

CITY OF MERRITT

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF MERRITT COUNCIL, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 1996, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MERRITT CITY HALL, 2185 VOGHT STREET, MERRITT, B.C.

1. PRESENT:

COUNCIL:

Mayor -

Councillors -

Councillor-Elects -

ADMINISTRATION:

Administrator -

Clerk -

Treasurer -

Planner -

Recreation Manager -

MEDIA:

GENERAL PUBLIC:

C. Norgaard

D. Laird, R. Typusiak, B. Cowan,

H. McCormack, D. McLean

L. Barr, R. Sherwood

T. Day

Y. Porada

S. Gill

F. Sinclair

D. Brandt

Radio CJNL, Shaw Cable

11 members

2. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Norgaard called the meeting to order at 7:30 and noted that Councillor-Elects Barr and Sherwood would take part in Council discussions, but would not vote on any issues.

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

a) Regular Meeting, November 26, 1996.

976/96 Moved by Councillor Typusiak, seconded by Councillor Cowan that Council ADOPT the Agenda for the Regular Meeting, November 26, 1996, including the Extra Agenda, 5. Petitions/Delegations and 11. Correspondence.

CARRIED

4. PUBLIC HEARING: Nil

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5. PETITIONS/DELEGATIONS:

- a) Skateboard Park - Helen Oliphant.

Ms. Oliphant introduced herself and noted two youths would also speak on behalf of the skateboard park. Discussion was as follows:

- the youths have undertaken a number of fundraising activities and plan to continue with them in the future;
- fundraising activities include, car washes, skate-a-thon, bake sales, donation tins, support from local businesses, etc.;
- total funds raised to date being \$906.00;
- the youths felt Voght Park (tennis court area) is the preferred location for the skateboard park, but would be pleased with any location;
- to date, support has been mostly positive.

Mayor Norgaard thanked the youths for their presentation and all 11 members of the general public left the meeting at 7:38 pm.

6. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES:

- a) Regular Meeting, October 22, 1996.

977/96 Moved by Councillor Cowan, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council ADOPT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, October 22, 1996. CARRIED

- b) Regular Meeting, October 29, 1996.

978/96 Moved by Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor Typusiak that Council ADOPT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, October 29, 1996. CARRIED

- c) Regular Meeting, November 12, 1996.

979/96 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor McCormack that Council ADOPT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, November 12, 1996. CARRIED

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES: Nil

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8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a) Liquor Control and Licensing Branch, Nov. 18/96 - "I" License Information.

980/96 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor McCormack that Council RECEIVE letter from Liquor Control and Licensing Branch, Nov. 18/96 - "I" License Information. CARRIED

981/96 Moved by Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council SUPPORT 525040 BC Ltd. (Grand Hotel's) application to change from a Class "A" Pub liquor license to a Class "I" Restoration Public House, and further that the owner be NOTIFIED that if a major renovation or demolition of the existing structure is to occur, a rezoning application must be made in order to legitimize the use of a pub, which is not located in a hotel. CARRIED
MAYOR NORGAARD, COUNCILLORS COWAN, LAIRD,
McCORMACK, McLEAN IN FAVOUR
COUNCILLOR TYPUSIAK OPPOSED

9. REPORTS:

- a) **Mayor's Report:**

Mayor Norgaard reported as follows:

- congratulated the newly elected Councillors, Linda Barr and Ron Sherwood, and thanked Councillors Bonnie Cowan and Les Miller for their hard work over the past three years;
- invited the public to the Inaugural Ceremonies on Monday, Dec. 2/96 at 6:30 pm;
- Proclaimed Jan. 1-31/97 as "Alzheimer Awareness Month", Jan. 15-31/97 as "Kinsmen Mothers' March" and Jan. 18-26/97 as "Bank of Montreal Gymnastics Awareness Week '97 in the City of Merritt; and
- Approved of the Kinsmen Foundation's Mothers' March door-to-door canvassing between Jan. 15-31/97.

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

- 1) Councillor Cowan -
Civic Properties and Recreation Commission - Nil.

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9. REPORTS: b) 1) Cont'd.

- b) 1) Local Access Awareness - Walk-About postponed until the Spring.
Affordable Housing - Van Maren Construction was the company selected for design/build of the Society's housing project. Councillor Cowan passed Council a draft design, noting it was near completion.**
- 2) Councillor Laird -
Public Works - the new Collettsville water pump will be up and running within the week, and will provide for the City during the winter months.
Community Health Council - an announcement is forthcoming Nov. 29/96.**
- 3) Councillor McCormack -
Economic Development and Planning - the Project Presentation, Nov. 19/96 proved successful;
- meeting scheduled Nov. 28, 7:00 am at the ABC Restaurant regarding the brochure and marketing package.
NV Development Centre - meeting scheduled Nov. 27/96.**
- 4) Councillor McLean -
Airport - Merritt Flying Club - Nil.
Chamber of Commerce - Santa Parade, Dec. 7/96 at 1:00 pm;
- Ladies Financial Seminars - Nov. 27/96 at 2:00 and 7:00 pm - Financial Credibility.**
- 5) Councillor Miller -
Protective Services & Public Safety - Nil.
South Central Union Board of Health - Nil.
Healthy Communities - Nil.**
- 6) Councillor Typusiak -
Administration & Finance - Administration is currently involved with year end and 1997 budgets.
Environmental Advisory - Valley Waste Management has initiated its recycling program, collections (commercial and residential) will begin within a week;**

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9. REPORTS: b) 6) Cont'd.

- b) 6) - the TNRD Recycling Contractor will be presenting a Recycling Workshop in Merritt on public awareness; Recycling Drop Off - City bins, north of Civic Centre; Paint Depot - Machine Works Yard;
- recycling program schedule will be made available to the general public.

c) Administration's Reports:

- 1) Nicola Valley Memorial Arena, Ice Schedule 1996/97.

982/96 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor McLean that Council RECEIVE Nicola Valley Memorial Arena, Ice Schedule 1996/97. **CARRIED**

- 2) 1996 Bylaw Services Statistics -
i) September; and
ii) October.

983/96 Moved by Councillor McCormack, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council RECEIVE 1996 Bylaw Services Statistics - September; and October. **CARRIED**

- 3) Development Services Projects Summary.

984/96 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor McLean that Council RECEIVE Development Services Projects Summary. **CARRIED**

- 4) Memo, Nov. 17/96 - Declaration of Official Election Results.

985/96 Moved by Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor Cowan that Council RECEIVE Memo, Nov. 17/96 - Declaration of Official Election Results. **CARRIED**

10. BYLAWS:

- a) Memo, Nov. 21/96 -

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10. BYLAWS: a) Cont'd.

- 986/96 Moved by Councillor Typusiak, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council RECEIVE Memo, Nov. 21/96. CARRIED
- a) I) City of Merritt Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 1561, 1996 - Submitted to Rescind Second and Third Readings.
- 987/96 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor Cowan that Council RESCIND Second and Third Readings of City of Merritt Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 1561, 1996. CARRIED
- 988/96 Moved by Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor Typusiak that Council AMEND City of Merritt Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 1561, 1996 as follows: that Section 2 - Paragraph d) be DELETED in its entirety. CARRIED
- 989/96 Moved by Councillor Typusiak, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council GIVE SECOND READING to "CITY OF MERRITT OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 1561, 1996", as amended. CARRIED
- 990/96 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor McCormack that Council PROCEED to Public Hearing on City of Merritt Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 1561, 1996 on Jan. 14/97 at 7:30 pm. CARRIED
- ii) City of Merritt Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1562, 1996 - Submitted to Rescind Second and Third Readings.
- 991/96 Moved by Councillor Typusiak, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council RESCIND Second and Third Readings of City of Merritt Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1562, 1996. CARRIED
- 992/96 Moved by Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council AMEND City of Merritt Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1562, 1996 as follows: that Section 2 - Paragraph d) be DELETED in its entirety and that Section 3 be amended by DELETING "inclusive" and SUBSTITUTING "attached hereto". CARRIED

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10. BYLAWS: a) ii) Cont'd.

993/96 Moved by Councillor McCormack, seconded by Councillor Typusiak that Council GIVE SECOND READING to "CITY OF MERRITT ZONING AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 1562, 1996", as amended. CARRIED

994/96 Moved by Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council PROCEED to Public Hearing on City of Merritt Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1562, 1996 on Jan. 14/97 at 7:30 pm. CARRIED

11. CORRESPONDENCE:

a) Potential Responses:

- 1) Merritt Fire Rescue Department -
 - i) Fire Prevention Officers' Association of B.C., Sept. 26/96 - 1998 F.P.O.A. Conference.
 - ii) B.C. Fire Training Officers' Association, Nov. 7/96 - 2001 Workshop.

995/96 Moved by Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council RECEIVE Merritt Fire Rescue Department letters from - Fire Prevention Officers' Association of B.C., Sept. 26/96 - 1998 F.P.O.A. Conference and B.C. Fire Training Officers' Association, Nov. 7/96 - 2001 Workshop. CARRIED

- 2) Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Nov. 5/96 - Follow up to UBCM Meeting.

996/96 Moved by Councillor Cowan, seconded by Councillor McCormack that Council RECEIVE letter from Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Nov. 5/96 - Follow up to UBCM Meeting. CARRIED

- 3) BC Tel, Nov. 6/96 - Rate Changes.

997/96 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor McCormack that Council RECEIVE letter from BC Tel, Nov. 6/96 - Rate Changes and INVITE BC Tel as a delegation to Council to present an update on services and its upgrading program in Merritt. CARRIED

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11. CORRESPONDENCE: a) Cont'd.

- a) 4) Conayt Friendship Society, Nov. 15/96 - Baillie House.

998/96 Moved by Councillor McCormack, seconded by Councillor Typusiak that Council RECEIVE letter from Conayt Friendship Society, Nov. 15/96 - Baillie House and INCLUDE it in the Information Package being compiled for Council.

CARRIED

- 5) Coldwater Hotel, Nov. 20/96 - Bingo Hall Expansion.

999/96 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor McLean that Council DEFER letter from the Coldwater Hotel, Nov. 20/96 - Bingo Hall Expansion until information is received from BC Purchasing Commission, and that the owner be so advised.

CARRIED

- 6) Merritt and District Chamber of Commerce, Nov. 26/96 - Santa Parade, Dec. 7/96.

1000/96 Moved by Councillor Cowan, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council GRANT permission for the Santa Parada, Dec. 7/96, noting that if the Civic Centre washrooms are required, the City will CO-HOST this rental, subject to the Chamber ensuring that the general public will be supervised.

CARRIED

- 7) Ministry of Municipal Affairs, Nov. 26/96 - Funding Restructuring.

1001/96 Moved by Councillor Cowan, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council RECEIVE letter from Ministry of Municipal Affairs, Nov. 26/96 - Funding Restructuring.

CARRIED

Council had a lengthy discussion on the Provincial Government's funding restructuring and how it felt that the current government had misrepresented the Province's financial picture during its election campaign. It was also noted that the consultation protocol to occur between Provincial and Municipal governments, which was promised at the UBCM Convention, had been blatantly ignored.

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11. CORRESPONDENCE:

b) Receive:

- 1) Federation of Canadian Municipalities, Oct. 30/96
- Update.
- 2) Minister of Education, Skills and Training, Oct. 31/96
- NVIT Campus.
- 3) Town of Creston, Nov. 4/96 - CPR Closures.
- 4) Davidson, Yuen, Simpson Architects, Nov. 5/96
- New City Hall.

1002/96 Moved by Councillor Typusiak, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council RECEIVE letters from Federation of Canadian Municipalities, Oct. 30/96 - Update, Minister of Education, Skills and Training, Oct. 31/96 - NVIT Campus, Town of Creston, Nov. 4/96 - CPR Closures, and Davidson, Yuen, Simpson Architects, Nov. 5/96 - New City Hall. CARRIED

- 5) UBCM - Member Release -
 - i) Nov. 5/96,
 - ii) Nov. 13/96.
- 6) Town of Princeton, Nov. 6/96 - Regrets.
- 7) Minister of Employment and Investment, Nov. 15/96 - 1996 Grants-in-Lieu of Taxes.
- 8) Urban Systems Ltd., Nov. 19/96 - Status Report on USL in November.

1003/96 Moved by Councillor Typusiak, seconded by Councillor McLean that Council RECEIVE UBCM - Member Release - Nov. 5/96, Nov. 13/96, Town of Princeton, Nov. 6/96 - Regrets, Minister of Employment and Investment, Nov. 15/96 - 1996 Grants-in-Lieu of Taxes, and Urban Systems Ltd., Nov. 19/96 - Status Report on USL in November. CARRIED

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11. CORRESPONDENCE: Cont'd.

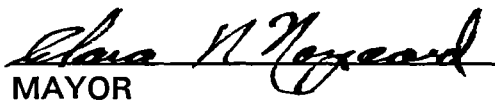
b) 9) Valley Waste Management, Nov. 25/96 - Announcement.

1004/96 Moved by Councillor Cowan, seconded by Councillor McLean that Council RECEIVE letter from Valley Waste Management, Nov. 25/96 - Announcement, and that the schedule be displayed at City Hall. **CARRIED**

12. NEW BUSINESS: Nil

13. ADJOURNMENT:

1005/96 Moved by Councillor Typusiak, seconded by Councillor McLean that Council TERMINATE the meeting at 8:55 pm. **CARRIED**


MAYOR


CLERK