

Regular Meeting – A.M.

January 23, 2006

A Regular Meeting of the Municipal Council of the City of Kelowna was held in Meeting Room No. 3, 1435 Water Street, Kelowna, B.C., on Monday, January 23, 2006.

Council members in attendance: Mayor Sharon Shepherd, Councillors A.F. Blanleil\*, B.A. Clark, C.B. Day, C.M. Gran, R.D. Hobson, N.J. Letnick and M.J. Rule.

Council member absent: Councillor B.D. Given.

Staff members in attendance were: City Manager, R.A. Born; Deputy City Clerk, S.C. Fleming; Director of Works & Utilities, J. Vos\*; Manager of Development Services, A.V. Bruce\*; Manager of Inspection Services, R. Dickinson\*; and Council Recording Secretary, B.L. Harder.

(\* denotes partial attendance)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Shepherd called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

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

3. REPORTS

3.1 Mayor Shepherd for discussion of the following:

(a) letter dated January 12, 2006 from Patricia Newton re Uncovered Loads going to Glenmore Landfill

Staff:

- Explained how the bylaw enforcement officers are handling enforcement and the challenges faced with enforcement.
- A private contractor also works 6 days a week picking up debris from vehicles on all key roads leading to the landfill.

Council:

- Brief discussion of the problems and some potential solutions.

(b) letter dated January 17, 2006 re Siting of Proposed Telus Cell Tower

Councillor Blanleil declared a conflict of interest because he does business with Telus and left the meeting at 11:17 a.m.

Staff:

- The City's only ability to regulate siting of communications towers is when it is for a free standing structure in which case a Building Permit is required.
- If Council wishes to try to influence the process, the appropriate way to do that would be via City staff working with Industry Canada rather than Telus.
- Even if Industry Canada could be convinced that our policies/guidelines were reasonable (i.e. environmental concern) at the end of the day it would be Industry Canada's call and they could over-ride any of our policies or guidelines.

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Council:

- Staff to follow-up on resolutions endorsed by the FCM and the UBCM with respect to siting of telecommunications towers.

Moved by Councillor Hobson/Seconded by Councillor Gran

**R072/06/01/23** THAT the Mayor send a letter to Industry Canada informing them that Council has received written concerns from residents in the area regarding the Ward Road Cell Tower in Kelowna, B.C., and asking what policies Industry Canada follows when responding to neighbourhood input regarding the siting of telecommunication towers and what policies Industry Canada has for dealing with towers that are no longer required.

Carried

Councillor Blanleil returned to the meeting at 11:35 a.m.

3.2 RCMP Delegation – RCMP versus Municipal Police Forces

Staff:

The RCMP have a delegation coming from Ottawa wanting to make a presentation to Council giving their perspective on RCMP forces versus municipal police forces on Thursday, March 9, 2006 at 1:30 p.m. The event would be held in the Council Chamber and the other Okanagan Valley councils would also be invited to attend.

3.3 Permission Exemptions Task Force

Councillor Gran volunteered to Chair the Task Force.

4. TERMINATION

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

Certified Correct:

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Mayor

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Deputy City Clerk

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