

CITY OF MERRITT

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY OF MERRITT COUNCIL, TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 1996 AT 7:30 P.M., CENTRAL SCHOOL LUNCHROOM, 1509 VOGHT STREET, MERRITT, B.C.

1. PRESENT:

COUNCIL:

Mayor - C.R.Norgaard
Councillors - R.Typusiak, B.Cowan, D.McLean, H.McCormack, D.Laird,
L.Miller

ADMINISTRATION:

Administrator - T.Day
Treasurer - S.Gill
Planner - F.Sinclair
Recreation Manager - D.Mackey
Confidential Secretary - B.Harrison
MEDIA: Merritt Herald, Merritt News, Shaw Cable(2)
GENERAL PUBLIC: Twelve (12) Members

2. CALL TO ORDER:

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

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

- a) Agenda, Regular Council Meeting, Tues., Apr.23/96

367/96 Moved by Councillor Cowan, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council ADOPT the Agenda, Regular Council Meeting, Tues., Apr.23/96 including the Extra Agenda items:

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a) Stanley Associates
I. Apr.9/96 - Arena Front End, Arena Roof
2. Apr.23/96 - Ice Slab Replacement

9. REPORTS:

c) Administration Reports:

1. Towing Agreement - Amended
6. Brian Dafoe Motorcade
i. Memo, Apr.23/96
ii. Letter, Apr.22/96
7. Dry Grad 1996
i. Dry After Grad Committee, Apr.19/96
ii. Memo, Apr.22/96

11. CORRESPONDENCE:

9. Merritt Community Choir Society, Apr.18/96 CARRIED

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4. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Nil.

5. **PETITIONS/DELEGATIONS:**

- a) B.C. Hydro, B.C. 21 Power Smart Delegation.- Donna Grainger, Paul Dumoret, Joe Trofananko.

The B.C.Hydro Delegation did not appear.

6. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES:**

- a) Minutes, Regular Council Meeting, Tues., Mar.26/96

368/96 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor McLean that Council ADOPT the Minutes, Regular Council Meeting, Tues., Mar.26/96 CARRIED

- b) Minutes, Regular Council Meeting, Tues., Apr.09/96

369/96 Moved by Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor McCormack that Council ADOPT the Minutes, Regular Council Meeting., Tues., Apr.09/96 CARRIED

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

8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- a) Stanley Associates
1. Apr.9/96 - Arena Front End, Arena Roof
2. Apr.23/96 - Ice Slab Replacement

370/96 Moved by Councillor McCormack, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council AWARD the Arena Retrofit Contract "A" to Action Construction in the amount of \$1,554,627, the "Ice Slab" Contract be awarded to Action Construction Ltd. in the amount of \$ 363,355, and the Arena Retrofit Contract "B" be awarded to Kelowna Roofing Ltd. in the amount of \$326,500. CARRIED

9. **REPORTS:**

- a) **Mayor's Reports:**
Mayor Norgaard made the following Proclamations:
Month of May - Multiple Sclerosis Month
May 6-12, 1996 - Mental Health Week
May 10, 11, 1996 - Multiple Sclerosis Days
May 13-19, 1996 - Mining Week
May 24, 1996 - Jean's Day for B.C.Children's Hospital
May 26-June 1, 1996 - ALS Week

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9. REPORTS:

a) Mayor's Reports: - Cont'd.

There were ten (10) members of the Merritt Ball Association working on Saturday, April 6th to upgrade Ball Field #3 at Central Park.

371/96

Moved by Councillor Cowan, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council SEND a Thank You letter to the Merritt Ball Association for their contribution towards the upgrading of Ball Field #3 at Central Park. **CARRIED**

b) Liaisons' and Commissions'/Committees Reports:

1. Councillor Cowan -

Civic Properties and Recreation Commission - Nil.

i. Minutes, Meeting Apr.3/96

372/96

Moved by Councillor Cowan, seconded by Councillor McCormack that Council RECEIVE the Minutes, Civic Properties and Recreation Commission Meeting, Apr.3/96. **CARRIED**

Local Access Awareness - Nil.

i. Sample of Vehicle Tags.

Affordable Housing - Nil.

2. Councillor Laird -

Public Works - Nil.

Community Health Council - Nil.

The Special Events Committee is preparing a presentation for the Knights of Columbus towards sponsorship of funding applications for the July 1st celebration.

3. Councillor McCormack -

Economic Development and Planning - Drew Council's attention to the report from the Development Officer on pages 42-43 of the Agenda.

NV Development Centre Liaison - The Young Entrepreneurs

Group from Dawson Creek was very successful in their presentation which was sponsored by the NVDC. The School District has expressed interest in establishing a similar program in Merritt. The Centre has a new allotment of funding for new businesses.

4. Councillor McLean -

Airport - There will be an Emergency Centre Open House at the Airport terminal building on May 8 from 12-3 and then 5 until dusk. This is open to the general public with displays on emergency preparedness and response. There will be school tours conducted in the afternoon.

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b) Liaisons' and Commissions'/Committees Reports:

4. Councillor McLean - Cont'd.

Merritt Flying Club - Nil.

Chamber of Commerce - This is Secretary's Week and the Chamber is sponsoring a luncheon on the 26th at the Five Star Restaurant for all secretaries and support staff. There are more flower boxes available for the downtown businesses.

5. Councillor Miller -

Protective Services & Public Safety - The Protective Services/Volunteer Wine and Cheese Appreciation Evening will be held on Friday, Apr.26/96
Healthy Communities - Nil.

6. Councillor Typusiak -

Administration & Finance - The Administrator and Treasurer will be opening negotiations with Van Maren Construction for the proposed City Hall Building. The Collettsville Water and Sewer Project tenders will close on Apr.30/96. A meeting on May 16/96 has been scheduled in the Lower Nicola Hall for rural residents in regards to Arena funding.

Environmental Advisory - The Spring Cleanup Campaign is scheduled for May 26/96 from 11-3 p.m. to start from N'Kwala Park.

i. Minutes, Meeting Mar.25/96

373/96

Moved by Councillor Typusiak, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council
RECEIVE the Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of Mar.25/96
CARRIED

c) Administration Reports:

1. Towing Services Agreement

i. Memo, Apr.18/96

ii. Draft Agreement

374/96

Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor McLean that Council
RECEIVE the Towing Services Agreement and Memo, Apr.18/96, amend the
Agreement to require all storage occur within the City boundaries and
AUTHORIZE the Mayor and Clerk to EXECUTE the Amended Agreement.
CARRIED

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9. REPORTS:

c) Administration Reports: - Cont'd.

2. Info Centre
 - i. Supervisor Position

375/96 Moved by Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council RECEIVE the Info Centre - Memo, Supervisor Position and APPROVE the continued operation of the Merritt Tourist Information Centre by the City through the Supervisor Position initiated March 31, 1995 and that the said operation be evaluated on an annual basis. CARRIED

- ii. Janitorial Contract

376/96 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor Cowan that Council RECEIVE the Info centre - Memo, Janitorial Contract and DIRECT the City of Merritt to enter into a 6 month contract with Pappin Enterprises for Janitorial Services at the Tourist Information Centre with the option to extend. CARRIED

3. Economic Development Activity Report for February and March, 1996

377/96 Moved by Councillor McCormack, seconded by Councillor Cowan that Council RECEIVE the Economic Development Activity Report for February and March, 1996. CARRIED

4. Memo, Fire Chief's Month End Report for March, 1996

378/96 Moved by Councillor Miller, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council RECEIVE the Memo, Fire Chief's Month End Report for March, 1996. CARRIED

5. Memo, Apr.18/96 - New Arena Slab, Boards and Glass System

379/96 Moved by Councillor Cowan, seconded by Councillor Miller that Council RECEIVE the Memo, Apr.18/96 - New Arena Slab, Boards and Glass System for Information and discussion. CARRIED

10. BYLAWS: Nil.

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11. CORRESPONDENCE:

a) Potential Council Responses:

1. Federation of Canadian Municipalities, Apr.4/96
- Licence Fees, Copyright Music.

380/96 Moved by Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor McCormack that Council RECEIVE the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, Apr.4/96 - Licence Fees, Copyright Music and SEND a letter to our Member of Parliament urging him to consider the impact of this legislation on his constituents before voting.

CARRIED

Councillors Typusiak, and Cowan OPPOSED Motion 380/96.
Councillors Miller, Laird, McCormack, McLean and Mayor Norgaard SUPPORTED Motion 380/96.

2. Graeme Beverley, Apr.8/96 - Airport Road Parking

381/96 Moved by Councillor Typusiak, seconded by Councillor McLean that Council RECEIVE the Graeme Beverley letter of Apr.8/96 - Airport Road Parking and DIRECT the Planning Department to provide the Irvine Avenue Residents a copy of the traffic study for Airport Road.

CARRIED

3. Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Apr.9/96 - Municipal General Grant, Municipal Basic Grant.

382/96 Moved by Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor Miller that Council RECEIVE the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing letter of Apr.9/96.

CARRIED

4. Corporation of the District of North Vancouver, Apr. 10/96 - Fraser River Sockeye Fishery

383/96 Moved by Councillor McCormack, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council RECEIVE the Corporation of the District of North Vancouver letter of Apr.10/96 - Fraser River Sockeye Fishery.

CARRIED

5. The Mining Association of Canada, Apr.12/96 - Kid's Poster Contest

384/96 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor Miller that Council RECEIVE The Mining Association of Canada letter of Apr.12/96 - Kid's Poster Contest and REFER the information to School District #31.

CARRIED

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a) Potential Council Responses: - Cont'd.

6. Yellowhead Highway Association, Apr.12/96
- Conference in Saskatoon (Additional Info in Reader File)

385/96 Moved by Councillor Cowan, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council RECEIVE the Yellowhead Highway Association letter of Apr.12/96 for information. CARRIED

7. Lower Nicola Indian Band, Apr.16/96 - Recycling

386/96 Moved by Councillor McCormack, seconded by Councillor McLean that Council RECEIVE the Lower Nicola Indian Band letter of Apr.16/96 - Recycling for information. CARRIED

8. Strategic Native/ Non-Native Business Studies, Apr.16/96 - Kelowna Program

387/96 Moved by Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor Miller that Council RECEIVE the Strategic Native/Non-Native Business Studies letter of Apr.16/96. CARRIED

b) Receive:

1. Thompson Nicola Regional District, Apr.16/96 - Building Department Statistics, March 1996.
2. Urban Systems Limited, Apr. 16/96 - Status Report on USL Projects in Merritt.

388/96 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor McLean that Council RECEIVE the Correspondence:

1. Thompson Nicola Regional District, Apr.16/96 - Building Department Statistics, March 1996.
2. Urban Systems Limited, Apr. 16/96 - Status Report on USL Projects in Merritt for information. CARRIED

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12. NEW BUSINESS:

- a) Brian Dafoe Motorcade
1. Memo, Apr.23/96
2. Letter, Apr.22/96

389/96 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor McCormack that Council RECEIVE the Brian Dafoe Motorcade Memo, Apr.23/96 and letter, Apr.22/96 for information and discussion. CARRIED

390/96 Moved by Councillor Cowan, seconded by Councillor McLean that the City ADVISE the applicant to apply to amend Development Permit No. DP95-F to include fencing as proposed. CARRIED

- b) Dry Grad 1996
1. Dry After Grad Committee, Apr.19/96
2. Memo, Apr.22/96

391/96 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor Cowan that Council RECEIVE the Dry Grad 1996 - Dry After Grad Committee letter of Apr.19/96 and Memo, Apr.22/96 and ADVISE the Committee as follows:

1. That the Dry After Grad Committee be charged for staff costs at regular rates where overtime does not apply, and at overtime rates if applicable.
2. That the Dry After Grad Committee pay the reduced rate of \$27.00 an hour (including GST) for the four hour rental. CARRIED

At 8:57 p.m., Councillor McLean left the meeting to avoid the potential of a conflict of interest.

- c) Merritt Community Choir Society, Apr.18/96 - Spring Concert

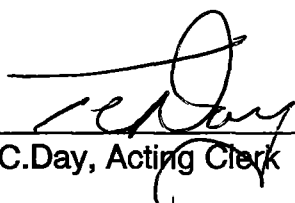
392/96 Moved by Councillor Typusiak, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council RECEIVE the Merritt Community Choir Society letter of Apr.18/96 - Spring Concert and AGREE to Co-Sponsor the event. CARRIED

13. ADJOURNMENT:

393/96 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor McCormack that Council TERMINATE this meeting at 8:57 p.m. CARRIED

CERTIFIED CORRECT:


C.R.Norgaard, Mayor


T.C.Day, Acting Clerk