

## **THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF ENDERBY**

Minutes of a **Regular Meeting** of Council held on Monday, October 6, 2014 at 4:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall

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Present: Mayor Howie Cyr  
Councillor Tundra Baird  
Councillor Brad Case  
Councillor Raquel Knust  
Councillor Beryl Ludwig  
Councillor Greg McCune

Chief Administrative Officer – Tate Bengtson  
Chief Financial Officer – Jennifer Bellamy  
Assistant Corporate Officer and Planning Assistant – Kurt Inglis  
Recording Secretary – Bettyann Kennedy  
The Press and Public

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### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The following items were added to the agenda under New Business:

- Re-naming of Mill Avenue
- Community Connections – Shuswap Settlement Services Society

Moved by Councillor Baird, seconded by Councillor Ludwig that the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried Unanimously

### **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Regular Meeting Minutes of September 15, 2014

Moved by Councillor Case, seconded by Councillor Ludwig that the minutes of the regular meeting of September 15, 2014 be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

### **BYLAWS – 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

City of Enderby Zoning Bylaw No. 1550, 2014

The Assistant Corporate Officer and Planning Assistant reviewed his memo and key changes made to the zoning bylaw. Carriage housing will be flagged for a possible amendment as to the infill and density portion of the ICSP process.

Moved by Councillor Ludwig, seconded by Councillor Baird that City of Enderby Zoning Bylaw No. 1550, 2014 be given first and second reading and forwarded to a Public Hearing on October 20, 2014; and

FURTHER THAT the City of Enderby Zoning Bylaw No. 1550, 2014 be referred to the Regional District of North Okanagan Planning staff for review and comment.

Carried Unanimously

### **BYLAWS – Adoption**

Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 1551, 2014

A bylaw to exempt certain properties from exemption for the year 2015

Moved by Councillor Baird, seconded by Councillor Knust that Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 1551, 2014 be reconsidered and adopted.

Carried Unanimously

Parks, Recreation, and Culture Fees Imposition Bylaw No. 1553, 2014

A bylaw to impose fees for providing recreation programs and facilities

Moved by Councillor Ludwig, seconded by Councillor Case that Parks, Recreation, and Culture Fees Imposition Bylaw No. 1553, 2014 be reconsidered and adopted.

Carried Unanimously

Cemetery Regulation Bylaw No. 1515, 2012 Amendment Bylaw No. 1552, 2014  
A bylaw to amend Cemetery Regulation Bylaw No. 1552, 2012

Moved by Councillor Knust, seconded by Councillor McCune that Cemetery Regulation Bylaw No. 1515, 2012 Amendment Bylaw No. 1552, 2014 be reconsidered and adopted.

Carried Unanimously

**REPORTS**

Councillor McCune

- Attended UBCM
- Met with Kara Wilhelms, new Executive Director of the Resource Centre. She is hoping to stage an inter-agency open house. Community stakeholders will be invited to get familiar with the programs and share ideas. November 18 at the Fire Hall is the tentative date.

Moved by Councillor McCune, seconded by Councillor Knust that staff secure the use of the Fire Hall on November 18, 2014 and advise the Enderby and District Resource Centre.

Carried Unanimously

Councillor Knust

UBCM:

- *Improving Health for Remote and Rural Communities*
  - discussions involved identifying strategies, priorities and goals; seeking feedback from local government; working with professional associations and first nations; and developing a Rural Health Strategy.
  - Guest speaker addressed problem of recruiting and retaining physicians. Advice was to focus on the needs of the physician's family and to avoid coming across as desperate.
  - Interior Health's "tele-health" program is amazing and reduces the expense of travel time as well as reducing stress on the patient.
- *Small Talk Forum*
  - Waste water management in McBride includes the planting of certain types of trees around their facility and using the trees elsewhere in the community when grown.
  - Wastewood heating process being done by Tolko.
  - Vanderhoof has opened their white sturgeon conservation centre.
  - Tofino discussed union wages.
  - Lunch with Splatsin: discussed their Junior Firefighting program. The Enderby Fire Chief advised that grant funds are available to set up a similar program at AL Fortune.
  - Lake Cowichan – mental health funding needs to be addressed.
- *Open for Business Awards*
  - 9 winners each received \$10,000 for promoting business in their area. Councillor Knust suggested checking out Smithers website.
- *Creating a Supportive Community for People with Dementia*
  - This is something that needs to be kept in mind when planning things like sidewalks to avoid causing safety hazards for this vulnerable group.
  - The Alzheimer's Society offers free seminars on dealing with people with dementia and alzheimers.

Moved by Councillor Knust, seconded by Councillor Case that a letter be sent to Mountain View Electric and Colin Matejka commending each for the recent improvements made to their business facades.

Carried Unanimously

Moved by Councillor Knust, seconded by Councillor Baird that a letter be sent to the Enderby and District Arts Council expressing appreciation for the works recently completed in the breezeway in addition to numerous other beautification projects initiated by the Arts Council.

Carried Unanimously

Councillor Case

## UBCM:

- *Ministry of Transportation meeting*
  - Put forth City's plan for future planning.
  - Need highway alignment plan in order to do long term planning. Highways does not plan beyond 10 years.
- *Green Energy*
  - Our community heating system is a success. Need to engage with the School District and other businesses to promote and showcase.

Attended a Kingfisher Interpretive Centre fund raiser. Approximately \$20,000 was raised. The event was sold out and the auction was successful.

Riverdays was well attended. It has been noted that the amount of trash is getting smaller. The message is obviously getting through, due in part to the River Ambassador program.

## Enderby and District Services Commission meeting:

- DCC bylaw was forwarded to RDNO.
- An amendment to the digital billboard policy being recommended to Council with sponsorship for Commission events.

Councillor Ludwig

Attended ground-breaking ceremony for new library in Summerland.

## UBCM:

- *Agriculture Study Tour*
  - Focus was on small farms – some only a few acres in size.
  - Concentration on growing one item. This could also be successful in our area.
- Enjoyed the small talk forum, the morning meetings, Ministry of Transportation meeting. There were good questions raised at the Cabinet panel meeting. Also attended the banquet.

Councillor Baird

## UBCM:

- *Reconciliation in Action*
  - Artifacts and history was on display.
  - Orange Shirt Day in Williams Lake came about from a woman's treatment as a youth. She is open to facilitating an event in Enderby.
- *Municipal Insurance Association*
  - They are up \$5 million in capital.
- Rex Murphy was a great guest speaker. Commented on how smaller communities are much more effective in handling disaster/emergency situations.
- *Trade Show*
  - Worksafe BC offers high school training for trades.

Attended a Community Hall Association meeting. The halls are all thriving. Water quality issues are ongoing.

Lantern float at Riverdays was successful.

Mayor Cyr

## UBCM:

- *Disaster Management Planning*
  - No insurance on linear (underground) infrastructure. This can be attained through MIA.
- *Improving Health for Remote and Rural Communities*
  - Capabilities of the "Tele-health" program is impressive. Saves travel time and expense. It needs to be utilized more.
- *Ministry of Transportation meeting*
  - Daniel Joe was there from Splatsin.
  - Government has only a 10 year plan in place, whereas our planning is for 20+ years.
  - They were unwilling to weigh in on the rail line issue.

- Expressed disappointment that there was no local consultation regarding the recent speed limit increase on Hwy 97A.
- Unfortunately, meeting with Minister of Health did not happen. Issues have been discussed with our MLA who will forward on our behalf.

BC Rivers Days was successful once again.

RDNO Board of Directors – they have been experiencing some problems with joint use agreements. Have suggested they take a look at our agreements as they seem to be working well.

Vanko Services has moved into the old Frameworks location. The owner has commended staff for their assistance in getting necessary permits in place.

Met with Doctor Anwar. She is living in Enderby and is very happy to be here. She chose Enderby over another community.

Corebilt has now been issued a building permit and works are moving forward.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Foster Wedding Reception Request – memo from Chief Administrative Officer dated September 30, 2014

This event has been postponed.

Enderby Artists' Initiative – Digital Billboard Sponsorship Application – Memo from Assistant Corporate Officer and Planning Assistant dated September 29, 2014

Moved by Councillor Case, seconded by Councillor Baird that Council approve a grant for digital billboard sponsorship exemption for the Enderby Artists' Initiative; and

THAT Council approve the Enderby Artists' Initiative's sponsorship application valued at \$2,100 in-kind.

Carried Unanimously

Enderby Library Friends – Digital Billboard Sponsorship Application – Memo from Assistant Corporate Officer and Planning Assistant dated September 29, 2014

Moved by Councillor Ludwig, seconded by Councillor McCune that Council approve a grant for digital billboard sponsorship exemption for the Enderby Library Friends; and

THAT Council approve the Enderby Library Friends sponsorship application valued at \$700 in-kind.

Carried Unanimously

Metered Water Rates – General Information and Mock Billing Statistics – Memo from Chief Financial Officer dated September 29, 2014

Moved by Councillor Case, seconded by Councillor Baird that the memorandum be received and filed.

Carried Unanimously

Discussion:

- At the October 20<sup>th</sup> meeting, staff will be presenting more robust analysis that will include:
  - Reality vs assumptions
  - Recommendations and philosophies to consider in moving forward.
- People appear to be confused. There is a misunderstanding resulting in fear and panic.
- Staff have been dealing with people on an individual basis addressing their concerns and directing them toward solutions.
- Consideration for possibly extending the “mock” billing for another year.
- Include cost comparisons from other communities.

*Late Item:     Renaming of Mill Avenue*

Mayor Cyr reported that consideration is being given to having Mill Avenue changed to “Verteran’s Way”. Re-naming of a street can be an expensive undertaking however. Giving an honorary designation is an option.

Moved by Councillor Baird, seconded by Councillor Case that Council’s intentions be communicated to the Legion with a request for feedback regarding an honorary designation of “Veteran’s Way” for Mill Avenue.

Carried Unanimously

*Late Item:     Shuswap Settlement Society*

Bernie Desrosier has extended an invitation to Council to sit in on meetings. Mayor Cyr has the details for those interested.

**PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD**

*Marilyn Wallis of 111 Revel Crescent* had questions/comments on three topics:

Water Meters - queried whether Richard Vetter’s letter about water metering had been addressed. She was informed that his, and others would be part of the information coming forward at the next meeting. She is not pleased with her bill, claiming it is too high and that seniors won’t be able to afford it.

Doctors – She has heard a rumour that we may be losing one of our doctors.

Beautification –

- Rumour has it that there will be a running track installed at Barnes Park. She was informed that a landscape architect was engaged to assess the park and provide ideas for improving the use of the space, which could include a running track among other things.
- The condition of Waterwheel Street to access the beach is a disgrace to the City.
- Why was the development at 308 George Street required to supply so much grass when parking would have been better. The Planning Assistant explained that the zoning bylaw dictates how much landscaping is required. It does not necessarily have to be grass. It can be xeroscaping or rockery.

*Lynn Noble of 110 Revel Crescent* expressed his concern over his high mock water bill. He was encouraged to talk with staff. More information will be available at the next meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor Ludwig, seconded by Councillor Knust that the meeting adjourn at 5:55 p.m.

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**MAYOR**

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**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**