



CITY OF MERRITT

MINUTES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

COUNCIL CHAMBER

TUESDAY, APRIL 26, 2011

AT 7:00 PM

1. PRESENT:

Mayor Susan Roline
Councillor D. Baker
Councillor M. Goetz
Councillor H. Kroeker
Councillor A. Murdoch
Councillor S. Sanders

REGRETS

Councillor N. Clarke

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. M. Noble, Chief Administrative Officer
Mr. D. Finnigan, Public Works Superintendent
Ms. C. Fraser, Deputy Clerk
Ms. D. Lovin, Collector/Deputy Financial Services Manager
Mr. L. Plotnikoff, Leisure Services Manager
Mr. D. Tomkinson, Fire Chief

Merritt Herald
Merritt News
Shaw Cable

0 Members of the Public

2. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Roline called the meeting to order at 7:03p.m.

3. PUBLIC INPUT (10 Minutes)

Nil

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

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071/11

4.1 Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

**THAT Item 8.5 Development Variance Permit - 1295 Midday Valley Road be corrected to read:
THAT Council approve the Development Variance Permit Application 2011-01 for 1295 Midday Valley Road on the condition that a berm, approved by the City, be installed and maintained to act as a buffer from nearby residential use;**

**AND THAT Item 8.6 Grant-in-Aid be corrected to read:
AND THAT Council provides early budget approval for the following grants-in-aid;**

AND FURTHER THAT the Minutes for the Regular Council Meeting held on Tuesday, April 12, 2011 be adopted as amended

5. GENERAL MATTERS - Delegations and Recognitions

Nil

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nil

7. BYLAWS

ADMINISTRATIVE
FEES AND CHARGES

072/11

7.1 City of Merritt Administrative Fees and Charges Amendment
Bylaw No. 2114, 2011
File: 3900.2025

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

THAT City of Merritt Administrative Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 2114, 2011 be adopted

NICOLA VALLEY AQUATIC CENTRE	7.2	City of Merritt Nicola Valley Aquatic Centre Regulation and Rental Rates Bylaw No. 2115, 2011 File: 3900.2115
073/11		Moved, Seconded and CARRIED
		THAT City of Merritt Nicola Valley Aquatic Centre Regulation and Rental Rates Bylaw No. 2115, 2011 be adopted
FIVE YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN	7.3	City of Merritt Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 2117, 2011 File: 3900.2117
074/11		Moved, Seconded and CARRIED
		THAT City of Merritt Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 2117, 2011 be adopted
2011 TAX RATE	7.4	2011 Tax Rates Bylaw No. 2118, 2011; Financial Services Manager's April 13, 2011 Memorandum File: 3900.2118 and 2050
075/11		Moved, Seconded and CARRIED
		THAT City of Merritt 2011 Tax Rates Bylaw No. 2118, 2011 be given first reading
076/11		Moved, Seconded and CARRIED
		THAT City of Merritt 2011 Tax Rates Bylaw No. 2118, 2011 be given second reading
077/11		Moved, Seconded and CARRIED
		THAT City of Merritt 2011 Tax Rates Bylaw No. 2118, 2011 be given third reading

8. NEW BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

- 8.1 Councillor Murdoch presented two notices of motion at the April 12, 2011 Regular Council meeting
File: 1705 and 1851

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

078/11

THAT Administration determine ways to reduce the length of time between when grant-in-aid applications are required to be filed and when the applicants receive notice of the amount approved and provide Council with options in this regard by July 01, 2011

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

079/11

THAT Administration review the budget process with a view to making recommendations to Council as to how the budget could be ready for Council review by the first Tuesday in January each year with these recommendations to be provided to Council by September 01, 2011

ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS COMMITTEE

- 8.2 Minutes; Environmental Awareness Committee April 07, 2011 Meeting
File: 0578

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

080/11

THAT Council approve the attached Environmental Awareness Committee Recycling brochure

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

081/11

THAT Council direct the Public Works Department to inform all users including the School Board of any pesticide spraying in City Parks to avoid exposure

9. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

10. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL

Councillor Sanders reported on the Tourism Conference she attended last week in 100 Mile House

Councilor Baker reported the Community Concert was incredible as well as kudos to the Chamber of Commerce for hosting the All Candidates meeting at NVIT

Mayor Roline reported there were 125 participants and 400 attendees at the Community Concert

11. INFORMATION ITEMS

**BUDGET
DELIBERATIONS**

11.1 Minutes; Budget Deliberation February 21, 2011 to April 12, 2011 Meetings
File: 1705

**WATER RESOURCE
ADVISORY
COMMITTEE**

11.2 Minutes; Water Resource Advisory Committee April 05, 2011 Meeting
File: 0572

**AIR QUALITY
COMMITTEE**

11.3 Minutes; Air Quality Committee April 06, 2011 Meeting
File: 0375

**MERRITT COUNTRY
CHRISTMAS
COMMITTEE**

11.4 Minutes; Merritt Country Christmas Committee April 13, 2011 Meeting
File: 0384

**MERRITT'S 100TH
ANNIVERSARY
COMMITTEE**

11.5 Minutes; Merritt's 100th Anniversary Committee April 14, 2011 Meeting
File: 0372

**BUSINESS AND
ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT**

- 11.6 Manager of Business and Economic Development; Chief Administrative Officer's April 12, 2011 Memorandum
File: 2510 & 2240.50

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

IC013/11

THAT Council authorizes Administration to create a new position for the Business and Economic Development Manager and to begin the process of advertising to fill the position as described in the attached job description

Voting Opposed: Councillor Murdoch

IC014/11

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

THAT Council authorizes Administration to notify Community Futures Nicola Valley that their contract for provision of economic development services will be cancelled effective June 30, 2011;

IC016/11

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

THAT this matter be taken out of camera

**COMMUNITY
TOURISM PROGRAM**

- 11.7 Community Tourism Program (Phase 2); Danyta Welch, Policy & Programs Officer, UBCM March 09, 2011 Letter
File: 0270

PROCLAMATION

- 11.8 Proclamation; May 2011 "*Vision Health Month*"
File: 0630

12. TERMINATION OF MEETING

The Mayor declared the meeting closed at 7:50 p.m.

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

**Original signed by
Deputy Clerk
Confirmed on the 10th Day of May, 2011**

**Original signed by
Mayor**