



# CITY OF MERRITT

## MINUTES

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
CITY HALL  
2185 VOGHT STREET  
TUESDAY, MAY 24, 2016  
AT 7:00 PM**

1. **PRESENT:**

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Mayor N. Menard  
Councillor D. Baker  
Councillor L. Brown  
Councillor K. Christopherson  
Councillor M. Goetz  
Councillor D. Norgaard  
Councillor G. Prowal

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Mr. S. Boven, Chief Administrative Officer  
Mr. B. Currie, Collector/Deputy Financial Services Manager  
Mr. B. Gilbert, Director of Recreation and Facilities  
Ms. M. Miles, Director of Corporate Services

**MEDIA**

Q101

16 Members of the Public

2. **CALL TO ORDER**

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

3. **PUBLIC INPUT (10 Minutes)**

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Mr. B. Dafoe commented on Item 6.3 Merritt Pickleball

Mr. R. Martindale commented on Item 6.2 "Merritt City Limits"

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

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MINUTES

096/16

4.1 Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

**THAT the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on Tuesday, May 10, 2016 be adopted**

097/16

4.2 Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

**THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on Tuesday, May 10, 2016 be adopted as amended (correction to Councillor Baker report)**

5. GENERAL MATTERS - Delegations and Recognitions

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FRASER BASIN  
COUNCIL

5.1 Tracy Thomas P.Ag., Assistant Regional Manager, Thompson, Fraser Basin Council  
File: 0250

Ms. T. Thomas presented to Council an update from the Fraser Basin Council

**Fraser Basin Council Asked: Fraser Basin Council is seeking financial assistance for the second phase of the project (Aquifer) twenty-five thousand \$25,000 dollars and for the Fish Water Management Tool twenty-five thousand \$25,000 dollars**

NICOLA VALLEY  
AGRI-PARK SOCIETY

5.2 Malcolm Lynn, President, & Doug Clark, Vice President, Nicola Valley Agri-Park Society  
File: 0250

Mr. M. Lynn presented updates to Council regarding the Nicola Lake Equine School and the Agri-Plex Complex and Casino

**Nicola Valley Agri-Park Society Asked: for a letter of support for the Nicola Lake Equine School and that the City be involved in the building of the Agri-Plex Complex and Casino**

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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LIAISONS

- 6.1 Council Liaison Appointments  
File: 0540

The following community organizations were appointed liaisons:

- Community Futures Nicola Valley – Councillor Brown
- Merritt & District Chamber of Commerce – Councillor Prowal
- Nicola Valley Museum – Councillor Goetz
- Tourism Nicola Valley – Councillor Prowal
- Merritt Farmer’s Market – Councillor Goetz
- Merritt Integration Program – Councillor Norgaard
- Emergency Social Services – Councillor Goetz

MERRITT CITY LIMITS

- 6.2 Merritt City Limits – Follow-up from April 26, 2016 Delegation  
File: 0250

Moved, Seconded

**THAT Council not support Merritt City Limits’ request for match funding up to \$5,000 for 2016;**

**AND THAT the group continue to work on their plan and approach Council again next year**

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

098/16

**THAT the resolution regarding Merritt City Limits be deferred until Mr. Martindale submits the list of stakeholders that are in favor**

MERRITT PICKLEBALL

- 6.3 Merritt Pickleball – Follow-up from May 10, 2016 Delegation; Director of Recreation & Facilities, May 24, 2016 Report  
File: 0250

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

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**THAT the City authorize staff to add 6 Pickleball court lines with green surveyor paint to the Sports Box; and purchase 4 non-permanent Pickleball nets, up to a maximum of \$1,000**

7. BYLAWS

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Nil

8. NEW BUSINESS

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**BUILDING AND  
ZONING  
INFRACTIONS**

- 8.1 Building and Zoning Infractions at 1601 Bann Street; Planning & Development Services, April 25, 2016 Report  
File: 3800

Moved, Seconded and DEFEATED

**THAT the recommendation for Council to authorize a Note against Title pursuant to the authority given under Section 57 of the *Community Charter* to be filed against the Title of LOT 1 DISTRICT 122 KAMLOOPS DIVISION YALE DISTRICT PLAN KAP54066, PID 019-134-118 be deferred until Council has had a discussion on how to handle illegal suites in Merritt**

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

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**THAT Council authorize a Note against Title pursuant to the authority given under Section 57 of the *Community Charter* be filed against the Title of LOT 1 DISTRICT 122 KAMLOOPS DIVISION YALE DISTRICT PLAN KAP54066, PID 019-134-118**

Voting Opposed: Mayor Menard and Councillor Christopherson

**NEW BUILDING  
CANADA FUND**

- 8.2 New Building Canada Fund - Small Communities Fund Grant Application (Second Intake); Chief Administrative Officer, May 16, 2016 Report  
File: 1853

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

0101/16

**THAT Council supports the submission of a grant application to the New Building Canada Fund - Small Communities Fund for the reconstruction of Coldwater Avenue sewer main and associated infrastructure from Wilson Street to Voght Street; as currently budgeted for in the 2016-2020 Five Year Financial Plan**

**MINISTRY OF  
TRANSPORTATION &  
INFRASTRUCTURE  
AGREEMENT**

8.3 Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure Agreement for Hot-in-Place Recycling on Highway 5A; Director of Engineering and Development, May 13, 2016 Report  
File: 1220

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**

0102/16

**THAT Council authorizes the Mayor and Corporate Officer to execute Agreement #233OA0062 with Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure for Hot-in-Place Recycling on Highway 5A and further that the project for one hundred and seventy thousand (\$170,000) dollars (excluding GST) be funded through the Asphalt Rehabilitation Program Fund**

Voting Opposed: Councillors Baker, Goetz and Norgaard

**BC RURAL DIVIDEND  
PROGRAM**

8.4 BC Rural Dividend Program; Chief Administrative Officer, May 16, 2016 Report  
File: 1853

*[Councillor K. Christopherson declared a perceived conflict of interest as he is a Director on the Nicola Valley Community Theatre Board and left the meeting at 8:12 p.m.]*

*[Councillor D. Norgaard declared a perceived conflict of interest as her family is a shareholder in the Nicola Valley Community Theatre Society and left the meeting at 8:12 p.m.]*

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**

0103/16

**THAT Council choose to not submit a grant application to the Rural Dividend fund on the first application intake**

**AND THAT a letter of support be offered to the Nicola Valley Community Theatre Society to assist with their chances of a successful grant application**

Voting Opposed: Councillor Brown

*[Councillors Christopherson and Norgaard returned to the meeting at 5:51 p.m.]*

PATHWAY OFF  
ARMSTRONG  
STREET TO  
COQUIHALLA  
MIDDLE SCHOOL

8.5 Pathway off of Armstrong Street to Coquihalla Middle School (CMS); Chief Administrative Officer, May 16, 2016 Report  
File: 0490

Moved, Seconded and DEFEATED

**THAT Council directs staff to blockade the entrance to the path as it exits Armstrong Street with a fence or other suitable barrier if School District 58 blocks that pathway at the Coquihalla Middle School end**

MERRITT  
MOUNTAIN BIKE  
ASSOCIATION

8.6 Merritt Mountain Bike Association: Cow Trail Classic Extraordinary Grant Application; Director of Finance & IT, May 18, 2016 Report  
File: 1851

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

0104/16

**THAT Council approve the sponsorship request of \$2,000 for the Cow Trail Classic Mountain Bike Race, taking place on June 11, 2016**

**AND THAT the funding be allocated from the Community Initiatives Fund**

Voting Opposed: Councillor Goetz

MERRITT DANCE  
SOCIETY

8.7 Merritt Dance Society Grant Request; Deputy Finance Manager, May 18, 2016 Report  
File: 1851

Moved, Seconded and DEFEATED

**THAT Council decline the grant application from the Merritt Dance Society**

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

0105/16

**THAT the City award funding to the Merritt Dance Society in the amount of \$1,040.69;**

**AND THAT the funding be allocated from the Community Initiatives Fund**

SPARC BC  
PROCLAMATION

8.8 SPARC BC Proclamation: "Access Awareness Day" June 04, 2016  
File: 0630

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Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

**THAT June 04, 2016 be proclaimed "Access Awareness Day"**

9. NOTICES OF MOTION

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Nil

10. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL

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- 10.1 Councillor Norgaard attended the Healthcare Traveling Roadshow, Committee of the Whole meeting and tour of NVIT, Police Committee meeting and a storm water masterplan meeting with the Director of Engineering & Development and the Chief Administrative Officer
- 10.2 Councillor Christopherson attended the Healthcare Traveling Roadshow, Committee of the Whole meeting and tour of NVIT; volunteered at Gillis House and will attend the Fire Fighters Awards dinner and the "Big Bike"
- 10.3 Councillor Goetz attended the Healthcare Traveling Roadshow, Committee of the Whole meeting and tour of NVIT; and provided the latest gas buddy prices and discussed the parking issues on DeWolf Way on the long weekends
- 10.4 Councillor Prowal attended the Healthcare Traveling Roadshow, Committee of the Whole meeting and tour of NVIT, Naturalists Society meeting, the open house for the Parks, Recreation and Culture masterplan and will be handing out Fire Smart pamphlets
- 10.5 Councillor Brown attended the Healthcare Traveling Roadshow, Committee of the Whole meeting and tour of NVIT, Trail masterplan open house, NVIT graduation ceremony, NVIT presentation on green energy and the filming at the Baillie House

- 10.6 Councillor Baker thanked Mayor Menard for attending Tolko Health and Safety Week
- 10.7 Mayor Menard attended TRND meetings, TOTA presentation, Turning loose in Shulus, Healthcare Traveling Roadshow; had a busy Mayor drop-in; attended the Park/Trail masterplan open house, Police Committee meeting, BC Transit meeting, NVIT graduation ceremony, Committee of the Whole meeting and tour of NVIT and the NVIT presentation on green energy

11. INFORMATION ITEMS

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| <b>CAO OPERATIONAL UPDATE</b>                     | 11.1 | Chief Administrative Officer Operational Update May 24, 2016<br>File: 0112   |
| <b>THOMPSON NICOLA REGIONAL DISTRICT</b>          | 11.2 | Kamloops Library Hosts Meditation Series; May 06, 2016 Press Release<br>File: 0480   |
| <b>THOMPSON REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT</b>        | 11.3 | TRHD Medical Professional Recruitment Fund Pilot Project; Sukh Gill, CAO, Thompson Regional Hospital District April 25, 2016 Letter<br>File: 0480                                  |
| <b>MERRITT CURLING CENTER</b>                     | 11.4 | Merritt Curling Center Thank You Letter; Paul Montgomery, President, Merritt Curling Center May 14, 2016 Letter<br>File: 0110  |
| <b>MERRITT &amp; DISTRICT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE</b> | 11.5 | Merritt & District Chamber of Commerce; Shirley Reynolds, Paint-In Coordinator & Etelka Gillespie, Manager, Merritt District Chamber of Commerce, May 7, 2016 Letter<br>File: 0110 |



12. TERMINATION OF MEETING

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The Mayor declared the meeting closed at 8:55 p.m.

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

**Original signed by  
Corporate Officer**

**Confirmed on the 14<sup>th</sup> Day of June, 2016**

**Original signed by  
Mayor**