



CITY OF MERRITT

MINUTES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
CITY HALL
2185 VOGHT STREET
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 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

Ms. S. Thiessen, Director of Finance & IT
Mr. M. Brodrick, Planning and Development Services Manager
Mr. W. Anderson, Financial Services Manager
Mr. S. Smith, Director of Corporate Services

21 Members of the Public

2. CALL TO ORDER

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

3. PUBLIC INPUT (10 Minutes)

With the upcoming election, there was no public input period pursuant to Section 21 (f) of the City of Merritt Council Procedures Bylaw No. 2055, 2008.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

244/18

- 4.1 Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**
THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on Tuesday, September 28, 2018 be adopted

RECESS TO PUBLIC HEARING

RECONVENE TO COUNCIL MEETING

5. GENERAL MATTERS - Delegations and Recognitions

Nil

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nil

7. BYLAWS

CEMETERY

- 7.1 City of Merritt Cemetery Bylaw No. 2244, 2018
File: 3900.2244

245/18

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**
THAT City of Merritt Cemetery Bylaw No. 2244, 2018 be adopted
Voting Opposed: Councillor Brown

FEES & CHARGES

- 7.2 City of Merritt Fees & Charges Bylaw Amending Bylaw No. 2245, 2018
File: 3900.2176

246/18

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**
THAT City of Merritt Fees & Charges Bylaw Amending Bylaw No. 2245, 2018 be adopted
Voting Opposed: Councillor Brown

ZONING - 2190
VOGHT STREET

7.3 City of Merritt Zoning Bylaw Amendment Bylaw No. 2247, 2018
(2190 Voght Street)
File: 3900.2187 & RZ2018-04

Returned from Public Hearing

247/18

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**
**THAT City of Merritt Zoning Bylaw Amendment
Bylaw No. 2247, 2018 (2190 Voght Street) be read a third
time**

8. NEW BUSINESS

POLICY REVIEW
COMMITTEE

8.1 Minutes; Policy Review Committee September 18, 2018 Minutes
File: 0373

248/18

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**
**THAT Council adopt the City of Merritt Purchasing
Policy**

249/18

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**
**THAT Council adopt the City of Merritt Video
Surveillance Systems Policy**

250/18

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**
THAT Council rescind the Communications Plan Policy

251/18

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**
**THAT Council rescind the RV Guest Accommodations
on Private Property Policy**

252/18

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**
**THAT Council direct staff to bring a report to Council,
providing information and requesting Council direction
regarding Secondary Suites**

POLICE COMMITTEE

8.2 Minutes; Police Committee September 18, 2018 Minutes
File: 0376

253/18

Moved, Seconded and **CARRIED**
**THAT Council direct staff to research the preparation of
a City Bylaw to confiscate skateboards and bikes**

INTER-COMMUNITY BUSINESS LICENSING 8.3 Inter-community Business Licensing; Director of Corporate Services October 3, 2018 Report
File: 3900.2034

254/18

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

THAT Council direct staff to proceed with taking the necessary steps to bring forward three (3) Intercommunity Business Licence Agreement Bylaws to Council in 2019

GRANT IN AID APPLICATION

8.4 Merritt Bread Basket/Soup Bowl – 2018 Extraordinary Grant in Aid – New Gas Range/Stove; Director of Finance October 3, 2018 Report
File: 1851

255/18

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

THAT Council approves a 2018 Extraordinary Grant in Aid in the amount of \$3,500, requested by the Merritt Bread Basket/Soup Bowl (MBBSB) for financial assistance for the purchase and installation of a new range/stove to be funded through the available Financial Aid Grant in Aid funds and the Council Contingency fund;

AND THAT Council direct staff to include a request for the MBBSB to apply during the fall Grant in Aid intake for future requests of this nature

9. NOTICES OF MOTION

9.1 Councillor Brown made the following Notice of Motion:

THAT Council discuss the 2018 Nicola River Flood Assessment produced by Kerr Wood Leidal

10. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL

10.1 Councillor Baker shared parting thoughts about his time on Council and expressed his thanks to staff, citizens and the community of Merritt for their support.

10.2 Councillor Norgaard attended a meeting with Tolko and thanked the citizens of Merritt for their support during her term on Council.

- 10.3 Councillor Goetz extended thanks to City of Merritt staff, and a special thanks to Carole Fraser for their work during his terms on Council. He thanked the citizens of Merritt, his wife, and Councillor Baker for continuing to serve on Council even after his move.
- 10.4 Councillor Prowal thanked departing Councillors for their service, attended the Korean banquet and dance, the Environment Committee meeting (no quorum), and the all candidates forum.
- 10.5 Councillor Brown attended a TNRD Book Club meeting, the Provincial Winter Fair, a snow removal meeting, the Garlic Festival, Korean Culture Day, the Arts Council Potluck, a proportional representation meeting, the firefighters awards and banquet night, volunteered at the Merritt Country run, the Collettsville school, the all candidates forum and mayoral candidate radio round-up, the Parkview AGM, and attended a recognition ceremony at the legion for her father's 46 years of service.
- 10.6 Councillor Christopherson represented the City of Merritt at the Investiture of Grand Chief Percy Joe, the Korean Culture day, a Country Christmas meeting, and a meeting with Tolko reps. Councillor Christopherson expressed thanks to the Chamber of Commerce and Community futures for their efforts on trying to spur downtown growth, and thanked Mayor and Council for their efforts.
- 10.7 Mayor Menard presented a card from the Little Britches Rodeo, expressed thanks to Dave, Diana and Mike for their years of service to the community and wished good luck to all of those running. Mayor Menard attended the official opening of the NVIT gym and culinary centre, TNRD Board meetings, Korean Culture Day, the Memorial Roping event, the Garlic Festival, the Aboriginal Advisory council, a Nicola Valley Regional teleconference meeting, the Firefighters award night, the Pacific Forest Rally, the Cents Humboldt memorial hockey game, the Merritt Country run, a presentation at the legion, the Lakeview Adult community meeting regarding flooding, and a Diamond Vale school tour.

11. INFORMATION ITEMS

**2018 NICOLA RIVER
FLOOD ASSESSMENT**

- 11.1 2018 Nicola River Flood Assessment; Kerr Wood Leidal
September 25, 2018 Technical Memorandum
File: 6240

12. TERMINATION OF MEETING

The Mayor declared the meeting ended at 7:53 p.m.

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

**Original signed by
Corporate Officer**

Confirmed on the 13th Day of November, 2018

**Original signed by
Mayor**