

MINUTES of **REGULAR** Meeting #2019-04 of the council of the City of Whitehorse called for 5:30 p.m. on Monday, February 25, 2019, in Council Chambers, City Hall.

PRESENT: Mayor Dan Curtis
Councillors Dan Boyd
Laura Cabott
Jocelyn Curteanu
Samson Hartland
Stephen Roddick
Jan Stick

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Linda Rapp
Director of Community and Recreation Services Jeff O'Farrell
Director of Corporate Services Valerie Braga
Director of Development Services Mike Gau
Director of Infrastructure and Operations Peter O'Blenes
Manager of Strategic Communications Myles Dolphin
Manager of Legislative Services Catherine Constable
Assistant City Clerk Norma Felker

Mayor Curtis called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

2019-04-01

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT the agenda be adopted as amended with the change being the addition of Leighann Chalykoff and Cathy Hines as a delegation speaking to the Yukon Stikine Regional Heritage Fair.

AGENDA

Carried Unanimously

2019-04-02

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT the minutes of the regular council meeting dated February 11, 2019 be adopted as presented.

MINUTES

February 11, 2019

Carried Unanimously

DELEGATIONS

Leighann Chalykoff and Cathy Hines addressed council in support of their application for funding for the Yukon Stikine Regional Heritage Fair. They provided an update on the event scheduled for May 2 at Yukon College, and highlighted the importance of the Fair in raising awareness of heritage and heritage issues, especially with young people. They thanked the City for the support received in past years and invited all members of council to participate as judges.

HERITAGE FAIR
For Information Only

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Curtis called three times for anyone to appear to address Bylaw 2019-07, a bylaw to amend the Zoning Bylaw with respect to a number of administrative edits to clarify interpretation and otherwise implement minor changes.

BYLAW 2019-07
ZONING AMENDMENT
Administrative Edits

There was no one present to speak to the bylaw.

No Delegates Present

Six written submissions were received, all expressing some concerns.

Submissions Received

Mayor Curtis declared the public hearing closed and advised that no further submissions on the issue will be considered by council except the report provided by administration.

Public Hearing Closed

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Health and Safety Committee

Hazard identification and risk analysis is a systematic risk assessment tool used to assess the risk of various hazards. Calian Emergency Management Solutions conducted an assessment of risks or threats to public safety, property or the environment in the Whitehorse region, and their potential impacts. The Hazard Identification and Risk Analysis Report will be used to help emergency management professionals prepare for the worst and most likely risks. It will allow for the creation of exercises, training programs and plans based on the most likely risks identified.

HAZARD IDENTIFICATION
AND RISK ANALYSIS
(HIRA) REPORT
For Information Only

The Strategic Communications Department is preparing information for the public on how to prepare for the most significant hazards identified, as well as how the City would communicate to the public in the event of an emergency arising from the most significant hazards identified.

Development Services Committee

In response to a query from a Committee member, administration advised that the Sustainability Plan is used as a lens when evaluating proposed projects. As part of the capital budget ranking system, projects with a high sustainability factor are ranked higher in priority when allocating budget funds.

SUSTAINABILITY PLAN
For Information Only

An orientation session for council members with respect to the Sustainability Plan is scheduled for March 26, 2019.

Corporate Services Committee

2019-04-03

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT the 2019 to 2022 capital expenditure program be amended by changing the scope of the 2019 Asphalt Overlay project to remove the locations at Mountainview Drive and Lewes Boulevard and replace them with Second Avenue from Lowe Street to Ogilvie Street, the roundabout at Fourth Avenue and Robert Service Way, and the roundabout on Hamilton Boulevard at Elijah Smith School.

BUDGET AMENDMENT –
SCOPE OF 2019
ASPHALT OVERLAY
PROJECT

Carried Unanimously

In response to a query from a council member, administration advised that the asphalt overlay project is considered to be preventative maintenance rather than major reconstruction and therefore is not subject to the local improvement charges process.

Discussion

2019-04-04

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT \$2,000 from the Heritage Fund be allocated to the Yukon Historical and Museums Association to support the 2019 Yukon/Stikine Regional Heritage Fair; and

HERITAGE FUND GRANT
FOR HERITAGE FAIR

THAT the 2019 operating budget be increased in the amount of \$2,000, funded by the Heritage Fund, to contribute to the costs of the 2019 Yukon/Stikine Regional Heritage Fair.

Carried Unanimously

A council member asked if this grant could be added as a line item to the budget. Administration advised that the matter could be addressed during budget discussions later in the year and noted that there are other approaches that could address the issue including the Festival and Special Event grant process.

Discussion

2019-04-05

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT the council member summary reports on attendance, expense claims, travel and voting records for the 2018 calendar year be accepted as presented.

ACCEPT 2018 COUNCIL
MEMBER SUMMARIES

Carried Unanimously

A council member expressed a desire to see the attendance statistics expanded in the next summary report to include more of the meetings that council members routinely attend.

Discussion

2019-04-06

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT travel expenses be authorized for Mayor Curtis to attend the annual conference of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities being held in Quebec City in early June; and

AUTHORIZE COUNCIL
TRAVEL FOR FCM
ANNUAL CONFERENCE

THAT travel and per diem expenses from the councillor-initiated allocation be authorized for Councillors Boyd, Cabott, Curteanu and Roddick to attend the 2019 annual conference of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities in Quebec City.

Carried Unanimously

A Committee member asked for an update on the status of the Purchasing and Sales Policy. The Committee requested that the policy be brought forward for review at an upcoming Council and Senior Management meeting.

PURCHASING AND
SALES POLICY
For Information Only

City Planning Committee

2019-04-07

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw 2019-08, a bylaw to amend the zoning bylaw to allow the private retail sale of cannabis and cannabis-containing products, be brought forward for consideration under the bylaw process.

BRING FORWARD
ZONING AMENDMENT
Cannabis Retail Sales

Carried Unanimously

City Operations Committee

Joy Snyder, Executive Director of Raven Recycling, addressed the Committee on behalf of both Raven and P & M Recycling to request that the cap on diversion credits be increased from \$150,000 to \$250,000. She explained that the increase is needed to support the recycling industry while various governments work towards a system that includes extended producer responsibility.

REQUEST FOR
INCREASE TO CAP ON
DIVERSION CREDITS

Ms. Snyder stated that the diversion credit system does not respond to fluctuating commodity prices, the City's strategic goals, new efficiencies, or the cost of living. Diversion credits were put in place for the short to medium term, and are currently under-funded by the municipality. With the current cap, the more the processors recycle the lower is the value of the subsidy they receive on a per tonne basis.

For Information Only

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Ms. Snyder noted that the Yukon Government and the City are working hard to build a new system that is hoped will be in place within five years. In the meantime, recycling processors need the certainty that an increase in the cap would provide.

REQUEST FOR
INCREASE TO CAP ON
DIVERSION CREDITS

(Continued)

Community Services Committee

Lana Selbee, John Glynn-Morris and Chris O'Brien addressed the Committee to provide an update on the activities of the Yukonstruct Society since their move to new premises on Second Avenue. They highlighted their maker space, school programming, youth and entrepreneurship programming, business support and advice services, and the availability of rental space for events meetings. The society is looking forward to working with the City on the projects such as the development of a new Official Community Plan.

YUKONSTRUCT UPDATE

For Information Only

Samantha Li, Alain Dallaire and Jody Overduin addressed the Committee to encourage consideration of the Canada Games Centre as a venue for a climbing facility. They noted that the City has the primary responsibility for parks and recreation activities, and climbing was identified in the 2018 Parks and Recreation Master Plan as the most desirable new activity that could be added to the Canada Games Centre.

The delegates provided a brief history of the organization and the benefits of climbing as a fitness activity. In addition to the physical and health benefits to users, a climbing facility would have economic impacts, provide opportunities for community programs, and provide enhanced rescue training opportunities.

CLIMB YUKON

For Information Only

The delegates noted that existing climbing facilities in Whitehorse are over used and current programs are at capacity with no opportunity to expand to allow for youth development. Climbing has become a mainstream fitness activity, and Climb Yukon would like to see a venue that would be suitable for the Canada Winter Games.

Climb Yukon has received funding from the Yukon Government for a feasibility study, and the organization is now requesting that council authorize a feasibility study at the Canada Games Centre.

Mayor Curtis highlighted a number of recent community events including the Arctic Inspiration Prize awards and the Arctic Indigenous Investment Conference. The mayor also thanked the Korean Consul General for his visit to Whitehorse.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

For Information Only

BYLAWS

2019-04-08

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw 2019-08, a bylaw to amend the Zoning Bylaw to allow the
private retail sale of cannabis and cannabis-containing products, be
given first reading.

Carried Unanimously

BYLAW 2019-08

ZONING AMENDMENT
Cannabis Retail Sales

FIRST READING

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:01 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

ORIGINAL MINUTES SIGNED BY:

"Dan Curtis"

Dan Curtis, Mayor

"N. L. Felker"

Norma L. Felker, Assistant City Clerk

ADOPTED by resolution at Meeting #2019-05 dated March 11, 2019