



City of Kelowna Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, November 4, 2013
 Location: Knox Mountain Meeting Room (#4A)
 City Hall, 1435 Water Street

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

Staff Present: City Manager, Ron Mattiussi; Deputy City Manager, Paul Macklem; Deputy City Clerk, Karen Needham; Interim Divisional Director, Infrastructure, John Vos*; Divisional Director, Community Planning & Real Estate, Doug Gilchrist*; Divisional Director, Communications & Information Services, Carla Weadon*; Divisional Director, Corporate & Protective Services, Rob Mayne*; Director, Real Estate Services, Derek Edstrom*; Executive Director of Business Development, Jim Paterson*; and Council Recording Secretary, Sandi Horning

Guests: Dr. Deborah Buszard*, Principal and Deputy Vice-Chancellor, and Bud Mortenson*, Director, University Relations, The University of British Columbia, Okanagan Campus

(* denotes partial attendance)

1. Call to Order

Mayor Gray called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

2. Confirmation of Minutes

Moved By Councillor DeHart/Seconded By Councillor Basran

R690/13/11/04 THAT the Minutes of the Regular AM Meetings of October 21, 2013 and October 28, 2013 be confirmed as circulated.

Carried

3. Issues Arising from Correspondence & Community Concerns

3.1. Mayor Gray, re: Issues Arising from Correspondence

3.1.1 Mayor Gray, re: Meeting with John Walker, Secretary, The Rotary Club of Kelowna

Mayor Gray:

- Provided an update regarding the meeting with John Walker, Secretary for The Rotary Club of Kelowna regarding the issues with the "Christmas Display".
- Advised that staff have estimated the cost at \$40,000.00.

Councillor Hobson joined the meeting at 9:34 a.m.

Mayor Gray:

- Advised that the meeting included a discussion with respect to the Rotary's budget for the 'Christmas Display'.

3.1.2 Mayor Gray, re: Deputy Mayor Duties

Mayor Gray:

- Thanked Councillor Stack for being Deputy Mayor while he was away during the past two (2) weeks.

3.1.3 Councillor Stack, re: Westbank First Nation

Councillor Stack:

- Provided an update regarding the new Westbank First Nation representative on the Regional Board.
- Suggested that another meeting be arranged with Westbank First Nation as it has been over a year since the respective Councils met.

Council:

- A brief discussion took place regarding potential Agenda items.

Moved By Councillor Stack/Seconded By Councillor DeHart

R691/13/11/04 THAT Council authorizes the Mayor, on behalf of Council, to write a letter to Westbank First Nation suggesting that a joint meeting of the respective Councils be scheduled.

Carried

3.1.4 Councillor Stack, re: Okanagan Indian Band

Councillor Stack:

- Suggested that another meeting be arranged with the Okanagan Indian Band as it also been over a year since the respective Council's met.

Council:

- A brief discussion took place regarding potential Agenda items.

Moved By Councillor Blanleil/Seconded By Councillor Given

R692/13/11/04 THAT Council authorizes the Mayor, on behalf of Council, to write a letter to the Okanagan Indian Band suggesting that a joint meeting of the respective Councils be scheduled.

Carried

3.1.5 City Manager, re: Wood Burning Stove Complaint on Old Meadows Road

City Manager:

- Advised that Council has been provided with the staff response to Mr. Ferro's complaint.

Councillor Hobson:

- Provided an overview of the concerns raised by the residents in the area.
- Inquired if the City's Bylaws are effective when dealing with wood stoves complaints.

Divisional Director, Corporate & Protective Services:

- Responded to questions from Council regarding the City's Bylaws.
- Advised that these types of complaints fall under both the City of Kelowna's Bylaws and the Regional District's Bylaws.
- Provided an overview of the provisions of the Bylaws and how staff deals with those provisions.
- Advised that there are height restrictions on the chimneys, however, it would appear that the chimney in question meets the BC Building Code. Bylaw Enforcement Officers and Building Inspectors have attended the subject property and advised that the wood stove meets code.
- Believes that the City's Bylaws are effective and meet the needs of the City and the community.
- Advised that there is not much the City can do and that these types of complaints happen around the same time every year (October/November).

Councillor Zimmermann:

- Noted a similar complaint from resident on Brookside Avenue from a few years ago.
- The complainant was advised to go to the Regional District as the complaint related to the Regional District's Smoke Control Bylaw.

Staff:

- Advised that the intake is directly adjacent to the wood stove. The intake could be moved, but it would be very costly to the homeowner.

The Guests, Dr. Deborah Buszard and Bud Mortenson, joined the meeting at 9:59 a.m.

Council:

- Had a brief discussion regarding the City's Bylaws and how they relate to wood burning stoves.
- Requested that staff investigate whether or not the wood stove being used by the resident on Old Meadows Road is used as a 'primary' source of heat rather than a 'secondary' source of heat.

3.2. Dr. Deborah Buszard, Principal & Deputy Vice-Chancellor, UBC-O, re: UBC-O Update

Guest, Dr. Deborah Buszard:

- Displayed a PowerPoint presentation.
- Provided an update with respect to UBC-O in the community and planning for the future.
- Expressed a concern with the lack of public transit to UBC-O. Would like the City to partner with UBC-O to provide a safe way to get to and from the Okanagan campus that will not involve cycling along Highway 97. UBC would be prepared to allocate some of UBC-O's land in order achieve this safe passage.
- Confirmed that UBC-O is currently in discussions with BC Transit regarding the transportation concerns.
- Expressed a concern with the water quality on the campus under GEID.

- Advised that UBC has established 'Community Connections' at the Rotary Centre for the Arts, Accelerate Okanagan, Kelowna General Hospital and Woodhaven. UBC has also established business and industry connections through co-ops, research and innovation.
- A consultative visioning exercise is underway to consider how the Okanagan campus can uniquely deliver on the UBC promises of transformative student learning, research excellence and community engagement.
- UBC-O's fundraising campaign has reached \$70 Million.
- Currently planning for UBC's 100th and UBC-O's 10th Anniversary in 2015.
- Believes that UBC and the City need to work together on:
 - o Transportation solutions from the west and Highway 97;
 - o Public transit improvements (capacity, deeper reach into neighbourhoods etc.);
 - o Support for UBC's innovation and enterprise initiatives;
 - o Support for UBC's downtown presence at the Rotary Centre for the Arts and other connection points;
 - o Planning flexibility as campus master plan and other strategic plans are developed; and
 - o Building support for students.
- Responded to questions from Council.

Councillor Zimmermann:

- Advised that GEID is currently upgrading their system, which should help with the water quality at the Okanagan campus.

City Manager:

- Provided comment regarding the John Hindle Drive project and funding challenges.

Divisional Director, Community Planning & Real Estate:

- Provided an update regarding the acquisitions required for the John Hindle Drive project.

Interim Divisional Director, Infrastructure:

- Provided an update regarding the estimated completion of the John Hindle Drive project and the funding challenges.
- Advised that construction is not expected to commence until 2016.
- Confirmed that City staff has been designated to work with UBC-O staff on a way to get to UBC-O via Roberts Lake.

Guest, Bud Mortenson:

- Responded to questions regarding the Curtis Road litigation proceedings.

The Guests, Dr. Deborah Buszard and Bud Mortenson, left the meeting at 11:11 a.m.

The meeting recessed at 11:12 a.m. The meeting reconvened at 11:20 a.m.

4. Resolution Closing the Meeting to the Public

Moved By Councillor Singh/Seconded By Councillor Stack

R693/13/11/04 THAT this meeting be closed to the public pursuant to Section 90(1) (d) and (3) of the Community Charter for Council to deal with matters relating to the following:

- Security of the Property of the Municipality; and
- Acquisition, Disposition, or Expropriation, of Land or Improvements.

Carried

5. Adjourn to Closed Session

The meeting adjourned to a closed session at 11:21 a.m.

The meeting was terminated at 12:11 p.m.

Mayor

Deputy City Clerk

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