

**CITY OF MORDEN**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**September 27, 2021**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Morden held in Council Chambers at Morden, Manitoba this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, A.D. 2021 at 7:00 P.M.

- 1.0 Present** **Present:** Mayor Brandon Burley (chair), Deputy Mayor Gord Maddock, Councillors Hank Hildebrand, Doug Frost, Nancy Penner, Jim Hunt, Garry Hiebert, City Manager Nicole Enns, Director of Finance & Administration Ed Barnuevo, Executive Assistant Michelle Braun.

- 2.0 Agenda** **ADDITIONS TO/APPROVAL OF AGENDA**  
**MOVED BY Councillor Garry Hiebert**  
**SECONDED BY Councillor Doug Frost**  
**BE IT RESOLVED** that the agenda for the meeting of September 27, 2021 is hereby adopted as distributed.

(Carried)

- 3.0** **PUBLIC HEARING**  
*None*

**4.0** **DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

- Carol Toews, Wayne Benedet, John Friesen and Peter Loewen were present to reiterate their opposition to Item 8.2 on the agenda, that being the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> reading of By-law 07-2021.

Carol Toews (151 Conner Hill Dr.)

- Opposed to Public Reserve closing and believes it should stay greenspace
- Would like to advocate for John Friesen, who will be most negatively affected.

John Friesen (36 Rose Street)

- Wanted to verify what the lot is currently zoned as, and what it is being turned in to – was told it is currently zoned as single family residential.

Peter Loewen (147 Conner Hill Drive)

- Inquired as to whether Conner Hill Park will affect his taxes (Answer: establishing one park alone will not raise taxes)
- Does not think the mature trees on the lot should be removed
- This is a beautiful piece of land for a park and would be a shame to lose it.
- He is concerned we are only closing the Public Reserve so that we can sell it to fund Conner Hill Park.

**5.0** **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

5.1  
Aug 23/2021  
Regular  
Meeting

**MOVED BY Councillor Gord Maddock**

**SECONDED BY Councillor Hank Hildebrand**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of August 2021 be adopted as presented.

(Carried)

5.2  
Aug 31/2021  
Special  
meeting

**MOVED BY Councillor Doug Frost**

**SECONDED BY Councillor Garry Hiebert**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Special meeting of Council held on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of August 2021 be adopted as presented.

(Carried)

5.3  
Sept 14/2021  
CoW  
Meeting

**MOVED BY Councillor Nancy Penner**

**SECONDED BY Councillor Jim Hunt**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the minutes of Committee of the Whole meeting held on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of September 2021 be adopted as presented.

(Carried)

**6.0** **Recognition of Individuals and/or Organizations Accomplishments in the Community**  
*None*

**7.0** **Youth Member Report – N/A**

**8.0** **General Business**

8.1  
Accounts

**MOVED BY Councillor Garry Hiebert**

**SECONDED BY Councillor Doug Frost**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the accounts payable to August 31, 2021 be confirmed.

(Carried)

8.2.1  
By-law  
07-2021, 2<sup>nd</sup>  
reading

**MOVED BY Councillor Hank Hildebrand**

**SECONDED BY Councillor Jim Hunt**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council of the City of Morden give 2<sup>nd</sup> reading to By-law 07-2021, being a by-law to close a Public Reserve located at Rose Street in the City of Morden.

(Carried)

8.2.2  
By-law  
07-2021, 3<sup>rd</sup>  
reading

**MOVED BY Councillor Doug Frost**

**SECONDED BY Councillor Garry Hiebert**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council of the City of Morden give 3<sup>rd</sup> reading to and pass By-law 07-2021, being a by-law to close a Public Reserve located at Rose Street in the City of Morden.

*For: Councillors Maddock, Hildebrand, Penner, Hunt, Frost, Hiebert  
Against: Mayor Burley*

(Carried 6-1)

8.3  
Police Board  
appointment

**MOVED BY Councillor Gord Maddock**  
**SECONDED BY Councillor Jim Hunt**

**WHEREAS**, on March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021, Council of the City of Morden expanded the membership of the Morden Police Board to 7 members, comprised in part of three (3) members of the public;

**AND WHEREAS** Lee Bassett and Colin Harbinson have been appointed to the board to date;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Serge Peters be appointed to the Morden Police Board as the third member of the public.

(Carried)

8.4  
Pembina  
Watershed  
District  
Expansion

**MOVED BY Councillor Gord Maddock**  
**SECONDED BY Councillor Doug Frost**

**WHEREAS** the City of Morden has met with the Province of Manitoba regarding expansion of the Pembina Valley Watershed District to include, as outlined in the proposal, the Town of Altona, City of Winkler, and the municipalities of Emerson-Franklin, Montcalm, Morris, and Rhineland;

**AND WHEREAS** the Province of Manitoba has prepared an expansion proposal outlining the terms and conditions of the Pembina Valley Watershed District to include additional municipal participation;

**AND WHEREAS** the council of the City of Morden has reviewed the proposal for the Pembina Valley Watershed District as prepared by the Province of Manitoba that supports a watershed-based approach to water management in Manitoba;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** the council of the City of Morden approves the expansion proposal for the Pembina Valley Watershed District to include additional municipal participation and supports the continued membership of its existing municipal members in this program under the authority of The Watershed Districts Act.

(Carried)

8.5  
National Day  
for Truth &  
Reconciliation

**MOVED BY Councillor Hank Hildebrand**  
**SECONDED BY Councillor Nancy Penner**

**WHEREAS** the Government of Canada passed Bill C-5 in June 2021, officially declaring a federal statutory holiday for National Day for Truth & Reconciliation on September 30<sup>th</sup>;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of Morden approve the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation as a general holiday for employee groups as per Policy PER-015 and the current Boundary Trails Regional Police Association contract as applicable;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City of Morden be authorized to use the possible inclusion of the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation as a general holiday in CUPE Local 4861 collective agreement discussions.

(Carried)

8.6 Boundary Trails Health Centre Foundation – Director appointment  
BTHC  
Foundation  
Director  
- Add to Committee of the Whole agenda on October 12, 2021

8.7 **MOVED BY Councillor Doug Frost**  
Lake  
Minnewasta  
Campground  
office  
**SECONDED BY Councillor Garry Hiebert**  
**WHEREAS** the budget allocation for the Lake Minnewasta Campground office project was \$180,000.00, to be borne by Gas Tax Funds;

**AND WHEREAS** \$10,755.50 has been spent to date on design, drawings, geotechnical and engineering, leaving a balance of \$169,244.50 available in the 2021 budget allocation;

**AND WHEREAS** the City of Morden tendered the project and has received bids from three companies to complete the work;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Council of the City of Morden award the tender for the Lake Minnewasta Campground office to Scott Howard Contracting in the amount of \$468,139.00, this being the lowest tender received;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the project be borne by Gas Tax Funds as follows:

- \$169,244.50 to be allocated from the remaining 2021 budget
- \$298,894.50 + 10% contingency, for a total of \$328,783.95, to be allocated in the 2022 budget

(Defeated)

9.0 **NEW BUSINESS**  
*None*

10.0 **OTHER BUSINESS**

10.1 INFO ONLY – Pembina Parish – United Church of Canada: Affirming Ministry (Councillor Penner volunteered to attend service)

**11.0** **IN-CAMERA**  
11.1-11.2 **MOVED BY Councillor Garry Hiebert**  
**SECONDED BY Councillor Doug Frost**  
**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council moves from the Regular Meeting to In-Camera to discuss economic development and legal matters, as per *The Municipal Act*, Section 152(3).  
(Carried)

**MOVED BY Councillor Garry Hiebert**  
**SECONDED BY Councillor Doug Frost**  
**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council move out of camera and resume the Regular Meeting of Council.  
(Carried)

**12.0** **ADJOURN**  
Adjourn at **MOVED BY Councillor Doug Frost**  
9:30PM **SECONDED BY Councillor Garry Hiebert**  
**BE IT RESOLVED** that we do now adjourn.  
(Carried)

Next regular meeting of Council scheduled for October 25, 2021 at 7:00pm.

**CITY OF MORDEN**

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**Mayor**

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**City Manager**