

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY,
DECEMBER 15, 2014 AT 7:30 PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, BRANDON, MANITOBA**

PRESENT: Mayor Rick Chrest, Councillor Shawn Berry, Councillor Ron W. Brown, Councillor Jan Chaboyer, Councillor Barry Cullen, Councillor Kris Desjarlais, Councillor Vanessa Hamilton, Councillor Jeff Harwood, Councillor John LoRegio, , Councillor Lonnie Patterson

ABSENT: Councillor Jeff Fawcett

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

LoRegio-Hamilton

30 That the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of City Council to be held on Monday, December 15, 2014 be adopted as presented. CARRIED.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Harwood-Patterson

31 That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of City Council held Monday, December 1, 2014 be taken as read and so adopted, all statutory requirements having been fulfilled. CARRIED.

HEARING OF DELEGATIONS:

(A) BERNIE CHRISP, BRANDON RIVERBANK INC. - ANNUAL UPDATE

Bernie Chrisp, President of Brandon Riverbank Inc. appeared before City Council to provide an update on the annual operations of Brandon Riverbank Inc. and Brandon Tourism in 2014 and to provide an overview of the plans for 2015. The presentation highlighted challenges the Riverbank Centre had faced due to the floods of 2011, and the summer flood of 2014, which had caused significant damage to the vegetation surrounding the Assiniboine River and had led to decreased use of the facility, resulting in less revenue. Mr. Chrisp thanked the City of Brandon for its continued support of the Riverbank in terms of fiscal support, use of City resources, and City staff expertise.

LoRegio-Hamilton

32 That the presentation by Bernie Chrisp of Brandon Riverbank Inc. with respect to the annual update on the operations of Brandon Riverbank Inc. and Brandon Tourism and plans for 2015 be received. CARRIED.

(B) RAINER SCHIRA, OUTDOOR SPORT FACILITY PLANNING COMMITTEE -
SUPPORT FOR RECREATION FEASIBILITY STUDY

Mr. Rainer Schira, spokesperson for the Outdoor Sport Facility Planning Committee, provided City Council with a presentation on the challenges facing field sports of Soccer, Football, Cricket, and Rugby due to flooding of recreational areas around the Assiniboine River. He noted that primarily due to the loss of Optimist Soccer Park by flooding, soccer had been played on numerous school fields which were overused, not ideal playing surfaces, and stretched the resources of the organization due to the lack of a centralized location.

Mr. Schira requested that the City of Brandon help fund and lead the application process for a recreation feasibility study to assess the current needs, viability, availability, and future need of recreational green space.

Berry-Patterson

33 That the presentation by Rainer Schira on behalf of the Outdoor Sport Facility Planning Committee with respect to support from the City of Brandon for a Recreation Feasibility Study be received. CARRIED.

LoRegio-Patterson

34 That the City of Brandon provide funding for a Recreation Feasibility Study on a cost share basis with the Province of Manitoba to a maximum amount of \$25,000. CARRIED.

(C) RON KRISTJANSSON, PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION OF MANITOBA - DISPLAY BUILDING NO. II

Mr. Ron Kristjansson, General Manager of the Provincial Exhibition, appeared before City Council to request support for the Display Building No. II renovation as part of the “Restoring our Glory” Campaign. He provided an update on the progress of the restoration work and requested continued gift in kind support and an additional three year cash commitment of \$85,000 per year, for a total of \$255,000.

Harwood-Brown

35 That the presentation by Ron Kristjansson, General Manager of the Provincial Exhibition of Manitoba with respect to the request for gift-in-kind services from the City of Brandon and a cash contribution for the restoration of Display Building No. II be received. CARRIED.

(D) COLLEEN MOMAN AND JOHN DEBEER - 2015 NATIONAL KINVENTION

Mrs. Colleen Moman and Mr. John DeBeer appeared before City Council to discuss the Kin-Canada 2015 National Kinvention, and their application for accommodation tax funding. It was noted that the event was scheduled for August 20 - 22, 2015 and would bring members of Kinsmen across the country to Brandon.

Cullen-Brown

36 That the presentation by Colleen Moman and John Debeer with respect to the accommodation tax funding request for the 2015 National Kinvention be received. CARRIED.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Nil

COMMUNITY QUESTION PERIOD:

Nil

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

(A) POVERTY COMMITTEE
VERBAL

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Councillor Jan Chaboyer gave a verbal report to City Council on the Poverty Committee Meeting held December 9, 2014. She stated that the Poverty Committee heard presentations from Brandon Neighbourhood Renewal Corporation (BNRC) Housing First Committee member Mark Anderson, Rhonda Smith from the Safe and Warm Committee, and Susan Spring from the BNRC Homelessness Partnering Strategy. Councillor Chaboyer also reported that members of the Poverty Committee had met with Minister Kerri Irvin-Ross during the Association of Manitoba Municipalities Convention in Winnipeg and had discussed issues of affordable housing and funding to provide shelter for the homeless in Brandon. She concluded by noting that the Poverty Committee was investigating a central website for poverty resources available in the City of Brandon in partnership with the Brandon Neighbourhood Renewal Corporation.

Chaboyer-Desjarlais

37 That the report of the Poverty Committee be received. CARRIED.

(B) KEYSTONE CENTRE
VERBAL

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Councillor Berry reported on the December 11, 2014 meeting of the Keystone Centre whereby he was elected as Chairperson and Derek Turner was elected at the Vice Chairperson of the Board of Directors. Councillor Berry also reported that roof repairs had begun at the Keystone Centre and he thanked the Province of Manitoba and the City of Brandon for funding these important renovations. Councillor Berry also informed City Council that the Convention Hall in the Keystone Centre would now be known as the Meyers Norris Penny (MNP) Convention Hall after a recent sponsorship agreement had been reached.

Berry-Harwood

38 That the report of the Keystone Centre be received. CARRIED.

ENQUIRIES:

(19) LAND AVAILABILITY FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Councillor Hamilton requested an update on the status of land availability for affordable housing.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that there were currently five parcels of land owned by the City of Brandon which had been identified as affordable housing land. He advised that the City of Brandon and the Province of Manitoba had jointly issued Requests for Proposals which allowed Not for Profit Organizations to have access to the land as well as the financing required for the construction of affordable housing. The City Manager noted that changes had also been made to the City of Brandon Zoning By-law No. 6642 with Brandon's definition of affordable housing being communicated to interested developers and Not For Profit Organizations.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

KEYSTONE CENTRE NEW YEAR'S EVE GALA

Councillor Berry announced that the Keystone Centre would be hosting a New Year's Eve Gala & Suitcase Social entitled "I Love KC". He noted that the evening would include a dinner, dance and numerous prize draws, including a trip for two to New York, New York with all proceeds to be put towards repairs to the outdoor event stage on the Keystone Centre grounds. Councillor Berry advised that tickets were \$150 per person or \$1200 for a table of eight, sponsorship packages were available and further information could be obtained by contacting the Keystone Centre at (204)726-3500 or online at www.keystonecentre.com.

CHRISTMAS CHEER

His Worship Mayor Chrest announced that he had recently enjoyed a tour of the Christmas Cheer Office where he had learned that over 900 applications had been received this season with over 1500 adults and 1200 children having benefitted from the program. He advised that the hampers were to be delivered from December 15-19, 2014 and encouraged anyone able to assist with deliveries to call the office.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

(A) ACCOMMODATION TAX EVENT FUNDING REQUEST - KIN-CANADA, 2015 NATIONAL KINVENTION

City Council considered a report from the Director of Economic Development dated November 20, 2014 with respect to the above.

Harwood-LoRegio

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That a grant of \$15,000 be provided to Kin-Canada to host the 2015 National Kinvention, to be held August 20 - 22, 2015, in Brandon with said funds to be transferred from the Accommodation Tax Reserve to the Tourism Initiatives operating account CARRIED.

(B) AMENDMENT TO THE 2013 LAND INVENTORY LISTING - 355 - 15TH STREET

Submitted for consideration was a report from Property Administration dated December 1, 2014 with respect to the above.

Desjarlais-Berry

40 That the land located at 355 - 15th Street (Lots 33/40, Block 21, Plan 2 BLTO) remain classified as Civic Lands-Fully Developed under the 2013 Land Inventory Listing, as amended. CARRIED.

(C) TENDER - SUPPLY OF ONE (1) CRAWLER EXCAVATOR

Considered was a report from the Director of Transportation Services dated December 3, 2014 with respect to the above.

Patterson-Hamilton

41 That the bid from Westcon Equipment to supply one (1) Crawler Excavator as per tender and specifications, including the five year complete warranty, total maintenance package, quick attach coupler and brush cutter/mower for a total price of \$318,196.93 (net of GST) be awarded. CARRIED.

(D) PROPOSAL - CEMETERY EXPANSION MASTER PLAN

City Council considered a report from the General Manager of Development Services dated December 4, 2014 with respect to the above.

Desjarlais-Brown

42 That the proposal of E. Lees and Associates for consulting services for the City of Brandon Cemetery Expansion Master Plan in the amount of \$73,593.07 (net of GST) be accepted;

and further, that a budget of \$100,000.00 be established for the project as part of the 2015 budget, with \$50,000.00 funded from the Perpetual Care Reserve and \$50,000.00 from the Storm Sewer Reserve. CARRIED.

(E) CITY OF BRANDON - PROPOSED 2015 BUDGET

Submitted for consideration was a report from the Director of Finance dated December 8, 2014 along with a power point presentation by the City Treasurer.

Harwood-Desjarlais

43 That the proposed 2015 budget be received and referred to a public consultation session to be held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 7, 2015 in the foyer of City Hal; and that City Council's deliberation of the 2015 proposed budget be held on January 9 and 10, 2015. CARRIED.

(F) 2015 CITY OF BRANDON INTERIM BUDGET

Considered was a report from the Director of Finance dated December 8, 2014 with respect to the above.

Chaboyer-Brown

44 That pursuant to Section 163 of The Municipal Act, the following interim budget to provide for City of Brandon expenditures, revenues and transfers for the year 2015 be hereby adopted:

General Fund Expenditures	\$78,715,455
General Fund Revenues and Transfers	\$78,715,455
General Fund Reserve Expenditures	\$22,445,525
Utility Fund Expenditures	\$15,792,500
Utility Fund Revenues and Transfers	\$15,792,500
Utility Fund Reserve Expenditures	\$ 4,374,000
CARRIED.	

(G) 2015 CITY OF BRANDON BORROWING

City Council considered a report from the Director of Finance dated December 8, 2014 with respect to the above.

Berry-Chaboyer

45 That pursuant to Section 173(1) of The Municipal Act, the borrowing of funds from the Bank of Montreal, for general operating expenses, not exceeding \$10,350,000 which is less than \$82,636,903 being the total taxes and grants in lieu collected in 2014, be authorized, and further that these funds only be used for general operating expenses in the 2015 fiscal year and all sums borrowed pursuant to this resolution be supported by a charge upon the whole of the revenues of the municipality. CARRIED.

(H) MATERIAL RECOVERY FACILITY HEATING UPGRADE

Submitted for consideration was a report from the Director of Public Works dated December 9, 2014 with respect to the above.

Hamilton-LoRegio

46 That additional funding in the amount of \$35,000 be approved for the Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) Heating Upgrade project and that said funds, if required, be expended from the Disposal Site Sanitation Reserve. CARRIED.

(I) CITIZEN APPOINTMENTS TO THE BRANDON POLICE BOARD

Considered was a report from the City Clerk dated December 2, 2014 with respect to the above.

Berry-Desjarlais

47 That the following appointments be and are hereby made to the Brandon Police Board with terms of office to continue until their successors are appointed by the incoming 2018 - 2022 City Council:

- Mark Frison
 - Lorraine Pompana
 - John Schneiderbanger
- CARRIED.

(J) APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR TO THE BRANDON POLICE BOARD

City Council considered a report from the City Clerk dated December 9, 2014 with respect to the above.

Berry-Patterson

48 That in accordance with City of Brandon By-law No. 7041, the following appointments as Chair and Vice-Chair of the Brandon Police Board be and are hereby made with terms of office to expire December 31, 2015:

Mark Frison – Chair
John Schneiderbanger – Vice-Chair
CARRIED.

(K) 2015 CITIZEN APPOINTMENTS TO THE AGE FRIENDLY COMMITTEE OF CITY COUNCIL

Submitted for consideration was a report from the City Clerk dated December 9, 2014 with respect to the above.

Hamilton-Brown

49 That the following citizen appointments be and are hereby appointed to the Age Friendly Committee for a one year term of office to commence January 1, 2015 and expire on December 31, 2015:

John H. MacKenzie
John F. Faulkner
Cathy Frances Dzilums
Dayle Hughson
CARRIED.

(L) 2015 CITIZEN APPOINTMENTS TO BRANDON GENERAL MUSEUM & ARCHIVES INC.

Considered was a report from the City Clerk dated December 9, 2014 with respect to the above.

Harwood-LoRegio

50 That the following citizen appointments be and are hereby made to the Brandon General Museum & Archives Board, for a two year term of office to commence January 1, 2015 and expire on December 31, 2016:

Cathy Frances Dzilums
Doug Grossart
Corey Roberts
CARRIED.

(M) 2015 CITIZEN APPOINTMENTS TO BOARD OF REVISION

City Council considered a report from the City Clerk dated December 8, 2014 with respect to the above.

Berry-LoRegio

51 That the following citizen appointments be and are hereby made to the Board of Revision for a one year term of office to commence January 1, 2015 and expire December 31, 2015:

Don Cornell (Chair)
Deveryn Ross
Wesley Shewchuk
Gary James Walker
CARRIED.

(N) 2015 CITIZEN APPOINTMENT TO BRANDON URBAN ABORIGINAL PEOPLES' COUNCIL

Submitted for consideration was a report from the City Clerk dated December 9, 2014 with respect to the above.

Desjarlais-Patterson

52 That the following citizen appointments be and are hereby made to the Brandon Urban Aboriginal Peoples' Council for a two year term of office to begin January 1, 2015 and expire December 31, 2016.

Ray Berthelette
Richard Greer
Amie Martin
Lorraine Pompana
CARRIED.

(O) 2015 CITIZEN APPOINTMENTS TO THE WESTERN MANITOBA REGIONAL LIBRARY BOARD

Considered was a report from the City Clerk dated December 8, 2014 with respect to the above.

Patterson-Brown

53 That the following citizen appointments be and are hereby made to Western Manitoba Regional Library Board for a two year term of office to begin January 1, 2015 and expire December 31, 2016:

Donna Kormilo
Marianne Reid
CARRIED.

(P) 2015 CITIZEN APPOINTMENTS TO THE POVERTY COMMITTEE

Considered was a report from the City Clerk dated December 9, 2014 with respect to the above.

Chaboyer-Desjarlais

54 That the following citizen appointments be and are hereby made to the Poverty Committee for a one year term of office to commence January 1, 2015 and expire December 31, 2015:

Mark Adam Kovatch
Erin May
Susan Spring
CARRIED.

BY-LAWS:

NO. 7104 TO REZONE 3500 RICHMOND AVENUE EAST FROM DR DEVELOPMENT RESERVE ZONE TO MH INDUSTRIAL HEAVY ZONE

City Council considered a report from Planning & Building Safety dated December 1, 2014 with respect to the above.

Chaboyer-LoRegio

55 That By-law No. 7104, to rezone the property located at 3500 Richmond Avenue East (Pt. NW ½ 8-10-18W) from DR Development Reserve Zone to MH Industrial Heavy Zone be read a first time. CARRIED.

NO. 7106 TO AMEND PROCEDURE BY-LAW NO. 6634 RE: START TIME OF MEETINGS, GENERAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS AND REFERENCE SOURCE USED

It was noted that this by-law received first reading at the December 1, 2014 meeting of City Council.

Harwood-Desjarlais

56 That By-law No. 7106, to amend Procedure By-law No. 6634 with respect to start time of meetings, the general order of business, the reference source used, and other housekeeping amendments, be read a second time. CARRIED.

Harwood-Patterson

57 That the by-law be read a third and final time. CARRIED.

In accordance with Section 137 of The Municipal Act, a recorded vote was taken on the motion to give By-law No. 7106 third reading.

FOR

Mayor Rick Chrest
Councillor Shawn Berry
Councillor Ron W. Brown
Councillor Jan Chaboyer
Councillor Barry Cullen
Councillor Kris Desjarlais
Councillor Vanessa Hamilton
Councillor Jeff Harwood
Councillor John LoRegio
Councillor Lonnie Patterson

AGAINST

Nil

NO. 7109 TO AMEND PENSION BY-LAW NO. 6678 TO CLARIFY TERMS AND REGULATIONS

Submitted for consideration was a report from the Director of Human Resources dated December 8, 2014 with respect to the above.

Hamilton-Chaboyer

58 That By-law No. 7109 to amend Pension By-law No.6678 to clarify terms and regulations be read a first time. CARRIED.

NO. 7110 TO AMEND PENSION BY-LAW NO. 6679 TO CLARIFY TERMS AND REGULATIONS

Considered was a report from the Director of Human Resources dated December 8, 2014 with respect to the above.

Desjarlais-Chaboyer

59 That By-law No. 7110 to amend Pension By-law No. 6679 to clarify terms and regulations be given first reading. CARRIED.

GIVING OF NOTICE:

Nil

ADJOURN:

Berry-Chaboyer

That the meeting do now adjourn (9:51 p.m.) CARRIED.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK