

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2011 AT 7:30 P.M.**

Mayor D. Pernarowski presided. Councillors present were B. Bidgood L. Christiansen, B. Downie, C. Leclerc, B. Martindale and B. Pollard. Also in attendance were R. Poole, Chief Administrative Officer, E. Stubbs, R.C.M.P. Inspector (entered at 8:00 p.m.), D. Block, City Planner, H. Nunn, Clerk and A. Thompson, Executive Assistant.

**MOVE TO IN-CAMERA
SPECIAL COUNCIL:**

***Meeting Called to Order at
6:35 p.m. – Move to In-
Camera Special Council***

(No. 037)

MOVED/SECONDED to move In-Camera and close the meeting to the public pursuant to Division 3, Sections 90 (1)(b) and (e) of the Community Charter to discuss matters relating to personnel and property.

REGULAR MEETING:

Mayor Pernarowski advised that the City's Talkback Line is available for any comments or concerns viewers of this meeting may wish to bring to the attention of Council. He further advised that Council agendas and minutes are available for viewing on the City's home page at www.terrace.ca.

ADDENDUM:

There was no Addendum.

DELEGATIONS & GUESTS:

***Kerensa Medhurst and Helen
Owen – Canadian Cancer
Society, Cosmetic Pesticides***

Representing the Canadian Cancer Society were Kerensa Medhurst, Health Promotion Coordinator, and Helen Owen, Community Fundraising Coordinator. The Canadian Cancer Society's mandate is the eradication of cancer and to improve the quality of life for people living with the disease. Half of all cancers can be prevented through behavioural changes. The Canadian Cancer Society would like to see pesticide use reduced in the community as there is a correlation between pesticide use and the incidences of cancer. They requested that Council consider implementing a pesticide bylaw to reduce the public's exposure to unnecessary pesticides.

Ms. Medhurst explained that children are particularly vulnerable to the effects of pesticides and that pesticides are difficult to contain as they are distributed through the soil, air and water. 168 Canadian municipalities have adopted and/or implemented pesticide bylaws and the Province of BC is considering a Provincial ban. Enforcement could be done on a complaint basis and there would be an educational component to the bylaw, although education is not effective enough on its own to significantly reduce cosmetic pesticide usage.

Mayor Pernarowski thanked Ms. Medhurst and Ms. Owen for their presentation, and advised that this matter would be further dealt with under the "Correspondence" portion of this meeting's Agenda (see Resolution No. 047).

Debbie Letawski – George Little House & Little House Enterprise

Ms. Letawski thanked Council for the opportunity to present. She introduced George Little House staff Ione Nicholson and Donna Stach. Ms. Letawski described the mandate of the George Little House. In addition to providing their usual service to VIA Rail passengers, the George Little House staff assisted in the 2010 BC Winter Games, provided work experience opportunities for high school students, and supported a number of community events and societies throughout the year.

Ms. Letawski is concerned about the deterioration of the area where the George Little House is located. Now that the restaurant in the nearby Best Western Hotel has closed there is less local traffic. There has been an increase in garbage, vandalism and theft in the area which has had a negative effect on the George Little House. Ms. Letawski requested that Council consider eliminating the 5% and 10% commissions from the Little House Enterprise Management Fee Contract that currently go to the City, and requested that the lease for the House not be increased.

Ms. Letawski feels that fencing the area would also help control the foot traffic and better lighting around the building would improve safety.

Mayor Pernarowski thanked Ms. Letawski for her presentation, and advised that this matter would be further dealt with under the "Correspondence" portion of this meeting's Agenda (see Resolution No. 048).

***Trustee Art Erasmus,
Coast Mountains Board of
Education – Request for
Support***

Councillor Leclerc declared a possible conflict of interest and vacated Council Chambers.

Trustee Erasmus referred to a letter that was sent to City Council from the Coast Mountains School District Board. The letter referred to a motion which was passed by the Board to reduce the number of trustees from nine to seven.

Trustee Erasmus explained that notice of any proposed changes to the number of School Board trustees goes to all Local Governments in the area and the final decision regarding the number of trustees is made by the Minister of Education. Trustee Erasmus provided some history of the Coast Mountains School District. The number of students in the District has decreased by 50% over the last number of years, and the funding the Board has received from the Province has had a corresponding decrease. The Board proposes cutting one trustee from Terrace and one from Kitimat, reducing the total number of trustees on the Board from nine to seven. The savings would be approximately \$40,000 to \$50,000 per year. Trustee Erasmus acknowledged that the workload per trustee would increase but the Board felt the savings would be of greater benefit to the students in the District.

Mayor Pernarowski thanked Trustee Erasmus for his presentation, and advised that this matter would be further dealt with under the "Correspondence" portion of this meeting's Agenda (see Resolution No. 049).

Councillor Leclerc returned to the meeting.

There were no petitions or questions.

**PETITIONS AND
QUESTIONS:**

MINUTES:

***Regular Council Minutes,
January 24, 2011***

(No. 046)

MOVED/SECONDED that the Regular Council Minutes of January 24, 2011 be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously.

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM
THE MINUTES (OLD
BUSINESS):**

There was no Business Arising from the minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE:

***Kerensa Medhurst and Helen
Owen – Canadian Cancer
Society, Cosmetic Pesticides***

(No. 047)

MOVED/SECONDED that the presentation from the Canadian Cancer Society be referred to Administration for the development of a bylaw to ban cosmetic pesticide use.

Carried Unanimously.

***Debbie Letawski – George
Little House & Little House
Enterprise***

(No. 048)

MOVED/SECONDED that the presentation from George Little House and Little House Enterprise be received and referred to Administration to review the concerns raised by Ms. Letawski.

Carried Unanimously.

***Trustee Art Erasmus,
Coast Mountains Board of
Education – Request for
Support***

(No. 049)

MOVED/SECONDED that the City of Terrace write a letter to the Coast Mountains School District supporting their proposed reduction in the number of Trustees from nine to seven.

Carried.

Councillor Leclerc abstained from voting.

**CONVENE INTO
COMMITTEE OF THE
WHOLE:**

(No. 050)

MOVED/SECONDED that the February 14, 2010 Regular Council Meeting convene into Committee of the Whole.

Carried Unanimously.

Committee of the Whole
➤ **Development Services**
Component,
February 14, 2011

The following items were discussed at the February 14, 2011 Development Services Component of the Committee of the Whole:

1. PUBLIC INPUT – AMENDMENT TO FOOD PRIMARY LICENSE (NORTHWEST COMMUNITY COLLEGE – 5331 MCCONNELL AVENUE)

2. PUBLIC INPUT – AMENDMENT TO LIQUOR PRIMARY LICENSE (THE KIVA SPORTS CAFÉ – 5331 MCCONNELL AVENUE)

It was recommended that the Committee now rise and report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Committee of the Whole
➤ **Development Services**
Component,
February 14, 2011

MOVED/SECONDED that the February 14, 2011 Development Services Component of the Committee of the Whole report be adopted with the following recommendations:

1. PUBLIC INPUT – AMENDMENT TO FOOD PRIMARY LICENSE (NORTHWEST COMMUNITY COLLEGE – 5331 MCCONNELL AVENUE)

(No. 051)

There were no recommendations.

2. PUBLIC INPUT – AMENDMENT TO LIQUOR PRIMARY LICENSE (THE KIVA SPORTS CAFÉ – 5331 MCCONNELL AVENUE)

There were no recommendations.

Carried Unanimously.

Committee of the Whole,
➤ **January 28, 2011**

MOVED/SECONDED that the January 28, 2011 Committee of the Whole report be adopted with the following recommendation:

1. MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCE OPERATIONS RE-ORGANIZATION

(No. 052)

There were no recommendations.

Carried Unanimously.

SPECIAL REPORTS:

***Memo – R.C.M.P. Inspector,
Terrace R.C.M.P.
Detachment Annual Report
for 2010***

(No. 053)

***Memo – Executive
Assistant, Heritage BC –
Resolution for North Central
Local Government
Association Annual General
Meeting***

(No. 054)

***Memo – Executive
Assistant, Authorization for
Travel – Minerals North
2011 Annual Conference***

(No. 055)

MOVED/SECONDED that the Terrace R.C.M.P. Detachment 2010 Annual Report be received for information.

Carried Unanimously.

MOVED/SECONDED that the City of Terrace submit the following resolution to the North Central Local Government Association Annual General Meeting for consideration:

RESTORE FUNDING FOR HERITAGE BC

WHEREAS funding to the Heritage Branch, Heritage BC and to Local Governments across the Province has steadily declined, resulting in difficult times for heritage conservation;

AND WHEREAS, the Province of British Columbia has a responsibility to support and conserve the heritage resources of the Province;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the NCLGA and the UBCM lobby the Provincial Government to renew its commitment to heritage conservation in the following manner:

- 1) Adopt the Provincial Heritage Strategy;*
- 2) Restore the Heritage Branch budget;*
- 3) Restore community support for both Local Governments and community heritage organizations such as Heritage BC;*
- 4) Invest a further \$10 million in the Heritage Legacy Fund; and*
- 5) Resolve the Heritage Properties question.*

Carried Unanimously.

MOVED/SECONDED that Mayor Pernarowski, and Councillors Christiansen, Downie, Leclerc, and Martindale be authorized to attend the Minerals North 2011 Annual Conference, the total cost to not exceed \$2,281.00.

Carried Unanimously.

Memo – Executive Assistant, Authorization for Travel – 2011 Northern Mayors’ and Regional District Chairs’ Roundtable on Transportation

(No. 056)

MOVED/SECONDED that Mayor Pernarowski be authorized to attend the 2011 Northern Mayors’ and Regional District Chairs’ Roundtable on Transportation, the total cost to not exceed \$1,117.50.

Carried Unanimously.

Memo – Senior Building Inspector, January 2011 Building Synopsis

(No. 057)

MOVED/SECONDED that the January 2011 Building Synopsis be received.

Carried Unanimously.

Youth Advisory Committee Minutes, January 19, 2011

(No. 058)

MOVED/SECONDED that January 19, 2011 Minutes of the Youth Advisory Committee be received.

Carried Unanimously.

Youth Advisory Committee Minutes, February 3, 2011

(No. 059)

MOVED/SECONDED that February 3, 2011 Minutes of the Youth Advisory Committee be received.

Carried Unanimously.

Measuring Up Terrace Committee Minutes, January 25, 2011

(No. 060)

MOVED/SECONDED that January 25, 2011 Minutes of the Measuring Up Terrace Committee be received.

Carried Unanimously.

Seniors’ Committee Minutes, February 1, 2011

(No. 061)

MOVED/SECONDED that February 1, 2011 Minutes of the Seniors’ Committee be received.

Carried Unanimously.

Cheque Register, January 2011

(No. 062)

MOVED/SECONDED that the January 2011 Cheque Register be received.

Carried Unanimously.

***Public Hearing Report,
January 24, 2011
(For Information Only)***

MOVED/SECONDED that the Public Hearing Report for January 24, 2011 be received for information.

Carried Unanimously.

(No. 063)

BYLAWS:

***Temporary Loan Bylaw No.
ADP-02-1011
Adoption***

MOVED/SECONDED that Temporary Loan Bylaw No. ADP-02-1101 be read by title only and adopted.

Carried Unanimously.

(No. 064)

NEW BUSINESS:

Councillor B. Martindale

Councillor Martindale reported on the Enbridge Pipeline Project Forum, and the February 1, 2011 Kermodei Tourism Society meeting. He also reported on the Greater Terrace Beautification Society meeting held on February 3.

Councillor B. Downie

Councillor Downie reported on the Coast Mountains School District Board meetings which he has attended. He will be attending a Northwest Community College Board of Governors meeting later this week.

Councillor Downie also reported on the planning to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the registration of the Terrace town site. The slogan for the celebrations is "A Little Town, a Big Celebration. "

Councillor Downie attended a tour of the Terrace Public Library and thanked Head Librarian Margo Schiller for her work organizing the tour.

Councillor C. Leclerc

Councillor Leclerc reported on the BC Winter Games Legacy funds that were distributed last week to sporting and volunteer groups in Terrace and the surrounding area.

Councillor L. Christiansen

Councillor Christiansen attended the Terrace Kinsmen's Annual Sweetheart Dinner and Dance representing the City.

Order of Terrace

(No. 065)

MOVED/SECONDED that the City of Terrace discuss the Order of Terrace at an In-Camera Meeting.

Carried Unanimously.

Councillor B. Bidgood

Councillor Bidgood reported on a Terrace and District Chamber of Commerce Luncheon and a Terrace Rotary Club Luncheon.

Mayor D. Pernarowski

Mayor Pernarowski reported on the following meetings:

- 2011 Natural Resource Forum;*
- Association of Mineral Exploration (AME) 2011 Roundup Conference;*
- Northern Development Initiative Trust Board meeting;*
- BC Liberal Party meeting;*
- dinner for Premier Gordon Campbell;*
- tour of UNBC's Bio-energy plant; and*
- a meeting with the Prince George Mayor.*

He reported briefly on the Enbridge Northern Pipelines Educational Forum held February 1, 2011.

REPORT FROM IN-CAMERA:

There were no items released from In-Camera Status.

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM THE MEDIA:

There was one comment from the audience and no questions from the media.

ADJOURNMENT:

(No. 066)

MOVED/SECONDED that the February 14, 2011 Regular Meeting of Council be now adjourned, and that Council reconvene into Special In-Camera Council to discuss an In-Camera Item Under Division 3, Section 90(1)(b) of the Community Charter.

Carried Unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Mayor

Clerk