



CITY OF MERRITT

MINUTES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

CITY HALL
2185 Voght Street
Merritt, B.C.

Tuesday, January 25, 2005
At 7:30 pm

Mission Statement: The purpose of the City of Merritt is to maintain a modern, attractive, economically viable City, with the appropriate services, infrastructure and supporting human resources.

Council

Mayor David Laird

Councillor Bob Baird

Councillor Sheldon Guertin

Councillor Elmer Reimer

Councillor Richie Gage

Councillor Harry Kroeker

Councillor Ron Sherwood

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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBER
TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2005
AT 7:30 PM

1. PRESENT:

Councillor B. Baird
Councillor R. Gage
Councillor S. Guertin
Councillor H. Kroeker
Councillor E. Reimer
Councillor R. Sherwood

ABSENT

Mayor David Laird

IN ATTENDANCE

Ms. J. Bridarolli, Administrator
Mr. J. Freund, Leisure Services Manager
Mr. D. Matteucci, Fire Chief
Mr. T. Reynolds, Financial Services Manager
Ms. R. Tolerton, Corporate Services Manager

Merritt Herald
Merritt News
Radio NL
Shaw Cable

2. CALL TO ORDER

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

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

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0013/05

3.1 Moved, seconded and **CARRIED**

THAT the Minutes for the Regular Council Meeting held on Tuesday, January 11, 2005 be adopted.

**ADOPTION OF
MINUTES**

0014/05

3.2 Moved, seconded and **CARRIED**

THAT the Minutes for the Special Council Meeting held on Wednesday, January 19, 2005 be adopted.

4. GENERAL MATTERS - Delegations and Recognitions

nil

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

nil

6. BYLAWS

OFFICERS BYLAW

- 6.1 City of Merritt Officers Bylaw No. 1896, 2005; Corporate Services Manager's January 11, 2005 Memorandum
File: 3900

Moved, seconded and **CARRIED**

0015/05

THAT City of Merritt Officers Bylaw No. 1896, 2005 be given first reading

Moved, seconded and **CARRIED**

0016/05

THAT City of Merritt Officers Bylaw No. 1896, 2005 be given second reading

Moved, seconded and **CARRIED**

0017/05

THAT City of Merritt Officers Bylaw No. 1896, 2005 be given third reading

7. NEW BUSINESS

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

- 7.1 Request from Syemyim Transition House asking the City to co-host the Community Connections meeting; Laura McIntyre's January 14, 2005 letter
File: 1851

Moved, seconded and **CARRIED**

0018/05

THAT Staff send a letter to Syemyim Transition House advising that Council is unable to accommodate their request to co-host or fund the Community Connections meeting and advising of the exiting policy for grant-in-aid.

**FIRE INSPECTION
POLICY**

7.2 Fire Prevention Through Inspection; Administrator's December 27, 2004 Memorandum
File: 0595

Moved, seconded and **CARRIED**

0019/05

That Council adopts the Frequency of Fire Inspection Policy and endorses the Frequency of Fire Inspection Procedure.

**CITY HALL
ASSIGNED VEHICLES
POLICY**

7.3 Use of City Hall Assigned Vehicles; Administrator's January 14, 2005 Memorandum
File: 0595

Moved, seconded and **CARRIED**

0020/05

THAT Council adopts the Use of City Hall Assigned Vehicles Policy and endorses the Use of City Hall Assigned Vehicles Procedure.

**VOGHT CORRIDOR
TRAFFIC STUDY**

7.4 Voght Corridor Traffic Study; Administrator's January 14, 2005 Memorandum
File: 8310

Moved, seconded and **CARRIED**

0021/05

THAT Council receives and endorses the Voght Corridor Traffic Study, Final Report dated January, 2005

**MFA FINANCIAL
FORUM & ANNUAL
GENERAL MEETING**

7.5 Notification of the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia Financial Forum and Annual General Meeting
File: 1691

Moved, seconded and **CARRIED**

0022/05

That this item be received for information only.

FEMALE CHANGE ROOM AT ARENA

7.6 Letter from Rosalie Edginton Re: Female Change Room at Arena; Leisure Services Manager's January 19, 2005 Memorandum
File: 7900

0023/05

Moved, seconded and **CARRIED**

THAT Council directs the Leisure Services Manager to work jointly with the Hockey Association and Nicola Valley Memorial Arena contractor to implement a short term solution to the lack of dressing room space and that the Leisure Services Manager report back to Council on the possibility of converting the storage rooms back into dressing rooms and other potential long term solutions including a Live Sites Grant application.

APPLICATION REFERRAL-ASPEN PLANERS

7.7 Application Referral - Aspen Planers; Administrator's January 14, 2005 Memorandum
File: 0400

0024/05

Moved, seconded and **CARRIED**

THAT this item be tabled pending receipt of a report by Interior Health Authority regarding the impact of the proposed new dry kiln at Aspen Planers on the air quality of Merritt.

LIQUID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

7.8 Liquid Waste Management Plan
File: 5345

0025/05

Moved, seconded and **CARRIED**

THAT Council endorses the specific tasks identified as "Plan Commitments" in order to finalize the Liquid Waste Management Plan

0026/05

Moved, seconded and **CARRIED**

THAT Council commits to an expenditure of \$4,000 to \$5,000 per year for the next five years for operation in partnership with other agencies for continuous gauge reading on the Coldwater River to provide information on flows in the river

8. NOTICES OF MOTION

COUNCILLOR
SHERWOOD NOTICE
OF MOTION

- 8.1 Heritage Commission request to apply for grant to hold Community Heritage Workshop
File: 0546

0027/05

Moved, seconded and **CARRIED**

THAT this item be dealt with tonight.

Moved, seconded and **CARRIED**

0028/05

THAT Council grants permission to the Heritage Commission to apply for a grant from the BC Heritage Society to hold a one-day workshop relating to downtown revitalization with a heritage perspective.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to section 94 of the Community Charter that the City of Merritt Council Procedure Bylaw 1862, 2003 will be considered for amendment at the next Council meeting on February 8, 2005. The purpose of the amendment will be to change the wording in section 15 of Bylaw 1862 to read "Council may, by unanimous resolution of Council *present*, consent to deal with the matter the same evening it is introduced." The wording in section 18(c) of Bylaw 1862 will also be amended to read "unless consent is given by unanimous resolution of Council *present*".

9. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL

10. INFORMATION ITEMS

INSPECTION
SERVICES REPORT

- 10.1 Inspection Services Report for Fourth Quarter and Year End Report for 2004; Building Safety and Inspection Services January 13, 2005 Memorandum
File: 3800

FIRE DEPARTMENT
MONTH END
REPORT

- 10.2 December 2004 - Fire Department Month End Report; Fire Chief's January 06, 2004 Memorandum
File: 7200

FIRE DEPARTMENT
YEAR END REPORT

- 10.3 2004 Year End Report - Fire Chief's January 04, 2005 Memorandum
File: 7200

11. TERMINATION OF MEETING

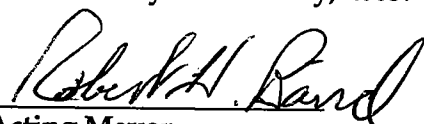
The Acting Mayor declared the meeting closed at 9:05 p.m.

**Certified correct in accordance with Section 124(2) (c) of the
Community Charter.**



Corporate Services Manager

Confirmed on the 08th Day of February, 2005.



Acting Mayor