

Regular Meeting of City Council held on Monday, December 12, 2016 in Council Chambers, City Hall.

PRESENT: Mayor Tolmie
Coun. Froese
Coun. McMann
Coun. Mitchell
Coun. Swanson
Coun. Warren
Coun. Luhning

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Tolmie called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

PUBLIC ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Councillor Froese rose to advise of the passing of Russ McKnight. Mr. McKnight was an outstanding community volunteer who sat on 30 community groups, committees and associations. The celebration of life for Mr. McKnight is being held at St. Andrew's Church on Sunday, December 18th.

Councillor Froese rose to acknowledge the Regina Albert North Veterinary Clinic who donated new life saving animal oxygen equipment for pets to the Moose Jaw Fire Department.

Mayor Tolmie rose to advise of the passing of Elie Baiton, a former City of Moose Jaw employee, on December 5, 2016 at the age of 78. Mr. Baiton worked for the City of Moose Jaw for 50 years, retiring January 31, 2003.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF THE LAST REGULAR MEETING

Re: Adoption of Regular City Council Meeting Minutes – November 28, 2016

723 Moved by Coun. McMann, seconded by Coun. Warren
THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of City Council held on Monday, November 28, 2016, be approved and adopted.
Carried.

MOTION TO GO INTO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

724 Moved by Coun. Mitchell, seconded by Coun. Swanson
THAT we now go into the Committee of the Whole under the Chairmanship of Deputy Mayor Councillor Froese to deal with original communications, delegations and petitions.
Carried.

Deputy Mayor Councillor Froese reported that Committee of the Whole considered the following communications, delegations and petitions:

Communication #133 – New Year’s Eve Service (2016/2017) – “Ding in the New Year”

Considered was a report (Communication #133) dated December 12, 2016 from the Engineering Services Department to provide City Council and the general public with information regarding the New Year’s Eve service “Ride’s On Us” Campaign (2016-2017).

Moved by Coun. Mitchell

725 THAT the City of Moose Jaw forward a letter to SGI, thanking them for their participation in the New Year’s Eve “Ride’s On Us” Campaign; and

THAT Communication #133, being a report dated December 12, 2016 from the Transit Division, be received and filed.

Carried.

Communication #134 – Background Information – Notice of Motion – Department Quarterly Reports

Considered was a report (Communication #134) dated December 6, 2016 from the City Manager to provide City Council with background information regarding Councillor Luhning’s Notice of Motion regarding Department Quarterly Reports.

Moved by Coun. Luhning

726 THAT the report (Communication #134) dated December 6, 2016 from the City Manager, be received and filed.

Carried.

Communication #135 – Request for Extension to Conditional Sales Agreement for a 10MW Pilot Solar Farm

Considered was a report (Communication #135) dated December 6, 2016 from Economic Development Services to update City Council regarding a request for an extension of the Conditional Sales Agreement from December 31, 2016 to September 30, 2017.

Moved by Coun. Mitchell

727 THAT Mr. Tim Mack, MackSun Solar Corporation, be permitted to address Council with respect to his request for an extension to the Conditional Sales Agreement for a 10MW Pilot Solar Farm.

Carried.

Mr. Mack, MackSun Solar Corporation, addressed members of City Council with respect to his request for an extension to the Conditional Sales Agreement for a 10MW Pilot Solar Farm.

728 Moved by Coun. Mitchell
THAT City Administration be granted authority to extend the closing date of the Conditional Sales Agreement with MackSun Solar Corporation to September 30, 2017.
Carried.

Communication #136 – Department Quarterly Report – Financial Services

Considered was a report (Communication #136) dated December 1, 2016 from the Financial Services Department to provide City Council with information respecting activities of the Department for the period July 1, 2016 to September 30, 2016.

729 Moved by Coun. Mitchell
THAT the Financial Service’s Department Quarterly Report for the period July 1, 2016 to September 30, 2016, be received and filed.
Carried.

Communication #137 – Appointments of Four (4) Citizens-at-Large to the Development Appeals Board

Considered was a report (Communication #137) dated December 7, 2016 from the City Clerk/Solicitor’s Department to appoint four (4) individuals to the Development Appeals Board for a term of office to commence immediately and to conclude December 31, 2019.

730 Moved by Coun. Luhning
THAT Sandra Crowther, Michael Bachiu, James Taylor, Rece Allen, Terry Multon and Terrence Wallace be nominated for appointment to the Development Appeals Board; and further
THAT the City Manager and Director of Financial Services be appointed ballot scrutineers and that the used ballots be destroyed.
Carried.

731 Moved by Mayor Tolmie
THAT nominations cease.
Carried.

A ballot vote was taken and the scrutineers advised that Sandra Crowther, James Taylor, Rece Allen and Terrence Wallace were appointed to the Development Appeals Board for a term of office to commence immediately and to conclude December 31, 2019.

**Communication #138 – TABLED MATTER – Municipal Planning Commission
Minutes dated November 22, 2016 – Part 4: Proposed
Subdivision of Lots 21, 22 & 23, Block 7, Plan K2802,
867, 877 & 881 6th Avenue N.W., Moose Jaw, SK**

Considered was a report (Communication #138) dated December 5, 2016 from the City Clerk/Solicitor’s Department to consider a tabled motion from the November 28, 2016 City Council meeting regarding Part 4 of the Municipal Planning Commission minutes dated November 22, 2016.

732 Moved by Coun. Luhning
THAT the following motion:

“THAT the Proposed Plan of Subdivision of Lots 21, 22 & 23, Block 7, Plan No. K2802, be denied due to the following reasons:

- a. The proposal does not meet the minimum lot frontage and lot area requirements of the City of Moose Jaw Zoning Bylaw; and*

THAT the applicant be advised of the right to appeal the application to the Development Appeals Board.”

be lifted from the table.

Carried.

733 Moved by Coun. McMann
THAT the Proposed Plan of Subdivision of Lots 21, 22 & 23, Block 7, Plan No. K2802, be denied due to the following reason:

- a. The proposal does not meet the minimum lot frontage and lot area requirements of the City of Moose Jaw Zoning Bylaw; and

THAT the applicant be advised of the right to appeal the application to the Development Appeals Board.

Carried.

**Communication #139 – Moose Jaw & District Chamber of Commerce – Tax
Exemption Agreement**

Considered was a report (Communication #139) dated December 7, 2016 from the City Clerk/Solicitor’s Department to obtain City Council’s approval to enter into a Tax Exemption Agreement with the Moose Jaw & District Chamber of Commerce.

Moved by Mayor Tolmie
THAT the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the Tax Exemption Agreement between the City of Moose Jaw and the Moose Jaw & District Chamber of Commerce substantially in the form attached to this report dated December 7, 2016.

Vote Delayed by Tabling Motion.

Moved by Mayor Tolmie

THAT the report (Communication #139) dated December 7, 2016 from the City Clerk/Solicitor's Department with respect to a Tax Exemption for the Moose Jaw & District Chamber of Commerce be tabled to the December 19, 2016 Council meeting pending a presentation from the CEO of the Moose Jaw and District Chamber of Commerce.

The Tabling Motion was Defeated.

The Main Motion was Defeated.

ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Moved by Coun. Luhning, seconded by Coun. Mitchell

734 THAT the report of the Committee of the Whole be taken as read, received and adopted.

Carried.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES OF CITY COUNCIL

Personnel Committee – December 5, 2016

Moved by Coun. Luhning, seconded by Coun. Froese

735 THAT the report of the Personnel Committee meeting dated December 5, 2016 be taken as read.

Carried.

Executive Committee – December 5, 2016

Moved by Coun. McMann, seconded by Coun. Froese

736 THAT the report of the Executive Committee meeting dated December 5, 2016 be taken as read.

Carried.

The reports of the Personnel Committee and Executive Committee meetings dated December 5, 2016 follow:

MATTERS ARISING FROM REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Report of the Personnel Committee – December 5, 2016

742 Moved by Coun. Luhning, seconded by Coun. Warren
THAT the report of the Personnel Committee meeting dated December 5, 2016 be received and adopted. Carried.

Report of the Executive Committee – December 5, 2016

743 Moved by Coun. McMann, seconded by Coun. Warren
THAT the report of the Executive Committee meeting dated December 5, 2016 be received and adopted. Carried.

REPORTS OF ADVISORY AND OTHER COMMITTEES

Youth Advisory Committee

Mayor Tolmie reported on the minutes of the Youth Advisory Committee meeting held on November 2, 2016.

744 Moved by Mayor Tolmie, seconded by Coun. Swanson
THAT the report of the Youth Advisory Committee meeting held on November 2, 2016 be received as presented. Carried.

Environment Advisory Committee

Coun. Warren reported on the minutes of the Environment Advisory Committee meeting held on November 22, 2016.

745 Moved by Coun. Warren, seconded by Coun. Luhning
THAT the report of the Environment Advisory Committee meeting held on November 22, 2016 be received as presented. Carried.

GIVING NOTICE

Councillor Swanson rose to give notice that at the next regular meeting of City Council to be held on December 19, 2016, he intends to introduce the following motion:

City of Moose Jaw Purchasing Policy

“THAT with respect to the City of Moose Jaw Purchasing Policy, that the relevant bylaws and policies be amended as follows:

- 1. So that wherever possible, for the purchase of goods and /or services, competitive bids on tendered specifications with a public opening of bids be the City of Moose Jaw policy.*
- 2. That if an RFP is to be used for the purchase of goods and /or services, approval for the issuance of an RFP and the criteria to be used for selection of the successful bidder be approved by Executive Committee.*
- 3. That the successful bid for an RFP be made public.*
- 4. That administration spending limits, without use of tender or RFP, be:
\$25,000 for Dept. Heads
\$50,000 for City Manager”*

MOTIONS

Re: Department Quarterly Reports

Moved by Coun. Luhning, seconded by Coun. Warren
746 THAT City Council direct Administration to prepare all department quarterly reports together each quarter as was the process previously, starting 1 January 2017.

Carried.

BYLAWS – Nil.

ENQUIRIES

Councillor Mitchell asked a verbal enquiry regarding SUMA deadlines for the Federal Infrastructure Program, Small Communities Fund, and if the City is planning to apply which was answered by City Administration.

Councillor Swanson asked a verbal enquiry regarding the “Confidential” nature of the outstanding matters list which was answered by City Administration.

Councillor Mitchell submitted the following written enquiries:

#23 of 2016: Lead-Pipe Service Connection Replacement

“Given city concerns about the number of properties still reliant on lead pipe service connections and the common policy toward incentives and more minimal costs for property owners from their property line in;

Why does Moose Jaw list a cost fee of \$8450 for lead water connection replacement from the water main to the structure of the house?

How many lead service connections have been replaced under this policy and service fee since it was put in place (in 2014?)”

#24 of 2016: Sewer Clearance Related to City Trees on Boulevards

“I understand that the City provides twice yearly sewer clean-outs for properties where city trees contribute to blockage in tile based or no-corrode sewer connections.

How many properties are covered by this program and what is the annual operating cost for this program to the city?”

#25 of 2016: Waste and Recycling Bins

“There appears to be a large number of regular waste and recycling bins damaged in the collection process.

How many bins have been replaced in the past year?

What is the cost of replacement?

Are the damaged bins recyclable?

What is the explanation for the apparently high rate of damage, if any can be offered?”

Mayor Tolmie submitted the following written enquiry:

Councillor Luhning left the meeting at 8:03 p.m.

#26 of 2016: Scheduling

“How many times a month do other City Councils in Saskatchewan meet for Council and Executive meetings?”

Councillor Luhning returned to the meeting at 8:06 p.m.

RESPONSES TO WRITTEN “ANSWERS TO ENQUIRIES” – Nil.

PUBLIC FORUM – Nil.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK