

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON
MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 2017 AT 7:30 P.M.**

Deputy Mayor M. Prevost presided. Mayor Leclerc was present via telephone. Councillors present were S. Bujtas, L. Christiansen, B. Downie, M. Prevost, and S. Tyers. Member J. Cordeiro was absent. Also in attendance were H. Avison, Chief Administrative Officer, D. Block, Director of Development Services, D. Myles, Economic Development Manager, B. Doddridge, Communications and Business Development Officer, A. Thompson, Clerk, and A. Poole, Executive Assistant.

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

***Meeting Called to Order at
7:00 p.m. – Move to In-
Camera Special Council***

(No. 314)

MOVED/SECONDED to move In-Camera and close the meeting to the public pursuant to Division 3, Sections 90(1) (b) and (e) and (2) (b) of the Community Charter (to discuss matters relating to personnel, land, and negotiations between the municipality and a provincial government or federal government or both).

Carried Unanimously.

REGULAR MEETING:

Deputy Mayor Prevost advised that Council agendas and minutes are available for viewing on the City's home page at www.terrace.ca, Council meetings are webcast on the City's website, and the past minutes have been archived.

ADDENDUM:

There was no Addendum.

DELEGATIONS & GUESTS:

***Naomi Gourlay, Regional
District of Kitimat-Stikine –
Northern Emergency Support
Services Training Conference
Request for Waiver of Rental
Fee***

Deputy Mayor Prevost welcomed Naomi Gourlay of the Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine (RDKS) to the Council Meeting.

Ms. Gourlay voiced that it has been a very active summer for Emergency Support Services (ESS) responders around the province. ESS is an integral part of the BC wildfires response.

The ESS staff and volunteers have been working around the clock to help wildfire evacuees who were forced to leave their homes. Since July 7, 2017 the ESS program has contributed over 1,000 volunteer hours. They have deployed trained volunteers to assist in reception centres and group lodgings in Prince George and Kamloops. The ESS volunteers have met with over 100 evacuees that have come from outlying communities. The ESS volunteers have provided over \$15,000.00 worth of services. Having engaged and properly trained ESS volunteers is a key component in the ability to positively contribute to the current wildfire events in BC.

On April 13-15, 2018, Terrace will be the host community for the Northern Emergency Support Services Training Conference (NESST) which is the largest and most dynamic ESS training conference. NESST brings together ESS responders from the province to network, learn, train and exercise together. This conference helps to provide volunteers with knowledge, resources, tools, experience, confidence and connectedness.

This year's conference theme is "Connected Through Clear Communications" where the aim will be to address some of the issues experienced this summer.

The NESST revenue comes from sponsorship and registration fees which the local municipalities or Regional District pays for on behalf of the volunteers. This year, the NESST conference is expecting over 100 participants. The conference will be held at the Terrace Sportsplex.

In previous years the NESST conference has had assistance with paying the venue rental costs. In past conferences surplus money had been rolled over to the following year. This year NESST is having a tougher time getting sponsorship, therefore they don't have as large of a budget to work with. The registration fee this year was raised from \$75.00 to \$100.00 dollars. The NESST Organizing Committee fundraises for this event each year.

Ms. Gourlay expressed that on behalf of the NESST Organizing Committee, they are asking Council to consider sponsoring the event by waiving the Sportsplex rental fee for the conference in 2018. They also invited Council to speak at the welcome ceremony on Saturday morning and participate in the Sunday morning mock exercise.

Deputy Mayor Prevost thanked Ms. Gourlay for her presentation and advised that the matter would be further dealt with under the "Correspondence" portion of this meeting's Agenda (See Resolution No. 321).

MINUTES:

***Regular Council Minutes,
August 14, 2017***

(No. 320)

MOVED/SECONDED that the Regular Council Minutes of August 14, 2017 be adopted as read on this day and that such Minutes as read set out all the business before Council that day and fully and properly record all of the resolutions and bylaws passed and adopted by Council at that meeting.

Carried Unanimously.

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

There was no Old Business.

CORRESPONDENCE:

***Naomi Gourlay, Regional
District of Kitimat-Stikine –
Northern Emergency Support
Services Training Conference
Request for Waiver of Rental
Fee***

MOVED/SECONDED that the City of Terrace pay the Sportsplex rental fee from 2018 Council unbudgeted for the Northern Emergency Support Services Training Conference.

Carried Unanimously.

(No. 321)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

***Committee of the Whole
August 11, 2017***

(No. 322)

MOVED/SECONDED that the August 11, 2017 Committee of the Whole report be adopted with the following recommendation:

1. NORTHERN HEALTH UPDATE BRIEFING FOR UBCM

There were no recommendations.

Carried Unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS (FOR INFORMATION ONLY):

***Committee of the Whole
➤ Development Services
Component
August 14, 2017***

(No. 323)

MOVED/SECONDED that the August 14, 2017 Development Services Component of the Committee of the Whole report be received for information.

Carried Unanimously.

SPECIAL REPORTS:

***Memo – Corporate
Administrator, Northwest
Community College Award,
Bursary, or Scholarship***

(No. 324)

MOVED/SECONDED that the City establish the Jack Talstra Memorial Bursary of \$1,000/year to be awarded for five years to a Northwest Community College mature student pursuing Health Sciences.

Carried Unanimously.

***Memo – Communications
and Business Development
Officer, 2017 Business Walk
Results Presentation***

(No. 325)

MOVED/SECONDED that the 2017 Business Walk Results be received for information.

Carried Unanimously.

***August 14, 2017 Public
Hearing Report (For
Information Only)***

(No. 326)

MOVED/SECONDED that the August 14, 2017 Public Hearing Report be received for information only.

Carried Unanimously.

BYLAWS:

There were no Bylaws.

NEW BUSINESS FROM COUNCIL:

Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine Report – Northwest BC Resource Benefits Alliance Video

Councillor Bujtas reported on the Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine.

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REPORTS ON COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

There were no reports on Council activities.

REPORT FROM IN-CAMERA:

There were no items released from In-Camera status.

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM THE MEDIA & AUDIENCE:

There were no questions from the Media and no questions from the Audience.

ADJOURNMENT

(No. 327)

MOVED/SECONDED that the August 28, 2017 Regular Meeting of Council be now adjourned.

Carried Unanimously.

The meeting adjourned 8:15 p.m.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Deputy Mayor

Clerk