

MINUTES of **REGULAR** Meeting #2013-03 of the council of the City of Whitehorse called for 7:30 p.m. on Monday, February 11, 2013, in Council Chambers, City Hall.

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor John Streicker
Councillors Kirk Cameron
Jocelyn Curteanu
Mike Gladish
Betty Irwin
Dave Stockdale

ABSENT: Mayor Dan Curtis

ALSO PRESENT: Acting City Manager Brian Crist
Director of Community and Recreation Services Linda Rapp
Acting Director of Corporate Services Valerie Anderson
Acting Director of Development Services Shannon Clohosey

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

CALL TO ORDER

2013-03-01

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT the agenda be adopted as amended with the addition of Dorothy
Lebel and Doug Maclean as delegates speaking to the Trail and
Greenways Committee Appointments, and an authorization for council
expenses under New and Unfinished Business.

AGENDA

Carried Unanimously

2013-03-02

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT the minutes of the regular council meeting dated January 28,
2013 be adopted as presented.

MINUTES

January 28, 2013

Carried Unanimously

DELEGATIONS

Keith Lay addressed Council to reiterate his concerns regarding the
appointments to the Trail and Greenways Committee. He asked for
an explanation as to why two of the nominees were not selected, and
questioned the validity of one of the groups who provided a
nomination. Mr. Lay also expressed a number of concerns regarding
the selection process and the role of the committee, and asked Council
to delay the appointments until his questions could be answered.

KEITH LAY
Trail & Greenway
Committee Appointments

Dorothy Lebel expressed concern about the proposed composition of the Trail and Greenways Committee, and suggested that the Riverdale Community Association should be represented on the committee due to the number of trails in the Riverdale area. Ms Lebel also suggested that a member of Trails Advocacy Group should be included on the committee, and that perhaps other special interest groups such as the Klondike Snowmobile Association should not be represented. She asked that a better and more democratic selection process be created.

DOROTHY LABEL
Trail & Greenway
Committee Appointments

Doug Maclean of the Riverdale Community Association advised Council that his group missed the nomination deadline for the Trail and Greenways Committee. However, the group feels that it should have a place on the Committee and also feels that it would be best to be part of the Committee from the beginning. He asked Council to amend the appointment resolution to include a representative of the Riverdale Community Association.

DOUG MACLEAN
Trail & Greenway
Committee Appointments

PUBLIC HEARING

Deputy Mayor Streicker called three times for anyone to appear to address Bylaw 2013-01, a bylaw to amend the zoning at 57 Carpiquet Road in Takhini to permit both a living suite and a garden suite on a single family lot

BYLAW 2013-01
ZONING – 57 Carpiquet

The proponent, Dan Cable, encouraged Council to approve a zoning amendment that would allow both a garden suite and a living suite on his single family lot. An accessible garden suite is needed for a member of his immediate family, and the living suite would make the project more economically viable. Additionally, he noted that there is a need for more rental housing, particularly affordable rental units.

Dan Cable
Proponent

There were seven written submissions received, three expressing concerns and four opposed.

Submissions Received

Council asked that the report on the public hearing include details regarding the reasons for the objections received.

Discussion

Deputy Mayor Streicker called three times for anyone to appear to address Bylaw 2013-05, a bylaw to change the zoning of a parcel of land in the Mount Sima Industrial area to allow for a lot expansion at 163 Collins Lane in the Mount Sima Industrial Subdivision.

BYLAW 2013-05
ZONING–163 Collins Lane

There was no one present to address the bylaw and no submissions were received.

No Submissions Received

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Health and Safety Committee

Activity reports for the month of January 2013 were received from Bylaw Services and the Fire Department.

Administration confirmed that the review of the Protected Areas Bylaw is being done in conjunction with a review of recreation areas, and sustainability staff is involved with this project. The Committee encouraged coordination of definitions in the various bylaws and policies.

ACTIVITY REPORTS
For Information Only

Tourism & Economic Development Committee

The committee expressed the hope that there will be more reports to this committee in the future. Administration advised that the City is currently in talks with the Yukon Government to create an economic development position.

Administration also noted that, due to the recent re-organization, the activity report that used to be associated with this Committee is now included in the Outreach and Events report to the Community Services Committee. When the Procedures Bylaw comes forward for review next month, both the name and the responsibilities of this committee will be discussed. In the meantime, administration will work on a strategy to ensure that Council is informed of some of the issues that are taking place in the community.

COMMITTEE ISSUES
For Information Only

Administrative Services Committee

Activity reports for January 2013 were received from the City Manager and the Business and Technology Systems, Financial Services, and Human Resources Departments.

ACTIVITY REPORTS
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City Planning Committee

2013-03-03

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw 2013-11, a bylaw to amend the Official Community Plan to allow for the expansion of the Cowley Creek Subdivision and the relocation of the Yukon Horse and Rider Association, be brought forward for due consideration under the bylaw process.

BRING FORWARD
O.C.P. AMENDMENT
FOR COWLEY CREEK
EXPANSION AREA

Carried Unanimously

Council discussed the road access to the potential site for the Yukon Horse and Rider Association, and the suggestion was made that the best option is to urge the Yukon Department of Highways to reconsider the existing access point. Administration confirmed that details regarding access would be addressed subsequent to the completion of the current process, which is solely concerned with the amendment of the Official Community Plan to allow for these future uses.

Discussion

Activity reports for the month of January 2013 were received from the Director of Development Services and the Planning Services Department.

ACTIVITY REPORTS
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City Operations Committee

2013-03-04

It was duly moved and seconded THAT the 2012 Strategic Sustainability Plan report and highlights be accepted as presented, and that communications activities be commenced.

2012 STRATEGIC
SUSTAINABILITY
PLAN REPORT

Carried Unanimously

The City of Whitehorse joined the Partners for Climate Protection Program (PCP) in 1995. The Program is a network of Canadian municipal governments that have committed to reducing greenhouse gas emissions and taking action on climate change. Spearheaded by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities in Canada, the PCP is part of an international network of over 900 communities worldwide.

In 2004 the City completed the first three milestones of the program, and then in 2011 the fourth milestone was submitted. The Milestone 4 submission consisted of an update of the 2004 Local Action Plan to determine the status of the nearly 100 recommended actions. Both corporate and community actions were reviewed, although the City decided to focus monitoring efforts on corporate actions. Community actions and greenhouse gas reductions require the participation of a broad array of partners, and wherever possible the City works with local organizations and other orders of government to achieve common goals.

PARTNERS FOR
CLIMATE PROTECTION
PROGRAM –
MILESTONE 5 REPORT

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The fifth milestone of the program is to monitor, verify and report on greenhouse gas emissions. The report for Milestone 5 has been submitted to, and approved by, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities. Completion of Milestone 5 is a landmark in the City's journey of sustainability. Completing this program fulfils an objective in the Strategic Sustainability Plan. Furthermore, measurement and monitoring is fundamental to achieving progress. The program encourages the city to develop faster and more accurate methods to improve reporting, and the City has plans in place to continue progress.

PARTNERS FOR
CLIMATE PROTECTION
PROGRAM –
MILESTONE 5 REPORT

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(Continued)

At this year's Sustainability Conference, the City will be receiving recognition from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities for completing this program.

The Committee congratulated administration on the completion of this milestone.

Activity Reports for the month of January 2013 were received from the Director of Infrastructure and Operations, and the Engineering, Environmental Sustainability, Operations, and Water and Waste Services Departments.

Administration confirmed that traffic lights were deemed to be the best option for traffic control at the intersection of Lewes Boulevard and Hospital Road.

ACTIVITY REPORTS
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Administration advised that the Nanook EMO exercises are an opportunity for the various governments to collaborate on the exercise of our emergency plans. The exercise in Whitehorse will happen in early August this year. The Committee thanked staff for their participation in the exercise and encouraged the planners to be forthcoming on advertising the potential impacts to the community. Administration confirmed that there will be a coordinated communications effort.

In response to questions raised, administration confirmed that the Snow and Ice Control Policy guides snow removal for sidewalks as well as roads, and the Maintenance Bylaw requires property owners to clear sidewalks adjacent to their property. This includes apartment complexes and condo developments. Administration also confirmed that driveway clearance for seniors is governed by policy and is done in conjunction with the road clearance.

SNOW REMOVAL ISSUES
For Information Only

Community Services Committee

2013-03-05

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Cindy Bretkruetz, Mike Ivens, Nancy Thomson and Kaori Torigai be appointed to the Whitehorse Trail and Greenways Committee for a term to expire on December 31, 2013; and

THAT Trevor Braun, Jeffrey Marynowski, Sierra van der Meer, and a representative of the City of Whitehorse Sustainability Department be appointed to the Whitehorse Trail and Greenways Committee for a term to expire on October 31, 2014; and

THAT Mark Daniels and a representative of the City of Whitehorse Bylaw Services Department be appointed to the Whitehorse Trail and Greenways Committee for a term to expire on October 31, 2015; and

THAT Councillor Mike Gladish be appointed as an ex-officio member of the Whitehorse Trail and Greenways Committee for a term to expire on October 31, 2013.

APPOINTMENTS TO THE
TRAIL AND GREENWAYS
COMMITTEE

2013-03-06

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT the appointments to the Trail and Greenways Committee be expanded to include a member of the Riverdale Community Association to be named at a later date.

Amendment

Carried (5 – 1)

2013-03-07

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT the appointment of members to the Trail and Greenways Committee be postponed to the regular Council Meeting on February 25, 2013.

Motion to Postpone

Carried (5 – 1)

Council members requested a Council and Senior Management meeting prior to the next regular meeting to provide an opportunity for Council to review the nominations.

Discussion

Activity reports for the month of January 2013 were received from the Director of Community and Recreation Services, Recreation and Facility Services, Outreach and Events, Parks and Trails, and the Transit Services Department.

ACTIVITY REPORTS
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NEW & UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2013-03-08

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT per diem and expenses be authorized from the councillor-
initiated accounts for Councillor Stockdale to attend the Advancing
Economic Development Opportunities Conference being held in
Whitehorse in February 2013.

AUTHORIZE COUNCIL
EXPENSES/PER DIEM
Advancing Economic
Development Opportunities
Conference

Carried Unanimously

BYLAWS

2013-03-09

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw 2013-11, a bylaw to amend the Official Community Plan
to change the land use designation for an area located between the
Cowley Creek and Mary Lake subdivisions, be given first reading.

BYLAW 2013-11
O.C.P. AMENDMENT
COWLEY CREEK
EXPANSION AREA

Carried Unanimously

FIRST READING

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

ORIGINAL MINUTES SIGNED BY:

"Dan Curtis"

Dan Curtis, Mayor

"Robert I. Fendrick"

Robert I. Fendrick, FCGA, City Clerk

ADOPTED by resolution at Meeting #2013-04 dated February 25, 2013