

CITY OF MELFORT

April 11, 2016

Minutes of the City of Melfort Regular Meeting held on Monday, April 11, 2016, in the Council Chambers, Melfort, Saskatchewan, commencing at 5:00 p.m.

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

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

In recognition of National Poetry Month, Emily Eskowich read her original poem entitled "A Warring World", as published in *Take Me Back, 2015*.

16-89
Enge
George

MINUTES, REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING, MARCH 14, 2016:

That the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held March 14, 2016, be adopted as circulated. **Carried**

16-90
George
Enge

MINUTES, SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING, MARCH 24, 2016:

That the minutes of the Special Council meeting held March 24, 2016, be adopted as circulated. **Carried**

DELEGATION

Kinistino Rink Board

Gerald Van Burgsteden, President, and Todd Ilinsky, Kinistino Rink Board appeared before Council to thank the City and the Minor Hockey Association for giving them the opportunity to provide a sport complex to meet the immediate needs of the City, as detailed in his letter dated March 29, 2016. He added that 20% of their facility use is by Melfort minor hockey. Council members thanked the Kinistino Rink Board for their assistance.

Prairie Panels Ltd.

Mr. Jim Goodlad referred to the proposal submitted by Prairie Panels Ltd. to construct a secondary arena on the original Main Arena site, and advised that the company is still interested in working with the City to develop a turn-key, high energy efficient, expandable, long-term facility at the Spruce Haven Park location for a budget between \$5.5 and \$6 Million. He reported that a refurbished facility close to this design would be the Harold Latrace arena in Saskatoon. They are also under construction in Stoughton and Perdue. Mayor Lang thanked Mr. Goodlad for his presentation and advised that a timeline on construction of a second arena has not yet been defined.

Melfort Minor Hockey

Mr. Brad Hicks, President of the Melfort Minor Hockey Association, expressed appreciation for the support from nearby communities in keeping their association functioning; however, he stated that this can only be acceptable in the short-term in order to keep a vibrant hockey program in Melfort. He shared the following concerns with the current situation:

- The lack of a second arena puts hockey out of reach for many children due to out-of-town travel, extra costs, and inconsistent practise times.
- Early practise time impacts the enjoyment for many children and negatively affects their school day. Out of town travel is costly for families and adds complexity to their schedule. Many young teams only play 25% of their home games in Melfort.
- There is a huge cost impact to pay refs for out-of-town travel, and it is a challenge for young officials that can't drive.

- Tournaments are traditionally a major source of revenue for minor hockey, local business and concession sales. Registration is down for the second straight year and Minor Hockey has seen a 45% reduction in revenue.

Mayor Lang thanked Mr. Hicks for his presentation and commented that City Council recognizes the want and need for a second arena; however, when looking at the big picture, Council has to be careful about compromising the financial stability of the City. He inquired whether Minor Hockey has discussed the initiation of any fundraising, to which Mr. Hicks responded that they have discussed fundraising and when the City has made a commitment and puts a timeline in place, they would be willing to support it.

16-91
Enge
George

PROCLAMATION:

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

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>PROCLAMATION</u>
May 9-15, 2016	Saskatchewan Association of Naturopathic Practitioners	"Naturopathic Medicine Week"
	Carried	

16-92
George
Enge

BOARD & COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

That we approve the appointment of Shelley Penner to the Preservation and Rehabilitation Committee for a term expiring December 31, 2016. **Carried**

16-93
Phillips
Gratton

SENIOR CITIZENS' CLUB LEASE RENEWAL AGREEMENT:

That we approve the renewal of the Lease Agreement dated April 11, 2011, between the City of Melfort and the Melfort & District Senior Citizens' Club for the lease of 118 Burrows Avenue West, for a further five-year period from April 1, 2016, to March 31, 2021, for a lease fee of \$1.00 per year. **Carried**

GENERAL SUNDRY COMMUNICATION ITEMS

1. Mar 8/16: D. Nielson, SPRA President re: advocacy during election.
2. Mar/16: L. Edin re: construction of park on Babington Avenue.
3. Mar 17/16: Minutes of Melfort & District Museum Board.
4. Feb 18/16: Minutes of Melfort & District Museum Board.
5. Mar/16: T. Weegar, President & CEO, Cumberland College re: invitation to attend consultation/luncheon session. Council members are to RSVP by April 15, 2016.
6. Mar 22/16: D. Chester re: snow removal. Upon investigation, the Department found no snow on the street.
7. Mar 24/16: S. McEachern, Sask Crimestoppers re: voluntary sponsorship program.
8. Apr 5/16: K. Singer, Melfort Golf & Country Club re: economic development. Referred to Committee of the Whole.

16-94
Enge
George

MINUTES, COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, MARCH 15, 2016:

That the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held March 15, 2016, be adopted as circulated. **Carried**

16-95
Gratton
Phillips

MINUTES, COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE, APRIL 7, 2016:

That the minutes of the Community Services Committee meeting held April 7, 2016, be adopted as circulated. **Carried**

16-96
Phillips
Gratton

MINUTES, BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE, MARCH 23, 2016:

That the minutes of the Beautification Committee meeting held March 23, 2016, be received. **Carried**

Councillor Phillips noted that in the Beautification Committee minutes dated March 23, 2016, Lori Friesen should be listed as a member at large.

- 16-97**
Gratton
Phillips **MINUTES, PRESERVATION AND REHABILITATION COMMITTEE, MARCH 18, 2016:**
That the minutes of the Preservation and Rehabilitation Committee meeting held on March 18, 2016, be received. **Carried**
- 16-98**
Phillips
Gratton **FEES & CHARGES – 2016-2019:**
That we approve the attached Community Services Department Fees and Charges, effective May 1, 2016, to April 30, 2019. **Carried**
- 16-99**
Gratton
Phillips **DONATE PARCEL C TO PLUS INDUSTRIES INC.:**
That we authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an agreement between PLUS Industries Inc. and the City of Melfort, for the donation of Parcel C, Plan 69PA00722, Ext. 8, known as 609 Hamilton Avenue, for the sum of \$1.00, subject to the following conditions:
1. That PLUS Industries is responsible for all future servicing costs and any other costs involved in acquiring the property, such as legal, insurance, etcetera; and,
 2. That this property will be taxable, with only the municipal portion exempted. **Carried**
- 16-100**
Phillips
Gratton **SPONSORSHIP POLICY 7.2.95:**
That we approve the adoption of City of Melfort Policy 7.2.95, entitled "*Sponsorship Policy*", as attached. **Carried**
- 16-101**
Gratton
Phillips **NAMING OF CITY PROPERTY AND DEVELOPMENT AREAS POLICY 7.1.38:**
That we approve the adoption of City of Melfort Policy 7.1.38, entitled "*Naming of City Property and Development Areas*", as attached. **Carried**
- BUILDING PERMIT REPORT – MARCH, 2016**
- COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT REPORT**
- 16-102**
Enge
George **MINUTES, WORKS & UTILITIES COMMITTEE, MARCH 16, 2016:**
That the minutes of the Works & Utilities Committee meeting held on March 16, 2016, be adopted as circulated. **Carried**
- 16-103**
George
Enge **MINUTES, EMO COMMITTEE, MARCH 24, 2016:**
That the minutes of the EMO Committee meeting held March 24, 2016, be received. **Carried**
- MUNICIPAL POLICING REPORT – FEBRUARY, 2016**
- FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT – MARCH, 2016**
- BYLAW ENFORCEMENT REPORT – MARCH, 2016**
- WORKS & UTILITIES DEPARTMENT REPORT**
Director Gilmore introduced the City's new Technical Services Manager, Scott Loyns, and welcomed him to the City team.
- 16-104**
Enge
George **BYLAW 2016-11:**
That Bylaw 2016-11, being a bylaw to undertake Rolled Curb, Gutter & Sidewalk (1.71) construction on Babington Avenue East, 100 block, as a local improvement, be introduced and read a first time. **Carried**

16-105
George
Enge

BYLAW 2016-11:

That Bylaw 2016-11 be read a second time. **Carried**

16-106
Enge
George

BYLAW 2016-11:

That Bylaw 2016-11 be given three readings at this meeting. **Carried Unanimously**

16-107
George
Enge

BYLAW 2016-11:

That Bylaw 2016-11 be read a third time and passed. **Carried**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Councillor Gratton urged citizens to get out and support the Melfort Mustangs as they battle the Nipawin Hawks in the last game of the series on Wednesday.
- Director Scaife reported that the Melfort Curling Club has been awarded the bid for the 2018 Scotties Tournament of Hearts, to be hosted at the Northern Lights Palace.

16-108
Enge
George

ADJOURNMENT:

That this meeting be adjourned. **Carried**

The meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk