

**MINUTES OF A COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF
THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORNER BROOK
VIDEO CONFERENCE
MONDAY, 11 APRIL, 2022 AT 7:00 PM**

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| PRESENT: | | |
| Mayor | J. Parsons | R. Cumby, City Manager |
| Deputy Mayor | L. Chaisson | D. Charters, Director Community Engineering Development and Planning |
| Councillors: | P. Gill V. Granter B. Griffin P. Keeping C. Pender | T. Flynn, Director of Protective Services D. Burden, Director of Public Works, Water and Waste Water Services M. Redmond, City Clerk |
| Director of Finance and Administration position - vacant | | |

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

COW22-026 Approval of Agenda

On motion by Councillor L. Chaisson, seconded by Councillor V. Granter, it is **RESOLVED** to approve the agenda as circulated. **MOTION CARRIED.**

COW22-027 Approval of Minutes [March 28, 2022]

On motion by Councillor B. Griffin, seconded by Councillor V. Granter, it is **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting of March 28, 2022 as circulated. **MOTION CARRIED.**

COW22-028 Business Arising From Minutes

Councillor Pender inquired if the letter has been reissued to residents with respect to the crematorium signage. The City Manager advised that the city solicitor is undertaking a legal review and therefore the letter will not be reissued until after the legal review is finalized.

COW22-029 Proclamations and Events

Deputy Mayor L. Chaisson announced that April 7, 2022 was recognized as Green Shirt Day in the City of Corner Brook.

COW22-030 105 Country Road (Discretionary Use - Apartment Building)

On motion by Councillor Granter, seconded by Councillor L. Chaisson, it is **RESOLVED** to approve the application for the proposed apartment building at 105 Country Road. **MOTION CARRIED.**

COW22-031 Engineering, Development and Planning Update

Councillor P. Gill provided an update from the Engineering, Development & Planning divisions on the following projects:

- Regional Recreation Centre
- Mount Bernard Avenue Rebuild Project
- Multi-Year Capital Works Project
- New Integrated Municipal Sustainability Plan (IMSP) and Development Regulations

COW22-007 Taxi Rate Surcharge due to Increased Fuel Cost

On motion by Councillor C. Pender, seconded by Councillor P. Gill, it is **RESOLVED** that pursuant to the powers vested in it by virtue of Section 229 of the City of Corner Brook Act, 1990 and all other enabling powers, the Council of the City of Corner Brook hereby amends the Taxi Regulations, 2018, by adding a fuel surcharge that will increase the fare to be paid by users of taxis by \$2.00 when our city's self-serve regular unleaded fuel price exceeds \$1.65 per litre, as per the revised Schedule D of the Corner Brook Taxi Regulations, 2018. **MOTION CARRIED.**

COW22-008 Recreational Vehicles Regulation 2021

Councillor B. Griffin presented a report regarding proposed upcoming changes to the ATV Regulations such as:

- definition of "peace officer" in the regulations to include Municipal Enforcement Officers so that enforcement can be conducted by Municipal Enforcement Officers
- permission to operate an off-road vehicle along a roadway for a maximum of 1 kilometre providing speed is below 20km/h;
- possibly extending the route along a provincial road-way to provide better access to the city;
- training is required for new operators registering off-road vehicles;
- enforcement powers such as establishing compliance check stations, fines, and penalties, including ATV seizure for non-compliance.

COW22-009 Community Services Project Update

Councillor P. Keeping provided an update from Community Services Division on the following projects and events:

- Jigs and Wheels (July 15th to July 24th); and
- changes to the Facade Appeal Comprehensive Enhancement (FACE) Program

COW22-010 Recreation and Civic Centre Update

Deputy Mayor L. Chaisson provided an update from the Recreation Services on various programs and events including provincial tournaments.

COW22-032 Accessibility and Inclusiveness Committee

Councillor V. Granter provided an update from the Accessibility and Inclusiveness Committee on the following initiatives:

- an accessibility hearing device for public to access at council meetings;
- developing accessibility inclusive patio standards;
- funding opportunities for businesses and city spaces to improve accessibility and access;
- increase accessible transportation in the city;
- make changes to city venues and set-up up for events to make them more accessible.

COW22-033 Youth Advisory Committee Update

Deputy Mayor L. Chaisson provided an update from the Youth Advisory Committee on the following initiatives:

- some programs offered through the public library and opportunity to provide input on some ideas for future programs for youth;
- community gardens;
- volunteering opportunities; and
- recruiting more members

COW22-034 Ukrainian Relief Effort

On motion by Councillor C. Pender, seconded by Councillor V. Granter, it is **RESOLVED** to authorize a \$1000 contribution in support of the Ukrainian Relief Fund. **MOTION CARRIED.**

COW22-035 Hiring Policy Amendment

On motion by Deputy Mayor L. Chaisson, seconded by Councillor P. Gill, it is **RESOLVED** to direct staff to conduct a review of the hiring policy to make it more inclusive and gender-neutral. **MOTION CARRIED.**

COW22-036 Committee Structure

On motion by Councillor P. Gill, seconded by Councillor B. Griffin, it is **RESOLVED** to continue with the current committee structure and adopt the draft terms of reference as proposed. **(Deputy Mayor L. Chaisson and Councillors Granter, Pender, and Keeping voted against the motion). MOTION DEFEATED.**

On motion by Councillor V. Granter, seconded by Councillor C. Pender it is **RESOLVED** to re-establish standing committees of council for each department with chairs and co-chairs appointed from council members, with their consent, of which the committee of the whole can be one of the committees. **(Mayor Parsons, and Councillors Griffin and Gill voted against the motion). MOTION CARRIED.**

COW22-037 In Camera Items (If Required)

No items brought forward

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.



City Clerk

Mayor