

CITY OF MELFORT

March 9, 2015

Minutes of the City of Melfort Regular Meeting held on Monday, March 9, 2015, in the Council Chambers, Melfort, Saskatchewan, commencing at 5:00 p.m.

PRESENT: COUNCIL: Mayor Lang and Councillors Jung, Phillips, Ponath, Enge and Gratton.

STAFF: M. Hotsko, City Manager; G. Gilmore, Director of Works & Utilities; S. Peterson, City Treasurer; and T. Scaife, Director of Community Services.

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Jung
Gratton

MINUTES, REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING, FEBRUARY 9, 2015:

That the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on February 9, 2015, be adopted as circulated. **Carried**

DELEGATIONS

Mr. Al Evenson – Stovel Avenue West Park

Mr. Evenson (213 Stovel Ave W) presented Council with a request to save the Stovel Avenue Park, signed by 83 individuals, and commented that when the park was fully operational it was used by approximately 40-45 people on the weekend, as well as the daycare and parents/grandparents with children. There are problems with sand, drainage and equipment that need to be addressed. He suggested that future upgrades include steel picnic benches, perimeter walking path, tree planting and shed repairs.

Melfort Kinsmen Club – Greenspaces/Parks

Trevis McConaghy, Aaron Skiftun, Trent Fedorychka and Chad Fedorychka, representatives of the Melfort Kinsmen Club, appeared before Council to address the decommissioning of the Stovel Avenue West Park, their vision to create a new park in Parkview Place and their wish to extend the walking trail on McDonald from Main Street to Broadway Avenue. The Kinsmen are working with the Elks to continue to develop green space. Mayor Lang thanked the Kinsmen for all they have done for the City.

Melfort Elks Club – Elks Playground/Stovel Avenue Park

Representing the Melfort Elks, Mr. Earl Armstrong and Mr. Mitch Spearman gave a brief history of the Stovel Park and the involvement of the Elks in the community since the 1920's, as detailed in their submission, accompanied by a letter from Myrna Buckingham, Kiddie Korner Playschool teacher. They expressed concern that the Elks were not consulted in the decision and urged Council to retain the park and upgrade it as necessary.

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PROCLAMATIONS:

That we approve the following proclamations and that we authorize the Mayor to authenticate same:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>PROCLAMATION</u>
April 23, 2015	Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada	"Wear Red for MS Day"
June 20, 2015	GranFondo a Melfort Committee	"Just Bike! Day"
March 21, 2015	City of Calgary	"World Poetry Day"
April, 2015	City of Calgary	"National Poetry Month"
April 1, 2015	Canadian Red Cross	"Red Cross Day of Pink"

Carried

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2015 BOARD AND COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

That we approve the following 2015 Board and Committee appointments:

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Expiry</u>
Airport Board	Bruce Schell	December 31, 2016
Airport Board	Walter Dupin	December 31, 2016
Heritage Advisory Committee	Dale Link	December 31, 2016
Preservation and Rehabilitation Committee	Dale Link	December 31, 2016

Carried

GENERAL SUNDRY COMMUNICATION ITEMS

1. Feb 6/15: Minutes of Struthers Lake Regional Park Board Meeting.
2. Invitation to attend Saskatchewan Urban Aboriginal Strategy Consultation.
3. Feb 15/15: Mayor D. Button, SUMA President re: 2015 Membership.
4. Feb 25/15: B. Woodside, FCM President re: FCM Membership Survey 2015: Your Opinion Matters
5. Feb 24/15: E. Bourassa, Chairman Plus Industries Inc. re: request for tax exemption on workshop, gift shop and group home. The Treasurer is to correspond with Plus Industries advising that Council will be granting tax exemptions on their property, with the exception of the commercial gift store at 109 Main Street.

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MINUTES, COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, FEBRUARY 9, 2015:

That the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held on February 9, 2015, be adopted as circulated. **Carried**

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MINUTES, COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, FEBRUARY 24, 2015:

That the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held on Tuesday, February 24, 2015, be adopted as circulated. **Carried**

TAX COLLECTION COMPARATIVE STATEMENT – FEBRUARY, 2015

LEGISLATIVE & FINANCE DEPARTMENT REPORT

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MINUTES, PRESERVATION AND REHABILITATION COMMITTEE, FEBRUARY 11, 2015:

That the minutes of the Preservation and Rehabilitation Committee meeting held on February 11, 2015, be received. **Carried**

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT REPORT

The Director is to talk to Melfort Minor Hockey about arena hours of usage.

BYLAW ENFORCEMENT REPORT – FEBRUARY, 2015

FIRE CHIEF REPORT – FEBRUARY, 2015

WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT REPORT

PUBLIC HEARING – BYLAW 2015-06

There were no verbal or written submissions received objecting to Bylaw 2015-06, an bylaw to amend Zoning Bylaw 96-09.

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BYLAW 2015-06:

That Bylaw 2015-06, being a bylaw to amend Zoning Bylaw 96-09 with respect to definitions and sign regulations, be read a second time. **Motion Defeated**

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DISCRETIONARY USE REQUEST – PATTISON OUTDOOR ADVERTISING:
That in accordance with subsection 7.7.1 of Zoning Bylaw 96-09, we grant discretionary approval to Pattison Outdoor Advertising to erect a billboard sign at 208 Saskatchewan Avenue West, Lot 4, Block 1, Plan E4566, which is a discretionary use in a C1 – Retail Commercial District, subject to compliance with all applicable municipal, provincial and federal acts and regulations. **Motion Defeated**

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BYLAW 2015-07:
That Bylaw 2015-07, being a bylaw to provide for the closure of the lanes known as surface parcels 202836843 and 202836832, be introduced and read a first time. **Carried**

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BYLAW 2015-07:
That Bylaw 2015-07 be read a second time. **Carried**

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BYLAW 2015-07:
That Bylaw 2015-07 be given three readings at this meeting. **Carried Unanimously**

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BYLAW 2015-07:
That Bylaw 2015-07 be read a third time and passed. **Carried**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Councillor Phillips commended the Melfort Kinsmen & Kinettes Clubs on \$32,000 donated to Telemiracle.
- Councillor Gratton received a “Here Come the Horses” shirt from the Nipawin Council, for the upcoming SJHL Playoffs.
- Mayor Lang encouraged Council members to register for Walk a Mile on May 7, 2015, and challenged all Mayor and Councillors in the area who are serviced by NEOSS.
- Tickets are available for the “Shaping Our Future” event on April 19, 2015, sponsored by NEOSS and featuring Theo Flury and Cody Prevost

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ADJOURNMENT:
That this meeting be adjourned. **Carried**

The meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk