

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, MARCH 18, 2019 AT 7:00 PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, BRANDON, MANITOBA**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Rick Chrest In The Chair, Councillor Shawn Berry, Councillor Ron W. Brown, Councillor Shaun Cameron, Councillor Jan Chaboyer, Councillor Barry Cullen, Councillor Kris Desjarlais, Councillor Jeff Fawcett, Councillor John LoRegio, Councillor Bruce Luebke, Councillor Glen Parker

**ABSENT:** Nil

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

200 Chaboyer-Cullen  
That the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of City Council to be held Monday, March 18, 2019 be adopted as presented. CARRIED.

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:**

201 Cameron-Parker  
That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of City Council held on Monday, March 4, 2019 be taken as read and so adopted, all statutory requirements having been fulfilled. CARRIED.

**HEARING OF PRESENTATIONS:**

(A) DANIELLE HUBBARD AND RENEE CRONLEY - WORLD POETRY DAY

Danielle Hubbard, of the Western Manitoba Regional Library, along with Renee Cronley, presented two poetry readings in recognition of UNSECO World Poetry Day on March 21, 2019.

Ms. Hubbard invited members of Council to a multi-lingual open mic event of poetry reading and singing at the Western Manitoba Regional Library Thursday March 21, 2019 at 7:30 pm.

**COMMUNITY COMMENTS/FEEDBACK:**

Nil

**HEARING OF DELEGATIONS:**

Nil



The Committee also allocated the \$1.7 million surplus from the Utility Fund to the Water Distribution and Wastewater Reserves. In closing he noted the surpluses will be used to fund future projects and noted surpluses reduces the strain on future budgets.

(C) BRANDON GENERAL MUSEUM & ARCHIVES INC.

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Councillor Loregio reported that the Brandon General Museum & Archives Inc. held a grand opening on the new exhibit called "Seed Houses" on March 15, 2019. The exhibit featured three of the more prominent seed businesses from the turn of the century until recently - Lindenburg Seeds, Patmore Seeds and McKenzie Seeds. He noted numerous items were on display which included archival photos and catalogues from all three businesses and that the exhibit would run until June 15, 2019. Councillor LoRegio noted that following the "Seed Houses" exhibit, there would be a display on the Labour Movement in Brandon as the General Strike would be celebrating a monumental year.

In addition, Councillor Loregio added that meetings continued with members of the Board and City Administration as they looked into the future of the museum. Councillor Loregio invited Council and the public to visit the exhibits at the museum located at 19 - 9<sup>th</sup> Street.

LoRegio-Luebke

202 That the reports of the Poverty Committee, the Audit & Finance Committee, and the Brandon General Museum & Archives Inc. be received. CARRIED.

ENQUIRIES:

(25) UPDATE ON CONDITION OF MCDONALD AVENUE AND OTHER CITY STREETS

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Councillor Cameron noted that he continued to receive complaints from residents with respect to the condition of McDonald Avenue. He enquired if an update could be provided regarding the planned work over the summer months to remedy this situation on a more permanent basis. Councillor Cameron also enquired how problem areas, potholes and other spring melt issues could be reported.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the Acting City Manager responded that watermain replacements between 27th Street and 31st Street as well as 17th Street to 20th Street were planned for 2019. He noted that the replacement of the sidewalk, curb and gutters was included in the 27th - 31st Street repairs with a full reconstruction of McDonald Avenue between 26th and 34th Streets planned for the near future.

The Acting City Manager advised that pothole crews were out working and encouraged residents to access the "Report an Issue" form on the City of Brandon website at [www.brandon.ca/report-an-issue](http://www.brandon.ca/report-an-issue) to have their concerns addressed.

(26) UPDATE ON FROZEN WATER LINES

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Councillor Parker noted that there were numerous frozen water lines in the City of Brandon and enquired when this issue was expected to be addressed. Councillor Parker further enquired if utilizing private contractors to assist with the thawing of lines could be considered if the problem persisted.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the Acting City Manager responded that to date, there had been 186 calls for service with respect to frozen water lines with 142 lines thawed, temporary service lines installed at 24 properties and 20 lines currently waiting to be thawed. Mr. Hammond advised that the average wait time for frozen water lines to be thawed was 2 days. He noted that residents were welcome to contact private contractors, however those contractors were also kept busy thawing private services in the City of Brandon and neighbouring communities. The Acting City Manager advised that frozen water lines could be reported during working hours to the Meter Shop at (204) 729-2192 and after 4:30 p.m. to the Emergency Line at (204) 729-2285.

(27) COMPLETION OF STREET REPAIRS ON 26TH STREET

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Councillor LoRegio enquired when the final repairs to 26th Street were expected to be completed.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the General Manager of Development Services responded that it was anticipated the repairs would be completed at the end of May 2019. He agreed to look into this matter further and provide a more definitive timeline to City Council.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CONGRATULATIONS TO BRANDON UNIVERSITY BOBCAT MENS VOLLEYBALL TEAM

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Councillor Fawcett congratulated the Brandon University Bobcat Mens Volleyball Team for their accomplishment during the season and the National Championships this past weekend. He also wished them continued success in the upcoming seasons as Brandon was set to host the 2021 U Sports Mens Volleyball Championships.

Mayor Chrest echoed Councillor Fawcett's congratulations and noted a welcome home celebration would be held at the Healthy Living Centre on Thursday, March 21, 2019 from Noon - 1:30 p.m.

#### MOST TRUSTWORTHY POLITICIAN

Councillor Fawcett congratulated Mayor Chrest on receiving the 2019 Westman Readers' Choice Award for Most Trustworthy Politician as was announced in the Brandon Sun on March 14, 2019.

#### COLDEST NIGHT OF YEAR - SAMARITAN HOUSE

Councillor Parker announced he had attended the Coldest Night of the Year which was held by the Samaritan House on held February 23, 2019. He noted the fundraising event was very successful.

#### 100TH BIRTHDAY - MS. MARSHALL

Councillor Parker announced he attended Ms. Maddie Marshall's 100th birthday at Victoria Landing on March 15, 2019. Ms. Marshall was presented with a copy a front page of the March 15, 1919 Brandon Sun.

#### PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES TO GRADUATES OF BRANDON FIREFIGHTERS' BABYSITTING COURSE

Councilor Parker announced he would be attending and providing greetings during the presentation of certificates to the graduates of Brandon Firefighters' Babysitting Course on March 20, 2019

#### KING GEORGE SCHOOL CULTURAL CELEBRATION

Councillor Parker announced that he was pleased to be representing City Council at King George School's Cultural Days to be held March 20 & 21, 2019.

#### BRANDON FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS

Councillor Cameron noted that the Brandon Festival of the Arts held February 10 - March 10, 2019 was once again a huge success with 4,000 young performers competing in dance, speech, vocal and performing arts. He thanked the committee, volunteers and organizers for all their hard work in making this event a successful and memorable event for participants and parents

#### BRANDON UNIVERSITY WEST NEIGHBOURHOOD ZONING OPEN HOUSE

Councillor Cameron reminded University Ward residents that the Brandon University West Open House would take place on Tuesday, March 19, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Cultural Resource Centre, 638 Princess Avenue. He invited residents with questions to contact City Planner Andrew Mok at (204) 729-2115.

#### BRANDON AAA MIDGET WHEAT KINGS

Councillor Luebke announced that the Brandon AAA Midget Wheat Kings were competing in the Manitoba AAA Midget Hockey League finals starting on March 21, 2019. He advised that this was a five game series with two home games to be held March 23 & March 27, 2019 at the Brandon Community Sportsplex and encouraged everyone to come out and cheer on the team.

#### SUCCESS OF 2019 TIM HORTONS BRIER

Councillor Fawcett congratulated all the volunteers involved in making the 2019 Tim Hortons Brier held March 2 - 10, 2019 at the Keystone Centre a huge success. He thanked the organizing committee co-chaired by Jackie Nichol, Nate Andrews and Ryan Shields, and all the volunteers who worked so hard to make Brandon shine in the curling world. Councillor Fawcett noted that all the curlers, coaches and fans from out of town were impressed with the City of Brandon's hosting of the Brier.

His Worship the Mayor echoed Councillor Fawcett's accolades and advised that he planned to invite the three committee co-chairs to provide an update on the event at a future meeting

#### BRANDON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUSINESS ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Councillor Fawcett congratulated the Brandon Chamber of Commerce Business Achievement Award recipients: Rhonda Pardy (Tim Hortons) - Business Person of the Year; Ray Brownlee (Century 21) - Community Impact Award; Ion Coating - Outstanding New Business Award; G.T. Smith Electrical and Guild Insurance Brokers - Business Excellence Awards; and Ron Helwer (Shur-Gro Farms Ltd.) - Lifetime Business Builder Award.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

(A) DEVELOPMENT CHARGES STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES

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City Council considered a report from the General Manager of Development Services dated March 11, 2019 with respect to the above.

Fawcett-Cullen

203 That the Development Charges Standard Operating Procedure dated March 11, 2019 to facilitate the implementation and administration of Development Charges By-law No. 7175 be received. CARRIED.

(B) 2018 FINANCIAL INFORMATION RETURN

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Considered was a report from the General Manager of Corporate Services dated March 8, 2019 with respect to the above.

Fawcett-Parker

204 That pursuant to Section 183(2) of The Municipal Act, the 2018 Financial Information Return (unaudited) be adopted. CARRIED.

(C) APPOINTMENTS TO BRANDON POLICE BOARD

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Submitted for consideration was a report from the Legislative Services Department dated March 4, 2019 with respect to the above.

Berry-Luebke

205 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 2022 - 2026 City Council:

Councillor Barry Cullen  
Debra Arpin  
Tim McFadden. CARRIED.

(D) INTERIM CITIZEN APPOINTMENT TO THE BRANDON GENERAL MUSEUM AND ARCHIVES INC.

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City Council considered a report from the Legislative Services Department dated March 6, 2019 with respect to the above.

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Cameron-LoRegio

That the following interim citizen appointment be and is hereby made to the Brandon General Museum & Archives Inc. Board, for the term of office to commence immediately and expire on December 31, 2019:

Brock McEwing. CARRIED.

BY-LAWS:

Nil

GIVING OF NOTICE:

Nil

ADJOURN:

Berry-Chaboyer

That the meeting do now adjourn (8:06 p.m.) CARRIED.

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MAYOR

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CITY CLERK