

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY,  
MAY 4, 2015 AT 7:00 PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC ADMINISTRATION  
BUILDING, BRANDON, MANITOBA**

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

ABSENT: Nil

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

202 Harwood-Desjarlais  
That the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of City Council to be held on Monday, May 4, 2015 be adopted as presented. CARRIED.

PRESENTATIONS:

(A) PRAIRIE BLEND MEN'S CHOIR - MUSIC MONDAY

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The Prairie Blend Men's Choir, under the direction of Deanna Ginn, performed a vocal selection in honor of Music Monday.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

203 Chaboyer-Cullen  
That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of City Council held on Monday, April 20, 2015 be taken as read and so adopted, all statutory requirements having been fulfilled. CARRIED.

HEARING OF DELEGATIONS:

(A) BLAKE STEPHENS, BRANDON MINOR BASEBALL ASSOCIATION - CANADA  
DAY CLASSIC AAA BASEBALL TOURNAMENT

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Blake Stevens, President of Brandon Minor Baseball, appeared before City Council with respect to funding for their upcoming Canada Day Classic AAA Baseball Tournament taking place June 26 – 28, 2015. Mr. Stevens provided some background on the Canada Day Classic and stressed some of the fiscal challenges Brandon Minor Baseball was experiencing hosting the annual tournament this year. Brandon Minor Baseball requested additional funding from the Accommodation Tax Reserve in order to keep the Canada Day Classic fiscally viable and to continue to host the event in the City of Brandon.

204 Berry-Desjarlais  
That the presentation by Blake Stephens, on behalf of the Brandon Minor Baseball Association, with respect to the Canada Day Classic AAA Baseball Tournament be received. CARRIED.

(B) JASON KRIESER- WESTERN REGIONAL BALL HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Jason Krieser, on behalf of Brandon First, appeared before City Council with respect to the Western Regional Ball Hockey Championships to be held in Brandon July 23 - 26, 2015. Mr. Krieser informed City Council that this new event would be comprised of teams representing British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba in both Men's and Women's ball hockey, and would be held exclusively at the Keystone Centre, resulting in over 200 room nights. Mr. Krieser, on behalf of the Wheat City Hockey League who are hosting the event, requested that City Council approve their application for funding under the Accommodation Tax Reserve Fund.

Patterson-Hamilton

205 That the presentation by Jason Krieser on behalf of Brandon First with respect to the Western Regional Ball Hockey Championships be received. CARRIED.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Nil

COMMUNITY QUESTION PERIOD:

Nil

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

(A) CITIZEN ENGAGEMENT AD HOC COMMITTEE  
VERBAL

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Councillor Desjarlais gave a verbal report on the public forum hosted by the Citizen Engagement Committee held at the A.R. McDiarmid Building on April 29, 2015. He reported that the event brought ten to twelve members of the public out and resulted in some excellent discussion on citizen engagement in the City of Brandon. Councillor Desjarlais stated that the material would be reviewed at the next Citizen Engagement Ad Hoc Meeting and eventually brought forward to City Council for discussion

Harwood-LoRegio

206 That the report of the Citizen Engagement Ad Hoc Committee be received. CARRIED.

ENQUIRIES:

(61) PRIORITY OF STREET REPAIRS

Councillor LoRegio noted that Memorial Crescent was in need of repairs due to heaving of the road. He enquired if this street could be added to the list for repairs and further, if information could be provided on how poor road conditions could be reported by citizens.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that poor road conditions could be reported to the Streets and Roads Department. He advised that the Streets and Roads and Engineering Departments worked together to assess the level of work required and whether or not the road could be re-surfaced or if a full reconstruction was required. The City Manager advised that the condition of the underground infrastructure was considered prior to the road being added to the list for reconstruction to ensure that the replacement of same could be budgeted for at the same time if necessary.

Further to this issue, Councillor LoRegio requested an update following the assessment of Memorial Crescent.

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

(62) CONCERNS WITH INTERSECTION OF 9TH STREET AND ABERDEEN AVENUE

Councillor Chaboyer advised that the rock curbing on the corners of the intersection of 9th Street and Aberdeen Avenue made it very difficult for vehicles to turn and pedestrians to cross. She also noted that there were drainage issues at the intersection and enquired if the redesign and reconstruction of this intersection could be considered.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that the Engineering Department was aware of the issues with this intersection and subject to budget constraints, the project was being considered for the 2016 construction season.

Further to this issue, Councillor Brown advised that he had received complaints from area residents with respect to this intersection and stressed that this was a serious safety concern that needed to be addressed sooner rather than later.

(63) STREET LIGHT REPLACEMENT

Councillor Chaboyer advised that residents continued to be concerned with respect to the number of street lights in need of replacement in the City of Brandon and requested an update on this issue.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that he had recently met with representatives of Manitoba Hydro and been advised that there was currently one truck and one person dedicated to street light replacement in the City of Brandon. He advised that the list of lights out had been reduced from 386 in November/December 2014 to 41 in April 2015 based on Manitoba Hydro's resident feedback.

The City Manager advised that all street lights in Manitoba were being converted to LED bulbs with the work expected to begin in Brandon in Fall 2015 and to be completed within 2 years. He stated that LED lights were designed to last 20 years and required little maintenance as compared to the current HPS lights with a life expectancy of 4 years maximum. The City Manager stated that the outage problems should be solved by the installation of the new lights but encouraged residents with concerns to report same to Manitoba Hydro at [customerservice@hydro.mb.ca](mailto:customerservice@hydro.mb.ca).

(64) INSTALLATION OF STREET LIGHTS - 1ST STREET SOUTH FROM CROCUS PLAINS REGIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOL TO PATRICIA AVENUE

Councillor Brown enquired if the installation of street lights on 1st Street South from Crocus Plains Regional Secondary School to Patricia Avenue could be considered.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that discussions regarding this issue were ongoing and agreed to keep City Council updated on the situation as new information became available.

(65) PREVENTATIVE MEASURES AGAINST ARSON IN NEIGHBOURHOODS

Councillor Patterson referred to the recent vehicle fires in the South Centre Ward and enquired what actions were being taken by the Brandon Police Service to prevent potential arsons. She also enquired what actions residents could take to deter potential arsons in their neighbourhood.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that the By-law Enforcement Officers worked with other City Departments and residents to ensure yards were cleaned-up and refuse taken away in a timely manner. The City Manager advised that any suspicious activity should be reported to the Brandon Police Service immediately. He also advised that residents concerned with messy yards in their neighbourhood should report same to the Brandon Police Service for follow-up by the By-law Enforcement Officers.

(66) NEED FOR RECYCLING AND REFUSE RECEPTACLES IN 1000 BLOCK BETWEEN 10TH AND 13TH STREETS

Councillor Patterson advised that she had received a complaint from a resident regarding the need for more recycling and refuse bins in the 1000 Block between 10th and 13th Streets and enquired if this matter could be investigated.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that the recycling bins had been removed from the area due to same being contaminated with garbage but agreed to have them reinstalled and monitored on a trial basis. The City Manager agreed to have the locations of the refuse bins in the area researched and more installed if necessary.

(67) REMOVAL OF YARD WASTE BINS FROM WESTRIDGE COMMUNITY CENTRE

Councillor Berry advised that he had received numerous complaints from area residents with respect to the removal of the yard waste bins from Westridge Community Centre and requested that the bins be reinstalled.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that this location had been temporarily closed partially due to the unavailability of a side load truck to empty the bins and the Community Centre Board's request that the bins be removed. He advised that the City of Brandon was transitioning into a new depot system and in the meantime, three large bins had been placed to ensure a depot location in each end of the City.

Councillor Berry enquired if the bins would be replaced at Westridge Community Centre when the new system was in place.

His Worship the Mayor responded that curbside pick-ups for yard waste was being considered for the entire city. He invited the Director of Public Works to further elaborate on this issue. The Director responded that the style of trucks for side load bins were no longer available, hence a whole new system for pick-up was being considered. He advised that with the new system all recyclables would be placed in one container, making them more convenient for both residents and sanitation truck drivers. The Director stated that he would work with the Board of the Westridge Community Centre to find a more suitable location for the bins in that area.

(68) HEAVING OF ROADWAY IN 4100 BLOCK OF CENTENNIAL AVENUE

Councillor Cullen advised that heaving of the roadway continued to be a problem in 4100 Block of Centennial Avenue and enquired if temporary repairs could be made now with a more permanent solution to follow.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that this roadway was known to heave in the spring due to ground water issues. He advised that this roadway was high on the list for repairs this spring with a more permanent solution to be completed once hot mix asphalt became available. The City Manager noted that if the area continued to fail following excavation, refill with road based gravel and paving, a larger scale capital project would need to be considered.

(69) REPAIR OF CHAIN LINK FENCE AT PLAYGROUND AT ROSSER AVENUE AND E. FOTHERINGHAM DRIVE

Councillor Cullen referred to an accident whereby the chain link fence at the playground on the corner of Rosser Avenue and E. Fotheringham Drive had been knocked down and enquired when same was expected to be repaired.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that the Parks Department Staff had removed the damaged fence and posts, barricades had been put in place with temporary fencing expected to be installed this week. The City Manager advised that the fence would be fixed permanently as soon as a decision on the claim was received from Manitoba Public Insurance.

(70) LOCATION OF ORANGE MEDIA DISTRIBUTION BOXES

Councillor Desjarlais requested information on the orange bins which had recently shown up on boulevards in the City of Brandon.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the City Manager responded that the boxes were placed by the Westman Journal with the permission of the Engineering Department to ensure there was minimal or no impact to residents. He noted that the use of media boxes was not uncommon in the City of Brandon and confirmed that the City did have the right to request that the boxes be relocated, stating that only one complaint had been received with respect to the location of the boxes.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

### GRADUATION CEREMONY - BABYSITTER'S COURSE

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Councillor Harwood announced that he had been pleased to represent City Council at the recent ceremony whereby 20 youth graduated from the babysitter's course sponsored by the Kiwanis Club and Brandon Fire and Emergency Services.

### CN ECO CONNECTIONS GROUND UP GRANT PROGRAM - TREE PLANTING

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Councillor Harwood announced that he had been pleased to accept a \$25,000 grant from the CN Eco Connections Ground Up Program on May 1, 2015. He advised that Grade 5 & 6 students from J.R. Reid and Linden Lanes Schools had planted over 100 trees at the new ball diamonds on Van Horne Avenue East that day.

### BEER TASTING EVENT - BRANDON ROTARY CLUB

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Councillor LoRegio announced that he and six other Councillors had attended the Beer Tasting Event on May 2, 2015 hosted by the Brandon Rotary Club to raise funds for community projects and programs.

### JOINT WARD MEETING - ASSINIBOINE AND ROSSER WARDS

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Councillor Fawcett announced that he and Councillor Desjarlais would be holding a Joint Assiniboine and Rosser Ward Meeting on May 21, 2015 with the location yet to be determined.

Councillor Fawcett further announced that a Public Open House entitled "Growing Our Existing Neighbourhoods Together" would take place prior to the Joint Ward Meeting and invited citizens to come out and share their thoughts on issues surrounding infield developments and their effects on neighbourhoods.

### RELOCATION OF WATERMAIN - KIRKCALDY DRIVE

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Councillor Fawcett announced that the excavation and relocation of the water main on Kirkcaldy Drive between 4th Street and Knowlton Drive was scheduled to begin the week of May 11, 2015. He advised that the road would not be closed during the construction, however, traffic could be delayed.

### MANITOBA PHYSICIAN OF THE YEAR - DR. DU PLOOY

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Councillor Fawcett congratulated Dr. Du Plooy who had recently been named Manitoba Physician of the Year.

### SENIOR WOMEN'S WORLD CURLING CHAMPIONS

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His Worship Mayor Chrest congratulated Lois Fowler and her rink on winning the Senior Women's World Curling Championships in Sochi, Russia. He noted that the team included Maureen Bonar, Cathy Gauthier and Allyson Stewart and was coached by Brian Fowler.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

(A) ACCOMMODATION TAX FUNDING REQUEST - BRANDON FRIENDSHIP CENTRE - NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FRIENDSHIP CENTRES' ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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City Council considered a report from the Director of Economic Development dated April 14, 2015 with respect to the above.

Desjarlais-Fawcett

207 That a grant of \$25,000 be provided to the Brandon Friendship Centre to host the National Association of Friendship Centres' Annual General Meeting in Brandon, July 19 – 24, 2015, with said funds to be transferred from the Accommodation Tax Reserve to the Tourism Initiatives operating account. CARRIED.

(B) ACCOMMODATION TAX FUNDING REQUEST - CANADA BALL HOCKEY ASSOCIATION WESTERN REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

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Submitted for consideration was a report from the Director of Economic Development dated April 14, 2015 with respect to the above.

Berry-LoRegio

208 That a grant of \$5,000 be provided to the Canada Ball Hockey Association to host the Canada Ball Hockey Association Western Regional Championships in Brandon, July 23 – 26, 2015, with said funds to be transferred from the Accommodation Tax Reserve to the Tourism Initiatives operating account. CARRIED.

(C) ACCOMMODATION TAX FUNDING REQUEST - BRANDON MINOR BASEBALL CANADA DAY CLASSIC TOURNAMENT

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Considered was a report from the Director of Economic Development dated April 23, 2015 with respect to the above.

Hamilton-LoRegio

209 That a grant of \$10,000 be provided to Brandon Minor Baseball for the June 26 – 28, 2015 Canada Day Classic Baseball Tournament to be held in Brandon with said funds to be transferred from the Accommodation Tax Reserve to Tourism Initiatives operating account. CARRIED

Councillor Berry abstained from voting on the above motion, stating that he required more information prior to making a decision on the matter.

(D) APPOINTMENT TO PLANNING COMMISSION

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City Council considered a report from the City Clerk dated April 24, 2015 with respect to the above.

Chaboyer-Harwood

210 That Garnet Boyd be hereby appointed to the Planning Commission with term of office to expire March 31, 2018. CARRIED.

(E) TENDER - FIBRE OPTIC CABLE SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION

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Submitted for consideration was a report from the Director Information Technology dated April 20, 2015 with respect to the above.

Fawcett-Desjarlais

- 211 That the low bid from Superb Construction Group Ltd. to carry out the Fibre Optic Cable Supply & Installation 2015 (Phase 1 & 2) as per tender and specifications at a cost of \$772,352.04 (exclusive of GST) be accepted. CARRIED.

(F) TENDER - CONTRACT B UNDERGROUND WORKS

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Considered was a report from the Director of Engineering and Water Services dated April 24, 2015 with respect to the above.

Fawcett-LoRegio

- 212 That the bid of Allen & Bolack Excavating Ltd. to carry out the Contract B – Underground Works as per tender and specifications at a cost of \$1,144,333.18 (net of GST) be accepted. CARRIED.

(G) TENDER – CONTRACT E ROAD REHABILITATION

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Councillor Berry declared a conflict of interest in the matter due to his employment with a potential bidder and left the Council Chamber prior to any discussion.

City Council considered a report from the Director of Engineering and Water Services dated April 24, 2015 with respect to the above.

Hamilton-LoRegio

- 213 That the low bid from Maple Leaf Construction Ltd. to carry out the Contract E – Road Rehabilitation as per tender and specifications at a cost of \$387,123.00 (net of GST) be accepted. CARRIED.

Following the above motion being voted on, Councillor Berry re-entered the Council Chamber.

BY-LAWS:

- NO. 7117 TO AMEND BY-LAW NO. 7008 - TAX INCREMENT FINANCING PROGRAM TO ENCOURAGE AND ASSIST IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF PROPERTY IN THE DOWNTOWN HUB OF BRANDON
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It was noted that this by-law had received first reading at the April 20, 2015 meeting of City Council.

Desjarlais-LoRegio

- 214 That By-law No. 7117, to amend By-law No. 7008 which established a municipal tax increment financing program for Downtown Brandon, be read a second time. CARRIED.



Desjarlais-LoRegio

215 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. 7117 third reading.

FOR

AGAINST

Mayor Rick Chrest

Nil

Councillor Shawn Berry

Councillor Ron W. Brown

Councillor Jan Chaboyer

Councillor Barry Cullen

Councillor Kris Desjarlais

Councillor Jeff Fawcett

Councillor Vanessa Hamilton

Councillor Jeff Harwood

Councillor John LoRegio

Councillor Lonnie Patterson

NO. 7119

TO NAME THE ROADS LOCATED IN THE SE 1/4 AND SW 1/4 1-11-19 WPM LOCATED NORTH OF MIDDLETON AVENUE FROM PTH NO. 10 WEST TO DEER RIDGE ROAD

It was noted that this by-law had received first reading at the April 7, 2015 meeting of City Council.

Fawcett-Berry

216 That By-law No. 7119 to name the roads located in the SE ¼ and SW ¼ 1-11-19 WPM located north of Middleton Avenue from PTH No. 10 West to Deer Ridge Road be amended by :

(a) adding the words: “and SW ¼” immediately following the words: “SE ¼” in the introductory paragraph and the second preamble paragraph; and

(b) deleting Section 2. in its entirety and substituting therefor the following:

“2. All the north/south road on Public Road Plan 56074 in the SW ¼ of 1-11-19 WPM as shown on a drawing attached hereto as Scheduled “B” is hereby named “Marshall Lane”.

CARRIED.

Fawcett-Berry

217 That By-law No. 7119, to name the roads located in the SE ¼ and SW ¼ 1-11-19 WPM located north of Middleton Avenue from PTH No. 10 west to Deer Ridge Road be read a second time, as amended. CARRIED.

Fawcett-Berry

218 That By-law No. 7119 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. 7119 third reading.

FOR

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

AGAINST

Nil

GIVING OF NOTICE:

Nil

ADJOURN:

Berry-Patterson

That the meeting do now adjourn. (9:19 p.m.). CARRIED.

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MAYOR

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CITY CLERK