

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2016 AT 7:30 P.M.**

Deputy Mayor L. Christiansen presided. Councillors present were S. Bujtas, J. Cordeiro, B. Downie, M. Prevost, and S. Tyers (via telephone). Mayor C. Leclerc was absent. Also in attendance were H. Avison, Chief Administrative Officer, D. Block, Director of Development Services, R. Schibli, Director of Public Works, S. Lëcky, Staff Sergeant, Terrace R.C.M.P., S. Pellegrino, Program Manager, Terrace & District Victim Assistance Program, A. Thompson, Clerk, and L. Wilson, Executive Assistant.

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

***Meeting Called to Order at
7:15 p.m. – Move to In-
Camera Special Council
(No. 050)***

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

Carried Unanimously.

REGULAR MEETING:

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agendas and minutes are available for viewing on the City's home page at www.terrace.ca and the past minutes have been archived.

ADDENDUM:

There was no Addendum.

DELEGATIONS & GUESTS:

***Barry Prince – Petition
Regarding Fluoridation of
City of Terrace Water***

Mr. Prince presented a petition with the statement, "We, the Citizens, request a referendum on the issue of fluoridated water in Terrace". The petition contained a total of 423 signatures from Terrace, Thornhill, and other areas.

Mr. Prince introduced Dr. Daniel Yee, a naturopathic doctor who practices in Terrace, B.C. Dr. Yee referenced research in the Lancet Journal where fluoride was identified as a developmental neurotoxin. The information was based on studies done in China where people were exposed to high levels of fluoride.

The compound is known to cause neurological damage at commercial levels of exposure, but it has not been confirmed as to how much exposure is considered toxic.

Fetal development was sighted as a concern because the placenta does not block neurotoxins from reaching the fetus' brain.

Dr. Yee expressed concern that fluoridating water was considered a medical treatment, and that citizens are entitled to consent to medical treatment. The signatures on the petition represent people who do not consent to fluoridation.

Mr. Prince addressed Council and provided three options. The first was to completely remove fluoride from the drinking water; the second was to take the issue of fluoridation in the City water to a referendum; and the third was to go to litigation over the issue.

Deputy Mayor Christiansen thanked Mr. Prince for his presentation and advised that the matter would be further discussed under Correspondence. (See Resolution Nos. 056 and 057).

***Glenn Stanker, Senior
Transportation Engineer,
McElhanney Consulting Ltd.
– Transportation Master Plan
City of Terrace, B.C.***

Mr. Stanker presented an outline of the development of a Transportation Master Plan for the City of Terrace, which is a strategic and dynamic plan that will identify prioritized short and long term improvements to the transportation system to address existing and future transportation demands.

The Master Plan will be developed based on Council's vision, City's planning goals and objectives, economic and demographic growth projections, and public and stakeholder input. The reasons for the project include a projected increase in the City's population, current development initiatives, and other City Plan updates, based on the Official Community Plan (OCP).

The scope of the project will include the compilation of background information, including public and stakeholder consultation; completion of a transportation demand forecasting, and then analyzing the forecast against the current transportation system to determine future demand. The analysis will include recognition of seasonal traffic variations, like school zones. This will enable the planners to identify issues and concerns. Once the issues have been identified, sustainable initiatives can be identified and prioritized for implementation.

Some locations have already been identified as areas of concern. These include the area along Keith Avenue (referred to as Keith Avenue Estates), the CN Railway and crossings for vehicles and pedestrians, narrow road widths on Lanfeer Hill and Kalum Hill, intersections at Sparks and Lakelse, Eby and Lakelse, and Thomas/McConnell/Cooper Avenues, and downtown traffic laning and "complete streets".

As part of the Transportation Master Plan, McElhanney will deliver report findings and recommendations with prioritized lists of improvements with planning level cost estimates. These will be presented to Council, stakeholders and the public.

The process has started with the public, stakeholder, and Council consultation taking place in February. The data collection will take place through March with the Transportation System Analysis being completed in April. The Development of Improvement Options will be decided in May with draft reports and presentations being delivered in June. Based on the outcomes of the draft review, the final report will be delivered to the City of Terrace in the summer of 2016.

Deputy Mayor Christiansen thanked Mr. Stanker for his presentation and advised that the matter would be further discussed under Correspondence. (See Resolution No. 058).

The Director of Public Works left the meeting at this time.

Bonnie Juniper, Pacific Northwest Music Festival – Request for Council Resolution for Northern Development Initiative Trust Festival Funding

Last year, the Pacific Northwest Music Festival (PNWMF) celebrated its 50th anniversary and it was the largest number of entries the PNWMF had ever received. In 2016, the PNWMF has received more than 1,500 entries, more than last year. Ms. Juniper explained that she had received information regarding funding for the Fabulous Festivals available through the Northern Development Initiative Trust (NDIT). The PNWMF plans to apply for the \$2,500 in funding and use the money towards the purchase of risers for the REM Lee Theatre. The risers would stay at the theatre, instead of having to be transported from other locations to the theatre for events. The cost of the risers is estimated at \$14,000.

Ms. Juniper requested Council support, via resolution, the Pacific Northwest Music Festival's application to the Northern Development Initiative Trust's Festival Funding for the amount of \$2,500 to be used for the Pacific Northwest Music Festival.

Deputy Mayor Christiansen thanked Ms. Juniper for her presentation and advised that the matter would be further dealt with under Correspondence. (See Resolution No. 059).

Tyler Clarke, Tourism Manager, Kermodai Tourism Society – Kermodai Tourism Society Requests for Support Letters and Council Resolution

Mr. Clarke made three requests of Council on behalf of the Kermodai Tourism Society (KTS).

KTS requested Council support, by way of a resolution, for the application to Northern Development Initiative Trust (NDIT) for tourism marketing and product development.

KTS requested funding from Destination BC for this program, but due to changes in the Destination BC funding format, KTS had to work in consortium with Nisga'a Lisims Government and Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine for the funding. KTS received less than they anticipated so they are requesting additional funds from NDIT.

KTS will be the recipients of a study from Community Tourism Foundation from Destination BC. This will be a follow up study to one done several years ago.

As part of the finalization of the study program, KTS requested a letter from City Council supporting KTS' efforts for marketing tourism in Terrace, and indicating that Council supports tourism marketing and product development.

Mr. Clarke's third request on behalf of KTS was for a letter of support for KTS' efforts to implement a 2% Municipal Regional District Tax (Hotel tax). The letter would be used when KTS and the Economic Development Manager for the City of Terrace meet with Hoteliers when proposing and promoting the new tax.

Deputy Mayor Christiansen thanked Mr. Clarke for his presentation and advised that the matter would be further dealt with under Correspondence. (See Resolution Nos. 060, 061, and 062).

MINUTES:

***Regular Council Minutes,
January 25, 2016***

(No. 055)

MOVED/SECONDED that the Regular Council Minutes of January 25, 2016 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:

***Barry Prince – Petition
Regarding Fluoridation of
City of Terrace Water***

(No. 056)

MOVED/SECONDED that the petition from Barry Prince regarding fluoridation of City of Terrace Water be received for information.

Carried Unanimously.

(No. 057)

MOVED/SECONDED that Northern Health be invited to present to Council on best practices and latest research regarding fluoridation in City water.

Carried Unanimously.

**Glenn Stanker, Senior
Transportation Engineer,
McElhanney Consulting Ltd.
– Transportation Master Plan
City of Terrace, B.C.**

MOVED/SECONDED that the presentation on the Transportation Master Plan, City of Terrace B.C. be received for information.

Carried Unanimously.

(No. 058)

**Bonnie Juniper, Pacific
Northwest Music Festival –
Request for Council
Resolution for Northern
Development Initiative Trust
Festival Funding**

MOVED/SECONDED that the City of Terrace supports the Pacific Northwest Music Festival for a grant application of up to \$2,500 for the 2016 Pacific Northwest Music Festival with the funds to come from the Northern Development Initiative Trust – Fabulous Festivals and Events Program.

Carried Unanimously.

(No. 059)

**Tyler Clarke, Tourism
Manager, Kermodei Tourism
Society – Kermodei Tourism
Society Requests for
Support Letters and Council
Resolution**

MOVED/SECONDED that the City of Terrace supports Kermodei Tourism Society for a grant application to the Northern Development Initiative Trust for funding for Tourism marketing and product development for Terrace, B.C.

Carried Unanimously.

(No. 060)

**Tyler Clarke, Tourism
Manager, Kermodei Tourism
Society – Kermodei Tourism
Society Requests for
Support Letters and Council
Resolution**

MOVED/SECONDED that the City write a letter in support Kermodei Tourism Society's efforts for marketing tourism in Terrace, and that Council supports tourism marketing and product development through the Destination B.C. funding.

Carried Unanimously.

(No. 061)

**Tyler Clarke, Tourism
Manager, Kermodei Tourism
Society – Kermodei Tourism
Society Requests for
Support Letters and Council
Resolution**

MOVED/SECONDED that the City of Terrace write a letter in support of Kermodei Tourism Society's efforts to implement a 2% Municipal Regional District Tax (Hotel Tax).

Carried Unanimously.

(No. 062)

**CONVENE INTO
COMMITTEE OF THE
WHOLE:**

(No. 063)

Committee of the Whole
➤ **Development Services
Component**
February 9, 2016

MOVED/SECONDED that the February 9, 2016 Regular Council Meeting convene into Committee of the Whole.

Carried Unanimously.

The following item was discussed at the February 9, 2016 Development Services Component of the Committee of the Whole:

**1. ZONING BYLAW TEXT AMENDMENT – MANNY
DEVELOPMENT (#13-4305 LAKELSE AVENUE)**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Committee of the Whole
➤ **Development Services
Component**
February 9, 2016

(No. 064)

It was recommended that the Committee now rise and report.

MOVED/SECONDED that the February 9, 2016 Committee of the Whole report be adopted with the following recommendation:

**1. ZONING BYLAW TEXT AMENDMENT – MANNY
DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (#13-4305
LAKELSE AVENUE)**

It was recommended that a bylaw to amend Zoning Bylaw No. 2069-2014 and amendments thereto, to amend the R6 – Manufactured Home Residential zone to add Site Specific Permitted Uses to allow the placement of a conventional site-built single-detached dwelling, only for Strata Lot 13 (Strata Plan PRS348), and minor amendments to the general regulations to be consistent with Manufactured Home Park Bylaw No. 2099-2016 proceed to Council for consideration.

Carried Unanimously.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS (FOR
INFORMATION ONLY):**

Committee of the Whole
➤ **Development Services
Component**
January 25, 2016

(No. 065)

MOVED/SECONDED that the January 25, 2016 Development Services Component of the Committee of the Whole be received for information.

Carried Unanimously.

SPECIAL REPORTS:

Memo – Chief Administrative Officer, NCLGA Resolutions

(No. 066)

MOVED/SECONDED that staff draft resolutions regarding the need for a review of the complement of the Provincially funded R.C.M.P. members and support positions so municipalities are not subsidizing policing services in rural areas; and the need for more flexible Brownfield remediation regulations for consideration at the 2016 Northern Central Local Government Association AGM.

Carried Unanimously.

Memo – Chief Administrative Officer

(No. 067)

MOVED/SECONDED that the City forward a letter to the RCMP North District Officer re-iterating the importance of the Officer in Charge position for the Terrace RCMP Detachment to remain at the level of Inspector and ask for her support in having the Terrace RCMP Detachment remain under the oversight of an Inspector.

Carried Unanimously.

Memo – Acting Officer in Charge, Terrace RCMP, Terrace Detachment 4th Quarter Report to City Council of 2015

(No. 068)

MOVED/SECONDED that the RCMP Terrace Detachment 4th Quarter Report to City Council of 2015 be received.

Carried Unanimously.

Memo – Terrace & District Victim Assistance Program (TVAP) Quarterly Activity Report for the Months of October to December 2015

(No. 069)

MOVED/SECONDED that the Terrace & District Victim Assistance Program (TVAP) Quarterly Activity Report for the Months of October to December 2015 be received for information.

Carried Unanimously.

The R.C.M.P Acting Officer in Charge and the Program Manager for the Terrace & District Victim Assistance Program left the meeting at this time.

Memo – Director of Development Services, Radon in the North – Awareness/Education, Staff Training, and Test Kits

(No. 070)

MOVED/SECONDED that the City of Terrace promote awareness in the community for the potential concern of household radon through display and distribution of Northern Health’s Radon in the North Brochures, to educate staff and test civic facilities for current radon levels, and direct residents to the Public Health office to purchase Radon test kits.

Carried Unanimously.

Memo – Financial Administrator, Parcel Tax Roll Review Panel Appointments

(No. 071)

Memo – Corporate Administrator, Call for Nominations for the Order of Terrace

(No. 072)

MOVED/SECONDED that the Mayor and Council be appointed to a Parcel Tax Roll Review Panel.

Carried Unanimously.

MOVED/SECONDED that the City of Terrace advertise for a Call for Nominations for the Order of Terrace.

Carried Unanimously.

Memo – Executive Assistant, Approval for Travel for Mayor – Council of Forest Industries (COFI) 2016 Convention

(No. 073)

MOVED/SECONDED that Council approve the Mayor’s travel to the Council of Forest Industries (COFI) 2016 Convention, not to exceed a cost of \$515.00, to come out of Council Travel Unbudgeted.

Carried Unanimously.

Memo – Executive Assistant, Approval for Travel – 2016 North Central Local Government Association Convention

(No. 074)

MOVED/SECONDED that Council approve one additional Councillor’s travel to the 2016 NCLGA Convention at a cost not to exceed \$2,434.00 to come out of Council Travel Unbudgeted.

Carried Unanimously.

Memo – Fire Chief, 2015 Year End Fire Department Report

(No. 075)

MOVED/SECONDED that the 2015 Year End Fire Department Report be received.

Carried Unanimously.

***Youth Advisory Committee
Minutes, January 13, 2016***

(No. 076)

MOVED/SECONDED that the Youth Advisory Committee minutes from January 13, 2016 be received.

Carried Unanimously.

***Youth Advisory Committee
Minutes, February 1, 2016***

(No. 077)

MOVED/SECONDED that the Youth Advisory Committee minutes from February 1, 2016 be received.

Carried Unanimously.

BYLAWS:

***City of Terrace Sign Bylaw,
Project No. ADP-02-1525
(Adoption as Amended)***

(No. 078)

MOVED/SECONDED that the City of Terrace Sign Bylaw, Project No. ADP-02-1525, be read by title only and be adopted as amended.

Carried Unanimously.

***Temporary Loan Bylaw,
Project No. ADP-02-1601
(Adoption)***

(No. 079)

MOVED/SECONDED that the Temporary Loan Bylaw, Project No. ADP-02-1601 be read by title only and be adopted.

Carried Unanimously.

***Zoning Amendment (4305
Lakelse Avenue) Bylaw,
Project No. ADP-02-1602
(First and Second Reading)***

(No. 080)

MOVED/SECONDED that the Zoning Amendment Bylaw, Project No. ADP-02-1602 be read by title only and passed in its first and second reading.

Carried Unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS FROM
COUNCIL:**

***Regional District of Kitimat-
Stikine Report***

Councillor Cordeiro reported on the Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine's draft bylaw regarding fees and regulations for waste delivery at the Regional District's waste management facilities.

**REPORTS ON COUNCIL
ACTIVITIES:**

Councillor Downie

(No. 081)

MOVED/SECONDED that guests invited to the City's annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner be allowed to bring a guest free-of-charge.

Carried.

Councillor Cordeiro

Councillor Cordeiro reported on the Terrace Business Walk Preparation meeting.

Councillor Downie

Councillor Downie reported on the Terrace Business Walk Preparation meeting and the Association of Mineral Exploration BC's annual Roundup Convention.

Councillor Prevost

Councillor Prevost reported on the Swearing-in ceremony of School Trustee Sandy Watson, on the Youth Advisory Committee, and on the Terrace Business Walk meeting.

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 or from the Audience.

ADJOURNMENT

(No. 082)

MOVED/SECONDED that the February 9, 2016 Regular Meeting of Council be now adjourned.

Carried Unanimously.

The meeting adjourned 9:45 p.m.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Deputy Mayor

Alison Thompson

Clerk