



COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CASTLEGAR

Regular Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Council of the City of Castlegar held March 2, 2015
7:00 p.m. in the Community Forum, 445 – 13th Avenue, Castlegar, B.C.

**MEMBERS
PRESENT:**

Deputy Mayor Sue Heaton-Sherstobitoff
Councillor Deb McIntosh
Councillor Dan Rye
Councillor Bruno Tassone
Councillor Florio Vassilakakis

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mayor Lawrence Chernoff
Councillor Kevin Chernoff

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
David Bristow, Information Technology Manager
Public and Media

CALL TO ORDER:

There being a quorum present, the Deputy Mayor Sue Heaton-Sherstobitoff called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

AGENDA:

77-15

Moved and seconded,
that the agenda be adopted as amended by adding a verbal report under "Public Safety".

Carried.

DELEGATIONS:

Nil

MINUTES:

78-15
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES FEBRUARY 16,
2015

Moved and seconded,
that the minutes of the regular meeting held February 16,
2015 be approved as presented.

Carried.

REPORTS:

AIRPORT:

Nil

**COMMUNITY WELLNESS &
SOCIAL SERVICES:**

Nil

**CULTURAL AND CIVIC
PRIDE:**

Nil

**FINANCE AND
CORPORATE SERVICES:**

Nil

GREEN:

Nil

**PLANNING AND
DEVELOPMENT:**

Nil

PUBLIC SAFETY:
79-15
VERBAL REPORT
COUNCILLOR DAN RYE

Moved and seconded,
that the verbal report from Councilor Dan Rye regarding
the enhanced Animal Control Bylaw enforcement to be
untaken in City parks be received for information. Bylaw
572 prohibits dogs from running at large, and the number
of patrols will be increased to ensure compliance with the
bylaw.

Carried.

**TRANSPORTATION AND
CIVIC WORKS:**
80-15
MINUTES

Moved and seconded,
that the draft minutes of the Transportation and Civic
Works Committee meeting held February 24, 2015 be
received for information.

Carried.

81-15
MINISTRY OF FORESTS,
LANDS, AND NATURAL
RESOURCE OPERATIONS
WATER CONNECTION &
AGREEMENT (#15-38)

Moved and seconded,
that Council authorize the City to enter into an agreement
to supply water to the Ministry of Forests, Lands, and
Natural Resource Operations South East Fire Center
located at the West Kootenay Regional Airport, and further;

that Council authorize staff to have a water supply
connection from the existing Airport Well Building to South
East Fire Center installed.

Carried.

R.D.C.K. REPORT:
82-15
RDCK BOARD MEETING
MINUTES – DECEMBER 11,
2015

Moved and seconded,
that the minutes of the regular Regional District of Central
Kootenay Board meeting held December 11, 2014 be
received for information.

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Nil

REPORTS OTHER:

Nil

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Nil

**NEW & UNFINISHED
BUSINESS:**

Nil

BYLAWS:

Nil

NOTICE OF MOTION:

Nil

**QUESTION PERIOD:
MR. JOHN SHIRLEY**

Mr. Shirley asked when he could expect to receive a
written response to the question he asked at the February
2, 2014 Regular meeting, which was "why the City did not
have the designated crossing corridor between Connors
Road and the Highway 3 off ramp resurveyed, marked and
flagged according to the engineered plan so that there
would have been no issue as to where it should and should
not have been constructed?".

Mr. Shirley was advised that a written response would be
sent to him this week.

MRS.NESTA HALE

Mrs. Hale asked for a cyclist count of the number of cyclists that use Columbia Avenue between 17th Street and 20th Street.

Mr. Chris Barlow, Director of Transportation and Civic Works advised Mrs. Hale that yes, a count had been done and that he would provide those numbers to her.

MR. JOHN PHILLIPS

Mr. Phillips noted that he attended a meeting last fall where members of Council expressed their concerns to a CP Rail representative and wondered why Council would represent the community's concerns to CPR but not meet with the Connors Road residents to resolve their concerns on the bike path and newly installed CPR crossing.

Deputy Mayor Heaton-Sherstobitoff advised that she lives in the same neighborhood as Mr. Phillips and that the CPR schedule has improved and is much better than it was originally.

Councillor McIntosh advised that the crossing and the pathway are there and they are going to stay. While they may yet have to do something there for a buffer screen Council is continuing with the plan. Councillor McIntosh agreed that there was a variance in the location of the crossing from that originally planned but that the plan is going to carry on.

Mr. Phillips questioned why Council won't even meet with the Connors Road/Riverside Crescent residents to hear their concerns. Councillor McIntosh advised that she believes Council has heard what they have to say and that they want 1) the train to stop and 2) the pathway removed. Council voted at the February 26, 2015 meeting not to meet.

Mr. Phillips stated that they wish to sit down with Council and talk about the whole project. Deputy Mayor Heaton-Sherstobitoff noted that Council has spoken with them several times about their concerns. Councillor McIntosh stated that Council has voted and that the pathway is staying.

MS. CHERYL MACLEOD

Ms. MacLeod commented about the Millennium Ponds off-leash dog park and the fact that this project is included in the City's budget for completion in 2016. Mrs. MacLeod advised that she would like to see the City finish the Millennium Park project. Deputy Mayor Heaton-Sherstobitoff advised that, while the budget process for 2015 has not been completed, the completion of the dog park this year is being discussed. Councillor Rye noted that when the Millennium Park Master Plan was done the off-leash dog park area was scheduled for 2016. Councillor Vassilakakis noted that they will be breaking ground soon on the Celgar Pavilion and the repair of the lighting will be proceeding.

MR.RUDIGER CLAUSS

Mr. Clauss asked why all the railway crossings are not controlled crossings and whether or not the City could approach the Ministry of Transportation for funding as it is a matter of public safety and environmental concern. Deputy Mayor Heaton-Sherstobitoff noted that the cost per crossing is approximately \$350,000 and that the City would carry 100% of the liability.

ADJOURNMENT:
83-15

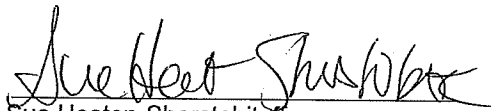
Moved and seconded,
that the meeting adjourn at 7:26 p.m.

Carried.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:



Carolyn Rempel
Director of Corporate Services



Sue Heaton-Sherstobitoff
Deputy Mayor