

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, JANUARY 22ND, 2007 AT 7:30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, BRANDON, MANITOBA

PRESENT: Mayor D. Burgess in the Chair, Councillor V. Barletta, Councillor E. Black, Councillor M. Blight, Councillor M. Campbell, Councillor K. Fitzpatrick, Councillor J. Harwood, Councillor D. Jessiman, Councillor J. McCrae, Councillor D. Paterson, Councillor G. Rice, Youth Councillor Crystal Barnes

ABSENT: Nil

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Blight-Harwood
077 That the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of City Council to be held on Monday, January 22nd, 2007 be adopted as presented. CARRIED.

PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITION OF GUESTS:

(A) **INTRODUCTION OF CHIEF OF POLICE KEITH ATKINSON**

Chief of Police Keith Atkinson was introduced by Acting City Manager Cathy Snelgrove whereby she noted the Chief's years of policing experience and the various awards he had received.

At the request of the Chair, Chief Atkinson addressed City Council and stated he was excited to be in Brandon, outlined his intentions to attend the upcoming scheduled ward meetings and to meet with all members of City Council individually.

His Worship the Mayor thanked Chief Atkinson for his presentation and welcomed him to the City.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Rice-Fitzpatrick
078 That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of City Council held on Monday, January 8th, 2007 be taken as read and so adopted, all statutory requirements having been fulfilled. CARRIED.

HEARING OF DELEGATIONS:

Nil

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Nil

COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS:

Nil

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Nil

ENQUIRIES:

(54) NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE (NHL) SPRING TRAINING CAMPS

Councillor Paterson referred to the fact that Brandon and surrounding area had four (4) National Hockey League Coaches, two (2) of which were from the City of Brandon and enquired whether or not these individuals could be contacted for their opinions on Brandon hosting some future NHL Spring Training Camps.

His Worship the Mayor agreed to take this matter under advisement.

(55) UPDATE ON THE JULY 2005 FLOOD CLAIMS

Councillor Paterson noted that it had been a couple of months since an update on the status of claims from the July 2005 flood had been received and enquired if same could be provided.

His Worship the Mayor advised that no final decision from either the Province of Manitoba or the Federal Government had been received as of yet but previous discussions were positive. He noted that everyone involved had worked hard on this and were frustrated at how long it had taken but he hoped to have an answer very soon.

(56) HERITAGE BY-LAW – HISTORICAL ARTIFACTS

Councillor Black referred to some potential historical artifacts which had disappeared from the 1st Street and Rosser/Pacific Avenue site when it had been cleaned up. He noted that one individual had enquired about the flag pole at the old brewery, a metal frame under the loading dock at the old Imperial Oil site and in particular, the Brandon Scrap Iron and Metal sign located on the former Weiss property, and was told that the Daly House Museum had first option on any of the items but if they weren't interested then his request would be considered. However, the items had disappeared and this individual had not been contacted. Councillor Black enquired whether or not there were any provisions in the City of Brandon Heritage By-law that covered those types of situations, and more specifically, did the City in fact have the power to intervene and claim items deemed to be of historical significance.

His Worship the Mayor the Mayor agreed to take this matter under advisement.

(57) COMMUNITY STANDARDS

Councillor Black noted that he had received a phone call recently from an area resident who was concerned that the state of the property next door to his was affecting the property values in the area. He noted that this was not a new problem for some areas of the City and enquired whether or not there were any provisions in place to force people to upgrade their homes with such things as sewer and water so as not to devalue the neighborhood.

His Worship the Mayor agreed to take this matter under advisement.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

WESTMAN SCOTTISH ASSOCIATION – ROBBIE BURNS NIGHT

Councillor Blight announced that he and Deputy Mayor Doug Paterson were pleased to have represented His Worship the Mayor and City Council at Robbie Burns Night, hosted by the Westman Scottish Association, on January 20th, 2007.

ALZHEIMER'S NIGHT TO REMEMBER

Councillor Blight announced that he had been pleased to represent His Worship the Mayor and City Council at the Alzheimer's Night to Remember held Thursday, January 18th, 2007.

UNIVERSITY WARD MEETING

Councillor Harwood announced that a University Ward meeting would be held on Tuesday, January 23rd, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. at the Valleyview Community Centre and encouraged everyone to attend.

PROVINCIAL JUNIOR SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Councillor Paterson announced that he had been pleased to represent His Worship the Mayor and City Council at the Provincial Junior Swimming Championships held at the Canada Games Sportsplex on Saturday, January 20th, 2007. He noted there were approximately 225 competitors taking part in the Championships and estimated the total number of visitors to Brandon for the event at approximately 350 people.

PROPOSED TOBOGGAN HILL

Councillor Paterson announced that he had recently attended a meeting with a group of local individuals who were interested in building a toboggan hill in the city. He noted that the plans were in the very preliminary stages but if there were any other groups interested, perhaps there could be a collaborated effort.

POVERTY COMMITTEE PUBLIC FORUM – SOLUTIONS TO OVERCOME POVERTY (STOP)

Councillor Rice announced that the Poverty Committee was seeking input on solutions to overcome poverty (STOP) and that public forums would be held February 28th and March 6th, 2007 respectively from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. in the Main Foyer of City Hall. He encouraged everyone to attend.

COMPILATION OF RECREATION SURVEY RESULTS

Councillor Rice thanked Mike Flamand, Cathy Snelgrove and the rest of the Community Services staff for the compilation of the recreation survey results, which had been distributed to City Council. He noted that he found the document clear and concise and he appreciated the amount work put into it.

RICHMOND WARD MEETING

Councillor Campbell announced that a Richmond Ward Meeting would be held February 8th, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber, 2nd Floor, City Hall and invited everyone to attend.

RECREATION PLAN OPEN HOUSE

His Worship the Mayor announced that an open house on the City of Brandon Recreation Plan would be held Tuesday, January 30th, 2007 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Riverbank Discovery Centre and encouraged members of the public as well as City Councillors to attend.

FORMER BRANDON RESIDENT PARTICIPATING IN THE SUPER BOWL

His Worship the Mayor announced that Mr. Israel Idonije, a former Brandon resident whose parents still lived in Brandon, would be playing in the Super Bowl this year as a member of the Chicago Bears Football Team.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

(A) REQUEST FOR GIFT-IN-KIND CONTRIBUTION – UNITED COMMERCIAL TRAVELERS’ AIRSHOW

Considered was a report from the Manager of Transportation dated January 9th, 2007 with respect to the above.

Jessiman-Paterson

079 That the United Commercial Travelers’ request for access to the City of Brandon’s insurance and a gift-in-kind contribution in the amount of \$6,782 for the staging of the Westman Air Show, May 26th and 27th, 2007 at McGill Airfield be approved. CARRIED.

(B) COMMONWEALTH AIR TRAINING PLAN MUSEUM – RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT TO ACCESS CANADA/MANITOBA INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING

City Council considered a report from the General Manager of Operational Services dated January 9th, 2007 with respect to the above.

Barletta-Paterson

080 That the City of Brandon support the Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum’s submission to the Canada/Manitoba Infrastructure Program for funding in the amount of 1.3 million dollars and deem this project to be a high priority for the community. CARRIED.

(C) PROPOSAL TO SUBDIVIDE 1/10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22/30, 32, 34, 36, 37, 39, 41/44, 46, AND 48 MULBERRY CRESCENT (VBJ DEVELOPMENTS)

Submitted for consideration was a report from the Planning Department of Development Services dated January 10th, 2007 with respect to the above.

Campbell-Fitzpatrick

081 That the application of VBJ Developments Ltd. to subdivide 1/10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22/30, 32, 34, 36, 37, 39, 41/44, 46, and 48 Mulberry Crescent (Lots 1/22, Block 1, Lots 1/4 and Lots 9/17, Block 2, Plan 44374 BLTO) to create 35 bare land condominium units be approved;

and further that approval of the designs and locations of identification signs for said subdivision be in accordance with the designs and maps attached to the report of the Planning Division of Development Services dated January 10th, 2007. CARRIED.

(D) PROPOSAL TO SUBDIVIDE 2001 VICTORIA AVENUE EAST (SHAPE FOODS INC.)

Considered was a report from the Planning Department of Development Services dated January 10th, 2007 with respect to the above.

Black-Jessiman

082 That the application of Shape Foods Inc. to subdivide 2001 Victoria Avenue East (Lot 1, Plan 39283 BLTO) be approved. CARRIED.

(E) PROPOSAL TO ALLOW FOR A SHORTENED PROCESS FOR MINOR SUBDIVISIONS

City Council considered a report from the Planning Department of Development Services dated January 4th, 2007 with respect to the above.

Barletta-Fitzpatrick

083 That pursuant to Section 134 of The Planning Act and City Manager By-law No. 6505, authority be granted to the City Manager to approve minor subdivision applications in the City of Brandon whereby such authority may then be delegated to the General Manager of Development Services. CARRIED.

(F) 2007 COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO THE TAXI APPEAL COMMITTEE

Submitted for consideration was a report from His Worship the Mayor dated January 10th, 2007 with respect to the above.

Harwood-McCrae

084 That in accordance with Subsections 11.2, 11.3 and 11.4 of Taxi By-law No. 6781, the following appointments be and are hereby made to the Taxi Appeal Committee with terms of office to expire December 31st, 2007:

Mayor Dave Burgess (Chair)
Councillor Garth Rice (Acting Chair)
Councillor Jeff Harwood (Member)
Councillor Don Jessiman (Alternate)
Councillor Doug Paterson (Alternate)
CARRIED.

(G) PROPOSAL NO. A110/06 – COMBINATION SEWER AND CATCH BASIN CLEANER

Considered was a report from the Manager of Transportation dated January 9th, 2007 with respect to the above.

Paterson-Rice

085 That the proposal from Joe Johnson Equipment to supply a 2007 Vactor 2112 Fan Truck for a total cost of \$344,872.49 be accepted, whereby such funds shall be expended from the Machinery and Equipment Reserve. CARRIED.

(H) AMENDMENT TO INDUSTRIAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT

City Council considered a report from the General Manager of Development Services dated January 10th, 2007 with respect to the above.

McCrae-Jessiman

086 That the City of Brandon enter into the Amendment Agreement with Maple Leaf Foods Inc., as attached to the report from the General Manager of Development Services dated January 10th, 2007, to amend the Agreement for Industrial Wastewater Treatment Services dated December 20th, 2006. CARRIED.

(I) JOINT TASK FORCE COMMITTEE – SHOP/HOME ECONOMICS TRANSPORTATION PILOT PROJECT EXTENSION

Submitted for consideration was a report from the Manager of Transportation dated January 9th, 2007 with respect to the above.

Blight-Barletta

087 That Motion No. 1694 (April 10th, 2006), as amended, be further amended by deleting therefrom the words: “seven month school” and substituting therefor the words: “twelve month” and by deleting therefrom the words: “January 31st, 2007” and substituting therefor the words: “June 30th, 2007”. CARRIED.

(J) INVITATION TO SIOUX VALLEY DAKOTA NATION TO ATTEND JOINT MEETING OF COUNCILS

Considered was a report from Councillor E. Black dated January 9th, 2007 with respect to the above in accordance with his notice of motion filed at the January 8th, 2007 meeting of City Council.

Black-Rice

088 That His Worship the Mayor and City Council write to the Chief and Council of the Sioux Valley Dakota Nation (Sioux Valley) to ascertain if there is interest in holding a joint meeting of the Councils of the City of Brandon and Sioux Valley to discuss issues of mutual interest and/or concern. LOST.

At the request of Councillor Black, a recorded vote was taken on the above motion.

FOR

Councillor Barletta
Councillor Black
Councillor Blight
Councillor Paterson
Councillor Rice

AGAINST

His Worship Mayor Burgess
Councillor Campbell
Councillor Fitzpatrick
Councillor Harwood
Councillor Jessiman
Councillor McCrae

(K) NAMING RIGHTS POLICY

City Council considered a report from Councillor D. Paterson dated January 15th, 2007 with respect to the above.

Paterson-Fitzpatrick

089 That the establishment of a naming rights policy as a means to recognize and manage City assets be reviewed by City Administration and a related report be submitted to City Council for consideration and decision. CARRIED.

BY-LAWS:

NO. 6854 - TO ESTABLISH CONTROL OF TEMPORARY SIGNS

Considered was a report from the General Manager of Development Services dated January 11th, 2007 with respect to the above.

Rice-Jessiman

090 That By-law No. 6854 to establish control of temporary signs be read a first time. CARRIED.

NO. 6855 - TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1501 BRAECREST DRIVE FROM DR DEVELOPMENT RESERVE ZONE TO RHD RESIDENTIAL HIGH DENSITY MULTIPLE FAMILY ZONE (TINES O/B/O BRADLEY SAND & GRAVEL LTD.)

City Council considered a report from the Planning Department of Development Services dated January 10th, 2007 with respect to the above.

Paterson-Fitzpatrick

091 That By-law No. 6855 to rezone property located at 1501 Braecrest Drive (Plan of Survey 863 BLTO exc Wly 125 feet perp. SW ¼ 35-10-19 WPM) from DR Development Reserve to RHD Residential High Density Multiple Family Zone be read a first time. CARRIED.

GIVING OF NOTICE:

Nil

ADJOURN:

Black-Rice

That the meeting do now adjourn. (8:52 p.m.) CARRIED.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK