

# CITY OF MERRITT

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF MERRITT COUNCIL, TUESDAY, APRIL 27TH, 1993, CIVIC CENTRE CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 2185 VOGHT STREET, MERRITT, B.C.**

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**1. PRESENT:**

**COUNCIL:**

Mayor - C. Norgaard  
Councillors - R. Typusiak, R. Brown, J. Hilton,  
G. Henderson, D. Laird

**ADMINISTRATION:**

Administrator - T. Day  
Clerk - Y. Porada  
Treasurer - S. Gill  
Planner - F. Sinclair  
Fire Chief/Bylaw  
Enforcement Officer - R. Finley

**MEDIA:** Merritt Herald, Merritt News, Shaw Cable and Radio CJNL

**DELEGATION:** Mr. David Keyser

Nine members of the general public.

**2. CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Norgaard called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:**

a) Regular Meeting, Tues., April 27/93.

462/93 Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Henderson that Council ADOPT the Agenda of the Regular Meeting, Tues., April 27/93, including the Extra Agenda of April 27/93.

CARRIED

**4. PUBLIC HEARING:** Nil

**5. PETITIONS/DELEGATIONS:**

a) Homeowners of Merritt Avenue and Garcia Street - Request to Upgrade Lane.

463/93 Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Hilton that Council REFER Petition from the Homeowners of Merritt Avenue and Garcia Street - Request to Upgrade Lane, to the Public Works Liaison for a report on cost estimates and appropriate action to be taken.

CARRIED

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**5. PETITIONS/DELEGATIONS:**

- b) Dave Keyser, April 22/93 - Delegation and Petition - Request for a Public Forum on Fire Department Conflicts.

Mr. Keyser made his presentation as follows:

- read out his letter to Council and the general public;
- requested that any debate be carried out at an In-Camera meeting; and
- requested that all representatives involved with this conflict, meet to resolve the problems.

Council advised Mr. Keyser's In-Camera letter and a decision on a public forum would be discussed at the In-Camera Meeting, April 27/93.

- 464/93 Moved by Councillor Typusiak, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council RECEIVE Petition from Mr. Dave Keyser, April 22/93 - Request for a Public Forum on Fire Department Conflicts.  
CARRIED

The general public left the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

**6. ADOPTIONS OF THE MINUTES:**

- a) Regular Meeting, Tues., April 13/93.

- 465/93 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor Typusiak that Council ADOPT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, Tues., April 13/93 with the following amendments: REPLACE "...that permanent...", with "...that painted..." in Motion No. 406/93; and REPLACE "...Councillor Henderson...", with "...Councillor Typusiak..." in Motion No. 429/93.  
CARRIED

- b) Annual Budget Meeting, Mon., April 19/93.

- 466/93 Moved by Councillor Typusiak, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council ADOPT the Minutes of the Annual Budget Meeting, Mon., April 19/93 with the following addition: Item 6. c), "Councillors Brown and Henderson supported that senior citizens garbage users fees be reduced to \$12 per year".  
CARRIED

**7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**

- 467/93 Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Hilton that Council DEFER the signing of the Towing Contract until a legal opinion has been received regarding Councillor Fox possibly selling Trig's Motors a tow truck, the day following the April 13/93 Regular Meeting.  
AMENDED

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**7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES: Cont'd.**

468/93 Moved by Councillor Hilton, seconded by Councillor Brown that Council AMEND Motion 467/93, deferring signing of Towing Contract, by adding: "and that this subject, along with the legal opinion be discussed at the next In-Camera Meeting".  
CARRIED

469/93 Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Hilton that Council DEFER the signing of the Towing Contract until a legal opinion has been received regarding Councillor Fox possibly selling Trig's Motors a tow truck, the day following the April 13/93 Regular Meeting, and that this subject, along with the legal opinion be discussed at the next In-Camera Meeting.  
CARRIED

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

a) Ministry of Transportation & Highways, March 31/93 - Coquihalla Highway No. 5.

470/93 Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council LIFT FROM THE TABLE Motion No. 447/93, deferring letter from Ministry of Transportation & Highways, March 31/93.  
CARRIED

471/93 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor Brown that Council SEND a letter to the Ministry of Transportation & Highways, supporting the designation of Coquihalla Highway No. 5 from its junction at Exit 170 Hope (T.C.Hwy.#1) to its junction at Afton Interchange on the west approach to Kamloops (T.C.Hwy.#1) as a Schedule 2 highway.  
CARRIED

**9. REPORTS:**

**a) Mayor's Reports:**

Mayor Norgaard presented her report as follows:

- proclaimed the month of May/93 as "Better Speech & Hearing Month" in Merritt;
- requested Council to send a representative to the UCC Advisory Committee meeting, May 5/93 at 7:00 p.m.; and
- reminded everyone that May 2-8/93 is "Forestry Week".

472/93 Moved by Councillor Typusiak, seconded by Councillor Hilton that Council RECEIVE Mayor Norgaard's Report of April 27/93.  
CARRIED

**b) Liaisons' and Commissions'/Committees' Reports:**



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9. REPORTS: c) Cont'd.

- c) 3) Memo, April 19/93 - Grant-In-Aid - Margaret Clarkson.
- 479/93 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor Brown that Council RECEIVE Memo, April 19/93 - Grant-In-Aid - Margaret Clarkson and SEND a letter to The Arts Council enquiring if it would sponsor Margaret Clarkson's Art Sale. DEFERRED
- 480/93 Moved by Councillor Hilton, seconded by Councillor Typusiak that Council DEFER Motion No. 479/93, sending letter to The Arts Council, until the next Regular Meeting and Administra- has had an opportunity to contact Ms. Clarkson, advising she find a sponsor for the Arts Sale or a Grant-In-Aid will not be available. CARRIED
- 4) Memo, April 19 and 21/93 - Fire Department Membership and Procedures.
- Council discussed the hiring process of the firefighters and other City employees, and Council's involvement in this hiring process.
- 481/93 Moved by Councillor Henderson, seconded by Councillor Brown that Council RECEIVE and RATIFY Memos, April 19 and 21/93 - Fire Department Membership and Procedures. CARRIED
- 5) Memo, April 22/93 - Development Variance Permit No. 1993-03 - G/A Torresani.
- 482/93 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor Brown that Council RECEIVE Memo, April 22/93 - Development Variance Permit No. 1993-03 - G/A Torresani and AUTHORIZE DVP1993-03 for approval. CARRIED
- 6) Women In Action - Healthy Communities Agreement - For Approval and Execution.
- 483/93 Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council APPROVE Women In Action - Healthy Communities Agree- ment and AUTHORIZE the Mayor and Clerk to execute signing of the Agreement. AMENDED
- 484/93 Moved by Councillor Typusiak, seconded by Councillor Brown that Council AMEND Motion No. 483/93, approving Women In Action - Healthy Communities Agreement, under Item 4. 2) a), REPLACE "...Rick Typusiak, Dorothy Molnar...", with "...the 1993 Canada Games Festival Cultural Committee...", and REPLACE "...from Rick Typusiak and Dorothy Molnar...", with "...from the 1993 Canada Games Festival Cultural Committee...". CARRIED

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**9. REPORTS:** c) 6) Cont'd.

485/93 Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Council Laird that Council APPROVE Women In Action - Healthy Communities Agreement and AUTHORIZE the Mayor and Clerk to execute signing of the Agreement, as amended. CARRIED  
COUNCILLOR HILTON OPPOSED

7) Memo, April 20/93 - Court of Revision - Parcel Tax.

486/93 Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Typusiak that Council SET the City of Merritt Court of Revision date for 1993 Parcel Taxes, as May 18/93 at 7:30 p.m. CARRIED

**10. BYLAWS:**

a) 1) B.C. Lands, April 19/93 - CPRail Station/Land.

487/93 Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Hilton that Council RECEIVE letter from B.C. Lands, April 19/93 - CPRail Station/Land. CARRIED

2) City of Merritt Heritage Designation Bylaw No. 1321, 1991.

488/93 Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Typusiak that Council GIVE THIRD READING to "CITY OF MERRITT HERITAGE DESIGNATION BYLAW NO. 1321, 1991". CARRIED  
COUNCILLORS HILTON AND HENDERSON OPPOSED

b) City of Merritt Building Bylaw No. 1381, 1993 - Submitted for Reconsideration & Adoption.

489/93 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor Brown that Council RECONSIDER and ADOPT "CITY OF MERRITT BUILDING BYLAW NO. 1381, 1993". CARRIED

c) City of Merritt 1993 Annual Budget Bylaw No. 1391, 1993 - Submitted for First, Second & Third Readings.

490/93 Moved by Councillor Hilton, seconded by Councillor Henderson that Council GIVE FIRST READING to "CITY OF MERRITT 1993 ANNUAL BUDGET BYLAW NO. 1391, 1993". CARRIED

491/93 Moved by Councillor Hilton, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council GIVE SECOND READING to "CITY OF MERRITT 1993 ANNUAL BUDGET BYLAW NO. 1391, 1993". CARRIED

492/93 Moved by Councillor Hilton, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council GIVE THIRD READING to "CITY OF MERRITT 1993 ANNUAL BUDGET BYLAW NO. 1391, 1993". CARRIED

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**10. BYLAWS: Cont'd.**

- d) City of Merritt Capital Works, Machinery and Equipment Reserve Fund Expenditure Bylaw No. 1393, 1993 - Submitted for Reconsideration & Adoption.
- 493/93 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor Typusiak that Council RECONSIDER and ADOPT "CITY OF MERRITT CAPITAL WORKS, MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT RESERVE FUND EXPENDITURE BYLAW NO. 1393, 1993". CARRIED
- e) 1) Memo, April 22/93 - 1993 Tax Rates.
- 494/93 Moved by Councillor Henderson, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council RECEIVE Memo, April 22/93 - 1993 Tax Rates. CARRIED
- 2) City of Merritt 1993 Tax Rates Bylaw No. 1394, 1993 - Submitted for First, Second & Third Readings.
- 495/93 Moved by Councillor Hilton, seconded by Councillor Henderson that Council GIVE FIRST READING to "CITY OF MERRITT 1993 TAX RATES BYLAW NO. 1394, 1993". CARRIED
- 496/93 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor Hilton that Council GIVE SECOND READING to "CITY OF MERRITT 1993 TAX RATES BYLAW NO. 1394, 1993". CARRIED
- 497/93 Moved by Councillor Hilton, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council GIVE THIRD READING to "CITY OF MERRITT 1993 TAX RATES BYLAW NO. 1394, 1993". CARRIED
- f) City of Merritt Five-Year Capital Budget Bylaw No. 1395, 1993 - Submitted for First, Second & Third Reading.
- 498/93 Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council GIVE FIRST READING to "CITY OF MERRITT FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL BUDGET BYLAW NO. 1395, 1993". CARRIED
- 499/93 Moved by Councillor Henderson, seconded by Councillor Typusiak that Council GIVE SECOND READING to "CITY OF MERRITT FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL BUDGET BYLAW NO. 1395, 1993". CARRIED
- 500/93 Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council GIVE THIRD READING to "CITY OF MERRITT FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL BUDGET BYLAW NO. 1395, 1993". CARRIED

**11. CORRESPONDENCE:**

**a) Potential Council Responses:**

- 1) City of Kamloops, April 19/93 - Mining Industry.

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**11. CORRESPONDENCE: a) 1) Cont'd.**

501/93 Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Hilton that Council RECEIVE letter from City of Kamloops, April 19/93 - Invitation - Mining Industry and SEND a letter to Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources supporting Kamloops' position that the Provincial Government take measures to stimulate the mining industry in the Province. CARRIED

**b) Receive:**

- 1) U.B.C.M. -
  - i) April 7/93 - Provincial Budget - Revenue Sharing.
  - ii) April 16/93 - Member Release.
  - iii) April 8/93 - Joint Statement Sharing Environmental Responsibilities.

502/93 Moved by Councillor Typusiak, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council RECEIVE U.B.C.M. April 7/93 - Provincial Budget - Revenue Sharing, April 16/93 - Member Release and April 8/93 - Joint Statement Sharing Environmental Responsibilities. CARRIED

- 2) Mr. R.E. Turnbull, April 16/93 - Resignation - Board of Variance.

503/93 Moved by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Typusiak that Council RECEIVE letter from Mr. R.E. Turnbull, April 16/93 - Resignation - Board of Variance and SEND a letter to him thanking him for his service. CARRIED

**12. NEW BUSINESS:**


- a) Canada Games Media Events, April 26/93 - Temporary Road Closure.

504/93 Moved by Councillor Typusiak, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council RECEIVE letter from Canada Games Media Events, April 26/93 - Temporary Road Closure and GRANT permission to have the traffic flow stopped on Quilchena Avenue, between Voght and Garcia Streets from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., May 11/93. CARRIED

**13. ADJOURNMENT:** Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor Brown that the meeting ADJOURN at 9:05 p.m.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

  
C.R. Norgaard, MAYOR

  
Y.J. Porada, CLERK