

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY,
APRIL 15, 2024 AT 7:00 PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC ADMINISTRATION
BUILDING, BRANDON, MANITOBA**

PRESENT: Councillor Glen Parker In The Chair, Councillor Shawn Berry, Councillor Shaun Cameron, Councillor Barry Cullen, Councillor Kris Desjarlais, Councillor Greg Hildebrand, Councillor Heather Karrouze, Councillor Bruce Luebke, Councillor Jason Splett, Councillor Tyson Tame

ABSENT: Mayor Jeff Fawcett

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Splett-Cullen

818 That the Agenda for the regular meeting of City Council to be held on Monday, April 15, 2024 be adopted as presented. CARRIED.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Cameron-Tame

819 That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of City Council held Monday, April 2, 2024 be taken as read and so adopted, all statutory requirements having been fulfilled. CARRIED.

Splett-Karrouze

820 That the Minutes of the Special Meeting of City Council held Monday, April 8, 2024 be taken as read and so adopted, all statutory requirements having been fulfilled. CARRIED.

HEARING OF PRESENTATIONS:

Nil

COMMUNITY COMMENTS/FEEDBACK:

Nil

HEARING OF DELEGATIONS:

Nil

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Nil

COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS:

Nil

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

(A) POVERTY VERBAL APRIL 15, 2024

Councillor Karrouze provided a verbal report from the recent meeting of the Poverty Committee held on April 10, 2024. She noted the meeting discussed the Council's Strategic Plan, highlighting how the plan focuses on wellness and addressing social issues within our community.

(B) BRANDON GENERAL MUSEUM & ARCHIVES INC. VERBAL APRIL 15, 2024

Councillor Splett provided a verbal report from the recent meeting of the Brandon General Museum & Archives Inc. (BGMA) held on April 9, 2024. He noted the main topics discussed were security, employee safety, reports from staff, Cultural Hub plans, BGMA grants, and the BJ Hales Collection loan agreement. Councillor Splett concluded by announcing the May 2024 Show & Tell series with Gordon Goldsbrough.

Splett-Karrouze

821 That the verbal reports of the Poverty Committee and Brandon General Museum and Archives Inc. be received. CARRIED.

ENQUIRIES:

(136) UPDATE ON PESTICIDE USE

Councillor Luebke referred to recent news reports with respect to DeltaGard, the pesticide used for adult nuisance mosquito fogging no longer being produced by the manufacturer. He enquired if the City of Brandon had a stockpile of pesticide for use in 2024, whether or not alternative products had been explored, and further, if increased larviciding was planned to help mitigate adult mosquito issues.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the Acting City Manager responded that approximately 440 Litres (enough to do the entire city twice) was on hand. He advised

that suppliers were being contacted to determine if any DeltaGard was available as well as the possibility of a new product approved by Health Canada to be used to fog. Mr. Allard confirmed that the larviciding program had been very successful and would be continued again this season on city property.

Further to this issue the General Manager of Operations advised that the larviciding program on ponds, wet spots and any other areas of standing water had been successful and would be monitored closely with increased larviciding to be conducted as needed. Mr. Pulak also noted that an education program to remind the public of their responsibilities with respect to standing water on their property was also being worked on with details on that to be provided in the future.

(137) RICHARDSON GROUND SQUIRRELS (GOPHERS) - UPDATE ON MITIGATION EFFORTS

Councillor Luebke enquired what efforts were being undertaken to mitigate the infestation of Richardson Ground Squirrels (gophers) within the City of Brandon Parks & Recreation Spaces.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the Acting City Manager responded that the exterminator contracted to deal with this issue had been contacted and a list of areas of concern would be forwarded to them in the near future. At the request of the Acting City Manager, the General Manager of Operations confirmed that the Animal Control Officers had provided a list of the problem areas from last year and that same would be forwarded to the exterminator for them to get started on this problem as soon as possible.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

SUSTAINABLE BRANDON COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP

Councillor Desjarlais announced that Sustainable Brandon would be hosting a community clean-up on April 20, 2024 starting at 11:00 a.m. He advised that volunteers would be set up at Rideau Park, Stanley Park, Lions Memorial Community Park and the Riverbank Discovery Centre for registration. Councillor Desjarlais advised that the first prize for garbage collected by weight was \$500 with the second place prize being \$250. He encouraged everyone to come out and help clean up our city for the outdoor season.

U18 AAA BRANDON WHEAT KINGS

Councillor Parker congratulated the AAA U18 Brandon Wheat Kings who had captured the Western Regional Championships held recently in Winnipeg. He noted that, with

the win, the team had earned a spot in the National Championships to be held starting this weekend in Membertou, Nova Scotia. Councillor Parker thanked the team for all their hard work in getting this far and wished them all the best as they represented Brandon and Westman at the National Level.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Nil

BY-LAWS:

NO. 7386 TO RENAME A PORTION OF MOCKINGBIRD DRIVE-QUAIL RIDGE DRIVE EXTENSION
1ST READING

Considered was a report from the Planning & Buildings Department dated April 2, 2024 with respect to the above.

Karrouze-Cameron

822 That By-law No. 7386 to name Parcel B, Plan 48187 and to rename the portion of Mockingbird Drive located between the 18th Street Service Road and Lot 5, Plan 47414, as a continuation of the existing Quail Ridge Drive, be read a first time. CARRIED.

NO. 7387 TAX LEVY BY-LAW
2ND & 3RD READING

Submitted for consideration was a report from the Finance Department dated April 10, 2024 with respect to the above.

Splett-Tame

823 That By-law No. 7387 to impose and levy property taxes for the fiscal year 2024 be read a second time. CARRIED.

Splett-Tame

824 That this by-law be read a third and final time. CARRIED.

In accordance with Section 137 of The Municipal Act, a recorded vote was taken on the motion to give By-law No. 7387 third reading.

FOR

Councillor Shaun Cameron
Councillor Barry Cullen
Councillor Kris Desjarlais
Councillor Greg Hildebrand
Councillor Heather Karrouze
Councillor Glen Parker
Councillor Jason Splett
Councillor Tyson Tame

AGAINST

Councillor Shawn Berry
Councillor Bruce Luebke

GIVING OF NOTICE:

Nil

ADJOURN:

Berry-Luebke

That the meeting do now adjourn. (7:15 p.m.) CARRIED.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK