

MINUTES of **REGULAR** Meeting #2012-08 of the Council of the City of Whitehorse called for 7:30 p.m. on Monday, April 23, 2012, in Council Chambers, City Hall.

PRESENT: Mayor Bev Buckway  
Councillors Dave Austin  
Kirk Cameron  
Betty Irwin  
Ranj Pillai  
Florence Roberts  
Dave Stockdale

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Dennis Shewfelt  
Director of Administrative Services Robert Fendrick  
Director of Operations Brian Crist

Mayor Buckway called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**2012-08-01**

It was duly moved and seconded  
THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

**AGENDA**

- Carried Unanimously -

**PROCLAMATIONS**

Mayor Buckway proclaimed April 30, 2012 to be Not Myself Today Day  
in the City of Whitehorse

NOT MYSELF TODAY  
DAY

Mayor Buckway proclaimed the month of May 2012 to be Multiple  
Sclerosis Awareness Month in the City of Whitehorse

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS  
MONTH

Mayor Buckway proclaimed the week of May 7<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup>, 2012 to be  
Yukon Hunger Awareness Week in the City of Whitehorse.

HUNGER AWARENESS  
WEEK

The public was reminded that there is a campaign under way in the  
City to gather donations for the Food Bank.

FOOD BANK CAMPAIGN

**2012-08-02**

It was duly moved and seconded  
THAT the minutes of regular Council Meeting dated April 10, 2012 be  
adopted as presented.

**MINUTES**

April 10, 2012

- Carried Unanimously -

**DELEGATIONS**

Mark Radke addressed Council as the proponent for the Zoning Amendment for Raven's Ridge Phase 2. Mr. Radke corrected the record about the purchase of land, stating that it was bought from Hudson's Bay Mining Company. It was also noted that when Phase 1 was contemplated it was not feasible to connect with the City's sewer system and therefore a septic system was put in.

MARK RADKE  
Zoning Amendment-  
Raven's Ridge

With respect to the EBA Study, Mr. Radke noted that this has been going on for over a year and has access to information directly from pits being dug.

A letter has been provided from the Whitehorse Cross Country Ski Club indicating approval of the moving of the ski trails.

Mr. Radke advised that the projected second access for the site is not practicable due to the topography in the area

Keith Lay addressed Council to reiterate his concerns for the adoption of the 2007 Parks & Recreation Trail Plan Amendments. Mr. Lay's concerns still lay with the new Terms of Reference that have been tabled. Another major concern is the delay in forming a Trails & Greenways Committee and the selection process being contemplated for the committee. Mr. Lay encouraged Council to immediately form the Trail and Greenways Committee

KEITH LAY  
Trail Plan Amendments

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Mayor Buckway called three times for anyone to appear to address Bylaw 2012-17, a bylaw to change the zoning at 34 Roundel Road to allow for a decrease in rear and side yard setbacks.

**BYLAW 2012-17**  
ZONING AMENDMENT  
34 Roundel Road

Dianne Williams, the proponent for this application appeared to support the application and indicated that to deny this application would cause undue hardship and make the project financially unviable. Ms. Williams also indicated that contractor delays and incompetence were the primary causes for the problem at hand.

DIANNE WILLIAMS  
Proponent

Mr. Tom Banks appeared to support the project and indicated the structure would add to the Hillcrest community.

TOM BANKS  
In Support

Three written submissions were received with respect to this application, all raising concerns.

Submissions Received

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Administrative Services Committee**

**2012-08-03**

It was duly moved and seconded  
THAT the City of Whitehorse not seek an exemption from the Canada  
– Europe Trade Agreement.

TRADE AGREEMENT  
WITH EUROPE UNION

- Carried Unanimously -

**2012-08-04**

It was duly moved and seconded  
THAT travel expenses be authorized for Mayor Buckway to attend  
the annual spring conference and Annual General Meeting of the  
Tourism Industry Association of Yukon to be held in Whitehorse and  
Haines Junction in April.

AUTHORIZE TRAVEL  
EXPENSES FOR MAYOR-  
TIA ANNUAL BOARD  
MEETING

- Carried Unanimously -

**City Planning Committee**

Barbara Drury addressed the Committee to encourage Council to  
incorporate agricultural ideas when land use planning. Ms. Drury also  
suggested support for small garden endeavours and gardeners rather  
than facilitating large-scale operations. Ms Drury also mentioned that  
with the new Whistle Bend Subdivision, there might be an opportunity  
to allocate two to three acres for garden plots

BARBARA DRURY  
Land for Agricultural  
Purposes  
For Information Only

**2012-08-05**

It was duly moved and seconded  
THAT Bylaw 2012-06, a bylaw to change the zoning of portions of  
Lots 49 and 50, Group 5, Plan 9540 CLSR, to allow for the  
development of Raven's Ridge Phase 2, be brought forward for due  
consideration under the bylaw process.

BRING FORWARD  
ZONING AMENDMENT  
Raven's Ridge Phase 2

- Carried Unanimously -

Council commended the development and encouraged proceeding  
when the EBA report is received in a few weeks time.

Discussion

**2012-08-06**

It was duly moved and seconded  
THAT Bylaw 2012-19, a bylaw to change the zoning of 19 Wann Road RM–Residential Multiple Housing to allow for the development of multiple single detached units, be brought forward for due consideration under the bylaw process.

BRING FORWARD  
ZONING AMENDMENT  
19 Wann Road

- Carried Unanimously -

Council discussed the increased density and the availability of green space in the area.. Administration confirmed that this is a private development and amenity space is being provided. It was also noted that there is a nearby playground and rink, and a 50-hectare park. A paved trail is contemplated to connect to the Crestview area.

Discussion

**City Operations Committee**

**2012-08-07**

It was duly moved and seconded  
THAT the Underground Utilities Phase 1 portion of the 2012 Marwell East Reconstruction Project be awarded to Castle Rock Enterprises for a net cost to the City of \$2,626,905.00.

CONTRACT AWARD  
MARWELL EAST  
RECONSTRUCTION

- Carried Unanimously -

Administration confirmed that the right-of-way dictates that the road width be built to rural standards. It was also noted that the new road work will not affect the assessments in the area.

Discussion

**Community Services Committee**

**2012-08-08**

It was duly moved and seconded  
THAT the implementation of the Whitehorse Trail and Greenways Committee be approved; and

THAT the implementation of the Whitehorse Trail Technical Committee be approved; and

THAT the amendments to the 2007 City of Whitehorse Parks and Recreation Trail Plan, including the inclusion of the Committee Chart as Appendix VII, be approved as the City of Whitehorse Trail Plan, Second Edition, 2012; and

PARKS & RECREATION  
TRAIL PLAN  
AMENDMENTS

THAT the 2012 Snowmobile Trail Map be approved as Appendix V (a) in the City of Whitehorse Trail Plan, Second Edition, 2012.

- Carried Unanimously -

It was noted that additional amendments to the Trail Plan can be brought forward at a later date if required. Council encouraged the public engagement planned to select the Trails & Greenways Committee members. It was also noted that the First Nations will be a welcome addition to the Technical Committee. The Persons with Disabilities Advisory Committee has commended administration on the process that was followed, and third party arms-length sources have also commended the City's trail system very highly. Council commended administration on the work completed to date.

Discussion

**2012-08-09**

It was duly moved and seconded  
THAT the 2012 Capital Budget be amended to increase the Trail Development project 740c00409 by \$100,310.00, with funds coming from the Yukon Government Community Development Fund and the Rendezvous Rotary Club of Whitehorse.

CAPITAL  
BUDGET INCREASE &  
FUNDING

- Carried Unanimously -

Administration confirmed the funding will be used for trail development as contemplated in the Trail Plan

Discussion

**Public Health and Safety Committee**

Ms. Lisa Martin addressed Council to request the use of Fire Hall 2 for storing equipment for Search and Rescue. Their current storage facility is proving to be adequate in the colder winter temperatures. Council advised that they would contact YG EMO

LISA MARTIN  
Yukon Search & Rescue  
For Information Only

**Tourism & Economic Development Committee**

Council asked for more information on upcoming events and to provide a calendar of events for Council's review.

NEW BUSINESS  
Calendar of Events

**NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Administration presented a report to provide funding assistance for the Mount Sima Ski Hill operations in conjunction with the Government of Yukon.

MOUNT SIMA SKI HILL  
For Information Only

Some members of Council commended the vision to add summer operations to help the hill be sustainable and also the investment in life style that this funding represents. It was also noted that the asset in question would ultimately be owned by the City and that the continued investment is advisable. Due diligence has been followed and many options have been considered, including shut-down. In the end, after careful scrutiny, this is seen as the best course of action.

It was also noted that land development has been agreed to in principle by YG for possible future funding options. This will help meet housing needs and may present opportunities for private developers. It was noted that many ski operations rely on land development for financial stability.

Discussion

One member of Council was not in favour of the funding being presented by the initiative and suggested that the money could be better used elsewhere. It was also stated for the record that the Wild Play operation will not off-set the deficits as predicted.

**2012-08-10**

It was duly moved and seconded  
THAT the Asphalt Overlay Contribution Agreement with the Government of Yukon be approved, and

MT.SIMA  
Contribution Agreement &  
Budget Amendment

THAT a bylaw to amend the capital budget to reflect the flow of funding to the Great Northern Ski Society be brought forward for due consideration under the bylaw process.

- Carried (6 – 1) -

IN FAVOR: Mayor Buckway, Councillors Austin, Cameron, Pillai, Roberts and Stockdale

Recorded Vote

OPPOSED: Councillor Irwin

**BYLAWS**

**2012-08-11**

It was duly moved and seconded  
THAT Bylaw 2012-18, a bylaw to write off uncollectible accounts, having been read a first and second time, now be given third reading.

**BYLAW 2012-18**  
WRITE OFF BAD DEBTS  
THIRD READING

- Carried Unanimously -

**2012-08-12**

It was duly moved and seconded  
THAT Bylaw 2012-06, a bylaw to change the zoning of a parcel of land  
to allow for the development of new country residential units known as  
Raven's Ridge Phase 2, be given first reading.

- Carried Unanimously -

**BYLAW 2012-06**

ZONING AMENDMENT  
Raven's Ridge Phase 2

**2012-08-13**

It was duly moved and seconded  
THAT Bylaw 2012-19, a bylaw to change the zoning at 19 Wann Road  
in Porter Creek to allow for multi-residential development, be given first  
reading.

- Carried Unanimously -

**BYLAW 2012-19**

ZONING AMENDMENT  
19 Wann Road

The public was reminded that there will be no meeting on April 30<sup>th</sup>.  
The next meeting will be a Standing Committee meeting on May 7<sup>th</sup>.

Next Meeting  
For Information Only

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

ORIGINAL BYLAW SIGNED BY:

*"Bev Buckway"*

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Bev Buckway, Mayor

*"Robert I. Fendrick"*

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Robert I. Fendrick, FCGA, City Clerk

ADOPTED by resolution at meeting #2012-09 on May 14, 2012