



City of Prince Rupert

MINUTES

For the **REGULAR MEETING** of Council held on June 24, 2019 at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 424 - 3rd Avenue West, Prince Rupert, B.C.

PRESENT: Mayor L. Brain
Councillor B. Mirau
Councillor W. Niesh
Councillor G. Randhawa
Councillor N. Adey
Councillor R. Skelton-Morven

ABSENT: Councillor B. Cunningham

STAFF: R. Long, City Manager
C. Bomben, Chief Financial Officer
A. Vera, Deputy Corporate Administrator
V. Stewart, Communications Manager

1. CALL TO ORDER

MOVED by Councillor Randhawa and seconded by Councillor Adey that the Regular Meeting be suspended and the Committee of the Whole Meeting be convened.

CARRIED

The Regular Council Meeting reconvened at 7:47 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOVED by Councillor Randhawa and seconded by Councillor Adey that the Agenda for the Regular Council Meeting of June 24, 2019 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

3. MINUTES

a) MOVED by Councillor Niesh and seconded by Councillor Skelton-Morven that the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting of June 10, 2019 be adopted.

CARRIED

b) MOVED by Councillor Adey and seconded by Councillor Randhawa that the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of June 10, 2019 be adopted.

CARRIED

4. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

a) Report from the City Manager – Re: 2018 Annual Report.

MOVED by Councillor Randhawa and seconded by Councillor Mirau that Council, by resolution, having heard the comments of the public approve the 2018 Annual Report.

CARRIED

b) Report from the Chief Financial Officer – Re: Permissive Property Tax Exemption Policy.

MOVED by Councillor Adey and seconded by Councillor Randhawa that Council adopt the permissive tax exemption policy presented; and

THAT Council extends the application submission deadline in 2019 to August 15, 2019.

CARRIED

7. CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION

8. RESOLUTIONS FROM CLOSED MEETINGS

a) On June 10, 2019 at Council’s Closed Meeting, the following resolution was made in regard to the 2019 Civic Recognition Awards.

MOVED by Councillor Randhawa and seconded by Councillor Niesh that the following Civic Recognition Awards be bestowed upon each individual as follows:

The Civic Appreciation Award be bestowed upon Phuong Nguyen; and

The Civic Merit Award be bestowed upon Ian Lihou.

THAT the Awards be presented during the Canada Day Celebrations; and

THAT this resolution be released at a future Regular Meeting of Council.

CARRIED

9. BYLAWS

10. ADDITIONAL ITEMS

11. REPORTS, QUESTIONS AND INQUIRIES FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

a) Mayor Lee Brain – Re: CBC Radio One

MOVED by Councillor Adey and seconded by Councillor Randhawa that Council directs staff to collaborate with the group advocating for keeping CBC Radio One in Prince Rupert for the purpose of providing a Letter of Support from the City to that effect.

CARRIED

b) Mayor Lee Brain – Re: Livestock Prohibition Bylaw

MOVED by Councillor Adey and seconded by Councillor Mirau that Council directs staff to prepare an analysis and feasibility report in regard to small livestock within the City of Prince Rupert.

CARRIED

NOTICE of Motion

The Mayor gave notice of his intention to bring forward the following motion at the next Regular Meeting of Council:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a letter be sent by the Mayor on behalf of the City of Prince Rupert to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing in support of the Fresh Voices campaign to allow Permanent Residents to vote in municipal elections; and

THAT the following resolution regarding support for the Fresh Voices campaign be endorsed by the City of Prince Rupert and that support be shown by way of a resolution vote at the 2019 UBCM Convention:

WHEREAS the Province of British Columbia has the governing authority to implement electoral legislative changes including allowing for Permanent Residents to the vote in municipal elections; and

WHEREAS more than 45 countries have granted Permanent Residents some form of voting rights – including seven jurisdictions in the U.S. and 25 European Union countries; and 11 municipalities in Canada are working toward extending local election voting rights to Permanent Residents; and

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Union of BC Municipalities requests the Province of British Columbia make the necessary changes to allow Permanent Residents to vote in municipal elections in municipalities in British Columbia.

12. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Adey and seconded by Councillor Mirau that the meeting be adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

CARRIED

Confirmed:

These meeting Minutes were adopted by Council. To view signed original, visit City Hall Administration or contact via phone 250-627-0934 or e-mail cityhall@princerupert.ca

MAYOR

Certified Correct:

DEPUTY CORPORATE
ADMINISTRATOR