



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD
MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 2007**

PRESENT:

Mayor: Malcolm Eaton
Councillors: Aaron Behiel Rob Muench
Leon Fleischhacker Phillip Smith
Gordon Lees Leon Winkel

City Manager: Thomas Goulden
City Clerk: Sandra Pauli
Leisure Services Director: Darrell Lessmeister
Works & Utilities Director: Rod Halyk

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Malcolm Eaton called the meeting to order at 7:28 p.m.

ADOPT AGENDA:

Behiel/Smith:
That the agenda be amended to include the following and subsequently be adopted as amended:

11. Unfinished Business.
 - a) Mayor's Report – St. Elizabeth's Hospital issues.
12. New Business.
 - b) Strategic Planning Meeting – Set Date.
 - c) Committee of the Whole.

Motion Carried.

**PUBLIC
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:**

Mayor Malcolm Eaton acknowledged the significant contribution of the Good Neighbor Store of Humboldt. In addition to providing an opportunity for community members to recycle used clothing, furniture, housewares and many more items, the Good Neighbor Store provides these goods for very low prices to people in our community and area. The proceeds from their sales are used to support many special projects, community groups and programs. The Good Neighbor Store is a non-profit organization that has been in existence for 14 years. In early December, they allocated the year's proceeds to 32 different organizations in our community. This year's grants totalled a record \$68,950.00. The City of Humboldt would like to congratulate and express our appreciation to the Good Neighbor Store on their continued success. Our sincere thank you to the Board Members, staff and the many volunteers for their hard work and good efforts on behalf of the community.

APPROVE MINUTES:

Lees/Winkel:
That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held December 11, 2006 be approved as recorded and circulated.

Motion Carried.

**PROCLAMATION –
BECKIE SCOTT SKI
TOURNAMENT DAY:**

Winkel/Behiel:
That Mayor Malcolm Eaton proclaim Saturday, January 20, 2007, as Beckie Scott Ski Tournament Day in Humboldt.

Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Muench/Smith:

That the following correspondence be accepted for information:

- a) Minutes of the Humboldt & District Museum and Gallery Board Meeting held January 2, 2007.
- b) SUMA Convention Resolutions.
- c) Minutes of the Reid-Thompson Public Library Board Meeting held November 21, 2006.
- d) Minutes of the Humboldt & District Fire Protection Association Meeting held November 15, 2006.
- e) Sask. Water Corp. – Water Rate Increase.
- f) Meyers Norris Penny – Audit Service Plan.

Motion Carried.

PURCHASE OF STEAMER/BOILER:

Fleischhacker/Winkel:

That the City purchase a new portable steamer/boiler from Saskatoon Boiler Manufacturing for a total cost of \$29,701.00 (excluding taxes) with funding allocated in the 2007 budget.

Motion Carried.

21ST STREET PAVING – PROPERTY OWNER'S CONTRIBUTION:

Fleischhacker/Winkel:

That the City deny the request from the property owners on 21st Street north of 12th Avenue for the City to contribute a portion of the full payment cost, and further, that the City of Humboldt's Local Improvement Policy No. 6570 remain in effect.

Motion Carried.

SNOW REMOVAL PRIORITY RATING:

Smith/Winkel:

That the matter of the priority response rating proposal for snow removal be referred to the Works & Utilities Committee for final review and consideration at their next meeting to be held January 9, 2007.

Motion Carried.

WORKS & UTILITIES COMMITTEE MINUTES:

Winkel/Lees:

That the Minutes of the Works & Utilities Committee meeting held December 12, 2006 be accepted for information.

Motion Carried.

AMENDMENT TO TRAFFIC BYLAW – PARKING FINES:

Behiel/Lees:

That we approve the recommendation from the Administration and Protection Committee to amend the Traffic Bylaw with the following changes to be made in Section 8 – Penalties:

- a) That all violations of the Traffic Bylaw that were formally ticketed at \$35.00 be increased to \$100.00 with the option of paying a reduced rate of \$25.00 within 72 hours;
- b) That the penalty for 2 hour parking on Main Street be increased from \$15.00 to \$35.00;
- c) That the penalty for violations dealing with bicycles and mini-bikes be increased from \$5.00 to \$20.00;

Motion Carried.

ADMINISTRATION AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE MINUTES:

Fleischhacker/Behiel:

That the Minutes of the Administration and Protection Committee Meeting held December 18, 2006 be accepted for information.

Motion Carried.

LEISURE SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES: Muench/Lees:
That the minutes of the Leisure Services Committee Meeting held December 19, 2006 be accepted for information.

Motion Carried.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT – CAPITAL BUDGET: Lees/Fleischhacker:
That the City Manager's Report dated January 8, 2007, regarding an overview of capital budget documents be accepted for information.

Motion Carried.

CHAIR: Mayor Malcolm Eaton vacated the Chair at 7:58 p.m. and Deputy Mayor Leon Winkel presided.

BYLAW NO. 1/2007: Eaton/Behiel:
Resolved that Bylaw No. 1/2007, being a Bylaw to amend the Traffic Bylaw be introduced and read a first time.

Motion Carried.

BYLAW NO. 1/2007: Fleischhacker/Lees:
Resolved that Bylaw No. 1/2007, being a Bylaw to amend the Traffic Bylaw be read a second time.

Motion Carried.

BYLAW NO. 1/2007: Smith/Muench:
Resolved that Bylaw No. 1/2007, being a Bylaw to amend the Traffic Bylaw be given three readings at this meeting.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

BYLAW NO. 1/2007: Lees/Smith:
Resolved that Bylaw No. 1/2007, being a Bylaw to amend the Traffic Bylaw be read a third time and be now adopted.

Motion Carried.

CHAIR: Mayor Malcolm Eaton resumed the Chair at 8:00 p.m.

MAYOR'S REPORT – ST. ELIZABETH'S HOSPITAL ISSUES: Mayor Malcolm Eaton provided Council with a verbal up-date regarding the issues surrounding the St. Elizabeth's Hospital. Mayor Eaton reported that a letter from the City was sent to the Regional Health Authority requesting a review panel process to review the issues of the St. Elizabeth's Hospital. This letter has been forwarded to all participants in the hospital project. Also, a letter has been sent to the Minister of Health requesting his support for this process and the need to support the ongoing work of the Humboldt hospital project.

Mayor Eaton reported that as of today, no reply has been received; however, a reply is expected within days and Council will be advised accordingly. Mayor Eaton also has been in contact with Maura Davies, CEO of the Saskatoon Health Region and she has indicated that the Region is examining the City's request.

Mayor Eaton indicated that the City continues to receive expressions of concern from citizens in the form of letters, e-mails, phone calls and personal contacts. He indicated he is explaining to citizens the request for a review process, and in the meantime, is encouraging people to forward their concerns to the Regional Health District Authority and to the St. Elizabeth's Hospital Board.

A meeting of the R.M.'s, Villages and Towns is scheduled for Thursday, January 11, 2007. The purpose of the meeting is to allow the partners in the hospital project to share their views and concerns, to ask questions and to seek clarification of issues.

2007 APPOINTMENTS:

Muench/Lees:

That the following appointments be made for the year 2007:

- 1) Auditor – Meyers, Norris & Penny.
- 2) Police Chief – Sergeant Ken Homeniuk.
- 3) Fire Department Appointments.
 - a) Deputy Chief – Francis Kunz.
 - b) Captain – Joe Dutchak.
 - c) Secretary-Treasurer – Jamie Dyok.
 - d) Safety Officer – Vacant.
- 4) EMO Co-ordinator – Thomas Goulden.
- 5) Deputy EMO Co-ordinator – Tony Dutchak.
- 6) City Inspector and Bylaw Enforcement Officer – Lloyd Weyland.
- 7) Secretary, Board of Revision – Sandra Pauli.
- 8) Board of Revision – G. Krismer & Associates.
- 9) Predator Control Officers – Gord Wildeman & Dan Mueller.
- 10) Humboldt & District Rural Fire Protection Association – Councillor Aaron Behiel.
- 11) Humboldt & District Mutual Aid Area Committee – Councillor Aaron Behiel.
- 12) St. Elizabeth's Hospital Board of Advisors – Mayor Malcolm Eaton and Dennis Korte.
- 13) REDA – Councillor Gordon Lees.
- 14) REACT – Councillor Leon Winkel.
- 15) Wakaw-Humboldt Regional Water Supply Committee – Mayor Malcolm Eaton.
- 16) Central Transportation Area Committee – Mayor Malcolm Eaton.
- 17) Chamber of Commerce – Councillor Phillip Smith.

Motion Carried.

STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING:

Winkel/Lees:

That Council meet on Monday, January 29, 2007, at 4:00 p.m. in City Council Chambers for a Special Strategic Planning Meeting.

Motion Carried.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

Fleischhacker/Behiel:

That we sit in private session as a Committee of the Whole, the time being 8:10 p.m.

Motion Carried.

PRESENT IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

Mayor Malcolm Eaton, Councillor Aaron Behiel, Councillor Rob Muench, Councillor Leon Fleischhacker, Councillor Phillip Smith, Councillor Gordon Lees, Councillor Leon Winkel, City Manager Thomas Goulden, City Clerk Sandra Pauli.

AUTHORITY:

The Committee met under Section 6(4) of *The Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

REVERT:

Lees/Behiel:

That we revert to the regular meeting of Council, the time being 9:15 p.m.

Motion Carried.

ADJOURN:

Fleischhacker/Muench:

That we do now adjourn, the time being 9:17 p.m.

Motion Carried.