

XIV Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council of the City of Winkler held Tuesday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2012, commencing at 6:30 PM in the Winkler Council Chambers. Present were Mayor Martin Harder, Councillors Henry Siemens, Ken J. Wiebe, Herb Dick, Marvin Plett, Ron Neisteter, City Manager Dave Burgess, Police Chief Rick Hiebert and Tracy Friesen

Media: Chris Sumner - CFAM/CKMW  
Allison Friesen - Winkler/Morden Voice

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**INVOCATION**

Invoc. 342. Mayor Martin Harder read a lesson about the Psalms from the book God Never Blinks. He then led in prayer.

**ADOPT AGENDA**

Agenda 343. Marvin Plett, Ron Neisteter:  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for the regular Council meeting of July 24, 2012 be adopted.

CARRIED

July 10 min. 344. Henry Siemens, Herb Dick:  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the regular Council meeting of July 10, 2012 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

**FINANCE**

Accounts 345. Henry Siemens, Ken J. Wiebe:  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT accounts payable in the amount of \$402,509.37 as approved by the Finance Committee be approved for payment.

CARRIED

Reductions 346. Henry Siemens, Ron Neisteter:  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT assessment reductions to the 2012 tax roll be approved as per attached list.

CARRIED

Arrears 347. Henry Siemens, Herb Dick:  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT water & sewer arrears be added to the 2012 tax roll as per attached list.

CARRIED

Financials 348. Henry Siemens, Marvin Plett:  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the interim financial statements to June 30, 2012 be adopted.

CARRIED

349. Herb Dick, Marvin Plett:  
Upgrade BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve upgrades to the P.W. Enns Centennial Concert Hall for audio equipment, auditorium acoustical enhancements, heating/cooling/ventilation systems and interior painting at an estimated cost of \$143,200.00 to be included in the 2013 City of Winkler Financial Plan.  
CARRIED  
50% funding is available through the Federal Government via application.

350. Ron Neisteter, Marvin Plett:  
Walkway BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve downtown walkway intersection bump-outs with para-ramps at an estimated cost of \$40,000.00 to be included in the 2013 City of Winkler Financial Plan.  
CARRIED

351. Ken J. Wiebe, Henry Siemens:  
Upgrades BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve City Hall accessibility upgrades at an estimated cost of \$78,000.00 to be included in the 2013 City of Winkler Financial Plan.  
CARRIED

**POLICE & FIRE**

352. Ron Neisteter, Henry Siemens:  
Police Rep. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Winkler Police Service Second Quarter Report of 2012 be received as information.  
CARRIED  
Numbers have increased due to a select few groups/people, 2 of these groups have been apprehended.

**PLANNING**

353. Ken J. Wiebe, Marvin Plett:  
Annex. BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the City of Winkler supports the annexation proposal of lands from within the Rural Municipality of Stanley as show in the attached Exhibit 'A' and roll numbers listed to be brought within the boundaries of the City of Winkler. The annexation proposal is as described within the included June 28, 2012 letter to the Manitoba Municipal Board.  
CARRIED

354. Ken J. Wiebe, Marvin Plett:  
B/L 2075-12 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Zoning By-Law 2075-12 be read a first time.  
CARRIED

355. Marvin Plett, Henry Siemens:  
SCRL BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Winkler appoint Susan Burgess as the City representative to serve on the South Central Library Board.  
CARRIED

Letter of appreciation will be sent to the former representative for her service, she has been a rep. for 11 years.

**DELEGATIONS & HEARINGS**

356. Jeff Bergen presentation

The Mayor expressed his appreciation for Jeff's generosity in allowing the City to display his painting of the Bethel Heritage Park in City Hall.

The painting is called The Spirit of Bethel. An explanation of the meaning behind the painting will be hung next to it.

357. Henry Siemens, Ron Neisteter:

Convene BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adjourn the regular Council meeting and convene into Variation Board.

CARRIED

358. Marvin Plett, Ken J. Wiebe:

Pub. Hearing BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Public Hearing for Variation Application No. 1082-12 be now closed.

CARRIED

Applicant Justin Schinkel was present.

New Quality Inn sign has been approved by the Transportation Board. Variation request is for the height of the sign.

359. Ken J. Wiebe, Marvin Plett:

App. 1082-12 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Variation Application No. 1082-12 be now approved.

CARRIED

Public notice has been circulated as per requirements of The Planning Act. No objectors were present. No objections were received by the Administration Office.

360. Henry Siemens, Ron Neisteter:

Pub. Hearing BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Public Hearing for Variation Application No. 1083-12 be now closed.

CARRIED

Applicant Ken Rempel of Wolverine Industries was present.

Variance request is to make room for new offices.

361. Ken J. Wiebe, Herb Dick:

App. 1083-12 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Variation Application No. 1083-12 be now approved.

CARRIED

Public notice has been circulated as per requirements of The Planning Act. No objectors were present. No objections were received by the Administration Office.

362. Ron Neisteter, Ken J. Wiebe:  
Pub. Hearing BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Public Hearing for Variation Application No. 1084-12 be now closed.

CARRIED

363. Marvin Plett, Ron Neisteter:  
App. 1084-12 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Variation Application No. 1084-12 be approved.

CARRIED

Public notice has been circulated as per requirements of The Planning Act. No objectors were present. No objections were received by the Administration Office.

364. Herb Dick, Ken J. Wiebe:  
Reconvene BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adjourn Variation Board and reconvene into regular Council meeting.

CARRIED

**QUESTIONS FROM THE MEDIA/PUBLIC**

Chris Sumner asked for clarification on funding allotments from the Federal Government. The numbers listed were not including the 50%.

**ADJOURN**

365. Ken J. Wiebe, Marvin Plett:  
Adjourn BE IT RESOLVED THAT this regular meeting of Council be adjourned.  
7:10pm CARRIED

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Mayor Martin Harder

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City Manager Dave Burgess