



CITY OF MERRITT

MINUTES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

CITY HALL

2185 VOGHT STREET

TUESDAY, JULY 24, 2018

AT 7:00 PM

1. PRESENT:

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

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. S. Boven, Chief Administrative Officer
Mr. M. Brodrick, Planning and Development Services Manager
Ms. C. Fraser, Deputy Clerk/Human Resources Manager
Ms. S. Thiessen, Director of Finance & IT

37 Members of the Public

2. CALL TO ORDER

2.1 Mayor Menard called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

3. PUBLIC INPUT (10 Minutes)

Nil

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

4.1 Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**
THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting
held on Tuesday, July 10, 2018 be adopted

RECESS TO PUBLIC HEARING

The Mayor recessed to Public Hearing at 7:04 p.m.

RECONVENE TO COUNCIL MEETING

The Mayor reconvened the regular Council meeting at 7:45 p.m.

5. GENERAL MATTERS – Delegations and Recognitions

**MERRITT SHUTTLE
BUS SERVICES**

- 5.1 Merritt Shuttle Bus Services Presentation; Gene & Tammy Field and David & Sally Brule Letter
File: 0250

Mr. G. Field presented to Council the Merritt Shuttle Bus Services and provided the following information:

- Merritt Shuttle Bus Services is a recently incorporated company
- They intend to provide shuttle service from Merritt to Kamloops, Merritt to Highland Valley Copper and from Kamloops to Highland Valley Copper
- Trying to provide services vacated by Greyhound
- Launch date is set for September 01, 2018
- Ministry of Transportation has announced the processes will be fast tracked and the requirements will be simpler
- Will purchase electric buses to reduce the carbon footprint
- Buses will be wheelchair accessible
- Twenty businesses within Merritt have offered to sell bus tickets and pick up spots
- Can provide shuttle service for festivals as well as for crews working on the pipeline
- Hours of operation being 9:00 am to 9:00 pm
- Five drop off points in Kamloops
- Biggest dilemma is where to park the buses (6) in Merritt

Councillor K. Christopherson declared a perceived conflict of interest as he is a Director on the Nicola Valley Community Theatre Society and left the meeting at 8:06 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 8:06 p.m.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

CIVIC CENTRE/
CONFERENCE
CENTRE

- 6.1 Councillor Brown made the following Notice of Motion at the July 10, 2018 Regular Council Meeting
File: 7910

Moved, Seconded

THAT Council direct staff to prepare a report reviewing previous scope of the Civic Centre/Conference Centre, potential costs and funding options, and potential options for parking

193/18

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

THAT the resolution be amended by removing "and funding options"

Voting Opposed: Councillor Brown

Voting resumed on the main motion as amended

194/18

CARRIED

THAT Council direct staff to prepare a report reviewing previous scope of the Civic Centre/Conference Centre, potential costs, and potential options for parking

Councillors Christopherson and Norgaard returned to the Council meeting at 8:15 p.m.

2018 BUSINESS WALK

- 6.2 Councillor Brown made the following Notice of Motion at the July 10, 2018 Regular Council Meeting
File: 6300

195/18

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

THAT Council review the results of the 2018 Business Walk at the next Council meeting

7. BYLAWS

ZONING - 2749
POOLEY AVENUE

- 7.1 City of Merritt Zoning Bylaw Amendment Bylaw No. 2239, 2018
File: 3900.2187

Returned from Public Hearing

Moved, Seconded and DEFEATED

**THAT City of Merritt Zoning Bylaw Amendment
Bylaw No. 2239, 2018 be read a third time**

Voting Opposed: Mayor Menard, Councillors, Baker,
Brown, Christopherson, Goetz, Norgaard and Prowal

ZONING - CANNABIS

- 7.2 City of Merritt Zoning Bylaw Amendment Bylaw No. 2240, 2018
File: 3900.2187

Returned from Public Hearing

196/18

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

**THAT City of Merritt Zoning Bylaw Amendment
Bylaw No. 2240, 2018 be read a third time**

Voting Opposed: Councillor Brown

197/18

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

**THAT City of Merritt Zoning Bylaw Amendment
Bylaw No. 2240, 2018 be adopted**

Voting Opposed: Councillor Brown

8. NEW BUSINESS

DEVELOPMENT
PERMIT - 4074
AIRPORT ROAD

- 8.1 Application for Development Permit, Parcel A (Being a
consolidation of Lots A& B, see CA6302384) Section 23 Township
91 Kamloops Division Yale District Plan KAP 80535, PID: 030-
250-826, 4074 Airport Road, Valley Helicopters; Planning &
Development Services Manager June 15, 2018 Report
File: 3090 & DP2018-04

198/18

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

**THAT Council directs staff to issue development permit
DP2018-04 (4074 Airport Road) subsequent to the receipt
of payment for the landscape security**

<p>DEVELOPMENT PERMIT & DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT- MERRITT YOUTH & FAMILY RESOURCES SOCIETY</p> <p>199/18</p>	<p>8.2</p>	<p>Development Permit & Development Variance Permit – Merritt Youth & Family Resources Society, 1914 Quilchena Avenue, Lot A District Lot 125 Kamloops Division Yale District Plan 12280, PID: 009-442-081 File: DP2017-05 & DVP2017-05</p> <p>Moved, Seconded and CARRIED THAT Council direct staff to issue DP2017-05 and DVP2017-05 (1914 Quilchena Avenue) Voting Opposed: Councillors Brown and Prowal</p>
<p>2018 RURAL DIVIDEND APPLICATION</p> <p>200/18</p>	<p>8.3</p>	<p>2018 Rural Dividend Application; Economic Development Manager July 19, 2018 Report File: 1854.40</p> <p>Moved, Seconded and CARRIED THAT Council provides a resolution in support of the City’s 2018 BC Rural Dividend Fund Grant Program Application to advance the Economic Development Capacity Building Projects</p>
<p>ANNUAL REPORT</p> <p>201/18</p>	<p>8.4</p>	<p>City of Merritt Annual Report File: 1610.1</p> <p>Moved, Seconded and CARRIED THAT Council accept the City of Merritt 2017 Annual Report as presented</p>
<p>GOLD COUNTRY</p> <p>202/18</p>	<p>8.5</p>	<p>Letter of Support; Marcie Down, Executive Director, Gold Country Communities Society July 17, 2018 Letter File: 0250</p> <p>Moved, Seconded and CARRIED THAT Council direct staff to prepare a letter of support for Gold Country Communities Society grant application to BC Rural Dividend to hire an Indigenous Liaison</p>
<p>MERRITT SHUTTLE BUS SERVICES</p> <p>203/18</p>	<p>8.6</p>	<p>Letter of Support; Gene & Tammy Field and David & Sally Brule, Merritt Shuttle Bus Services Letter File: 0250</p> <p>Moved, Seconded and CARRIED THAT Council direct staff to prepare a letter of support to Merritt Shuttle Bus Services Ltd.</p>

9. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

10. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL

- 10.1 Councillor Goetz provided the latest Gas Buddy prices; congratulated Darch Osborne on completing the B.C. Epic 1000km bike race from Merritt to Fernie and the Nicola Valley Thunder Peewee Lacrosse team for their silver medal at the Provincials; attended the Cruiser's Show & Shine Car Show and announced that would not be seeking re-election and would not be attending the 2018 UBCM Conference.
- 10.2 Councillor Prowal attended the Tourism & Economic Development Committee meeting, the Committee of the Whole meeting and commented on how busy Central Park was this past weekend.
- 10.3 Councillor Norgaard hosted a Fire Smart open house at her residence.
- 10.4 Councillor Brown attended the Friday Market, the Committee of the Whole meeting, the TNRD bio-solids meeting; questions who had approved the original Claybanks subdivision and encouraged everyone to get their tickets for the RCMP Musical Ride.
- 10.5 Councillor Christopherson commented on the flood mitigation and thanked Councillor Goetz for his years of service.
- 10.6 Councillor Baker attended the Committee of the Whole meeting via telephone and the Police Committee meeting.

- 10.7 Mayor Menard congratulated Darch Osborne on completing the B.C. Epic 1000km bike race from Merritt to Fernie and the Nicola Valley Thunder Peewee Lacrosse team for their silver medal at the Provincials; attended a 75th birthday party for Rusty Brewer from Ska-lu-la; the Committee of the Whole meeting; the TNRD meeting regarding the Kettle Valley Trail; hosted Drop-In sessions; attended a Hospital Foundation meeting, TNRD Board meetings and Committee of the Whole meeting, the TNRD bio-solids meeting, the Cruiser's Show & Shine Car Show awarding Brian & Bea Cave the Mayor's Choice award for their 1933 Ford pickup and Boler trailer, a meeting at the Shackan Band Hall; transported the Ska-lu-la clients to Birch Bay for their camp and attended the Ty Pozzobon Committee meeting; welcomed the new BCHL Commissioner to Merritt and announced that he will be seeking re-election for Mayor in the upcoming Local General Election.

11. INFORMATION ITEMS

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| REGIONAL DISTRICT
OF BULKLEY-
NECHAKO | 11.1 | Support of the Province of B.C.'s Caribou Recovery Program; Bill Miller, Chair, Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Letter
File: 0135 |
| CITY OF WILLIAMS
LAKE | 11.2 | Employer Health Tax Impact on Local Government; Walt Cobb, Mayor, City of Williams Lake July 17, 2018 Letter
File: 0135 |

12. TERMINATION OF MEETING

The Mayor declared the meeting ended at 9:21 p.m.

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

**Original signed by
Corporate Officer**

Confirmed on the 14th Day of August, 2018

**Original signed by
Mayor**