



# CITY OF MERRITT

## MINUTES

### REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

COUNCIL CHAMBER

TUESDAY, JUNE 28, 2011

AT 7:00 PM

1. PRESENT:

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Councillor D. Baker  
Councillor N. Clarke  
Councillor M. Goetz  
Councillor H. Kroeker  
Councillor A. Murdoch

**REGRETS**

Mayor S. Roline  
Councillor S. Sanders

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Mr. M. Noble, Chief Administrative Officer  
Mr. S. Boven, Public Works Manager  
Ms. C. Fraser, Deputy Clerk  
Mr. S. O'Flaherty, Development Services Officer  
Mr. D. Tomkinson, Fire Chief  
Ms. M. Worrin, Financial Services Manager

Merritt Herald  
Merritt News  
Q101.1  
Shaw Cable

7 Members of the Public

2. CALL TO ORDER

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Acting Mayor Clarke called the meeting to order at 7:14 p.m.

3. PUBLIC INPUT (10 Minutes)

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Nil

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

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MINUTES

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4.1 Moved, seconded and CARRIED

**THAT the Minutes for the Regular Council Meeting held on Tuesday, June 14, 2011 be adopted**

5. GENERAL MATTERS - Delegations and Recognitions

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Nil

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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MERRITT WALK OF  
STARS

119/11

120/11

6.1 Merritt Walk of Stars Funding Request; Merritt Walk of Stars Board of Directors June 07, 2011 Letter (*Walk of Stars to provide revised budget to be circulated*)  
File: 0381

Moved, Seconded and DEFEATED

**THAT Council not support the request from the Walk of Stars for five thousand (\$5,000) dollars for preparations to open the Canadian Country Music Hall of Fame**

Voting Opposed: Baker, Clarke, Goetz and Murdoch

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

**THAT Council support the request from the Walk of Stars for up to a maximum of five thousand (\$5,000) dollars based on twenty (20%) of the actual cost (Walk of Stars to provide receipts) of the preparations to open the Canadian Country Music Hall of Fame**

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

**THAT Council support the request from the Walk of Stars for up to a maximum of one thousand (\$1,000) dollars based on twenty (20%) of the actual cost (Walk of Stars to provide receipts) of the "Soft" Grand Opening of the Canadian Country Music Hall of Fame July 06, 2011**

Voting Opposed: Councillors Goetz and Kroeker

*All of Council present agree to have Peter Moyes, Merritt Walk of Stars Society speak to Council for clarification*

Moved, Seconded and DEFEATED

**THAT Council support the request from the Walk of Stars for up to a maximum of one thousand (\$1,000) dollars based on twenty (20%) of the actual cost (Walk of Stars to provide receipts) for Walk of Stars members to attend the Canadian Country Music Awards in Hamilton, Ontario September 2011**  
Voting Opposed: Councillors Baker, Clarke, Goetz and Kroeker

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Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

**THAT Council support the request from the Walk of Stars for up to a maximum of two thousand (\$2,000) dollars based on twenty (20%) of the actual cost (Walk of Stars to provide receipts) for Walk of Stars members to attend the BC Country Music Awards in Vancouver, BC October, 2011**  
Voting Opposed: Councillors Goetz and Kroeker

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

122/11

**THAT Council not support the request from the Walk of Stars for up to a maximum of two thousand (\$2,000) dollars based on twenty (20%) of the actual cost (Walk of Stars to provide receipts) for Walk of Stars Canadian Country Music Hall of Fame presentation and marketing materials**

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

123/11

**THAT Council support the request from the Walk of Stars for up to a maximum of one thousand (\$1,000) dollars based on twenty (20%) of the actual cost (Walk of Stars to provide receipts) for Walk of Stars Country branding event at Merritt Spirit Square during Merritt Country Christmas weekend**

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

124/11

**THAT Council support the request from the Walk of Stars for up to a maximum of five hundred (\$500) dollars based on twenty (20%) of the actual cost (Walk of Stars to provide receipts) for Walk of Stars to promote Merritt during the Merritt Mountain Music Festival July, 2011**  
Voting Opposed: Councillor Baker

7. BYLAWS

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OFFICIAL  
COMMUNITY PLAN

- 7.1 City of Merritt Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 2116, 2011  
File: 3900.2116

*The Chief Administrator interpreted that the portion of the Official Community Plan addressing water meters is not a change in policy as it is Council's policy as it is stated in the Official Community Plan Bylaw*

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

125/11

**THAT City of Merritt Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 2116, 2011 be given third reading**

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

126/11

**THAT City of Merritt Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 2116, 2011 be adopted**

8. NEW BUSINESS

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BOUNDARY  
EXPANSION

- 8.1 Boundary Expansion - 3011 Thorpe Avenue; Development Services Officer's June 20, 2011 Memorandum  
File: 3400.2

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

127/11

**THAT the City of Merritt has obtained the assent of the electors to petition the Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development to extend the boundaries of the City of Merritt as it appeared in the Gazette under issue May 26, 2011 and in the local newspaper, Merritt Herald under issues of June 23, 2010 and June 30, 2010;**

**AND THAT all relevant legislative requirements pertaining to a municipal boundary extension in the *Local Government Act* and *Community Charter* have been completed;**

**AND FURTHER THAT the parcels approved for inclusion within the City of Merritt are as follows: (Lot 8, DL167, KDYD Plan 15716, property identification number 008-750-378**

**DEWOLF WAY  
ENHANCEMENT  
LOAN  
AUTHORIZATION  
ALTERNATIVE  
APPROVAL PROCESS**

8.2 City of Merritt DeWolf Way Enhancement Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 2120, 2011 - Deadline for Alternative Approval Process; Financial Services Manager's June 21, 2011 Memorandum  
File: 3900.2119

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**

128/11

**THAT Council sets the deadline for receiving elector responses as part of the alternative approval process for City of Merritt DeWolf Way Enhancement Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 2120, 2011 as August 15, 2011**

**2010 ANNUAL  
REPORT**

8.3 2010 Annual Report; Financial Services Manager's June 21, 2011 Memorandum  
File: 1870

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**

129/11

**THAT Council adopts the 2010 Annual Report as presented**

**2010 STATEMENT OF  
FINANCIAL  
INFORMATION  
(SOFI)**

8.4 2010 Statement of Financial Information (SOFI); Financial Services Manager's June 21, 2011 Memorandum  
File: 1871

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**

130/11

**THAT Council adopts the 2010 Statement of Financial Information as attached**

**2010 DEVELOPMENT  
COST CHARGE  
REPORT**

8.5 2010 Development Cost Charge Report; Financial Services Manager's June 21, 2011 Memorandum  
File: 3150

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**

131/11

**THAT Council accepts the 2010 Development Cost Charge Report as presented**

**AIRPORT  
COMMITTEE**

8.6 Minutes; Airport Committee June 13, 2011 Meeting  
File: 0374

**Recommendations from Airport Committee to Council:**

**THAT the City accept the fire precautions taken by the Merritt Flying Club in the Merritt Flying Club hangar at the Airport and provide an occupancy permit upon the City's receipt of a letter waiving liability from the Merritt Flying Club**

**THAT the existing lease that is in effect until May 2013 remain the same and that building sprinkling regulations be reviewed when that lease expires**

**THAT the Development Cost Charges for the Merritt Flying Clubs hangar at the Airport be extended to allow payment over three (3) years to allow the Merritt Flying Club time to raise funds**

*This item was tabled to the July 26, 2011 Regular Council meeting to allow the Airport Committee and Administration to discuss these matters with the Merritt Flying Club*

**HIGH VALLEY CAMP**

8.7 High Valley Camp - Interior Women's Remand Facility; Marlon Dosen, Mayor, District of Logan Lake June 03, 2011 Letter  
File: 0200

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**

132/11

**THAT Council direct Administration to respond to the District of Logan Lake stating that the City of Merritt has no objection to the District of Logan Lake having this property converted to be used as an Interior Women's Remand Facility**

9. NOTICES OF MOTION

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Nil

10. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL

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Councillor Baker reported he attended the Western Bio-Energy Open House on June 23, 2011 and thanked the Public Works Department for installing letdowns on handicap spots on main street of Quilchena Avenue  
Councillor Murdoch thanked the Public Works Department for installing the grating around the trees on Quilchena Avenue

11. INFORMATION ITEMS

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| <b>STRATEGIC<br/>COMMUNITY<br/>INVESTMENT (SCI)<br/>FUNDS PROGRESS<br/>REPORT</b> | 11.1 | Strategic Community Investment (SCI) Funds Progress Report; Financial Services Manager's June 21, 2011 Memorandum<br>File: 2250                                                    |
| <b>WATER RESOURCE<br/>ADVISORY<br/>COMMITTEE</b>                                  | 11.2 | Minutes; Water Resource Advisory Committee June 07, 2011 Meeting<br>File: 0572                                                                                                     |
| <b>TNRD</b>                                                                       | 11.3 | The Current; Highlight of the Thompson-Nicola Regional District's Board of Directors Meeting of May 26, 2011<br>File: 0480                                                         |
| <b>TNRD</b>                                                                       | 11.4 | The Current; Highlight of the Thompson-Nicola Regional District's Board of Directors Meeting of June 09, 2011<br>File: 0480                                                        |
| <b>SMART METERS</b>                                                               | 11.5 | Smart Meter Exchange in British Columbia Begins July, 2011; Dag Sharman, Community Relations Manager, Thompson/Okanagan/Columbia, BC Hydro June 14, 2011 Letter<br>File: 5500      |
| <b>UBCM</b>                                                                       | 11.6 | In the House; Federal Budget Highlights; UBCM March 22, 2011<br>File: 0270                                                                                                         |
| <b>TNRD</b>                                                                       | 11.7 | TNRD Utilizing Biosolids at Closed Landfills in Region; Patrick Blennerhassett, Communication Coordinator, Thompson-Nicola Regional District's June 06, 2011 Release<br>File: 0480 |
| <b>TNRD</b>                                                                       | 11.8 | Water Conservation Tips for TNRD Residents; Patrick Blennerhassett, Communication Coordinator, Thompson-Nicola Regional District's June 036, 2011 Release                          |

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| UBCM                | 11.9  | 2011 West Nile Virus Risk Reduction Initiative – Grant Approval; Danyta Welch, Policy & Program Officer, UBCM May 27, 2011 Letter<br>File: 5280.1                                             |
| TNRD                | 11.10 | Mosquito Prevention and Education Tips for TNRD Residents; Patrick Blennerhassett, Communication Coordinator, Thompson-Nicola Regional District’s June 13, 2011 Release<br>File: 0480         |
| DISTRICT OF ELKFORD | 11.11 | Relationships between Municipalities and Local First Nations; Dean McKerracher, Mayor, District of Elkford June 09, 2011 Letter<br>File: 0200                                                 |
| TOWN OF PRINCETON   | 11.12 | Princeton Regional Airport Presents 4 <sup>th</sup> Annual Airshow; Randy McLean, Mayor, Town of Princeton May 09, 2011 Letter<br>File: 0220                                                  |
| LONG-FORM CENSUS    | 11.13 | Long Form Census; Honourable Hedy Fry, P.C., M.P. House of Commons, Vancouver Centre Letter<br>File: 0175                                                                                     |
| TNRD                | 11.14 | Rural Communities in TNRD Benefit from Connecting Citizen’s Grant; Patrick Blennerhassett, Communication Coordinator, Thompson-Nicola Regional District’s June 21, 2011 Release<br>File: 0480 |

12. TERMINATION OF MEETING

Acting Mayor Clarke declared the meeting closed at 8:30 p.m.

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

**Original signed by  
Deputy Clerk**

**Confirmed on the 12<sup>th</sup> Day of July, 2011**

**Original signed by  
Acting Mayor**