



**CITY OF FORT SASKATCHEWAN
MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL
Tuesday, June 13, 2017 - 6:00 p.m.
Council Chambers – City Hall**

Present:

Members of Council:

Mayor Gale Katchur
Councillor Birgit Blizzard
Councillor Sheldon Bossert
Councillor Frank Garritsen
Councillor Stew Hennig
Councillor Arjun Randhawa
Councillor Ed Sperling

Administration:

Troy Fleming, Acting City Manager
John Dance, General Manager, Corporate Services
Brenda Rauckman, General Manager, Community & Protective Services
Brenda Molter, Director, Legislative Services
Jeremy Emann, Chief Financial Officer
Barb Shuman, Director, Recreation Services
Dean McCartney, Acting Director, Planning & Development
Wendy Kinsella, Director, Corporate Communications
Reade Beaudoin, Digital Media Coordinator
Sheryl Exley, Recording Secretary

1. Call to Order

Mayor Katchur called the regular Council meeting of June 13, 2017 to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes of May 23, 2017 Regular Council Meeting

R108-17 MOVED BY Councillor Hennig that the minutes of the May 23, 2017 regular Council meeting be adopted as presented.

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa,
Birgit Blizzard, Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Delegations

Mark Tanasichuk and Jason Fjeldheim, representing TAG Developments were in attendance to speak in favour of Council supporting TAG's request to defer off-site levy payments for Fort Industrial Estates.

Howard Johnson was in attendance to speak in favour of the proposed amendment to Procedure Bylaw C1-16 and to express a concern regarding the Residential Property Rebates.

Brett Cox, Friends of the Fort Saskatchewan Traders was in attendance to speak in favour of Council delaying the decision to have an Alberta Junior Hockey League team in Fort Saskatchewan, until after the October 16, 2017 Aquatic Vote.

Dave McGarva, Fort Saskatchewan Junior Rebels Lacrosse was in attendance to support having an Alberta Junior Hockey League in Fort Saskatchewan, however he did not support the residential property rebates.

4. Presentations

4.1 Fort Saskatchewan Public Library Update

Renetta Peddle, Chair, Fort Saskatchewan Public Library Board and Michele Feser, Library Director were in attendance to present an update on the Fort Saskatchewan Public Library's activities, programs, and services.

4.2 Fort Saskatchewan Skateboard Society

Joseph Weipert, President, Fort Saskatchewan Skateboarding Society was in attendance to provide an update on the proposed Fort Saskatchewan Skateboard Park and the Society's fundraising efforts for the project. Mr. Weipert advised that the Fort Saskatchewan Skateboarding Society is requesting financial assistance from the City to fund the balance needed for the project.

Mayor Katchur called a short recess at 6:55 p.m.

The regular Council meeting reconvened at 7:00 p.m.

5. Unfinished Business

5.1 Residential Property Rebates – Implementation Strategy

Presented by: Jeremy Emann, Chief Financial Officer

R109-17

MOVED BY Councillor Randhawa that Council direct Administration to provide Council with a surplus policy, and a comprehensive report on the historical staff surplus and possible mitigation strategies with a report to be presented at the July 10, 2017 regular Council meeting.

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa, Birgit Blizzard, Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.1 Council Remuneration and Expense Policy and Procedure

Presented by: Brenda Molter, Director, Legislative Services

R110-17

MOVED BY Councillor Garritsen that Council adopt Council Remuneration and Expenses Policy GOV-009-C.

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa, Birgit Blizzard, Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED BY Councillor Garritsen that Council amend Council Remuneration and Expenses Procedure GOV-009-C by deleting Section 3.8(b).

Councillor Garritsen withdrew his motion.

R111-17

MOVED BY Councillor Garritsen that Council adopt Council Remuneration and Expenses Procedure GOV-009-C.

R112-17

MOVED BY Councillor Garritsen that Council refer the Council Remuneration & Expense Procedure GOV-009-C back to Administration to review the impact of removing 3.8(b), including other applicable sections in the Procedure relating to collecting remuneration and per diems for board and committee meetings held before or after 4:30 p.m., and further that this item be brought back to the June 27, 2017 regular Council meeting.

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa, Birgit Blizzard, Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mayor Katchur Called a short recess at 7:43 p.m.

The regular Council meeting convened at 7:49 p.m.

6. New Business

6.1 Alberta Junior "A" Hockey League Team Relocations to Fort Saskatchewan

Presented by: Barb Shuman, Director, Recreation Services

R113-17

MOVED BY Councillor Blizzard that Council delay the decision on the request from the Friends of the Traders until after the results of the Aquatic Vote on October 16, 2017 are known.

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa, Birgit Blizzard, Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.2 Deferral of Off-Site Levy Payments for Fort Industrial Estates Stage 6

Presented by: Dean McCartney, Acting Director, Planning & Development

R114-17

MOVED BY Councillor Garritsen that Council direct Administration to amend Development Agreement DA-2009-02, Schedule F-5, clause 4(b) from December 31, 2016 to December 31, 2018, which approves a deferral of off-site levy payments in accordance with Bylaw C1-14 3(h)(iv).

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Birgit Blizzard, Sheldon Bossert

Against: Arjun Randhawa, Ed Sperling

CARRIED

7. Bylaws

None.

8. In-Camera

R115-17

MOVED BY Councillor Hennig that Council move in-camera at 8:32 p.m. to discuss the following matters that falls within one of the exceptions to disclosure in Division 2 of Part 1 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIP).

- a) Purchase or Lease of Land - Section 23(1), Local Public Body Confidences
- b) High Performance Sports Field Naming Rights - Section 24(1)(c), Advice from Officials

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa, Birgit Blizzard, Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R116-17

MOVED BY Councillor Hennig that Council return to open session at 9:23 p.m.

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa, Birgit Blizzard, Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R117-17

MOVED BY Councillor Garritsen that Council approve a Fort Saskatchewan based company, as sponsor for naming rights for the High Performance Sports Field, as per the report presented during the June 13, 2017 in-camera Council meeting.

In Favour: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Arjun Randhawa, Birgit Blizzard, Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. Notice of Motions

9.1 Purchase or Lease of Land

Councillor Hennig's Notice of Motion regarding the purchase or lease of land had no further action.

9.2 Amend Procedure Bylaw C1-16

R118-17

MOVED BY Councillor Sperling that Council direct Administration to bring back amendments to Procedure Bylaw C1-16, Section 12.7 to state: During a Council meeting the Chair shall invite members of the public to speak to any matter that is considered relevant to the City of Fort Saskatchewan. The speaker shall be granted a maximum of 5 minutes to speak to an item, followed by clarifying questions of Council. In the event that all persons who expressed an interested to speak cannot be heard within the allotted 30 minutes at the beginning of the Council meeting they will be invited to attend the next Council meeting. Dialogue that pertains to a public hearing shall only be heard during the public hearing portion of the Council meeting.

In Favour: Arjun Randhawa, Sheldon Bossert, Ed Sperling

Against: Gale Katchur, Frank Garritsen, Stew Hennig, Birgit Blizzard

DEFEATED

Councillor Bossert gave notice that he will introduce the following motion at the June 27, 2017 regular Council meeting:

"That Administration be directed to present Council with a report for the implementation of granting registered Fort Saskatchewan Non-profit Societies and Organizations a card/pass authorizing free access to waste disposal privileges at the Fort Saskatchewan Waste Transfer Station."

10. Points of Interest

Members of Council were given the opportunity to bring forward information that would be of interest to the public.

11. Councillor Inquiries

Members of Council were given the opportunity to ask questions and provide concerns and comments.

12. Adjournment

The regular Council meeting of June 13, 2017 adjourned at 9:54 p.m.

Mayor

Director, Legislative Services