

Minutes of the Meeting of Council held in the Council Chambers of the City of Portage la Prairie on Monday, January 23, 2006 at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor MacKenzie, Councillors Brennan, Keryluk, Quinn, Robinson, and Wagner.

ABSENT: Councillor Earl Porter

ADOPTION OF MINUTES 11/06 Moved by Councillor Wagner
Seconded by Councillor Quinn
RESOLVED THAT the Council Minutes of the January 9th Regular Meeting of Council be approved as circulated.
Carried.

DELEGATIONS: **Mr. Richard Johnston, 607 Oak Bay**
Mr. Johnston defended his dogs indicating that he feels they are protecting his property. He requested better protection of his property by the RCMP.

Mr. Karl Seidel, 680 6th Avenue N.E.
Mr. Seidel objected to Mr. Johnston's dogs barking constantly and being out of control.

Mrs. Rita Seidel read a letter from neighbours, Herman (Ray) and Claire Ommerli, who were unable to attend, and who were also objecting to the dogs barking.

HEARINGS: None

CORRESPONDENCE The correspondence for this period was reviewed.

COMMITTEES:

Finance, Legislative & Property Committee: **The Finance, Legislative and Property Committee respectfully submits the following reports:**

Unpaid Water, Sewer & Solid Waste to Taxes for December 2005 – By-Law 05-8293 – 2nd & 3rd Reading
This is part of the normal monthly procedure to allow unpaid water, sewer and solid waste accounts to be added to property taxes.

12/06 Moved by Councillor Quinn
Seconded by Councillor Robinson
RESOLVED THAT By-Law 05-8293 being a by-law to authorize unpaid water, sewer and solid waste charges be added to taxes, be read a second time.
Carried.

Moved by Councillor Quinn
Seconded by Councillor Robinson
AND FURTHER THAT By-Law 05-8293 be read a third time, finally passed, signed and sealed.
Carried.
In Favour: Councillors Brennan, Wagner, Quinn, Robinson, Keryluk and Mayor MacKenzie.

Northeast Route Debentures – Issue Series “B” & “C” By-Law 05-8291, 2nd and 3rd Readings
The City's share of costs for the Northeast Transportation Route was approved in the 2003 to 2005 budgets with funding through the issuance of debentures.
The City's share of the project costs to date has been received and paid by the City. An additional \$275,000 in debentures is now required. The Portage & District Community Foundation will fund \$75,000 of the

requirement and the Province of Manitoba funding the remaining \$200,000.

The Municipal Board approved the debentures. The by-law is now ready for 2nd & 3rd Reading.

13/06 Moved by Councillor Quinn
Seconded by Councillor Robinson
RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 05-8291 to amend By-Law 03-8199 authorizing debentures for the N.E. Transportation Route be given 2nd Reading.
Carried.

Moved by Councillor Quinn
Seconded by Councillor Robinson
AND FURTHER THAT By-Law No. 05-8291 be given 3rd reading, finally passed, signed and sealed.
Carried.

In Favour: Councillors Quinn, Robinson, Keryluk, Wagner, Brennan and Mayor MacKenzie.

Appointment of
Municipal Noxious
Weeds Inspector

It is a requirement of the Noxious Weeds Act that every municipality annually appoints a Municipal Noxious Weed Inspector and notifies the Department of Agriculture of the appointment. This appointee carries out the provisions of the Noxious Weeds Act. Dave Green has been the City's appointee for a number of years.

14/06 Moved by Councillor Quinn
Seconded by Councillor Robinson
RESOLVED THAT in accordance with Section 11 of The Noxious Weeds Act, Council of the City of Portage la Prairie appoint Dave Green as the City's Noxious Weeds Inspector;

AND FURTHER THAT this appointment be conveyed to the Director of Soils and Crops Branch of the Department of Agriculture.
Carried.

Monthly Activity
Reports

Council reviewed the monthly activity reports.

**City Planning &
Economic
Development**

The City Planning and Economic Development Committee submits the following report:

Monthly Activity
Reports

Council reviewed the monthly activity reports.

**Public Safety
Committee**

The Public Safety Committee respectfully submits the following report:

Monthly Activity
Reports

Council reviewed the monthly activity reports.

Councillor Wagner commented on the Fire Department having another successful year in their Koats for Kids Drive and the Many Gifts of Christmas Toy Collection program, which were all donated to the Salvation Army.

**Waterworks
Committee**

The Waterworks Committee submits the following report:

Monthly Activity
Reports

Council reviewed the monthly activity reports.

Wastewater Treatment
Plant

Based on an article featuring this technique in the Western Canada Water Magazine, staff have developed a mechanism and method of removing the ultra violet lights which streamlines this process at a significant cost savings to the City.

The process of removing, changing, and cleaning the ultra violet and disinfecting lights at the Water Pollution Control Facility is a highly labour intensive process.

Council requested that a letter of commendation be sent to the staff involved in this project.

**Transportation
Committee**

The Transportation Committee submits the following reports:

Amendment to Traffic
By-Law – By-Law 05-
8295 – 2nd and 3rd
Readings

Section 43 of the Traffic By-Law lists the provisions for the parking of Large Trucks, Buses and Recreational Vehicles on City streets. The Traffic By-Law does not include parking provisions on City streets for trailers (excluding a Recreation Trailer).

Provision to include trailers under Section 43(a)(3) would allow for the regulation of the parking of trailers (excluding a Recreational Trailer) to not more than one hour on any Street where Parking Meters are not installed. By-Law 05-8295 was given first reading on January 9, 2006.

15/06

Moved by Councillor Keryluk
Seconded by Councillor Quinn

RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 05-8295 being a by-law to amend Section 43 of By-Law No. 01-8105 by changing the heading of this section to “Parking of Large Trucks, Buses, Trailers and Recreational Vehicles” and amending sub clause (a)(3) by inserting the words “a Trailer (excluding a Recreational Trailer),” preceding the words “or a Bus” be now read a second time.

Carried.

Moved by Councillor Keryluk
Seconded by Councillor Quinn

RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 05-8295 be now read a third time, finally passed, signed and sealed.

Carried.

In Favour: Councillors Quinn, Robinson, Keryluk, Wagner, Brennan and Mayor MacKenzie.

Monthly Activity
Reports

Council reviewed the monthly activity reports.

**Community Services
Committee**

The Community Services Committee submits the following report :

Monthly Activity
Reports

Council reviewed the monthly activity reports for December 2005.

**DEFERRED
BUSINESS:**

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Presentation of the 2006 Utility Operating Budget.

16/06

Moved by Councillor Quinn
Seconded by Councillor Robinson

RESOLVED THAT the Council of the City of Portage la Prairie amend the 2006 Interim Operating and Capital Budget for the Utility Operating Fund adopted on December 12, 2005 as indicated in the revised Budget.

Carried.

OLD BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

Manager of Administration

Mayor