



## COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CASTLEGAR

### Regular Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Council of the City of Castlegar held October 5, 2015  
7:00 p.m. in the Community Forum, 445 – 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Castlegar, B.C.

**MEMBERS  
PRESENT:**

Mayor Lawrence Chernoff  
Councillor Kevin Chernoff  
Councillor Deb McIntosh  
Councillor Sue Heaton-Sherstobitoff  
Councillor Dan Rye  
Councillor Bruno Tassone  
Councillor Florio Vassilakakis

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Nil

**ALSO PRESENT:**

John Malcolm, Chief Administrative Officer  
Andre Buss, Director of Finance  
Tracey Butler, Director of Corporate Services  
Gary Sauer, Operations Manager  
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 7:00 p.m.

**AGENDA:  
326-15**

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

Carried.

**DELEGATIONS:**

Deputy Fire Chief Duane Monsen, EOC Director, accompanied by Fire Chief Gerry Rempel and Deputy Fire Chief Sam Lattanzio, provided Council with a powerpoint presentation on the City of Castlegar Emergency Management Plan. The Delegation explained that the City is compliant with the BC Emergency Response Management System, providing a comprehensive management system that ensures coordinated and organized response to emergencies. The Delegation explained to Council the organizational structure, community stakeholder support, EOC Activation and procedure and the roles and responsibility of Council in Emergency Management. The Delegation ended the presentation with an update on Castlegar's assistance during the Rock Creek Forest Fire. Council expressed their sincere appreciation to the Fire Department for aiding our Regional Neighbours and keeping Castlegar safe during a very difficult fire season.

**MINUTES:  
327-15  
REGULAR MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 8, 2015  
MINUTES**

Moved and seconded,  
that the minutes of the regular meeting held September 8, 2015 be approved as presented.

Carried.

**REPORTS:**

**AIRPORT:**

Nil

**COMMUNITY WELLNESS &  
SOCIAL SERVICES:**

Nil

**CULTURAL AND CIVIC PRIDE:**  
328-15  
MINUTES

Moved and seconded,  
that the draft minutes of the Cultural and Civic Pride Committee meeting held September 14, 2015 be received for information.

Carried.

**FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES:**  
329-15 MINUTES

Moved and seconded,  
that the draft minutes of the Finance and Corporate Service Committee meeting held on September 29, 2015 be received for information.

Carried.

330-15  
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE  
JUNE, JULY & AUGUST 2015

Moved and seconded,  
that the list of accounts payable for June 2015 totaling \$ 1,239,727.29 covered by cheque numbers 61728 to 61900 inclusive, July 2015 totaling \$ 2,688,777.69 covered by cheque numbers 61901 to 62116 inclusive and August 2015 totaling \$3,808,926.39 covered by cheque numbers 61117 to 62227 inclusive, be received for information and recorded in the minutes.

Carried.

331-15  
2016 PROPERTY TAX  
EXEMPTION BYLAW  
(#15-136)

Moved and seconded,  
that Council considers three readings of the 2016 Property Tax Exemption Bylaw No.1220.

Carried.

332-15  
2016 CELEBRATE CANADA  
FUNDING APPLICATION  
(#15-137)

Moved and seconded,  
that Council authorize Tracey Butler, Director of Corporate Services, to submit a funding application to the Department of Canadian Heritage - Celebrate Canada Program for assistance with the costs to host a Canada Day Community BBQ and "Fresh Air Cinema" on July 1, 2016.

Carried.

333-15  
MUNICIPAL INSURANCE  
ASSOCIATION (MIA) RISK  
MANAGEMENT GRANT  
(#15-138)

Moved and seconded,  
that Council amend the 2015 budget by increasing revenues by \$17,054 in order to accommodate a Municipal Insurance Association Risk Management Grant, as well expenses by an equal amount, in order to accommodate expenses for the creation of tender form documents and contracts, remove tree snags and dangerous trees from Zuckerberg Island and create signs as specified in the 2014 and 2015 Risk Management Survey's submitted to the City of Castlegar by the MIA.

Carried.

334-15  
REVITALIZATION TAX  
EXEMPTION BYLAW (#15-139)

Moved and seconded,  
that Council consider first and second reading of Bylaw No. 1221 the Revitalization Tax Exemption Bylaw.

Carried.

335-15  
PROCEDURES BYLAW  
RECORDING OF MOTIONS  
NOT SECONDED  
(#15-140)

Moved and seconded,  
that Council consider amending Council Procedures Bylaw No. 986 to explicitly confirm the practice of not recording motions that do not receive a seconder during a Council meeting, and further;

that staff give notice in accordance with section 94 and 124 of the Community Charter as required before an amendment to the Bylaw is considered.

Councillor Tassone opposed the motion.

Carried.

**PLANNING AND  
DEVELOPMENT:**  
336-15 MINUTES

Moved and seconded,  
that the draft minutes of the Planning and Development Committee  
meeting held September 30, 2015 be received for information.  
Carried.

337-15  
WOOD STOVE EXCHANGE  
PROGRAM GRANT  
APPLICATION- LETTER OF  
SUPPORT (#15-143)

Moved and seconded,  
that Staff submit the attached Letter of Support for a Provincial  
Wood Stove Exchange Program grant to the Regional District of  
Central Kootenay; and further;  
  
that if the grant application is successful, Council authorize the  
City's participation in the Wood Stove Exchange Program for 2016,  
and that the City's contribution be limited to 10 rebates (\$1,000).  
Carried.

338-15  
DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE  
PERMIT DV-3/15 RESOLUTION

Moved and seconded,  
that Council issue Development Variance Permit DVP-3/15 to  
Castlegar Cuisine of India to permit the construction of a covered  
patio at 908 Columbia Avenue (Lot B, District lots 181 and 11975,  
Kootenay District Plan 19590 Except Plan NEP61299):  
  
1. that is 2.8 feet from the front property line, rather than the 19.7 ft.  
specified in sentence (4.2.4(a)) of Bylaw 800; and  
  
2. without providing an additional 4 parking spaces as specified in  
table 7.1.1(a) of Bylaw 800.  
Carried.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:**  
339-15  
MINUTES

Moved and seconded,  
that the draft minutes of the Public Safety Committee meeting held  
September 15, 2015 be received for information.  
Carried.

**SUSTAINABILITY AND  
TECHNOLOGICAL  
INITIATIVES:**  
340-15 MINUTES

Moved and seconded,  
that the draft minutes of the Sustainability and Technological  
Initiatives Committee Meeting Minutes held October 1, 2015 be  
received for information.  
Carried.

**TRANSPORTATION AND CIVIC  
WORKS:**  
341-15 MINUTES

Moved and seconded,  
that the draft minutes of the Transportation and Civic Works  
Committee meeting held September 29, 2015 be received for  
information.  
Carried.

342-15  
SINGLE AXLE PLOW/SAND  
TRUCK RFQ  
RECOMMENDATION FOR  
AWARD (#15-142)

Moved and seconded,  
that Council authorize the purchase of a 2016 International  
Workstar Single Axle Plow/Sand Truck from Cookson Motors for the  
total cost of \$208,004.85.  
Carried.

343-15  
9<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE STORM UPDATE  
(#15-145)

Moved and seconded,  
that Council not award the contract for the installation of the 9th  
Avenue Storm Project and further;  
  
that Mayor and Council consider including cost of the project in the  
2016 budget deliberations.  
Carried.

344-15  
24<sup>TH</sup> STREET SIDEWALK  
REPLACEMENT (COLUMBIA  
AVENUE TO 6TH AVENUE)  
RECOMMENDATION  
FOR AWARD (#15-146)

Moved and seconded,  
that Council award the contract for RFQ 2015-14, 24th Street  
Sidewalk Replacement (Columbia Avenue to 6th Avenue) to VVI  
Construction Limited, for the tendered price of \$38,833.00 plus GST  
and PST and that Council authorize staff to execute the necessary  
documents.

Carried.

345-15  
SOLID WASTE AND  
RECYCLING PROGRAM  
UPDATE AND FUTURE  
CHANGES (#15-120)

Moved and seconded,  
that Council accept Report #15-120, titled Solid Waste and  
Recycling Program Update for information and further;

that Council direct staff to host a public open house on October 22<sup>nd</sup>  
to review the proposed program changes.

Carried.

346-15

Moved and seconded,  
that Council amend the main motion by changing the date of the  
public open house from "October 22" to "a date to be determined in  
the next two-three weeks".

Carried.

347-15

Moved and seconded,  
that the main motion, concerning hosting a public open house to  
review Solid Waste and Recycling proposed program changes, be  
adopted as amended.

Carried.

**R.D.C.K. REPORT:**

Nil.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

348-15

Moved and seconded,  
that the correspondence from Teresa Phillips re: Sculpture Walk,  
Interest and Thank you, Regional District of Central Kootenay re:  
Household Hazardous roundup, be received for information.

Carried.

Council requested that the correspondence from Teresa Phillips re:  
Sculpture Walk, be forwarded to the Sculpture Walk Committee.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor Chernoff reported on his attendance at the following  
meetings during the UBCM convention Sept 21-25:

1. BC Mayors Climate Leadership Council (BCMCLC) Call For  
Clarity on Climate Action.
2. Mayors and Chairs Highway 3 Coalition Meeting with the  
Honourable Todd Stone, Minister of Transportation and  
Infrastructure.
3. West Kootenay Transit Committee Meeting with the Honourable  
Todd Stone, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure regarding  
Freeze to Transit Funding.

**NEW & UNFINISHED  
BUSINESS:**

Mayor Lawrence Chernoff, Councillors Sue Heaton-Sherstobitoff,  
Dan Rye, Kevin Chernoff and Florio Vassilakakis provided a verbal  
report on their attendance at the 2015 Union of BC Municipalities  
Convention at the Vancouver Convention Centre. Highlights  
included:

1. Minister Shirley Bond, Minister of Jobs, Tourism and Skills  
Training and Minister Responsible of Labour announced that the  
government updated its Provincial Tourism Strategy, Gaining the  
Edge: 2015 – 2018.

**NEW & UNFINISHED  
BUSINESS CONTINUED:**

2. Council participation in the Study Session/Tour entitled Designing Communities for Better Health.

3. Panel discussion on Emergency Preparedness – Wildfire Management and Drought Management and Earthquake Preparedness.

4. The Premier announced new funding programs with a focus on wildfires.

**BYLAWS:**

349-15  
BYLAW 1220 - 1<sup>ST</sup> READING

Moved and seconded,  
that Bylaw 1220, 2016 Property Tax Exemption, be read a first time by title.

Carried.

350-15  
BYLAW 1220 - 2<sup>ND</sup> READING

Moved and seconded,  
that Bylaw 1220, 2016 Property Tax Exemption, be read a second time by content.

Carried.

351-15  
BYLAW 1220 - 3<sup>RD</sup> READING

Moved and seconded,  
that Bylaw 1220, 2016 Property Tax Exemption, be read a third time.

Carried.

352-15  
BYLAW 1221 - 1<sup>ST</sup> READING

Moved and seconded,  
that Bylaw 1221, Revitalization Tax Exemption Bylaw, be read a first time by title.

Carried.

353-15  
BYLAW 1221 - 2<sup>ND</sup> READING

Moved and seconded,  
that Bylaw 1221, Revitalization Tax Exemption Bylaw, be read a second time by content.

Carried.

**NEXT MEETING:**

Regular Meeting, October 19, 2015, 7:00 p.m. at the Community Forum, 445 – 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Castlegar, B.C.

**NOTICE OF MOTION:**

Nil

**QUESTION PERIOD:  
MR. RUDIGER CLAUSS**

Mr. Clauss inquired if there was an initiative to encourage homeowners to have a water barrel (rain barrel). Councillor Chernoff mentioned that the City has offered a program in the past.

Mr. Clauss also inquired if there is any plan for the railway to be used for public transit.

**MR. GARTH JOHNSON**

Mr. Garth Johnson required further clarification on the keeping of potbelly pigs within municipal boundaries and bylaw enforcement.

**MR. JOHN SHIRLEY**

Mr. John Shirley inquired if the CAO would be retiring and if so how and when the position would be advertised. Mayor Chernoff informed Mr. Shirley that the CAO will not be retiring.

**MS. BONNIE JOHNSON**

Ms. Bonnie Johnson requested Council support for a used clothing drive in support of those affected by the Rock Creek Wildfire. Mr. Johnson asked for permission to put up posters in City owned facilities and social media. Council expressed their willingness to support Ms. Johnson.

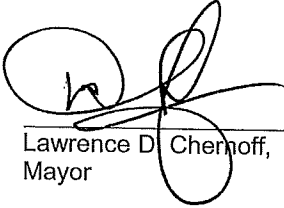
**ADJOURNMENT:**  
354-15

Moved and seconded,  
that the meeting adjourn at 8:36 p.m.

Carried.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

  
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Tracey Butler  
Director of Corporate Services

  
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Lawrence D. Chernoff,  
Mayor