

CITY OF MERRITT

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY OF MERRITT COUNCIL, TUESDAY, AUGUST 13, 1996 AT 7:30 P.M., WEST AUDITORIUM, CIVIC CENTRE CITY HALL, 2185 VOGHT STREET, MERRITT, B.C.

1. PRESENT:

COUNCIL:

Mayor - C.Norgaard
Councillors - H.McCormack, D.Laird, L.Miller, D.McLean

ADMINISTRATION:

Treasurer/Acting Clerk - S.Gill
Planner - F.Sinclair
Aquatic Centre Manager - J.Norburn
Confidential Secretary - B.Harrison
Temporary Clerk - T.Penny

MEDIA: Merritt Herald, NL Radio, Shaw Cable (2)

2. CALL TO ORDER:

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

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

a) Regular Council Meeting, Tues., Aug. 13/96

739/96 Moved by Councillor McCormack, seconded by Councillor Miller that Council ADOPT the Agenda, Regular Council Meeting, Tues., Aug.13/96 including the Extra Agenda items. CARRIED

4. PUBLIC HEARING: Nil.

5. PETITIONS/DELEGATIONS: Nil.

6. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES:

a) Regular Council Meeting, July 09/96

740/96 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor Miller that Council ADOPT the Minutes, Regular Council Meeting, July 09/96. CARRIED

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6. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES: - Cont'd.

b) Regular Council Meeting, July 23/96

741/96 Moved by Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor Miller that Council
ADOPT the Minutes, Regular Council Meeting, July 23/96. CARRIED

c) Special Council Meeting, July 30/96

742/96 Moved by Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor Miller that Council
ADOPT the Minutes, Special Council Meeting, July 30/96. CARRIED

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES: Nil.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Nil.

9. REPORTS:

a) **Mayor's Reports:**

Mayor Norgaard presented a copy of the advertisement that Council placed in the Nicola Valley Pro Rodeo Program in 1995 and requested Council's decision as to whether or not they wished to similarly advertise in 1996.

743/96 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor McLean that Council
APPROVE the placement of an advertisement in the Nicola Valley Pro Rodeo Association's Fair Days Program in the amount of \$50.00 to be charged to Council's budget. CARRIED

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

1) **Councillor Cowan - Absent**
Civic Properties and Recreation Commission - Nil.
Local Access Awareness - Nil.
Affordable Housing - Nil.

2) **Councillor Laird -**
Public Works - Councillor Laird informed Council of requests received from business people to have the alley between Quilchena and Coutlee Avenues, bounded by Voght and Chapman Streets paved. The issue will be reviewed in the fall budget discussions and possibly be returned to Council at that time.
Community Health Council - Nil.

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9. REPORTS:

b) Liaisons' and Commissions'/Committees Reports:

2) Councillor Laird - Cont'd.

Special Events Committee - Reference was made to the request on page 29 of the Agenda concerning the Labour Day Parade route. Councillor Laird suggested that the Labour Day weekend would benefit by a co-ordination of all the interest groups that have organized separately for the Labour Day/Rodeo Weekend events.

The Confidential Secretary was excused from the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

3) Councillor McCormack -

Economic Development and Planning - Councillor McCormack drew Council's attention to the Economic Development Activity Report for June and July which is included in the Agenda.
NV Development Centre - Nil.

The Confidential Secretary rejoined the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

4) Councillor McLean -

Airport - Merritt Flying Club - The next meeting will be Wed., Aug. 14/96
Chamber of Commerce - On Aug. 21/96 the Chamber is sponsoring the visit of Brian Minter from Minter Gardens to judge the flowerbox contest. There will be a wine and cheese reception held at the Old Warehouse Garden Centre at 5:30 p.m. which Council is invited to. Ardeu Wood Products is to be thanked for their contribution of the wood for the flower boxes.

5) Councillor Miller -

Protective Services & Public Safety - Nil.
South Central Union Board of Health - Nil.
Healthy Communities - Nil.

6) Councillor Typusiak - absent

Administration & Finance -
Environmental Advisory -

c) Administration Reports:

1. Building Permits - July/96

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Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor Miller that Council
RECEIVE Building Permits - July/96.

CARRIED

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9. REPORTS:

c) Administration Reports: - Cont'd.

2. Memo, Aug.7/96 - SD1996-05

745/96 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor McLean that Council RECEIVE Memo, Aug.7/96 - SD1996-05 and APPROVE the street names of Bremner and Nicholson for the Bremner Subdivision. CARRIED

3. Memo, Aug.7/96 - Economic Development Activity Report for June and July

746/96 Moved by Councillor McCormack, seconded by Councillor Miller that Council RECEIVE Memo, Aug.7/96 - Economic Development Activity Report for June and July. CARRIED

4. Memo, Aug.8/96 - Labour Day Parade Route

747/96 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor McLean that Council RECEIVE Memo, Aug.8/96 - Labour Day Parade Route and APPROVE the Labour Day Activities as follows:

- a) That the Labour Day Parade be held on Monday September 2, 1996 at 12:00 noon starting at the corner of Blair Street and Quilchena Avenue and ending at Voght Park, and that all motor vehicle traffic along the route be restricted during the time of the parade.
- b) That Voght Park be reserved exclusively for the Labour Day Community Celebration on Monday, September 2, 1996.
- c) That Spring Street, between Coldwater Avenue and Canford Avenue, be closed to motor vehicle traffic in order to hold the Push, Pull or Drag Race during the afternoon of September 2, 1996 from approximately 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm.
- d) That local artists be permitted to paint a mural on the exterior walls of the concession at Voght Park as part of the Labour Day Community Celebration. CARRIED

5. Sample Advertisement - Rodeo & Fall Fair Supplement Merritt Herald

748/96 Moved by Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor Miller that Council RECEIVE the Sample Advertisement - Rodeo & Fall Fair Supplement Merritt Herald and APPROVE the expenditure of approximately \$155.00 for advertising to be charged to Council's budget. CARRIED

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10. BYLAWS:

- a) City of Merritt Emergency Program Bylaw No. 1569, 1996

749/96 Moved by Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council
**ADOPT CITY OF MERRITT EMERGENCY PROGRAM BYLAW NO. 1569,
1996.** **CARRIED**

11. CORRESPONDENCE:

a) **Potential Council Responses:**

1. Office of the Official Opposition

- i. July 5/96 - Resubmitted with missing Hansard Article from July
23/96 Agenda.

750/96 Moved by Councillor McCormack, seconded by Councillor Miller that Council
RECEIVE the Office of the Official Opposition correspondence, July 5/96 for
information. **CARRIED**

- ii. July 31/96- UBCM Convention appointments

751/96 Moved by Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council
RECEIVE the Office of the Official Opposition, July 31/96 - UBCM Convention
appointments. **CARRIED**

2. City of Surrey, July 23/96 - Fed. Canadian Municipalities Proposal (The
20% Solution)

752/96 Moved by Councillor Miller, seconded by Councillor McCormack that Council
RECEIVE the City of Surrey, July 23/96 - Fed. Canadian Municipalities Proposal
(The 20% Solution). **CARRIED**

Councillor McCormack suggested that although this issue is not applicable to
Merritt at the present time, it would be advisable for Council to stay abreast of
the available information.

3. Arena Retrofit Fundraising Committee, July 29/96 - N.V. Memorial Arena
Upgrade

- i. Stanley Associates, Aug.9/96

753/96 Moved by Councillor McCormack, seconded by Councillor McLean that Council
RECEIVE the N.V.Memorial Arena Upgrade correspondence-Arena Retrofit
Fundraising Committee, July 29/96 and Stanley Associates, Aug.9/96 for
information and discussion. **CARRIED**

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11. CORRESPONDENCE:

a) Potential Council Responses: - Cont'd.

4. Okanagan University College, July 30/96 - Water Quality Technology Co-Op Program

754/96 Moved by Councillor Miller, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council RECEIVE the Okanagan University College correspondence of July 30/96 - Water Quality Technology Co-op Program for information and further investigation to determine feasibility of participation. CARRIED

5. NVIT, Aug.1/96 - Invitation

755/96 Moved by Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor Miller that Council RECEIVE the NVIT Invitation of Aug.1/96. CARRIED

6. Youth Service Canada, Aug.8/96 - Donation Cans

756/96 Moved by Councillor McCormack, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council RECEIVE the Youth Service Canada letter of Aug.8/96 - Donation Cans and SEND a letter in response informing Youth Service Canada that there are no restrictions on Donation Cans for non-profit organizations. CARRIED

7. Merritt Centennials, Aug.12/96 - Request for waiver of Civic Centre Rental Fee

757/96 Moved by Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council RECEIVE the Merritt Centennials letter of Aug.12/96 - Request for waiver of Civic Centre Rental Fee. CARRIED

758/96 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor McCormack that Council APPROVE the waiver of the Civic Centre Rental Fee for the Ice Breaker Fundraising Event. CARRIED

8. Labour Day Street Mall Aug.30-31/96
i. Merritt and District Chamber of Commerce, Aug.9/96
ii. Doug and Judy Haller, Aug.12/96
iii. City of Merritt Business Licence Bylaw No. 1359, page 7(for reference)
iv. Merritt and District Chamber of Commerce, Aug.13/96

759/96 Moved by Councillor McLean that Councillor Laird that Council RECEIVE the Labour Day Street Mall Aug.30-31/96 correspondence. CARRIED

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a) Potential Council Responses:

8. Labour Day Street Mall Aug.30-31/96 - Cont'd.

760/96 Moved by Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor Miller that Council APPROVE the closure of the 2000 block Quilchena Avenue and the 2000 block of Granite Avenue excluding the entrance to the City parking lot for the purpose of a Chamber of Commerce sponsored Street Mall on August 30 and 31, 1996 from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. each day. **CARRIED**

b) Receive:

1. Federation of Canadian Municipalities, July 10/96 - National Tax Collection Agency

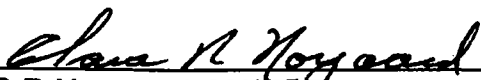
761/96 Moved by Councillor McCormack, seconded by Councillor Miller that Council RECEIVE the Federation of Canadian Municipalities letter of July 10/96 - National Tax Collection Agency. **CARRIED**

12. NEW BUSINESS: Nil.

13. ADJOURNMENT:

762/96 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor Miller that Council TERMINATE this meeting at 8:14 p.m and RECONVENE the Special In-camera meeting in Meeting Room #1 with Mayor Norgaard in the chair. **CARRIED**

CERTIFIED CORRECT:



C.R.Norgaard, MAYOR



S.Gill, ACTING CLERK