



CITY OF MERRITT

MINUTES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
CITY HALL
2185 VOGHT STREET
TUESDAY, JULY 26, 2016
AT 7:00 PM

1. PRESENT:

Mayor N. Menard
Councillor L.A. Brown
Councillor K. Christopherson
Councillor M. Goetz
Councillor D. Norgaard
Councillor G. Prowal (*Arrived at 7:18 p.m.*)

REGRETS

Councillor D. Baker

IN ATTENDANCE

Ms. S. Bird, Director of Engineering & Development
Ms. M. Miles; Director of Corporate Services
Ms. S. Thiessen, Director of Finance & IT

MEDIA

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Merritt Herald

5 Members of the Public

2. CALL TO ORDER

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

2.1 Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**

THAT the "Request for Participation and Sponsorship" from Lower Nicola Indian Band be added to the agenda under New Business as Item 8.4

3. PUBLIC INPUT (10 Minutes)

Nil

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

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4.1 Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**

THAT the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on Tuesday, July 12, 2016 be adopted as corrected

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4.2 Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on Tuesday, July 12, 2016 be adopted as corrected

5. GENERAL MATTERS - Delegations and Recognitions

RCMP QUARTERLY
REPORT

5.1 S/Sgt Sheila White; RCMP Quarterly Report Second Quarter April-June, 2016
File: 7500

S/Sgt S. White presented the RCMP Merritt Detachment Second Quarter Policing Activity Report (April-June 2016) advising of new members at the detachment (members were introduced to Council) as well as the new Corporal

S/Sgt S. White presented to Council the RCMP Merritt Detachment 2nd Quarter report highlighting areas of:

- General Duty
- General Investigation Section
- Domestic Violence
- Victim Services
- Drug Trends
- Human Resources
- Crime Statistics
- Statistics
- Comparison between 2015 and 2016

Councillor Prowal arrived at 7:18 p.m.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**BOARD OF
VARIANCE**

- 6.1 Appointments to Board of Variance; Deputy Clerk/Human Resources Manager July 19, 2016 Report
File: 3730

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

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THAT Council appoint Graeme Beverly, Ross Gregory and Darcy Hefferman to be members of the Board of Variance pursuant to Section 2 of the City of Merritt Board of Variance Bylaw No. 1919, 2005

Voting Opposed: Councillor Brown

Moved, Seconded and DEFEATED

THAT that the appointment of members to the Board of Variance be deferred requesting the six (6) candidates submit a letter indicating why they are wishing to be a member of the Board of Variance and submit a complete resume

**COMMITTEE
APPOINTMENTS**

- 6.2 Committee Appointments; Director of Corporate Services July 19, 2016 Report
File: 0570

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

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THAT Council appoint Councillors Christopherson, Goetz and Prowal to the Environment Select Committee

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

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THAT Council appoint Councillor Norgaard to the City Social Planning Committee

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

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THAT the Mayor appoint Councillors Baker and Brown to the City Policy Review Standing Committee

7. BYLAWS

Nil

8. NEW BUSINESS

VISITORS
INFORMATION
BOOTH AT BAILLIE
HOUSE

- 8.1 2016 Second Quarter Report for Visitors Information Booth at Baillie House; Economic Development Manager July 18, 2016 Report
File: 2240.48

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

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THAT Council accept the 2016 Second Quarter Report for the Visitors Information Booth at the Baillie House

NICOLA VALLEY
RODEO
ASSOCIATION
SPONSORSHIP

- 8.2 Nicola Valley Rodeo Association Sponsorship Request for Kid Zone; Collector/Deputy Financial Services Manager July 18, 2016 Report
File: 1851

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

148/16

THAT Council authorizes staff to purchase a one thousand (\$1,000) dollar sponsorship in support of the Nicola Valley Pro Rodeo's Kid Zone to be funded through the City Initiative Fund;

AND THAT Council direct staff to include a request for the Nicola Valley Pro Rodeo Association to apply during the fall Grant-in-Aid intake for this event in the future

BUDGET POSITION
REPORT

- 8.3 Budget Position Report; Director of Finance & IT July 19, 2016 Report
File: 1700

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

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THAT Council receive the January to June 2016 Budget Position Report as submitted

**LOWER NICOLA
INDIAN BAND 2016
OPEN HOUSE**

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- 8.4 Lower Nicola Indian Band 2016 Open House Request for Participation and Sponsorship; Helder Ponte, Executive Director, Lower Nicola Indian Band July 14, 2016 Letter
File: 0250

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**

THAT the City of Merritt participate in the Lower Nicola Indian Band 2016 Open House;

AND THAT the City's Economic Development Manager attend the event and participate by setting up an information booth

Voting Opposed: Councillor Prowal

9. **NOTICES OF MOTION**

Nil

10. **REPORTS FROM COUNCIL**

- 10.1 Councillor Brown attended the Pickleball opening ceremonies, Community Policing Office open house
- 10.2 Councillor Goetz provided the latest gas buddy prices; attended the Car Show, Pickleball opening ceremonies and reminded everyone of the upcoming Special Olympics at Mary Brown's Chicken on July 27th
- 10.3 Councillor Norgaard attended the Pickleball opening ceremonies, Christmas Tree Enchantment Program and reminded everyone of the Community Futures Annual General Meeting on July 27th
- 10.4 Councillor Christopherson had nothing to report
- 10.5 Councillor Prowal attended the Pickleball opening ceremonies and the Show and Shine

10.6 Mayor Menard attended the Community Policing Office open house, Thompson Nicola Regional District Board meeting and Solid Waste Management meeting, Merritt Centennials Golf Tournament and Meet and Greet, Forestry Management meeting, pipeline round table meeting, Brian Barrett induction into the BC Hockey Hall of Fame and the Show and Shine

11. INFORMATION ITEMS

**FINANCE & AUDIT
COMMITTEE
MEETING**

11.1 Minutes, Finance & Audit Committee Meeting, June 21, 2016
File: 0554

UBCM RESOLUTION

11.2 City of Prince George 2016 UBCM Resolution; Leslie Jackson, Legislative Assistant, City of Prince George July 19, 2016 Letter
File: 0270

12. TERMINATION OF MEETING

The Mayor declared the meeting closed at 8:12 p.m.

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

**Original signed by
Corporate Officer**

Confirmed on the 09th Day of August, 2016

**Original signed by
Mayor**