

XI Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council of the City of Winkler held Tuesday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2011, commencing at 6:30 PM in the Winkler Council Chambers. Present were Mayor Martin Harder, Councillors Marvin Plett, Don Friesen, Ron Neisteter, Herb Dick, Henry Siemens, Ken J. Wiebe, City Manager Dave Burgess, Director of Planning & Engineering Johan Botha and Tracy Friesen.

Media: Chris Sumner - CFAM/CKMW  
Johanu Botha- Winkler/Morden Voice  
Don Radford - Winkler Times

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### INVOCATION

Invoc. 256. Councillor Marvin Plett read "The Top 10 Things to Think About if you want to Change the World". He then led in prayer.

### ADOPT AGENDA

Agenda 257. Henry Siemens, Marvin Plett:  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda for the regular Council meeting of June 14, 2011 be adopted.

CARRIED

May 24 min. 258. Ken J. Wiebe, Ron Neisteter:  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the regular Council meeting of May 24, 2011 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

### CORRESPONDENCE

Corres. 259. Received for information.  
FCM Letter on grant for City Master Plan  
Letter Mb. Health Aux. Ass. conference funding request

### DELEGATIONS & HEARINGS

260. Skateboard Park presentation - Eric Dueck  
- Eric Dueck represents the Winkler Skate Lot fundraising committee.  
- They are proposing a concrete skate park to be built in Winkler on the corner of Grandeur Ave and 15<sup>th</sup> Street.  
- Wooden skate parks have existed in Winkler for many years. With a huge time demand and cost of maintenance, it is not the ideal material for a skate park.  
- Without confirmation of location for the skate park, they cannot go forward with a detailed design. The committee feels strongly that the proposed corner is the best place for a skate park because of the space, location - it is near other recreation facilities & walking distance from downtown, site preparation - little would need to be done as far as removing existing buildings, ownership - the City already owns the land.

- They are asking for endorsement of the project to begin fundraising, confirmation of location, financial support of \$75,000 and a pledge of \$75,000 upon completion of Skate Park.
- Eric presented a concept site plan of a skate park that exists in New Mexico.
- He worked with Stantec to come up with a concept site plan for what it could look like – parking , tennis courts, bathroom, rail park.
- Mayor Harder asked if safety and visibility would be an issue because of the trees. Seniors housing is proposed to be near that area so the trees would create a buffer zone for noise. Trees would also be nice for shade in the summer.
- Councillor Siemens - Did Stantec give you an idea on what this might cost? Eric asked the question but it was requested that he wouldn't repeat what Stantec quoted. His rough ballpark for the landscape design would be \$10,000. If Stantec was involved in the architectural aspect, the price would go up.
- New Line Skate Parks in Vancouver estimated the cost for 25,000 sq. ft. to be \$35 - \$40 per square foot = roughly a million dollars.
- Councillor Dick - Does the committee feel that they could fundraise \$850,000? Yes, with a combination of provincial, federal and local funding. What if there is no government funding? The design or size would have to change. The grants they have looked into requested that a location be confirmed before applying.
- Councillor Wiebe – is a skate park something that can be built in phases? It can be, but it was recommended to Eric to get all the funding in place before construction. The main push would be the skate park and they could add something like the rail park later.
- City Manager Dave Burgess added that in Brandon \$190,000 was contributed by the city along with the land. It was a \$1.2 million project and provincial and federal funding came in at more than 2/3 of the cost. There were a lot of private donations as well. He suggested that the municipal politicians go to the government for funding.
- Councillor Friesen thinks it is a great concept plan. He asked if BMX riders can use the same facilities. Yes, the higher quality your design, the more variety of riders can use the same space at the same time.
- Do you have a lighting component factored in for night? That would be up to the city. Are most skate parks open 24 hours a day? In Canada yes, there is usually no fencing. In the U.S. a lot are controlled by the Recreation Dept but then you need staff to supervise.
- Councillor Siemens asked if the go ahead for the seed money was there, would you be up for having a City representative joining the committee? Absolutely.
- Council will continue the discussion.

261. Henry Siemens, Ron Neisteter

Pub. Hearing BE IT RESOLVED THAT the public hearing for By-Law 2032-11 be closed.  
CARRIED

262. Marvin Plett, Ron Neisteter:

B/L 2032-11 BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2032-11 be read a second time.  
CARRIED

263. Don Friesen, Ken J. Wiebe:  
B/L 2032-11 BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2032-11 be read a third and final time.  
CARRIED  
Vehicles are allowed to park on city streets for 48 hrs in the same spot. If it is not moved during that duration, it will be ticketed. This prevents sign clutter and standardizes Winkler to what it's like in the rest of Manitoba.

264. Herb Dick, Ken J. Wiebe:  
Pub. Hearing BE IT RESOLVED THAT the public hearing for By-Law 2029-11 be closed.  
CARRIED

265. Don Friesen, Marvin Plett:  
B/L 2029-11 BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2029-11 be read a second time.  
CARRIED

266. Ron Neisteter, Ken J. Wiebe:  
B/L 2029-11 BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2029-11 be read a third and final time.  
CARRIED

#### **POLICE & FIRE**

267. Ron Neisteter, Henry Siemens:  
911 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the signing of the 911 Services Agreement with the City of Brandon  
CARRIED

268. Ken J. Wiebe, Don Friesen:  
Fire Cmte BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Fire Committee meeting of June 8, 2011 be adopted.  
CARRIED

#### **WASTE & RECYCLING**

269. Ron Neisteter, Don Friesen:  
AECOM BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports the hiring of AECOM for consultant services for wastewater process selection for the sum of \$25,000.  
CARRIED

- Director of Planning & Engineering Johan Botha reported that there are a few different processes and each have their advantages and disadvantages. When one is chosen, they can move forward with detailed drawings and designs. Johan has provided the minimum data on the Water Treatment Plant and because of federal regulations, the more information we can provide the better.
- Councillor Plett asked if we should appeal the decision on not advancing. If we show that we are moving ahead, we should appeal. Johan Botha replied that we will have a problem next year because of the reject water in the lagoon. We will have a full lagoon and will ask for full release next year. The lift stations are at capacity.

- Councillor Plett commented that if it had been a dry year, would we be in the same situation at this point? Johan thinks very near because we dumped cell #7 and we are full to capacity. He doesn't think our numbers are that much higher than last year.
- Our biggest problem is the defects in the system, just after rain, there is RII (Rainfall Induced Infiltration). It's difficult to solve the infiltration problem because it can continue happening in other parts.
- Councillor Neisteter asked if there's nothing else that we can do with the RO water. Johan replied that it will take some time to reduce it. The problem is our sewer system is up to capacity, we tried to postpone it but we can't run away from the problem we have to tackle it.
- Ron asked if we can do something in the interim so we don't curb develop for this year. Johan said we would have to put in new technology at the WTP.
- If Manitoba Conservation sees that we have the funding in place and the tender, they will be relaxed. They need evidence that we are going ahead with the new WTP facility.

#### HEALTH & WELFARE

270. Herb Dick, Marvin Plett:

Morden Vet BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Morden Veterinary Services District financial statements for year ended December 31, 2010 be received as information.  
CARRIED

#### PLANNING

271. Ken J. Wiebe, Marvin Plett:

Plan. Cmte BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting of June 9, 2011 be adopted.  
CARRIED

272. Henry Siemens, Ken J. Wiebe:

MSTW BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the MSTW Planning District Board meeting of May 26, 2011 be received as information.  
CARRIED

273. Henry Siemens, Ken J. Wiebe:

MSTW BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports the hiring of a Community Planner for a 1 year term position by MSTW Planning District, subject to the terms of reference being supported by all MSTW members.  
CARRIED

Councillor Plett asked for a reminder of this job description. Councillor Henry Siemens explained that it is to help all 4 municipalities do an overall plan for the district similar plan to Winkler's Master Plan.

274. Ken J. Wiebe, Marvin Plett:

B/L 2039-11 BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 2039-11 providing for the sale of Lot 8 Block 1 Plan 43825 (635 Cargill Road) to Pinnaco Inc. be read a first time.  
CARRIED

275. Ron Neisteter, Ken J. Wiebe:  
Trsf Land BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council accepts the Assignment of Transfer of Land of the property of Lot 8, Block 1, Plan 43825 MLTO in E ½ 3-3-4 WPM from 4608675 Manitoba Ltd. to Pinnacco Inc.

CARRIED

276. Ken J. Wiebe, Marvin Plett:  
Relocate BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the relocation of the 1320 square ft. commercial building from Perry Street to 585 George Avenue, Winkler, MB.

CARRIED

277. Henry Siemens, Ken J. Wiebe:  
Report BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 2011 Building Permit Report for January 1<sup>st</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2011 be received as information.

CARRIED

278. Marvin Plett, Ken J. Wiebe:  
Plan 35891 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports the proposed subdivision for Lots 1-3, Plan 35891 in SE ¼ 3-3-4W in the City of Winkler, MB subject to consolidation with existing access to Eastview property.

CARRIED

How many accesses will they have? Will they all come in from Eastview Dr? Yes.

279. Ken J. Wiebe, Marvin Plett;  
Plan 47444 BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports the proposed subdivision (Revised) for Lots 1 and 2, Block 1, Plan 47444 in SE ¼ 8-3-4W in the City of Winkler, MB.

CARRIED

280. Ken J. Wiebe, Marvin Plett:  
Subdivision BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports the proposed subdivision SE ¼ 9-3-4W of the City of Winkler, MB by 2117983 Manitoba Ltd.

CARRIED

What is the location? North of WalMart.

#### RECREATION & CULTURE

281. Henry Siemens, Don Friesen:  
Golf Course BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Winkler Golf Course Board meeting of May 19, 2011 be received as information.

CARRIED

282. Henry Siemens, Don Friesen:  
Rec Cmte BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Recreation Committee meeting of May 27, 2011 be adopted.

CARRIED

FINANCE

283. Don Friesen, Henry Siemens:  
Accounts BE IT RESOLVED THAT accounts payable in the amount of \$996,351.78  
as approved by the Finance Committee be approved for payment.  
CARRIED
284. Don Friesen, Henry Siemens:  
Cancel BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the business tax cancellations of the  
June 14, 2011 attached list.  
CARRIED
285. Don Friesen, Henry Siemens:  
FS BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the Financial Statements of May 31,  
2011.  
CARRIED
286. Don Friesen, Henry Siemens:  
B/L 2033-11 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipal Borrowing By-Law no. 2033-11 be read a  
second time.  
CARRIED
287. Don Friesen, Henry Siemens:  
B/L 2033-11 BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipal Borrowing By-Law no. 2033-11 be read a  
third and final time.  
CARRIED
288. Don Friesen, Henry Siemens:  
Salary BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Winkler approve a salary increase for Rick  
Schroeder, Recreation Maintenance II, from Level 4 Step 1 to Level 4 Step 2,  
effective June 19, 2011.  
CARRIED
289. Don Friesen, Henry Siemens:  
Salary BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Winkler approve a salary increase for Mike  
Froese, Utilities Operator II, from Level 4 Step 4 to Level 4 Step 5 effective May  
28, 2011.  
CARRIED
290. Don Friesen, Henry Siemens:  
Salary BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Winkler approve a salary increase for Anna  
Fehr, Administration Office Custodian from Level 1 Step 1 to Level 1 Step 2,  
effective May 2, 2011 after completing 2080 hours.  
CARRIED

291. Don Friesen, Henry Siemens:  
Salary BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Winkler approve a salary increase for Eric Thiessen, Utilities Operator I, from Level 3 Step 2 to Level 3 Step 3 effective May 17, 2011.

CARRIED

292. Don Friesen, Henry Siemens:  
Course BE IT RESOLVED THAT we authorize Tracy Friesen to enroll in the Introductory Accounting for Municipal Managers course, as part of the CMMA Certificate, and that the City pay the course registration fee of \$550.00.

CARRIED

293. Ron Neisteter, Marvin Plett:  
MCC BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approves the additional funding request of \$2,250 for MCC Family Services for the remainder of their fiscal year 2010-2011.

CARRIED

- Request is for additional office hours to extend their services. Stanley has also been requested for the same cost.
- Councillor Siemens asked if we know what kind of use there is at this office. Mayor Harder sat on the South Central Immigration Services committee along with MCC and the office is extremely well used.

294. Don Friesen, Henry Siemens:  
Hire BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Winkler hire John Peters for Recreation Maintenance, Level 3 Step 1 effective June 13, 2011 with 6 month probation.

CARRIED

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

295. Marvin Plett, Henry Siemens:  
SCRL BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the South Central Regional Library Board meeting of May 19, 2011 be received as information.

CARRIED

Councillor Plett commented on the donation of \$450 from Regional Connections. He is pleased to announce that it is to the purchase of multi lingual materials. He also reported that the book sale deposited almost \$10,000 from Thursday evening. A lot of people buy boxes of books to stock up for summer reading and then they donate them back for next year.

296. Ken J. Wiebe, Ron Neisteter:  
PV Taxi BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Community Futures Heartland meeting of May 19, 2011 be received as information.

CARRIED

WSED 297. Don Friesen, Herb Dick:  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Winkler/Stanley Economic  
Development meeting of May 11, 2011 be received as information.  
CARRIED

BTHCF 298. Ken J. Wiebe, Marvin Plett:  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT we appoint Robert Jones as the Winkler representative  
for the Boundary Trails Health Care Foundation.  
CARRIED

**QUESTIONS FROM THE MEDIA**

- Chris Sumner asked if the Town of Morden is no longer included in the regional wastewater treatment facility? Director of Planning & Engineering Johan Botha responded that MIT requires storage of treated water between Nov. 1 and Mar. 1 in order to not create icing problems in Dead Horse Creek.
- Don Radford asked about the denied subdivision, what does it mean for future developments? Application was denied for 38 lots, not sure where the line will be drawn. It makes a difference what is being applied for.
- Don Radford asked when the studies for the treatment plant will be done and project started? Johan Botha answered that it depends on funding, we will fast track everything we can. If the funding is in place, could probably commission the plant next year.
- Johanu Botha asked what the time frame will be on the decision about the skate park? It has to go to the Recreation Committee and council needs to discuss. There probably won't be an answer before fall. It will have to go into next year's budget.

**ADJOURN**

Adjourn 8:05pm 299. Henry Siemens, Don Friesen:  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT this meeting of Council be adjourned.  
CARRIED

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Mayor Martin Harder

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City Manager Dave Burgess