

Regular Meeting – A.M.April 17, 2000

A Regular Meeting of the Municipal Council of the City of Kelowna was held in the Meeting Room No. 3, 1435 Water Street, Kelowna, B.C., on Monday, April 17, 2000.

Council members in attendance were: Mayor Walter Gray, Councillors A.F. Blanleil, R.D. Cannan, B.A. Clark, C.B. Day, B.D. Given, R.D. Hobson, J.D. Nelson and S.A. Shepherd.

Staff members in attendance were: City Manager, R.A. Born; City Clerk, D.L. Shipclark; Director of Planning & Development Services, R.L. Mattiussi*; Long Range Planning Manager, L.V. Foster*; Director of Finance & Corporate Services, C.P. Kraft*; Director of Parks & Leisure Services, D.L. Graham; Parks Manager, J. Creron*; Landscape Planner, P. Alexander*; Director of Works & Utilities, J. Vos*; and Council Recording Secretary, B.L. Harder.

(* denotes partial attendance)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gray called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

2. Councillor Shepherd was requested to check the minutes of the meeting.

3. REPORTS

3.1 Councillor Shepherd re: Controlled Burn – Knox Mountain Park

Councillor Shepherd:

- The City does not have a policy as to whether burning should be used by our staff as a tool.
- The Regional District of Central Okanagan has a policy that requires staff to first obtain the approval of the Board.
- The Air Quality Committee has been encouraging the forestry, agricultural, and development community to find alternatives to burning because of health implications as well as the impact on tourism.
- Is there support from Council for the City to set an example and implement a no-burn policy, recognizing that there is a cost involved if we go that route because then the material would have to be removed instead of burned.

Council:

- The cost of removing/chipping wood can be high and Council would have to weigh the implications of burning versus not burning.
- The South and North Okanagan Regional Districts also need to cooperate or their smoke will impact air quality in Kelowna.
- Federal money is apparently available, according to a participant (Russ Husch, B.C. Fruit Grower's Association) at the Air Quality workshop, for a wood chipping machine at the landfill. Staff to investigate.
- Consider inviting Peter Schwartzhoff of Environment Canada's Mountain Weather Services Office in Kelowna and/or Ralph Adams, Air Quality Meteorologist from the Ministry of Environment office in Kamloops to an open Council meeting for a 20-30 minute presentation on our air quality.
- Consider asking the Regional Health Board to contribute to the air quality initiative since they pay for the health problems.

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Moved by Councillor Shepherd/Seconded by Councillor Clark

R331/00/04/17 THAT the Parks & Leisure Services Department draft a policy that would require staff to report to Council prior to open burning, providing an evaluation of all the options that were considered and that led to the recommendation for open burning.

Carried

3.2 OMMA:- Transportation to Salmon Arm

- Discussion of who are attending and who are taking vehicles.

3.3 Brandt's Creek

- Staff to investigate whether a pipe is needed under Sunset Drive to provide water from the creek to the ponds.
- The beavers need to be trapped and taken away - they are chopping down trees.

3.4 Lake Country Dinner Meeting

- Try for Wednesday, May 25th.

4. RESOLUTION CLOSING THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

Moved by Councillor Hobson/Seconded by Councillor Nelson

R332/00/04/17 THAT this meeting be closed to the public, pursuant to Sec. 242.2(1) (c) and (e) of the Municipal Act for Council to deal with subject matter relating to labour relations and acquisition of land.

Carried

5. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

The meeting adjourned at 9:43 a.m.

The meeting was declared terminated at 11:48 a.m.

Certified Correct:

Mayor

BLH/bn

City Clerk