

MINUTES of **REGULAR** Meeting #2021-14 of the council of the City of Whitehorse called for 5:30 p.m. on Monday, July 12, 2021, in Council Chambers, City Hall.

PRESENT: Mayor Dan Curtis
Councillors Dan Boyd
Laura Cabott – Electronic Participation
Jocelyn Curteanu
Samson Hartland
Stephen Roddick
Jan Stick

ALSO PRESENT: Acting City Manager Valerie Braga
Acting Director of Community and Recreation Services Krista Mroz
Acting Director of Corporate Services Wendy Donnithorne
Director of Development Services Mike Gau
Director of Human Resources Lindsay Schneider
Acting Director of Operations Jason Everitt
Assistant City Clerk Norma Felker

Mayor Curtis called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

2021-14-01

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

AGENDA

Carried Unanimously

2021-14-02

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT the minutes of the regular council meeting dated June 28, 2021 be
adopted as presented.

MINUTES

June 28, 2021

Carried Unanimously

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Development Services Committee

2021-14-03

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT the Infrastructure Reconstruction and Local Improvement Policy be
adopted as presented.

INFRASTRUCTURE
RECONSTRUCTION AND
LOCAL IMPROVEMENT
POLICY

Carried Unanimously

Corporate Services Committee

2021-14-04

It was duly moved and seconded

THAT the 2021 to 2024 Capital Expenditure Program be amended to create a new capital project titled "Acquisition of 7220 7th Avenue" for the purchase of escarpment land and the demolition of structures on that land in the amount of \$380,000, funded from the Land Bank Reserve; and

THAT Bylaw 2021-37, a bylaw to acquire title to the escarpment property located at 7220 7th Avenue, be brought forward for consideration under the bylaw process.

AUTHORIZE THE
ACQUISITION OF
ESCARPMENT LAND
AT 7220 – 7TH AVENUE

Carried (5 – 2)

A Councillor expressed reservations about the process and whether the best value for taxpayers was achieved. It was suggested that demolition and clean-up costs should be deducted from the purchase price.

Discussion

IN FAVOUR Mayor Curtis, Councillors Cabott, Curteanu, Roddick, Stick
OPPOSED Councillors Boyd, Hartland

Recorded Vote

Administration provided an update on procurement projects for the period of January 1 to June 30, 2021, including:

- Contract awards with a value of \$100,000 and over;
- Procurements with a value of over \$100,000 that have incorporated requirements related to economic, social and/or environmental sustainability in their solicitation documents;
- Procurements with an estimated value of \$500,000 or more.
- Non-Competitive, single source or sole source procurements with a value over \$50,000;
- Emergency procurements, including their value; and
- Instances of non-compliance with the policy and ensuing actions taken in each instance.

SEMI-ANNUAL
PROCUREMENT UPDATE
January to June 2021

For Information Only

A Councillor asked if capital and operating costs were considered with the purchase of the electric Zamboni units, and suggested that these issues should be an integral component of all capital purchases.

Discussion

In accordance with the Procurement Policy, a list of forthcoming procurements with an anticipated value greater than \$100,000 must be provided to council on a bi-monthly basis. Department managers reviewed their capital projects and operating requirements and have provided a list of anticipated procurements valued at over \$100,000 for July and August 2021. Only one procurement is scheduled, and that is the Website Redesign project.

FORTHCOMING
PROCUREMENTS
July and August 2021

For Information Only

City Planning Committee

There was only one item on the Planning Committee Agenda and that was a Zoning Amendment and Land Exchange Agreement with respect to the Tank Farm site. Following presentation of this issue at the Standing Committee meeting on July 5th, the application for a zoning amendment and land exchange agreement was withdrawn by the property owner.

TANK FARM PHASE 1
For Information Only

City Operations Committee

In response to questions raised, Administration provided an update on the actions being taken to deal with the over-abundance of algae in the Whistle Bend pond. This is an ongoing project for this year, and capital budget submissions are being developed for measures to minimize the growth of algae in future years.

UPDATE ON ALGAE
PROLIFERATION IN
WHISTLE BEND POND

For Information Only

Community Services Committee

There was no report from the Community Services Committee.

No Report

Public Health and Safety Committee

In response to questions raised, Administration provided an update on measures being used to ensure public safety and protect low-lying properties in the event of flooding due to high water levels up-river from the City.

UPDATE ON HIGH
WATER/FLOODING

For Information Only

Administration provided further updates on the measures being taken and the areas identified as primary concerns as water levels continue to rise up-river and ground water levels in certain areas of the city continue to increase. Weekly updates will be provided to Council until the situation is resolved.

Discussion

Citizens were asked to communicate with Mayor and Council via phone or e-mail to identify areas of concern.

BYLAWS

2021-14-05

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw 2021-25, a bylaw to acquire title to a parcel of land in Riverdale for the purpose of owning and operating Water Well #6, having been read a first and second time, now be given third reading.

BYLAW 2021-25
LAND ACQUISITION
Water Well #6
THIRD READING

Carried Unanimously

2021-14-06

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw 2021-32, a bylaw to amend the Fees and Charges Bylaw in accordance with second quarter changes, having been read a first and second time, now be given third reading.

Carried Unanimously

BYLAW 2021-32

FEES AND CHARGES
2Q Changes
THIRD READING

2021-14-07

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw 2021-37, a bylaw to authorize the acquisition of a parcel of escarpment land at 7220 7th Avenue, be given first reading.

Carried Unanimously

BYLAW 2021-37

LAND ACQUISITION
7220- 7th Avenue
FIRST READING

2021-14-08

It was duly moved and seconded
THAT Bylaw 2021-37 be given second reading

Carried (5 – 2)

SECOND READING

A member of Council reiterated concerns regarding the cost of this acquisition and suggested that no mandate had been given for the purchase. Other members spoke of the need to get on with the work to ensure that the property becomes a safe and positive space.

Discussion

IN FAVOUR Mayor Curtis, Councillors Cabott, Curteanu, Roddick, Stick
OPPOSED Councillors Boyd, Hartland

Recorded Vote

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

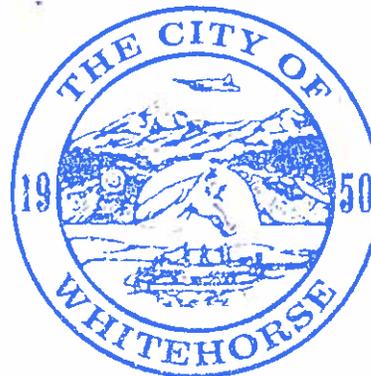
ADJOURNMENT



Dan Curtis, Mayor



Norma L. Felker, Assistant City Clerk



ADOPTED by resolution at Meeting #2021-15 dated July 26, 2021.