

Minutes of the Meeting of Council held in the Council Chambers of the City of Portage la Prairie on Monday, January 9, 2006 at 6:00 p.m.

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

ABSENT: None

ADOPTION OF MINUTES 01/06 Moved by: Councillor Wagner
Seconded by: Councillor Quinn
RESOLVED THAT the Council Minutes of the December 12, 2005 and the Special Meeting Minutes of December 21, 2005 be approved as circulated.
Carried.

DELEGATIONS: None

HEARINGS: Variation – 3346200 Manitoba Ltd.

No one appeared to object to the variance. A letter was received from Manitoba Transportation and Government Services stating that the applicant be advised of the regulation affecting this land as it falls within a controlled area of PTH 1A.

02/06 Moved by: Councillor Brennan
Seconded by: Councillor Wagner
RESOLVED THAT the public hearing for the Variation Request of 3346200 Manitoba Ltd. now be closed.
Carried.

The applicant, 3346200 Manitoba Ltd., is applying for a variation order to allow the

- 1) Parking width requirement of 3m to be reduced to 2.75m;
- 2) Maximum building height requirement of 9m to be increased up to 12.5m;
- 3) Free standing sign height requirement of 12m to be increased up to 13.72m;
- 4) Entrance/exit width requirement of 10.7m to be increased to 16.8m at south entrance;
- 5) Entrance/exit width requirement of 10.7m to be increased to 11m at west entrance.

This building is in a C3 – Highway Commercial zoning district.

As per City of Portage la Prairie By-law 7680, parking stalls are required to be a width of 3m and depth of 6m.

The required parking stalls for the entire development as per the preliminary drawings is 724 parking stalls. The applicant is proposing 1606 total parking stalls as per preliminary drawings.

Public notices have been sent to all property owners within a 100 meter radius.

03/06 Moved by: Councillor Brennan
Seconded by: Councillor Wagner
RESOLVED THAT the Council of the City of Portage la Prairie approve the variation request of 3346200 Manitoba Ltd. to vary the

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at the property located at Sissons Drive and Park Drive which is legally described as Lots 2-8, Block 2, and Lots 9-15 & 17, Block 5, Plan 1810 and Lots 3 & 4, Plan 20642 and closed part of Park Drive, Parish of Portage la Prairie.
Carried.

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 (November) – By-Law 05-8265 – 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.

04/06

Moved by: Councillor Quinn

Seconded by: Councillor Robinson

RESOLVED THAT By-Law 05-8265 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 05-8265 be read a third time, finally passed, signed and sealed.

Carried.

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

Unpaid Water, Sewer & Solid Waste to Taxes (December) – By-Law 05-8293 – 1st Reading

This is part of the normal monthly procedure to allow unpaid water, sewer and solid waste accounts to be added to property taxes.

05/06

Moved by: Councillor Quinn

Seconded by: Councillor Robinson

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 first time.

Carried.

Monthly Activity Reports

Council reviewed the monthly activity reports for November 2005.

City Planning & Economic Development

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

Encroachment Agreement – Switzer – 25-10th Street NW

The building, which is a single story dwelling, number 25, located on the west side of 10th Street N.W. and owned by Lionel Carl Switzer encroaches slightly onto Gigot Avenue. The owner has requested the City to allow the encroachment to remain for the life of the building.

The north eave and a basement window well encroach onto Gigot Avenue 0.2 feet and 0.75 feet, respectively.

- 06/06 Moved by: Councillor Brennan
Seconded by: Councillor Wagner
RESOLVED THAT Council of the City of Portage la Prairie enter into an agreement with Lionel Carl Switzer to allow the eave and basement window well on the north side of the building located at 25 - 10th Street N.W. legally described as Lot 121, Plan 13, PLTO in RL 59 Parish of Portage la Prairie to encroach 0.2 feet and 0.75 feet respectively onto Gigot Avenue.
Carried.

Monthly Activity
Reports

Council reviewed the monthly activity reports for November 2005.

Councillor Brennan addressed a Daily Graphic quote regarding being concerned about people leaving the Province. He indicated that Council is concerned about people leaving the City and Province. The City holds an annual Youth Career Symposium and has created an Immigrant Program which works to retain existing citizens in Portage la Prairie and to attract new City residents.

**Public Safety
Committee**

The Public Safety Committee respectfully submits the following report:

Monthly Activity
Reports

Council reviewed the monthly activity report for November 2005

**Waterworks
Committee**

The Waterworks Committee submits the following report:

Monthly Activity
Reports

Council reviewed the monthly activity reports for November 2005.

**Transportation
Committee**

The Transportation Committee submits the following reports:

Amendment to Traffic
By-Law – By-Law 05-
8295 – 1st Reading

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).

It is suggested that 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.

Councillor Keryluk requested that the By-Law be amended prior to second and third reading to provide three hours for parking.

- 07/06 Moved by: Councillor Keryluk
Seconded by: Councillor Porter
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 read a first time.
Carried.

10th Street NW – Local
Improvement Plan – By-

A local improvement plan for the street paving of 10th Street NW between 6th Ave and 7th Ave was sent to the adjacent landowners.

Law 05-8283 – 2nd & 3rd
Reading

The total cost of constructing the road base and paving the street, with curb and gutter (and improvement to land drainage) is estimated at \$110,000 plus \$10,000 for engineering work.
The City's share totals \$73,090.91, leaving the remaining amount of \$46,909.09 to be paid by the property owners.

First reading of the bylaw was given October 11, 2005 and was forwarded to the Municipal Board. The Board has approved the local improvement by-law and is now ready for council to give it second and third reading. The project is scheduled to take place in 2006.

08/06 Moved by: Councillor Keryluk
Seconded by: Councillor Porter
RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 05-8283, being the by-law for the Local Improvement Plan No. RD05-02-V1 to construct and pave 10th Street N.W. be given second reading, and
Carried.

Moved by: Councillor Keryluk
Seconded by: Councillor Porter
AND FURTHER THAT the By-Law No. 05-8283 be given third reading, finally passed, signed and sealed.
Carried.
In Favour: Councillors Brennan, Keryluk, Robinson, Quinn, Porter, Wagner and Mayor MacKenzie.

Monthly Activity
Reports

Council reviewed the monthly activity reports for November 2005.

**Community Services
Committee**

The Community Services Committee submits the following report :

Monthly Activity
Reports

Council reviewed the monthly activity reports for November 2005.

**DEFERRED
BUSINESS:**

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Closure of a Portion of
4th Street SW/Transfer
of Property – By-Law
05-8288 – 1st Reading

A request has been received from the Portage la Prairie School Division to purchase a portion of 4th Street S.W. for the purpose of accommodating the High School amalgamation between Portage Collegiate Institute and Arthur Meighen High Schools. A diagram showing the division of the property is attached.

In accordance with requirements of The Municipal Act, By-Law 05-8288 provides for the closing of a portion of the street and the transfer of the property to the Portage la Prairie School Division.

9/06 Moved by: Councillor Keryluk
Seconded by: Councillor Porter
RESOLVED THAT By-Law No. 05-8288 being a by-law to close a portion of 4th Street S.W. between the south side of Saskatchewan Avenue West and the north side of St. George Avenue, and to transfer said property to the Portage la Prairie School Division, be now introduced and read a first time and advertised.
Carried.

2006 General Operating
Budget

Councillor Quinn presented the 2006 General Operating Budget.

10/06 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 General
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 6:33
p.m.

Manager of Administration

Mayor