

Regular Meeting of City Council held on Tuesday, May 19, 2015 in Council Chambers, City Hall.

PRESENT: Mayor Higgins
Coun. Mitchell
Coun. Kirkpatrick
Coun. Luhning
Coun. Eby
Coun. Swanson

ABSENT: Coun. Boyle

CALL TO ORDER

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

PUBLIC ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Nil.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF THE LAST REGULAR MEETING

**Re: Adoption of Minutes of May 4, 2015
Regular Meeting of City Council**

316 Moved by Coun. Eby, seconded by Coun. Mitchell
THAT the minutes of the regular meeting of City Council held on Monday, May 4, 2015, be approved and adopted. Carried.

MOTION TO GO INTO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

317 Moved by Coun. Luhning, seconded by Coun. Kirkpatrick
THAT we now go into the Committee of the Whole to deal with original communications, delegations and petitions. Carried.

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

Communication # 44 – Moose Jaw Hyperbaric Chamber at the New Regional Hospital

Considered was a letter (Communication #44) dated May 11, 2015 and an email dated May 12, 2015 from Mr. Jim Connolly requesting permission to address members of City Council regarding Moose Jaw's hyperbaric chamber at the new regional hospital.

318 Moved by Coun. Luhning
THAT Mr. Jim Connolly be permitted to address members of City Council with respect to Moose Jaw's hyperbaric chamber at the new regional hospital.
Carried.

Mr. Jim Connolly addressed members of City Council with respect to Moose Jaw's hyperbaric chamber at the new regional hospital.

319 Moved by Coun. Eby
THAT the letter (Communication #44) dated May 11, 2015 and email dated May 12, 2015 from Mr. Jim Connolly regarding Moose Jaw's hyperbaric chamber at the new regional hospital, be received and filed.
Carried.

Communication #45 – Request to Have City Council Proclaim that *June* is *Recreation and Parks Month*

Considered was a letter (Communication #45) dated April 30, 2015 from Mr. Norm Campbell, CEO, Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association Inc. requesting that City Council proclaim that June is Recreation and Parks Month.

320 Moved by Coun. Eby
THAT the month of *June* be proclaimed as *Recreation and Parks Month* in the City of Moose Jaw; and

THAT all citizens be encouraged to recognize and celebrate the benefits derived year round from quality public and private recreation and parks resources at the local, regional and provincial levels.

Carried.

Communication #46 – Department Quarterly Report – Financial Services Department

Considered was a report (Communication #46) dated May 11, 2015 from the Financial Services Department to provide City Council with information respecting activities of the Department for the period January 1, 2015 to March 31, 2015.

321 Moved by Coun. Kirkpatrick
THAT the Financial Services Department Quarterly Report for the period January 1, 2015 to March 31, 2015 be received and filed.
Carried.

Communication #47 – 2015 Supplying & Placing of Hot Mix Asphaltic Concrete Contract

Considered was a report (Communication #47) dated May 14, 2015 from the Engineering Department to provide City Council with information respecting the sole source contract for the 2015 supplying and placing of hot mix asphaltic concrete contract as per the City of Moose Jaw purchasing policy.

322 Moved by Coun. Mitchell
THAT the 2015 Supplying and Placing of Asphaltic Concrete Contract be awarded to Cypress Paving (1976) Ltd. on a sole source basis, as set forth in the letter submitted March 17, 2015.

Carried.

Communication #48 – First Quarter 2015 Revenue and Expenditure Report Summary

Considered was a report (Communication #48) dated May 11, 2015 from the Financial Services Department to provide City Council with information respecting the first quarter of 2015 summarized Revenue & Expenditure report for the period January 1, 2015 to March 31, 2015.

323 Moved by Coun. Luhning
THAT the City of Moose Jaw Revenue & Expenditure Report Summary for the January 1, 2015 to March 31, 2015 period be received and filed.

Carried.

Communication #49 – Mosaic Place – Moose Jaw Downtown and Soccer Field House Board of Directors Inc. (DFFH) Capital Project Enhancements

Considered was a report (Communication #49) dated May 12, 2015 from the Parks and Recreation Department to obtain City Council’s approval to sole source the Stage Enhancement project and to reduce the scope of the stage enhancement project.

Moved by Mayor Higgins
THAT City Council provide approval to sole source the purchase of wheels and required accessories for the existing stage at Mosaic Place to Stage Right at an estimated cost of \$60,000; and further

THAT City Council provide approval to reduce the scope of the Stage Enhancement Project to adding wheels only to the existing stage at Mosaic Place.

Defeated.

ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

324 Moved by Coun. Mitchell, seconded by Coun. Eby
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

325 Moved by Coun. Kirkpatrick, seconded by Coun. Luhning
THAT the report of the Personnel Committee dated April 27, 2015 be taken as read.

Carried.

The report of the Personnel Committee dated April 27, 2015 follows:

MATTERS ARISING FROM REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Report of the Personnel Committee – April 27, 2015

326 Moved by Coun. Kirkpatrick, seconded by Coun. Luhning
THAT the report of the Personnel Committee dated April 27, 2015 be received and adopted.
Carried.

REPORTS OF ADVISORY AND OTHER COMMITTEES

Heritage Advisory Committee

Coun. Swanson reported on the minutes of the Heritage Advisory Committee meeting held on April 8, 2015.

327 Moved by Coun. Swanson, seconded by Coun. Luhning
THAT the report of the Heritage Advisory Committee meeting held on April 8, 2015 be received as presented.
Carried.

Cultural Diversity Advisory Committee

Coun. Mitchell reported on the minutes of the Cultural Diversity Advisory Committee meeting held on April 15, 2015.

328 Moved by Coun. Mitchell, seconded by Coun. Swanson
THAT the report of the Cultural Diversity Advisory Committee meeting held on April 15, 2015 be received as presented.
Carried.

Economic Development Commission

Mayor Higgins reported on the minutes of the Economic Development Commission meeting dated May 7, 2015.

Re: Main Street Program

329 Moved by Mayor Higgins, seconded by Coun. Luhning
THAT the City of Moose Jaw decline to participate in the next level of the Main Street Program.
Carried.

Disposition of Report:

330 Moved by Mayor Higgins, seconded by Coun. Kirkpatrick
THAT the report of the Economic Development Commission meeting held on May 7, 2015 be received as presented.
Carried.

GIVING NOTICE

Nil.

MOTIONS

Re: Hyperbaric Chamber at the New Regional Hospital

331 Moved by Coun. Mitchell, seconded by Coun. Eby
WHEREAS the residents of the City of Moose Jaw through Municipal contributions are major financial partners in the new regional hospital facilities now under construction, Moose Jaw City Council urges the Saskatchewan Ministry of Health to reconsider the elimination of the hyperbaric chamber as an optional health service in Moose Jaw.

Through this motion Moose Jaw City Council joins with Moose Jaw residents, medical professionals, and emergency care workers in recognizing that the services of a hyperbaric chamber must remain accessible to residents throughout Saskatchewan. It is a life-saving facility and should be maintained.

City Council further recognizes that continuing financial support for this facility has been offered by a combination of agencies including the Five Hills Regional Health Foundation, and the Saskatchewan Firefighters Association.

THAT a letter be forwarded to the Minister of Health from the Mayor’s office conveying this message of support for the hyperbaric chamber and urging reconsideration of its earlier announced exclusion from the new Five Hills hospital facility.

Vote Delayed by Amendment.

331a Amendment Moved by Coun. Mitchell, seconded by Coun. Eby
THAT the motion be amended by removing the words “Five Hills Regional Health Foundation” in paragraph three and replacing them with the words “Moose Jaw Health Foundation”; removing the words “a letter” in paragraph four and replacing them with the word “letters”; and adding the words “and the Five Hills Health Region” after Minister of Health in paragraph four.

The Amendment was Carried.

The Main Motion, as Amended, was Carried.

The motion, as amended, reads as follows:

“WHEREAS the residents of the City of Moose Jaw through Municipal contributions are major financial partners in the new regional hospital facilities now under construction, Moose Jaw City Council urges the Saskatchewan Ministry of Health to reconsider the elimination of the hyperbaric chamber as an optional health service in Moose Jaw.

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BYLAWS

Consideration/3rd Reading of Bylaw:

#5500 – Property Tax Bylaw, 2015 (3rd Reading)

332 Moved by Coun. Eby, seconded by Coun. Kirkpatrick
THAT Bylaw No. 5500 be now read a third time, adopted, signed by the Mayor and City Clerk, dated and sealed.

Carried.

ENQUIRIES

Councillor Swanson submitted the following written enquiry:

6 – 2015: WW17 Expenditures

"What expenditures have been made from WW17 since January 1, 2014? Please provide a detailed summary?"

Councillor Mitchell submitted the following written enquiry:

7 – 2015: CPR Dam

"What is the state of construction and expected completion of the Obermeyer Dam being constructed?"

Will the dam be functional in adding to the reservoir capacity of Plaxton's Lake this summer?"

Will the water level of the River be adjusted in the fall based on water and run-off projections for spring 2016?"

Councillor Mitchell asked a verbal enquiry regarding road maintenance cost sharing with the Province on the corridor to Highway #2, which Administration undertook to research and circulate further information when available.

Councillor Luhning asked a verbal enquiry regarding the status of the construction on 2nd Avenue S.E. and Manitoba Street, which was answered by City Administration.

Mayor Higgins asked a verbal enquiry regarding the status of road repairs on 9th Avenue N.W. between Hall Street and Saskatchewan Street, which was answered by City Administration.

RESPONSES TO WRITTEN “ANSWERS TO ENQUIRIES”

Councillor Swanson acknowledged receipt of Answer to Enquiry #5 of 2015.

PUBLIC FORUM

The meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK