

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 05TH, 2009 AT 7:30 PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, BRANDON, MANITOBA

PRESENT: Mayor D. Burgess in the Chair, 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

ABSENT: Councillor V. Barletta

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Harwood-Black

That the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of City Council to be held on Monday, October 5, 2009 be adopted as presented. NOT VOTED ON.

Black-Paterson

1151 That the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of City Council to be held on Monday, October 5, 2009 be amended by adding under the Order of General Business, the Closure of CKX Television in the City of Brandon, and that the Agenda, as amended, be adopted. CARRIED.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Blight-Rice

1152 That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of City Council held Monday, September 21, 2009 be taken as read and so adopted, all statutory requirements having been fulfilled. CARRIED.

HEARING OF DELEGATIONS:

Nil

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

(A) **BORROWING OF FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF UPGRADES TO THE KEYSTONE CENTRE**

City Council sat to receive representation on the proposed borrowing of funds to provide financial assistance to the Keystone Centre for capital upgrades to the facility.

No representation was put forward either in support of or in opposition to the borrowing.

Paterson-Harwood

1153 That the Public Hearing with respect to the City's borrowing of \$3,875,000 to provide financial assistance to the Keystone Centre for capital upgrades to the facility be concluded. CARRIED.

COMMUNICATION & PETITIONS:

(A) **AIR SERVICE IN BRANDON**

Councillor Paterson presented a petition signed by citizens of Western Manitoba calling for the Federal Government to provide the necessary infrastructure to enable safe air travel at Brandon Municipal Airport.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- (A) BRANDON GENERAL MUSEUM AND ARCHIVES BOARD
VERBAL REPORT OCTOBER 5, 2009

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Councillor Black reported that the Brandon General Museum and Archives Board is currently looking at potential sites for the museum and archives. He noted that Board members took a tour of the Convergys building last week and would be evaluating results of the tour at the next meeting to be held on October 13, 2009.

- (B) BRANDON MUNICIPAL HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
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Councillor Harwood announced that Ken Storie had been hired as the Heritage Coordinator for the Brandon Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee on a contract basis. He noted that Mr. Storie started his duties on October 5, 2009 and would be responsible for coordinating and implementing the programming plans and policies of the Brandon MHAC as part of the City of Brandon's overall heritage conservation management plan.

Councillor Harwood further noted that Ken had previous experience as a consultant/contractor for the Historic Resources Branch of the Province of Manitoba and had worked with various municipal governments and heritage committees throughout Manitoba.

- (C) WESTERN MANITOBA CENTENNIAL AUDITORIUM
VERBAL REPORT OCTOBER 5, 2009

October 5, 2009
Brandon, Manitoba

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Councillor Blight reported that the Western Manitoba Centennial Auditorium had recently celebrated its 40th Anniversary with cake and coffee and was looking forward to the future.

Harwood-Fitzpatrick

1154 That the verbal reports by Councillor Black on the General Museum and Archives Board, Councillor Harwood on the Brandon Municipal Heritage Committee, and Councillor Blight on the Western Manitoba Centennial Auditorium be received. CARRIED.

ENQUIRIES:

(684) REDUCTION OF SINGLE USE PLASTIC BAGS

Councillor Paterson advised that the Brandon Environmental Committee of the Community Strategic Plan wanted to be proactive in the reduction of single use plastic bags in Brandon and the surrounding area, however, progress on the matter was reliant on a report coming from the Province of Manitoba. He enquired whether Administration could prepare a report on the use of single use plastic bags so that the Environment Committee could move forward on the matter.

His Worship the Mayor advised that Administration was working with the Province of Manitoba on the matter.

(685) TENDER FOR MOTOR GRADER

Councillor Harwood referred to the recent purchasing summary report circulated to City Council regarding a tender for a motor grader. He noted that the successful bid was over the budgeted amount by approximately \$45,000 and enquired whether a report could be provided to City Council explaining the decision.

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

(686) REDUCTION OF SPEED LIMITS IN SPECIFIC AREAS OF THE CITY

Councillor Fitzpatrick referred to a previous enquiry with regard to reducing speeds in school zones which had resulted in the Province of Manitoba indicating that the City of Brandon could not set its speed limits. He enquired whether the issue could be revisited with respect to reducing speeds in specific areas within the City, as well as in school zones. He noted that Monterey Estates was an example of a residential area where a reduced speed limit had been imposed.

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

(687) NOTIFICATION OF AREA RESIDENTS REGARDING SIDEWALK RECONSTRUCTION

Councillor Fitzpatrick enquired whether there was a specific procedure for giving notice to the public when road and sidewalk work was going to be done in an area. He referred to the sidewalk repair that had been completed in the Linden Lanes area, where despite being grateful for the work that had been done, area residents would have liked to have been notified of the work in order to make alternate parking arrangements.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the General Manager of Development Services addressed City Council advising that there was no formal policy in place for such cases. He noted however that it was the practice of Development Services to notify residents when major work was being done in their area. He noted that it was also the practice of the Operational Services to notify residents if they were going to be without water so that people could prepare for that as well. He stated that a formal policy could be developed for both the Development and Operational Services and Operations if so requested by City Council.

(688) USE OF RED LIGHT CAMERAS IN CITY OF BRANDON

Councillor Fitzpatrick advised that one of his ward residents had enquired whether or not the use of red light cameras was permitted in the City of Brandon. He stated that the Chief of Police had informed him that the Province of Manitoba had rejected the request to use red light cameras in Brandon a number of years ago, and enquired whether the matter could be revisited.

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

(689) CHANGES TO MANDATE OF CRIME PREVENTION COMMITTEE

Councillor Black stated that a number of residents from his ward who were also past members of the Crime Prevention Committee, were concerned that the committee would be disbanded due to its dormant status.

He stated that the committee had some success in the past with graffiti prevention and the Neighborhood Watch Program and enquired whether City Council could hold a special meeting to discuss the status of the Crime Prevention Committee and possible restructuring of its mandate.

His Worship the Mayor advised that the committee would be meeting in the near future and would report to City Council at that time. He noted that since the committee was struck by City Council, it was ultimately the decision of City Council whether the committee would continue or be disbanded.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CANADIAN BREAST CANCER FOUNDATION RUN FOR THE CURE

Councillor Harwood announced that he had brought greetings on behalf of His Worship the Mayor and members of Council at the Run for the Cure event held on Sunday, October 4, 2009 at the Riverbank Discovery Centre. He noted that it was one of the most successful events to date, raising over \$120,000 with close to 600 people attending. Councillor Harwood extended accolades to the organizers, sponsors and participants of the event for their efforts in making the event so successful.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

(A) SIGNAGE REQUIREMENT - PESTICIDE BY-LAW

City Council considered a report from the Director of Community Services dated September 23, 2009 with respect to the above.

Mr. Rick Bailey, Director of Community Services, provided clarification and further information on the proposed changes to the sign requirements.

Black-Rice

1155 That an amendment to Pesticide By-law No. 6825 be prepared to provide for the signage posted on property at which pesticide has been applied to:

- (a) be square or rectangular, measuring not less than 30 centimetres by 30 centimetres;
- (b) be bright in color;
- (c) be made of a weather resistant material;
- (d) bear the words: "Pesticides In Use - Avoid Direct Contact"; company name; product name; active ingredient; registration number; and
- (e) bear the contact telephone number of the applicator. CARRIED.

AMENDMENT

Burgess-McCrae

1156 That the above motion be amended by deleting clause (a) in its entirety. LOST.

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

FOR

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

AGAINST

Councillor Black
Councillor Blight
Councillor Jessiman
Councillor Paterson
Councillor Rice

As the above motion received an equal division of votes, it was declared lost.

(B) STREET NAMING POLICY

Considered was a report from the General Manager of Development Services dated September 18, 2009 with respect to the above.

McCrae-Paterson

1157 That the revised Street Naming Policy attached to the report of the General Manager of Development Services dated September 18, 2009 be adopted. CARRIED.

(C) PURCHASE OF LAND EAST OF 1ST STREET AND NORTH OF PATRICIA AVENUE TO MAINTAIN LAND DRAINAGE

Submitted for consideration was a report from the General Manager of Development Services dated September 23, 2009 with respect to the above.

Campbell-Jessiman

1158 That the City of Brandon purchase approximately 2.28 acres of property from Manitoba Hydro and Mr. Guy Rocheleau, located in Blocks 63 and 64, Plan 278 BLTO (SW 1/4 12-10-19 WPM), for the combined sum of \$18,800.00, to maintain the land drainage in the south end of the City, whereby said funds shall be expended from the Storm Sewer Reserve. CARRIED.

(D) CLOSURE OF CKX TELEVISION IN THE CITY OF BRANDON

Black-Paterson

1159 That the City of Brandon convene a meeting involving His Worship the Mayor, City Councillors, the Members of the Legislative Assembly for Brandon East and Brandon West, and the Member of Parliament for Brandon-Souris to discuss potential action to resurrect local television in the City as soon as possible. CARRIED.

Councillor Black advised that citizens could contact the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission at www.crtc.gc.ca.

BY-LAWS:

NO. 6929 - TO AUTHORIZE THE BORROWING OF FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CAPITAL
UPGRADES TO THE KEYSTONE CENTRE

1160 Paterson-Black
That By-law No. 6929 authorizing the City's borrowing of \$3,875,000 for the purpose of providing financial assistance to the Keystone Centre for capital upgrades be read a first time. CARRIED.

GIVING OF NOTICE:

Nil

ADJOURN:

McCrae-Harwood
That the meeting do now adjourn. (8:39 p.m.) CARRIED.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK