

MINUTES of **REGULAR** Meeting #2016-03 of the council of the City of Whitehorse called for 5:30 p.m. on Monday, February 8, 2016, in Council Chambers, City Hall.

PRESENT: Mayor Dan Curtis
Councillors Dan Boyd
Jocelyn Curteanu
Samson Hartland
Betty Irwin
Roslyn Woodcock

ABSENT: Councillor Robert Fendrick

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Christine Smith
Director of Community Services Linda Rapp
Director of Development Services Mike Gau
Director of Infrastructure and Operations Peter O'Blenes
Chief Financial Officer Valerie Braga
Manager of Legislative Services Jeff O'Farrell

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

CALL TO ORDER

2016-03-01

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT the agenda be adopted as amended with the addition of Mike Pemberton and Rick Karp as delegates speaking to the commercial sector waste management issue.

AGENDA

Carried Unanimously

2016-03-02

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT the minutes of the regular council meeting dated January 25, 2016 be adopted as presented.

MINUTES

January 25, 2016

Carried Unanimously

DELEGATIONS

Mike Pemberton and Rick Karp addressed Council on behalf of the Whitehorse Chamber of Commerce to commend the decision to consult with the business community with respect to options for commercial sector waste management. They advised that the Chamber will be pleased to participate in the process. They also provided an overview of the Chamber's Buy Local campaign and communications strategy, and thanked the City for its support of this initiative.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
Commercial Sector
Waste Management
For Information Only

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Health and Safety Committee

Activity reports for November 2015 to January 2016 were received from Bylaw Services and the Fire Department

ACTIVITY REPORTS
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Development Services Committee

2016-03-03

It was duly moved and seconded THAT administration is hereby directed to engage with the business community regarding next steps in waste diversion and updates to the Waste Management Bylaw.

COMMERCIAL SECTOR
WASTE MANAGEMENT

Carried Unanimously

Activity reports for November 2015 to January 2016 were received from the Director of Development Services and the Economic Development and Environmental Sustainability Departments

ACTIVITY REPORTS
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Corporate Services Committee

Activity reports for November 2015 to January 2016 were received from the City Manager and the Business and Technology Systems, Financial Services, Human Resources, Legislative Services and Strategic Communications Departments.

ACTIVITY REPORTS
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Administration confirmed that the recruitments currently under way in the Finance Department are to fill vacancies in existing positions.

Issues Arising from Reports

City Planning Committee

2016-03-04

It was duly moved and seconded THAT Bylaw 2016-07, a bylaw to amend the Zoning Bylaw with respect to a number of administrative edits, be brought forward for due consideration under the bylaw process.

BRING FORWARD
ADMINISTRATIVE EDITS
TO ZONING BYLAW

Carried Unanimously

An activity report for November 2015 to January 2016 was received from the Planning and Building Services Department.

ACTIVITY REPORT
For Information Only

City Operations Committee

Activity Reports for November 2015 to January 2016 were received from the Director of Infrastructure and Operations and the Engineering, Operations, and Water and Waste Services Departments.

ACTIVITY REPORTS
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Community Services Committee

On behalf of Council and the City of Whitehorse, Deputy Mayor Woodcock officially welcomed the Syrian refugee family sponsored by Yukon Cares. She advised that Hussein Aarafat, Fatima Alaaraj and their nine children arrived on Saturday night, and expressed the hope that all citizens will do their bit to ensure that Whitehorse offers them a place of welcome, peace, safety, and opportunities for a great life

SYRIAN REFUGEE
FAMILY WELCOMED
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Administration summarized a five-year review of transit services undertaken by an independent third party. The performance of the Transit Department over five years was reviewed and compared with transit services across Canada to create a report card. From 2010 to 2014 transit ridership in Whitehorse grew by 72%.

The magnitude of this successful growth can be attributed to a number of initiatives since 2010, including the extensive revamping and expansion of routes and schedules, and an increase in communications and marketing to improve the effectiveness of the service.

2010 to 2014 TRANSIT
REPORT CARD
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Additional improvements included a group transit pass program, a student pass project with the Department of Education, the introduction of evening service, an outreach program with large employers and Yukon College, and the addition of peak service.

The data provided suggests that Whitehorse Transit has improved the quality of life of Whitehorse residents, and also suggests that the performance improvement trend is likely to continue.

Committee members noted that the report card does not discuss the cost of providing transit services and the extent to which the municipality subsidizes the transit service.

Activity Reports for November 2015 to January 2016 were received from the Director of Community and Recreation Services, Parks and Community Development, Recreation and Facility Services, and the Transit Services Department.

ACTIVITY REPORTS
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Yolande Vachon addressed the Committee to raise concerns regarding the amount of time it takes to get from Range Road to Downtown using the Takhini-College transit service. She asked that the Porter Creek routes be reviewed to see if they could include the Range Road area.

REQUEST FOR CHANGE
TO TRANSIT ROUTE
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BYLAWS

2016-03-05

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw 2016-07, a bylaw to amend the Zoning Bylaw with respect to a number of administrative edits, be given first reading.

Carried Unanimously

BYLAW 2016-07

ZONING AMENDMENT
Administrative Edits

FIRST READING

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:48 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 #2016-04 dated February 22, 2016