

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CASTLEGAR

Regular Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Council of the City of Castlegar held June 23, 2014, 7:00 p.m. in the Community Forum, 445 – 13th Avenue, Castlegar, B.C.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Lawrence Chernoff
Councillor Kevin Chernoff
Councillor Deb McIntosh
Councillor Dan Rye
Councillor Gordon Turner
Councillor Florio Vassilakakis
Councillor Sue Heaton-Sherstobitoff

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

Diane Kalen-Sukra, Deputy 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 7:12 p.m.

AGENDA: 251-14

Moved and seconded.

that the agenda be approved as amended by adding under Reports: Community Wellness and Social Services Committee, a verbal report from Councillor Rye regarding upcoming City of Castlegar Canada Day festivities and Heritage Society pancake breakfast at the Museum be received for information.

Carried.

DELEGATIONS:

MR. DON SIMPSON FOR BDO CANADA LLP RE: CASTLEGAR 2013 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

The City's independent auditor, Mr. Don Simpson of BDO Canada LLP attended Council to present the 2013 Annual Financial Report. A copy of the Report was distributed and Mr. Simpson reviewed the audited financial statements. He spoke of Castlegar's substantial net financial assets and strong financial health and further commended Director of Finance Mr. Andre Buss and staff for their expeditious assistance in the preparation of financial information for the auditor's review. Council thanked Mr. Simpson for his review and presentation to Council.

MR. STEPHEN HILL, FEDERAL CONSERVATIVE CANDIDATE

Former Conservative Candidate Stephen Hill attended the Council meeting to advise Council of the possible impact that recent electoral boundary changes may have on election outcomes. Council thanked Mr. Hill for attending the meeting and wished him well.

CITY OF CASTLEGAR, WATER SMART AMBASSADOR MS. LAURA SMIT Ms. Laura Smit, Castlegar's new Water Smart Ambassador attended Council to introduced herself and the water smart program. She spoke of Castlegar's commitment to reduce water consumption by twenty percent by 2015 and described some of the initiatives of the program which will help residents meet this goal. For instance, residents can request a free water assessment which comes with a personalized water schedule. She will also be riding on her bike around time placing lawn flags as a gentle reminder to follow watering restrictions. Ms. Smit will provide information and education at public events and work with City staff to help reduce water use. Council thanked Ms. Smit for her report and wished her a successful season.

MINUTES:

252-14 REGULAR MEETING - JUNE 9, 2014

Moved and seconded,

that the minutes of the regular meeting held June 09, 2014, be approved as presented. Carried.

REPORTS: AIRPORT:

Nil

COMMUNITY
WELLNESS & SOCIAL
SERVICES:

253-14 VERBAL REPORT Moved and seconded,

that the verbal report from Councillor Rye regarding the upcoming City of Castlegar Canada Day festivities and Heritage Society pancake breakfast at the Museum be received for information.

Carried.

CULTURAL AND CIVIC PRIDE:

254-14 MINUTES Moved and seconded,

that the draft minutes of the Cultural and Civic Pride Committee meeting held June 9, 2014, be received for information.

Carried.

FINANCE AND COPORATE SERVICES;

255-14 MINUTES Moved and seconded,

that the draft minutes of the Finance and Corporate Services Committee meeting held June 18, 2014, be received for information.

Carried.

256-14 ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2013 (#14-92)

Moved and seconded,

- that Council approve the Annual Municipal Report, including the 2013 Audited Financial Statements, for the year ended December 31, 2013.
- 2. that Council approve the 2013 Statement of Financial Information and the Mayor and Director of Finance are authorized to sign the Statement of Financial Information.

Carried.

257-14 GRANT APPLICATION -WEST KOOTENAY MINOR LACROSSE ASSOCIATION (#14-93)

Moved and seconded.

that Council approve a \$440.00 grant to the West Kootenay Minor Lacrosse Association to assist with the costs associated with travelling to Victoria, BC and Richmond, BC to represent the West Kootenay area at the 2014 Minor Lacrosse Pee Wee and Bantam Provincial Championships to be held July 9-13 and July 16-20, 2014.

258-14 COUNCIL REMUNERATION REVIEW SELECT COMMITTEE – APPOINTMENTS (#14-94)

Moved and seconded,

that Council appoint community members Kirk Duff, Jacquie Hamilton and John Waterfield to a Council Remuneration Review Select Committee to conduct an independent review of stipends, indemnities, expense allowances, per diems and travel expenses paid to members of Council with a report to be presented to Council in September 2014.

Carried.

259-14

2014-2024 COMMUNITY WORKS FUNDING AGREEMENT (#14-96)

Moved and seconded,

that the Mayor and Director of Corporate Services are authorized to sign the 2014-2024 Community Works Fund Agreement between the City of Castlegar and the Union of British Columbia Municipalities.

GREEN:

Nil

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT:

260-14 MINUTES Moved and seconded,

that the draft minutes of the Planning and Development Committee meeting held June 18, 2014, be received for information. Carried.

261-14

BUILDING PERMIT REPORT

MAY, 2014 (#14-89)

Moved and seconded,

that the Building Permit Report for May, 2014, be received for information.

262-14

BUSINESS LICENSE

REPORT

MAY,2014 (#14-90)

Moved and seconded,

that the Business License Report for May, 2014, be received for information.

Carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

263-14 ROYAL C

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE CRIME REDUCTION UNIT REPORT MAY, 2014

Moved and seconded.

that the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Crime Reduction Unit Report for May, 2014, be received for information.

Carried.

TRANSPORTATION AND CIVIC WORKS:

264-14 MINUTES Moved and seconded.

that the draft minutes of the Transportation and Civic Works Committee meeting held June 17, 2014, be received for information.

Carried.

R.D.C.K. REPORT:

265-14
CASTLEGAR &
DISTRICT
RECREATION
COMMISSION,
MINUTES - MAY 27,
2014 (#574)

Moved and seconded,

that the Castlegar & District Recreation Commission, Meeting Minutes of May 27, 2014, be received for information.

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

266-14

Moved and seconded.

that the correspondence from Premier Christy Clark to Mayors and Regional District Chairs, regarding 2014 UBCM Convention (#570), be received for information.

Carried.

REPORTS OTHER:

Nil

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Chernoff provided an update on his recent activities, which included his attendance at:

- SHSS Graduation
- **BC Ambulance Meeting**
- **RDCK Board meeting**
- Seniors Advocate Session
- Blueberry Creek Community School year end BBQ
- Hospice Fundraiser
- BC Hydro session

NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Nil

BYLAWS:

267-14

BYLAW 1196 ADOPTION

Moved and seconded,

that Bylaw 1196, Board of Variance Amendment, be adopted.

Carried.

NEXT MEETINGS:

Regular Meeting, Monday, July14, 2014, 7:00 Community Forum, 445-13th Avenue, Castlegar, B.C. 7:00 p.m. at the

NOTICE OF MOTION:

Nil

QUESTION PERIOD: MR. RUDIGER CLAUSS

Mr. Clauss inquired regarding the contents of the Premier's letter to Council and was advised that it was an invitation to set up meetings

with the Province at the upcoming UBCM in September.

Mr. Clauss expressed his concern that some residents are not following watering restrictions and that garbage is not being placed

in containers.

ADJOURNMENT:

268-14

Moved and seconded,

that the meeting adjourn at 8:00 p.m.

Carried.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Diane Kalen-Sukra,

Deputy Director of Corporate Services

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Mayor