182)

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

383-13
- BUILDING PERMIT
REPORT –
SEPTEMBER, 2013
(#13-183)

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

**TRANSPORTATION
AND CIVIC WORKS:**

384-13
- MINUTES

Moved and seconded,
that the draft minutes of the Transportation and Civic Works
Committee meeting held October 1, 2013, be received for
information. Carried.

385-13
- MIKES PRESSURE
REDUCING VALVE
WATER SYSTEM
UPGRADES –
RECOMMENDATION
FOR AWARD (#13-186)

Moved and seconded,
that Mayor and Council award the contract to Venture Mechanical
Systems Ltd. for the Mikes Pressure Reducing Valve Water System
Upgrades for the sum of \$77,471.00 plus GST, and that Council
authorize staff to execute the necessary documents. Carried.

R.D.CK. REPORT:

Nil

CORRESPONDENCE:

386-13

Moved and seconded,
that the correspondence from British Columbia Achievement
Foundation regarding the 2013 British Columbia Community
Achievement Awards and the Castlegar and District Recreation
Department regarding the Columbia Basin Trust, Community
Initiatives Fund – Summer Cool Camps 2013, be received for
information. Carried.

REPORTS OTHER:

Nil

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Chernoff reported on the recent meetings held with
representatives of Air Canada and on-going efforts to improve the
reliability of aircraft landings at the West Kootenay Regional Airport.

387-13
- APPOINTMENTS

Moved and seconded,
that Councillor Vassilakakis be appointed to the following Standing
Committees of Council for the duration of 2013:
- Chair of the Public Safety Committee;
- Deputy Chair of the Cultural & Civic Pride Committee;
- Member of the Emergency Committee.

Carried.

**NEW & UNFINISHED
BUSINESS:**

Nil

BYLAWS:

388-13
- BYLAW 1180
- 1ST READING

Moved and seconded,
that Bylaw 1180, 2014 Tax Exemption Bylaw, be read a first time
by title. Carried.

389-13
- BYLAW 1180
- 2ND READING

Moved and seconded,
that Bylaw 1180, 2014 Tax Exemption Bylaw, be read a second
time by content. Carried.

390-13
- BYLAW 1180
- 3RD READING

Moved and seconded,
that Bylaw 1180, 2014 Tax Exemption Bylaw, be read a third time.
Carried.

NEXT MEETINGS:

- Public Hearing, October 21, 2013, 6:30 p.m. at the Community Forum, 445 – 13th Avenue, Castlegar, B.C.
- Regular Meeting, October 21, 2013, 7:00 p.m. at the Community Forum, 445 – 13th Avenue, Castlegar, B.C.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

Nil

QUESTION PERIOD:

- MS. SUZANNE
LEHBAUER

Ms. Suzanne Lehbauer, on behalf of the Castlegar Hospice Society, thanked Council for the donation of property which will assist the Society in attaining their goal of constructing a Regional Hospice facility in Castlegar.

- MR. CORD LAFOND

Mr. Lafond inquired if the “Map my Walk” app being considered by the Green Committee can be integrated into a global app. Councillor McIntosh advised that she believes a Castlegar “tag” could be used to link to a global app.

- MR. RUDIGER
CLAUSS

Mr. Clauss asked if the cost of the Millennium Ponds project is included in the City’s budget. Mr. Clauss was advised that the cost is included in the 2013 capital budget.

In response to a question regarding the Bike Skills Park in the Millennium Park Mr. Clauss was advised that the Millennium Park Master Plan designated a Bike Skills Park area and that the Friends of Parks and Trails Society is currently in the process of designing plans for the Bike Skills Park.

Mr. Clauss thanked the City for the installation of the “Patient Hunter” heron sculpture at the Highway 3 and Highway 22 interchange area.

ADJOURNMENT:

391-13

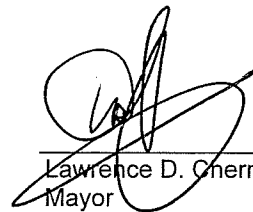
Moved and seconded,
that the meeting adjourn at 7:46 p.m.

Carried.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:



Carolyn Rempel,
Director of Corporate Services



Lawrence D. Chernoff,
Mayor