



# CITY OF MERRITT

## MINUTES

### REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING COUNCIL CHAMBER TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2013 AT 7:00 PM

1. PRESENT:

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Mayor Susan Roline  
Councillor D. Baker  
Councillor K. Christopherson  
Councillor M. Goetz  
Councillor H. Kroeker  
Councillor C. Norgaard

REGRETS

Councillor A. Murdoch

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. L. Plotnikoff, Acting Chief Administrative Officer  
Mr. B. Currie, Collector/Deputy Financial Services Manager  
Ms. C. Fraser, Deputy Clerk/Human Resources Manager  
Mr. S. O'Flaherty, Planning & Development Services Manager  
Mr. K. Ostraat, Financial Services Manager  
Mr. D. Tomkinson, Fire Chief

Merritt Herald

3 Members of the Public

2. CALL TO ORDER

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Mayor Roline called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

3. PUBLIC INPUT (10 Minutes)

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Nil

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

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207/13

4.1 Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

**THAT the Minutes for the Public Hearing held on Tuesday, October 08, 2013 be adopted**

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4.2 Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

**THAT the Minutes for the Regular Council Meeting held on Tuesday, October 08, 2013 be adopted**

5. GENERAL MATTERS - Delegations and Recognitions

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Nil

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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NOTICE OF MOTION

6.1 Councillor Baker brought forth the following Notice of Motion:  
File: 0595

Moved, Seconded and DEFEATED

**THAT Council and staff develop a "CODE OF ETHICS" that would apply to all members of Council and all persons appointed as members of boards, committees, panels, task forces and other bodies appointed by the City of Merritt Council**

Voting Opposed: Councillors Christopherson, Kroeker and Norgaard

7. BYLAWS

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2014 PROPERTY TAX  
EXEMPTION BYLAW  
NO. 2161, 2013

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7.1 2014 Property Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 2161, 2013  
File: 3900.2161

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

**THAT the City of Merritt 2014 Property Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 2161, 2013 be adopted**

Voting Opposed: Councillor Norgaard

**BY-ELECTION AND  
VOTING PROCEDURE  
AND AUTOMATED  
VOTING MACHINES  
AUTHORIZATION  
BYLAW NO. 2157, 2013**

7.2 By-Election and Voting Procedure and Automated Voting Machines Authorization Bylaw No. 2157, 2013; Deputy Clerk/Human Resources Manager's October 03, 2013 Memorandum  
File: 3900.2157

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

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**THAT the City of Merritt By-Election and Voting Procedure and Automated Voting Machines Authorization Bylaw No. 2157, 2013 be given first reading**

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

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**THAT the City of Merritt By-Election and Voting Procedure and Automated Voting Machines Authorization Bylaw No. 2157, 2013 be given second reading**

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

212/13

**THAT the City of Merritt By-Election and Voting Procedure and Automated Voting Machines Authorization Bylaw No. 2157, 2013 be given third reading**

8. NEW BUSINESS

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**ELECTION OFFICIALS**

8.1 Election Officials; Deputy Clerk/Human Resources Manager's October 03, 2013 Memorandum  
File: 4200

**THAT Carole Fraser be appointed Chief Election Officer for conducting the 2014 Local By-Election with a stipend of two thousand (\$2,000) dollars and the authority to appoint other election officials as required;**

**AND THAT Shawn Boven be appointed Deputy Chief Election Officer for the 2014 By-Election with a stipend of one thousand (\$1,000) dollars;**

**AND FURTHER THAT election officers appointed by the Chief Election Officer be paid fifteen (\$15.00) dollars per hour**

*Pursuant to Section 37(5) of the Local Government Act this resolution will be brought back to a Council agenda at a future date*

9. NOTICES OF MOTION

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Nil

10. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL

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Councillor Christopherson attended the grand opening of the Cold Water River Lodge

Councillor Norgaard also attended the grand opening of the Cold Water River Lodge

Councillor Goetz commented on the swearing in ceremony for the Lower Nicola Indian Band and sends congratulations to the new Chief and Council

Mayor Roline attended the Special Olympics Meeting; a coffee meeting with the Minister of Education - Minister Fassbender; the Chamber of Commerce luncheon with the Minister of Finance - Minister Mike de Jong; a Webinar on BC Healthy Communities; the opening of the T.N.R.D. Logan Lake Library; the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Aquatic Centre; the Aldephi Hotel 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and the Merritt Centennials Ice Breaker

11. INFORMATION ITEMS

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**NICOLA VALLEY  
MUSEUM ARCHIVES  
ASSOCIATION**

11.1 July - September, 2013 Report; Nicola Valley Museum Archives Association October 09, 2013 Letter  
File: 2381.15

**CITY ARTS &  
CULTURE POLICY  
TASK FORCE**

11.2 Minutes; City Arts & Culture Policy Task Force October 02, 2013  
Minutes  
File: 0387

**AIR QUALITY  
COMMITTEE**

11.3 Minutes; Air Quality October 02, 2013 Minutes  
File: 0375

12. TERMINATION OF MEETING

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The Mayor declared the meeting closed at 7:31 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 November 2013**

**Original Signed by  
Mayor**