

# CITY OF MERRITT

## MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY OF MERRITT COUNCIL, TUESDAY, MAY 5, 1998, AT 7:00 P.M., CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 2185 VOGHT STREET, MERRITT, B.C.

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### 1. PRESENT:

#### COUNCIL:

Mayor - C. Norgaard  
Councillors - L. Barr, D. Laird, D. McLean,  
R. Sherwood, R. Typusiak, H. McCormack

#### ADMINISTRATION:

Administrator - T. Day  
Treasurer - S. Gill  
Acting Clerk - B. Harrison  
Confidential Secretary - L. Allen  
City Planner - J. Johnson  
Recreation Manager - D. Brandt  
City Engineer- R. Telegus

MEDIA: Radio NL

Members of the General Public: 1

### 2. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Norgaard called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

369/98 Moved by Councillor Typusiak, seconded by Councillor Barr that Council CONDUCT the Special Council Meeting May 5, 1998. **CARRIED**

### 3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

370/98 Moved by Councillor Typusiak, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council ADOPT the amended Agenda Special Council Meeting May 5, 1998 to deal with Item 6. Reports, A. Administration Reports, 1) Requires Council Action: b) Memo, May 4, 1998, Arena Management Contract under 5. Unfinished Business and add Item 6.A.1)e) Car Pooling to OMMA. **CARRIED**

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**4. BYLAWS:**

- A. City of Merritt Sewer Specified Area (Collettsville) Frontage Tax Bylaw No. 1688, 1998.
- 371/98 Moved by Councillor Barr, seconded by Councillor Sherwood that Council ADOPT City of Merritt Sewer Specified Area (Collettsville) Frontage Tax Bylaw No. 1688, 1998. **CARRIED**
- B. City of Merritt Water Specified Area (Collettsville) Frontage Tax Bylaw No. 1689, 1998.
- 372/98 Moved by Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor Sherwood that Council ADOPT City of Merritt Water Specified Area (Collettsville) Frontage Tax Bylaw No. 1689, 1998. **CARRIED**

**5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- A. Memo, May 4, 1998, Arena Management Contract
- 373/98 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor Barr that Council RECEIVE for discussion Memo, May 4, 1998, Arena Management Contract. **CARRIED**
- 374/98 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor McLean that Council ACCEPT the proposal signed by Merritt Arena Sports and enter into a five year contract as outlined, with an annual management fee of \$152,000 per year effective July 1, 1998. **TABLED**
- 375/98 Moved by Councillor Typusiak seconded by Councillor Barr that Council TABLE Motion 374/98 until after the Motion to Rescind Motion 357/98. **CARRIED**
- 376/98 Moved by Councillor Barr, seconded by Councillor Typusiak that Council RESCIND Motion 357/98. **CARRIED**
- 377/98 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor McLean that Council ACCEPT the proposal signed by Merritt Arena Sports and enter into a five year contract as outlined, with an annual management fee of \$152,000 per year effective July 1, 1998 and AUTHORIZE the Mayor and Acting Clerk to EXECUTE the last Contract submitted by Merritt Arena Sports. **CARRIED**

One (1) Member of the General Public Left at 7:10 PM.

- B. 1998 Budget Discussions – Table
- 378/98 Moved by Councillor Typusiak, seconded by Councillor McCormack that Council APPROVE adjustments to the Provisional Budget which will result in a net deficit of \$46,000 and that Council DIRECT staff to prepare a final budget reflecting a no greater than a 2% tax increase. **CARRIED**

6. REPORTS:

A. Administration Reports:

1) Requires Council Action:

a) Memo, UBCM, April 30, 1998, Financing Local Government Study.

379/98 Moved by Councillor Typusiak, seconded by Councillor Barr that Council RECEIVE for information Memo, UBCM, April 30, 1998, Financing Local Government Study and that Council and staff prepare a list of concerns to be submitted to the Acting Clerk no later than May 13, 1998. **CARRIED**

b) Memo, May 4, 1998, Arena Dehumidification System.

380/98 Moved by Councillor Laird, seconded by Councillor Barr that Council RECEIVE for information Memo, May 4, 1998, Arena Dehumidification System and ACCEPT the quotation from Norlock Refrigeration of \$46,720.000 plus taxes for the installation of a desiccant dehumidification system at the Nicola Valley Memorial Arena as per Keen Engineering's drawings and specifications.

**CARRIED**

c) Memo, May 5, 1998, Lion's Park Footbridge.

381/98 Moved by Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor Typusiak that Council RECEIVE for information Memo, May 5, 1998, Lion's Park Footbridge and AWARD the contract to replace the Lion's Park Footbridge to Sanders and Co., subject to receipt of written approval from the Provincial P.E.P. **CARRIED**

Council expressed concern with the Engineering of the Footbridge. Administration will speak with the Building Inspector regarding this issue.

d) Memo, May 5, 1998, Tourist Information Centre Volunteers.

382/98 Moved by Councillor Typusiak, seconded by Councillor Barr that Council RECEIVE for information Memo, May 5, 1998, Tourist Information Centre Volunteers; APPROVE the increase of \$2,000.00 in the Tourist Information Centre wages adjusting the budget accordingly; APPROVE the sale of additional items at the Tourist Information Centre and SEND a letter to the Volunteers thanking them for their past years of service and that Council is looking forward to their return in September. **CARRIED**

e) Carpooling to OMMA.

Mayor Norgaard enquired as to how the Council Members were travelling to OMMA. Three members were travelling in one vehicle, another two were leaving Merritt at a different time together and one was leaving later in the day, therefore only three separate vehicles would be travelling to OMMA.

7. CORRESPONDENCE:

- A. Potential Responses: Nil.
- B. Receive for Information: Nil.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

Councillor Sherwood brought up the new watering restrictions, specifically how difficult it is with people that have automatic sprinklers. The suggestion was that people that have automatic systems with an even number sprinkle Monday, Wednesday, Friday, those with odd numbers sprinkle Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday. No sprinkling on Sundays. This issue was referred to the Acting Clerk to look at a possible solution.

9. ADJOURNMENT:

383/98 Moved by Councillor McCormack, seconded by Councillor Laird that Council TERMINATE this meeting at 8:35 PM and reconvene in an In-Camera Meeting excluding the Press and the Public. **CARRIED**

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

  
Clara R. Norgaard, Mayor

  
Roberta M. Harrison, Acting-Clerk