



City of Kelowna Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, March 31, 2014
 Location: Knox Mountain Meeting Room (#4A)
 City Hall, 1435 Water Street

Council Members Present: Mayor Walter Gray and Councillors Colin Basran, Maxine DeHart, Gail Given, Robert Hobson*, Mohini Singh, Luke Stack and Gerry Zimmermann

Council Members Absent: Councillor Andre Blanleil

Staff Present: Deputy City Manager, Paul Macklem; City Clerk, Stephen Fleming; Divisional Director, Community Planning & Real Estate, Doug Gilchrist*; Director, Regional Services, Ron Westlake*; and Council Services Coordinator, Sandi Horning

(* denotes partial attendance)

1. Call to Order

Mayor Gray called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

2. Confirmation of Minutes

Moved By Councillor Zimmermann/Seconded By Councillor Given

R197/14/03/31 THAT the Minutes of the Regular AM Meeting of March 24, 2014 be confirmed as circulated.

Carried

3. Reports

3.1. Regional Collaboration on Sustainable Transportation

Staff:

- Displayed a PowerPoint Presentation and responded to questions from Council.

- Advised that the same presentation will be given to the remaining partners in the next couple of weeks.

Deputy City Manager:

- Responded to questions from Council.
- Provided an overview of how the Local Government Advisory Board and the Chief Administrative Officers' Committee operate.

Divisional Director, Community Planning & Real Estate

- Responded to questions from Council.

Council:

- Inquired as to whether the Okanagan Indian Band should play a role in the Sustainable Transportation Partnership of the Central Okanagan (STPCO).
- Inquired as to the role of the Provincial Government and the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure with respect to the STPCO.
- Requested that the Agenda for the upcoming meeting with the local area MLA's include an update/synopsis on the STPCO.

Moved By Councillor Singh/Seconded By Councillor Stack

R198/14/03/24 THAT Council receives, for information, the Report of the Director, Regional Services dated March 25, 2014 with respect to the Regional Transportation Partnership of the Central Okanagan.

Carried

4. Resolution Closing the Meeting to the Public

Moved By Councillor Hobson/Seconded By Councillor DeHart

R199/14/03/24 THAT this meeting be closed to the public pursuant to Section 90(1) (b), (c) and (e) of the Community Charter for Council to deal with matters relating to the following:

- Municipal Award;
- Labour Relations; and
- Acquisition, Disposition, or Expropriation of Land or Improvements.

Carried

5. Adjourn to Closed Session

The meeting adjourned to a closed session at 10:45 a.m.

6. Reconvene Open Session

The meeting reconvened to an open session at 11:58 a.m.

7. Issues Arising from Correspondence & Community Concerns

7.1. Mayor Gray, re: Issues Arising from Correspondence

Mayor Gray:

- Advised that he did not have anything specific to raise with Council.

7.2. Councillor Singh, re: Burning Permit Fee

Councillor Singh:

- Advised that she has been approached by some local area farmers regarding the City of Kelowna's Burning Permit Fee and inquired if Council would like to reconsider the fee.

Council:

- Had a discussion regarding the Burning Permit process and fee structure.

Deputy City Manager:

- Advised that the President of the BC Fruit Growers Association has contacted the Kelowna Fire Department regarding the fee.
- Advised that the Fire Department has provided a Briefing Note outlining the background with respect to the Burning Permit Fee.

Councillor Hobson left the meeting at 12:05 p.m.

Deputy City Manager:

- Provided an overview of the operational costs associated with Burning Permits and advised that the \$20.00 fee does not cover the administration cost of the permit.
- Confirmed that the City of Kelowna's Burning Permit Fee is one of the lowest in the Province.

8. Termination

The meeting was terminated at 12:06 p.m.

Mayor

/slh

City Clerk