



# CITY OF MERRITT

## MINUTES

### REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING COUNCIL CHAMBER TUESDAY, APRIL 22, 2014 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 N. Menard  
Councillor C. Norgaard

**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  
Q101.1

17 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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MINUTES

074/14

4.1 Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

**THAT the Minutes for the Regular Council Meeting held on Tuesday, April 08, 2014 be adopted**

5. GENERAL MATTERS - Delegations and Recognitions

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MERRITT  
COMMUNITY  
CINEMA SOCIETY

075/14

076/14

5.1 Merritt Community Cinema Society to make a presentation in regards to the development of a movie theatre in downtown Merritt  
File: 0250

Mr. E. Weiser, Director, Merritt Community Cinema Society provided an update to Council on the activities of the Society for the cinema. A business plan is available as well as a website for viewing. The committee is looking at grants and again is not asking the City for financial assistance.

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED Unanimously

**THAT pursuant to Section 21 (c) of City of Merritt Council Procedures Bylaw No. 2055, 2008 that Council consider a resolution of support to the Merritt Community Cinema Society**

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED Unanimously

**THAT a letter from the City be sent to the Merritt Community Cinema Society congratulating them on their efforts thus far;**

**AND THAT Council is in unanimous support of the project**

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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Nil

7. BYLAWS

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WATERWORKS

7.1 City of Merritt Waterworks Bylaw No. 2166, 2014  
File: 3900.2007

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**

077/14

**THAT City of Merritt Waterworks Bylaw No. 2166, 2014 be adopted**

FIVE-YEAR  
FINANCIAL PLAN

7.2 Five Year Financial Plan for the period 2014-2018; Financial Services Manager's April 15, 2014 Memorandum  
File: 3900.2170

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**

078/14

**THAT City of Merritt Five-Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 2170, 2014 be given first reading**

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**

079/14

**THAT City of Merritt Five-Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 2170, 2014 be given second reading**

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**

080/14

**THAT City of Merritt Five-Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 2170, 2014 be given third reading**

**ANNUAL PROPERTY  
TAX RATES FOR 2014**

7.3 Annual Property Tax Rates for 2014 Bylaw No. 2171, 2014;  
Financial Services Manager's April 15, 2014 Memorandum  
File: 3900.2171

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**

081/14

**THAT City of Merritt Annual Property Tax for 2014 Bylaw No. 2171, 2014 be given first reading**

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**

082/14

**THAT City of Merritt Annual Property Tax for 2014 Bylaw No. 2171, 2014 be given second reading**

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**

083/14

**THAT City of Merritt Annual Property Tax for 2014 Bylaw No. 2171, 2014 be given third reading**

8. NEW BUSINESS

**COMMUNITY  
WILDFIRE PLAN  
GRANT  
APPLICATION**

8.1 Support Resolution for Community Wildfire Plan Grant  
Application; Financial Services Manager's April 15, 2014  
Memorandum  
File: 1850

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**

084/14

**THAT Council supports the preparation of a community  
wildfire protection plan and the application for funding  
through the Strategic Wildfire Prevention Initiative of UBCM;**

**AND THAT the City of Merritt will be responsible for the  
overall grant management**

**SPONSORSHIP  
REQUEST**

8.2 Ty Pozzobon Invitational PBR; Ty Pozzobon's April 2014 Letter  
File: 1851

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**

085/14

**THAT Council supports the Ty Pozzobon Invitational PBR  
with an Arena Banner Sponsorship in the amount of one  
thousand five hundred (\$1,500) dollars with funding from the  
City Initiatives fund**

9. NOTICES OF MOTION

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Nil

10. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL

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- 10.1 Councillor Baker attended the showing of "Shawna"
- 10.2 Councillor Goetz commented on the gas prices from Merritt to the Lower Mainland
- 10.3 Mayor Roline attended the 1<sup>st</sup> anniversary of ASK Wellness as well as the showing of "Shawna"; welcomed the delegates of the Women's Institute to Merritt and participated in the Nicola Similkameen School District No. 58 town hall meeting and strategic planning. Mayor Roline attended the opening of MLA Jackie Tagert's Merritt office; the grand opening of the Quilchena Resort and hosted 21 Collettsville School students to City Hall.

11. INFORMATION ITEMS

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**HOME BASED  
BUSINESS TASK  
FORCE**

- 11.1 Home Based Business Task Force; Planning & Development Services Manager's April 07, 2014 Memorandum  
File: 3900.2134

*Councillor Goetz thanked all those that participated in the Task Force as well as Sean O'Flaherty, Development and Planning Services Manager*

**BUDGET  
DELIBERATION  
MINUTES**

- 11.2 Budget Deliberations Meeting Minutes  
File: 0590
- January 20, 2014
  - January 21, 2014
  - January 22, 2014
  - March 04, 2014
  - March 31, 2014

**BYLAW REPORT**

- 11.3 March 2014 Bylaw Report; Bylaw Services Officer's April 07, 2014 Memorandum  
File: 4000

**COMMUNITY  
POLICING OFFICE  
REPORT**

- 11.4 Merritt Community Policing Office March 2014 Month End Report; Kelly Donaldson and Cst. Tracy Dunsmore's Report  
File: 7500.1

- PROCLAMATION**            11.5    Proclamation; **“World Ovarian Cancer Day”** May 08, 2014  
File: 0630
- CLARA’S BIG RIDE**        11.6    Clara’s Big Ride for Bell Let’s Talk initiative will visit Merritt on  
May 20 - 21, 2014  
File: 0250

12.            **TERMINATION OF MEETING**

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The Mayor declared the meeting closed at 8:22 p.m.

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

**Original Signed by  
Deputy Clerk**

**Confirmed on the 13<sup>th</sup> Day of May, 2014**

**Original Signed by  
Mayor**