

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2020 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

ABSENT: Councillor Glen Parker

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Luebke-LoRegio

505 That the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of City Council to be held Monday, January 6, 2020 be adopted as presented. CARRIED.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Cullen-Cameron

506 That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of City Council held on December 16, 2019 be taken as read and so adopted, all statutory requirements having been fulfilled. CARRIED.

HEARING OF PRESENTATIONS:

(A) **JAMES MONTGOMERY AND BERNIE CHRISP, BRANDON RIVERBANK INC. - ANNUAL REPORT**

James Montgomery, General Manager and Bernie Chrisp, Chair of Brandon Riverbank Inc. appeared before City Council with respect to the Brandon Riverbank Inc. 2019 Annual Report. Mr. Chrisp provided an update on the 2019 attendance numbers for the Discovery Centre, including specific events such as Canada Day, National People's Indigenous Day, Food Truck Warz, and the Christmas Craft Sale. He stated that the grand opening of Festival Park was held on July 1st and celebrated 20 years of the Discovery Centre. Mr. Chrisp noted several projects were completed in 2019 including the off-grid solar LED bison pathway lighting project, upgrades to the Centre's tourism area, as well as implementation of the "Brandon Brings You Back" community place brand. He highlighted the importance of partnerships with the City of Brandon and a vast number of other organizations

Mr. Montgomery provided information on projects proposed for 2020 which included the East Wetland Project, a new boardwalk, pathway improvements, Peter Sawatzky Sculpture Legacy Garden and Westman Dreams For Kids Accessibility Park. He thanked City Council for their continued support and partnership.

Fawcett-Luebke

507 That the presentation by James Montgomery and Bernie Chrisp with respect to the Brandon Riverbank Inc. Annual Report be received. CARRIED.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS/FEEDBACK:

(A) EXTENSION OF 34TH STREET FROM PACIFIC AVENUE TO MCDONALD AVENUE

James, a resident of Ward 3, addressed City Council regarding the extension of 34th Street from Pacific Avenue to McDonald Avenue. He commented on the large sum to build this extension, and enquired if consideration had been given to have a toll placed on this extension.

HEARING OF DELEGATIONS:

Nil

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

(A) BY-LAW NO. 7232 - TO BORROW FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXTENDING 34TH STREET TO MCDONALD AVENUE

City Council sat to hear representation with respect to the proposed borrowing for the extension of 34th Street to McDonald Avenue.

Patrick Pulak, General Manager of Development Services provided a presentation on the 34th Street extension project. He indicated McDonald Avenue was an 800m dead-end road and according to the Brandon Fire and Emergency Services Street Development and Access Road Regulation, a secondary access was required for any dead-end road that extended beyond 200m. He noted that the extension of 34th Street would meet this regulation as the secondary access point for McDonald Avenue.

Dean Hammond, City Treasurer, provided a brief overview of the cost, the borrowing process, and recovery process of the funds required for the project.

No further representation was received either in support of or in opposition to the borrowing by-law.

Cullen-Cameron

- 508 That the Public Hearing with respect to borrowing funds for the purpose of constructing and extending 34th Street from Pacific Avenue to McDonald Avenue be concluded. CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS:

Nil

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

(A) KEYSTONE CENTRE VERBAL JANUARY 6, 2020

Councillor Luebke provided a verbal report from the meeting of the Keystone Centre held on December 19, 2019. He noted the new governance model had been adopted and went into effect on January 1, 2020. He indicated the Deputy Minister was reviewing the Keystone Centre's request for a long-term funding agreement, and noted the Keystone Centre paid the Province over \$875,000 every fiscal year in taxes and other fees. The first quarter of the financial year budget being August, September & October 2019 was reviewed and was \$160,000 below projections.

Councillor Luebke also noted an application was made under the Manitoba 150 Grant for a potential pavilion legacy project that included installation of a concrete slab and small covered pavilion in the south/east corner of the grounds. He noted the CUPE contract was renewed, and some upcoming events such as the Price is Right and WWE pre-sales were very strong.

Luebke-LoRegio

- 509 That the report of the Keystone Centre be received. CARRIED.

ENQUIRIES:

(95) LIGHTING IN BACKLANES - SAFETY ISSUES

Councillor LoRegio requested an update from Administration on a report concerning lighting in two separate back alleys: the laneway between Park Avenue and Southern Avenue in the 900 block of 26th Street; and the North side walkway on Richmond Avenue connecting Richmond Avenue to the laneway on 20th Street. Councillor LoRegio conveyed concerns by residents in regards to safety and possible criminal activity at both locations.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the Acting City Manager responded that these locations were still under investigation by the Engineering Department. Mr. Hammond affirmed that once the review was completed a formal report addressing the locations would be presented to Council.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CONGRATULATIONS TO JUNIOR MENS AND WOMENS HOCKEY TEAMS ON SUCCESS AT WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Councillor Fawcett congratulated the Canadian 2020 Junior Mens Hockey team for winning gold and the Womens team for winning silver at their respective World Championships. He noted that Brandonite Calen Addison was a member of the Mens team and congratulated him on his role in the team's victory.

PUBLIC BUDGET FORUM

Mayor Chrest informed Brandon citizens that City Council would be conducting its 2020 Budget Deliberations on January 31 and February 1, 2020. He advised that a Public Budget Forum would be held on Wednesday, January 15, 2020 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at City Hall and invited citizens to attend. Acting City Manager Dean Hammond outlined that citizens would be able to submit questions pertaining to the 2020 budget in advance through email at budget@brandon.ca or during the actual event through a live YouTube stream.

KRISTOPHER CAMPBELL MEMORIAL SKATE PLAZA PLAQUE

Mayor Chrest presented a plaque given to the City of Brandon by the Campbell Family in recognition of the completion of Kristopher Campbell Memorial Skate Park, located at the corner of 9th Street and Princess Avenue, in the summer of 2019. He conveyed the family's appreciation to the Recreation Department for its involvement in completing the facility. He expressed the positive impact the Skate Park had on Brandon youth and the legacy of Kristopher Campbell.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

(A) DESIGNATED TAX SALE YEAR

City Council considered a report from the Director of Finance dated December 30, 2019 with respect to the above.

Fawcett-Cameron

510 That the year prior to the current year be designated as the tax sale year whereby any properties with outstanding taxes in the year prior to the designated year will be subject to the tax sale process;

and further, that successful purchasers of tax sale properties shall pay all fees including a non-refundable deposit if applicable, in the amount and on terms as set out in the annual Tax Sale Terms and Conditions. CARRIED.

(B) INTERIM CITIZEN APPOINTMENT TO THE BRANDON POLICE BOARD

Considered was a report from Legislative Services dated November 28, 2019 with respect to the above.

Berry-Cullen

511 That the following citizen appointment be and is hereby made to the Brandon Police Board with a term of office to commence April 1, 2020 and continuing until her successor is appointed by the incoming 2022 – 2026 City Council:

Liz Roberts. CARRIED.

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

Submitted for consideration was a report from Legislative Services dated November 28, 2019 with respect to the above.

Berry-Cullen

512 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, 2020:

Marc Casavant – Chair
Deb Arpin – Vice-Chair. CARRIED.

(D) 2020 CITIZEN APPOINTMENTS TO THE AGE FRIENDLY COMMITTEE OF CITY COUNCIL

City Council considered a report from Legislative Services dated November 27, 2019 with respect to the above.

Chaboyer-Brown

513 That the following citizen appointments be and are hereby made to the Age Friendly Committee for a two (2) year term of office beginning January 1, 2020 and expiring December 31, 2021:

Randy Gammack
Marian Goldstone
Meryl Orth. CARRIED.

(E) 2020 CITIZEN APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD OF REVISION

Considered was a report from Legislative Services dated November 28, 2019 with respect to the above.

Fawcett-Luebke

514 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, 2020 and expire December 31, 2020:

Matthew May (Chair)
Wally Geiler
Jason Splett. CARRIED.

(F) 2020 CITIZEN APPOINTMENTS TO BRANDON GENERAL MUSEUM AND ARCHIVES INC. BOARD

Submitted for consideration was a report from Legislative Services dated November 28, 2019 with respect to the above.

LoRegio-Brown

515 That the following citizens be and are hereby appointed to the Brandon General Museum & Archives Inc. Board with a term of office to commence January 1, 2020 and expire December 31, 2020:

Connie Bok
Robert Smith

and further, that the following citizens be and are hereby appointed to the Brandon General Museum & Archives Inc. Board with a term of office to commence January 1, 2020 and expire December 31, 2021:

Barb Andrew
Brent Chamberlain
Brock McEwing. CARRIED.

(G) 2020 CITIZEN APPOINTMENTS TO THE BRANDON URBAN ABORIGINAL PEOPLES' COUNCIL

City Council considered a report from Legislative Services dated December 5, 2019 with respect to the above.

Desjarlais-Fawcett

516 That the following citizens be and are hereby appointed to the Brandon Urban Aboriginal Peoples' Council to commence January 1, 2020 and expire December 31, 2021:

Stanley Knight
Jeanine Pelletier. CARRIED.

(H) 2020 CITIZEN APPOINTMENTS TO THE BRANDON MUNICIPAL HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Considered was a report from Legislative Services dated November 27, 2019 with respect to the above.

Cameron-Brown

517 That the following citizen appointments be and are hereby made to the Brandon Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee, with terms of office beginning January 1, 2020 and expiring December 31, 2021:

Reg Hildebrand
Greg Hutsal
Andrew Lepp
Gary Miller
Robert Smith. CARRIED.

(I) 2020 CITIZEN APPOINTMENTS TO THE POVERTY COMMITTEE

Submitted for consideration was a report from Legislative Services dated November 29, 2019 with respect to the above.

Luebke-Chaboyer

518 That the following citizen appointments be and are hereby made to the Poverty Committee for a two-year term of office to commence January 1, 2020 and expire December 31, 2021:

Marian Goldstone
Susan Spring CARRIED.

BY-LAWS:

NO. 7232 TO BORROW FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING AND EXTENDING 34TH STREET FROM PACIFIC AVENUE TO MCDONALD AVENUE

City Council considered a report from the City Treasurer dated December 23, 2019 with respect to the above.

Cullen-Cameron

519 That By-law No. 7232 to borrow funds for the purpose of constructing and extending 34th Street from Pacific Avenue to McDonald Avenue be read a first time. CARRIED.

GIVING OF NOTICE:

Nil

ADJOURN:

Berry-Chaboyer

That the meeting do now adjourn (8:32 p.m.). CARRIED.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK