

# TOWN OF SMITHERS

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 1027 ALDOUS STREET, SMITHERS, B.C. ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2012, 7:30 P.M.

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Council Present:

Taylor Bachrach, Mayor  
Norm Adomeit, Councillor  
Mark Bandstra, Councillor  
Phil Brienesse, Councillor  
Bill Goodacre, Councillor  
Charlie Northrup, Councillor  
Frank Wray, Councillor.

Staff Present:

Deborah Sargent, Chief Administrative Officer  
Susan Bassett, Director of Corporate Services  
Leslie Ford, Director of Finance  
Mark Allen, Director of Development Services  
Andrew Hillaby, Director of Recreation, Parks and Culture  
Rob Blackburn, Airport Manager  
Wilf Taekema, Director of Works and Operations  
Janice McKay, Recording Secretary.

Staff Excused:

Keith Stecko, Fire Chief.

Media Present: M. Dekkema, The Peak; K. Koppitz, CFTK-TV; and A. Hudson, The Interior News.

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bachrach called the meeting to order (7:30 p.m.).

### 1.1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA (including Supplemental Items)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

12.0001

Adomeit/Northrup

THAT Council approves the agenda and the following Supplemental Items:

- 14.1 Letter dated January 9, 2012, from G. Atrill, Tourism Coordinator, inviting Mayor Bachrach to participate in the official opening of the advanced screening reception of "The Grey" on January 25 or 26, 2012, and requesting a donation of \$1,000 (6900-01).
- 14.2 Notice of Motion from Councillor Brienesse regarding the Enbridge Northern Gateway Project (0510-20).
- 14.3 Minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held January 5, 2012 (2013 Legacy/BVEDA).
- 14.4 Email dated January 10, 2012, from Brian Hall requesting a letter of support, for the Hankin-Evelyn Backcountry Ski Area, to be used in future grant applications (0530-05).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**2. PUBLIC HEARING**

None.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

3.1 INAUGURAL

12.0002 Bandstra/Northrup

THAT the minutes of the Inaugural Meeting of Council held December 6, 2011, be adopted.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

3.2 SPECIAL (OPEN) DEC 6

12.0003 Wray/Northrup

THAT the minutes of the Special (Open) Meeting of Council held December 6, 2011, be adopted, as amended by replacing "Previtm" with "Pretivm" in Item 6.2.1.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

3.3 C.O.W. DEC 9

12.0004 Bandstra/Wray

THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held December 9, 2011 (2013 Celebration Committee), be adopted.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

3.4 C.O.W. DEC 13

12.0005 Northrup/Wray

THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held December 13, 2011 (Library Board), be adopted.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

3.5 SPECIAL (OPEN) DEC 21

12.0006 Northrup/Bandstra

THAT the minutes of the Special (Open) Meeting of Council held December 21, 2011, be adopted.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

4.1 ITEM 9.3 - SPECIAL (OPEN) DEC 6

12.0007 Wray/Bandstra

THAT the letter dated November 28, 2011, from M. Lubbers, Chair, Smithers Measuring Up the North Working Group, requesting the name of the Council representative and Alternate to the Working Group, be received;

AND THAT Councillor Adomeit be appointed the Alternate Council representative to the Smithers Measuring Up the North Working Group (0360-20).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**5. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS**

5.1 SMITHERS ACTION GROUP

Joan LeClair, Trevor Brawdy and Toby Coupe of the Smithers Action Group (S.A.G.), presented a housing plan for a 24-hour per day, supported, non-profit housing project to house ten to fifteen individuals with mental illness, addiction, and multiple barriers, many of whom frequent the Broadway Shelter.

The goals of the project are to provide stability and safety and to reduce the costs of homelessness incurred by the hospital, shelter, and the justice system. The objectives are to provide affordable housing with trained staff on hand to assist in problem solving, provide one-on-one care, offer activities and life skills, and perform building maintenance.

S.A.G. looked at similar projects such as the Henry Leland House in Kamloops and Vancouver's Portland Hotel Society housing projects and has been in contact with BC Housing and the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation. Campbell River, Salmon Arm, Sechelt and Saanich also have similar housing. S.A.G. intends to formulate a business case and host a forum. BC Housing funds staffing.

The purpose of the delegation was to request letters of support for the project, as needed, and land on which to build that is centrally-located.

Council directed Staff to include a map of Town-owned lands in the January 24, 2012, Regular Meeting of Council agenda.

**6. COUNCIL REPORTS**

**6.1. COUNCILLOR ADOMEIT**

6.1.1 BVRPRC

12.0008 Adomeit/Briennesse

THAT the email dated December 20, 2011, from the Bulkley Valley Regional Pool and Recreation Centre, presenting: a) Minutes of November 16 Board meeting; b) Facility Manager's Report dated October 14, 2011; and c) Facility Manager's Report dated November 8, 2011, be received (0230-20).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**6.2. COUNCILLOR BANDSTRA**

6.2.1 BANDSTRA REPORTS

Councillor Bandstra reminded Council of upcoming Finance Meetings and reported that he enjoyed the Local Governance Workshop in Terrace and the Town of Smithers and Works Yard Christmas parties.

**6.3. COUNCILLOR BRIENESSE**

6.3.1 APC DEC 8

12.0009 Briennesse/Northrup

THAT the minutes of the Advisory Planning Commission meeting held December 8, 2011, be received.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

D. Sargent advised that a report will be included on the January 24, 2012, Regular Meeting of Council agenda for ratification of appointments of Advisory Planning Commission members.

**6.4. COUNCILLOR GOODACRE**

None.

**6.5. COUNCILLOR NORTHRUP**

6.5.1 VISITOR STATS

12.0010 Northrup/Bandstra

THAT the Visitor Statistics from the Smithers and District Chamber of Commerce for the period July 2011 to December 2011, be received (0230-20).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

6.5.2 LOCAL GOVERNANCE WORKSHOP

12.0011 Northrup/Wray

THAT the report from Councillor Northrup regarding the Local Governance Workshop held December 14 to 16, 2011, in Terrace, be received (0390-01).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

6.5.3 NORTHRUP REPORTS

Councillor Northrup encouraged Council to participate in the Smithers District Chamber of Commerce's "Outlook 2012" to be held January 19, 2012, and advised that he enjoyed the Town Christmas party.

**6.6. COUNCILLOR WRAY**

6.6.1 WRAY REPORTS

Councillor Wray reported that he enjoyed the Christmas party held at the Works Yard and that he and Mayor Bachrach attended a meeting with E. O'Donoghue, Regional Executive Director for Skeena, Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resources Operation, regarding expansion of the Wetzin'kwa Community Forest.

**6.7. REPORT OF MAYOR BACHRACH**

6.7.1 MAYOR'S REPORTS

Mayor Bachrach congratulated staff on the Christmas Party. Mayor Bachrach reported that he: a) attended the Local Governance Workshop in Terrace; b) attended his first Omineca Beetle Action Coalition meeting; c) conducted a Town Hall tour, with D. Sargent, for grade three students; and d) gave an interview on CBC Radio's "The Current" regarding the Enbridge's Northern Gateway project (audio file available). Mayor Bachrach advised that he will be attending: a) the Regional District meeting on January 12; b) the Chamber of Commerce 2012 Outlook on January 19; c) the Airshed Management Society meeting in Burns Lake the afternoon of January 19; d) Roundup January 22 to 24; and e) the third annual Dockrill Hockey Tournament in Telkwa on January 28. Mayor Bachrach encouraged Council to attend the Northern Gateway joint review panel session being held January 16, 2012, in Smithers, when the Office of the Wet'suwet'en will make its submission.

**7. STAFF REPORTS**

**7.1. STAFF (A) REPORTS**

7.1.1 SHARED PARKING

12.0012 Northrup/Bandstra

THAT Report DEV 11-110 dated December 13, 2011, from A. Walker, Planner, requesting direction on whether or not to proceed with amending Section 2.9 of the Zoning Bylaw to include shared parking, be received (5480-01).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

12.0013 Northrup/Bandstra

THAT "shared parking" be included on a future Committee of the Whole agenda, when a meeting is scheduled and business owners invited.

**OPPOSED: COUNCILLORS BRIENESSE  
AND WRAY.**

**CARRIED.**

7.1.2 PROTOCOL AGREEMENT

12.0014 Wray/Briennesse

THAT Report ADM 11-088 dated December 14, 2011, from D. Sargent, Chief Administrative Officer, recommending re-signing of the Protocol Agreement between the Office of the Wet'suwet'en and the Town of Smithers, be received;

AND THAT Council authorizes the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer to re-sign the Protocol Agreement between the Office of the Wet'suwet'en and the Town of Smithers for a further one-year period (0400-60).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**7.2. STAFF (B) REPORTS**

7.2.1 MONTHLY REPORTS

12.0015 Adomeit/Briennesse

THAT the following monthly reports for November 2011, be received:  
a) Airport Services; b) Development Services; c) Fire Department;  
and d) Works and Operations.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

7.2.2 DOWNTOWN RESIDENTIAL PARKING

12.0016 Adomeit/Northrup

THAT Report DEV 12-02 dated December 22, 2011, from A. Walker, Planner, regarding overnight public parking on Main Street, be received (5480-01).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

12.0017 Northrup/Bandstra

THAT the Town establish a downtown residential parking program that permits overnight parking by permitting year-round off-street parking in a designated Town-owned parking lot between 6:00 p.m. and 9:00 a.m. on the following schedule: a) Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays in the undeveloped parking lot at 3743 Second Avenue; and b) Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays in the developed parking lot at 3848 Second Avenue, both of which have 47 parking spaces.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

7.2.3 BUDGET COMMUNICATION/CONSULTATION

12.0018 Northrup/Adomeit

THAT Report ADM 12-001 dated January 5, 2012, from D. Sargent, Chief Administrative Officer, regarding the proposed budget communication and consultation processes, be received;

AND THAT no public surveys be undertaken for the 2012 budget process (1610-01).

**OPPOSED: COUNCILLOR BRIENESSE  
AND MAYOR BACHRACH.**

**CARRIED.**

12.0019 Briennesse/Goodacre

THAT Staff begin the public consultation process for the 2013 budget in October or November 2012.

**OPPOSED: COUNCILLORS BANDSTRA,  
NORTHRUP AND WRAY.**

**CARRIED.**

7.2.4 COAST MOUNTAIN GM

12.0020 Adomeit/Bandstra

THAT Report DEV 12-04 dated December 21, 2011, from M. Allen, Director of Development Services, regarding Coast Mountain GM's request for an \$8,400.00 refund, be received (3020-20/D10-05).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

7.2.4 cont'd Northrup/Brienesse  
12.0021 THAT a letter be sent to D. Groves advising that Council reviewed his concerns, but unfortunately cannot respond favourably to his refund request;

AND THAT a copy of Report DEV 12-04 be attached to the letter to D. Groves.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

7.2.5 2ND AVE PAVING LAS  
12.0022 Northrup/Adomeit  
THAT Report DEV 12-05 dated December 22, 2011, from M. Allen, Director of Development Services, presenting an update on the 4100 and 4200 Blocks of Second Avenue Gravel Road Paving Local Area Service Project, be received;

AND THAT the Town proceed with the 4200 Block of Second Avenue Gravel Road Paving project;

AND THAT the Town's portion of project costs be referred to budget deliberations (5320-20).

**OPPOSED: COUNCILLOR WRAY.**

**CARRIED.**

## **8. BYLAWS**

8.1 BYLAW 1676  
12.0023 Adomeit/Goodacre  
THAT "Bylaw No. 1676 - Truck Route Bylaw", be tabled to the Regular Meeting of Council being held on January 24, 2012.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

8.2 BYLAW 1677  
12.0024 Wray/Brienesse  
THAT Report DEV 11-112 dated December 9, 2011, from A. Walker, Planner, introducing Bylaw No. 1677 for readings, be received;

AND THAT "Bylaw No. 1677 - Town of Smithers Zoning Bylaw No. 1403 Amendment No. 11-08" be read a first and second time and proceed to Public Hearing.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- 8.3                    BYLAW 1678  
12.0025            Wray/Briennesse  
                      THAT Report DEV 12-01 dated December 15, 2011, from A. Walker, Planner, introducing Bylaw No. 1678 for readings, be received;
- AND THAT "Bylaw No. 1678 - Town of Smithers Zoning Bylaw No. 1403 Amendment No. 12-01" be read a first and second time and proceed to Public Hearing.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Council directed Staff to include reader-friendly language in Public Hearing notices for the newspaper.

**9.    CORRESPONDENCE (A) ITEMS**

- 9.1                    CPTED  
12.0026            Wray/Briennesse  
                      THAT the letter dated December 8, 2011, from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police regarding the "Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design" strategy, be received.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- 9.2                    PAVING REQUEST  
12.0027            Northrup/Goodacre  
                      THAT the letter dated November 30, 2011, from A. Cormier, 1089 Winnipeg Street, requesting paving of Broadway Avenue from Winnipeg Street towards Toronto Street, in conjunction with any plans for Second Avenue paving in 2012, be received;

                      AND THAT A. Cormier be advised of the Local Area Service process (5400-12).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- 9.3                    NCLGA RESOLUTIONS  
12.0028            Briennesse/Adomeit  
                      THAT the letter dated December 12, 2011, from the North Central Local Government Association seeking resolutions prior to March 2, 2012, for the May 2 to 4, 2012, Annual General Meeting and Convention, be received (0230-40).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

9.4                    NORTHWEST INVASIVE PLANT COUNCIL  
12.0029            Adomeit/Goodacre  
                         THAT the letter dated November 30, 2011, from the Northwest Invasive Plant Council requesting continued financial involvement in 2012 for operational invasive plant management, be received (0400-55).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

12.0030            Brienesse/Wray  
                         THAT the Town maintain its 2011 level of funding of four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00) for the Northwest Invasive Plant Council's invasive plant management program.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

9.5                    AIR TANKER BASE/NW FIRE CENTRE LEASE  
12.0031            Adomeit/Wray  
                         THAT the letter dated December 12, 2011, from the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations, regarding the land lease rate for the Smithers Air Tanker Base and Northwest Fire Centre, be received (Vault).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

12.0032            Brienesse/Northrup  
                         THAT the letter dated December 21, 2011, from the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations, regarding the land lease rate for the Smithers Air Tanker Base and the Northwest fire Centre, be referred to Staff for a report to Council at a future meeting.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

9.6                    COMMUNITIES IN BLOOM  
12.0033            Bandstra/Wray  
                         THAT the letter dated December 1, 2011, from Communities in Bloom British Columbia inviting the Town to participate in 2012 programs, be received (0530-05).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

9.7                    WWF EVENTS  
12.0034            Adomeit/Wray  
                         THAT the email dated December 8, 2011, from the World Wildlife Fund regarding National Sweater Day and Earth Hour events, be received (0530-05).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

9.7 cont'd  
12.0035 Brienesse/Goodacre  
THAT Council officially recognize "Earth Hour" in the Town of Smithers, by participating in the lights-off event on March 31, 2012, between 8:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.

**OPPOSED: COUNCILLORS BANDSTRA, NORTHROP, AND WRAY. CARRIED.**

9.8  
12.0036 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE  
Bandstra/Groves

THAT the letter received December 15, 2011, from G. Halseth and D. Manson, Community Development Institute, University of Northern British Columbia, requesting a meeting with Council, be received (0400-70).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

12.0037 Wray/Adomeit

THAT Staff arrange a Committee of the Whole meeting with G. Halseth and D. Manson of the Community Development Institute and Council.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

9.9  
12.0038 UBCM -PPP WORKING GROUP  
Wray/Bandstra

THAT the Member Release dated December 21, 2011, from J. Wright, Senior Policy Analyst, Union of British Columbia Municipalities, seeking nominations for a representative to sit on the Packaging and Printed Paper Working Group, be received (0230-30).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Mayor Bachrach will find out if the Regional District intends to seek a seat on the Packaging and Printed Paper Working Group.

9.10  
12.0039 BC COMMUNITY LIVING ACTION GROUP  
Bandstra/Northrup

THAT the letter dated December 23, 2011, from J. Dyson, Executive Director, BC Community Living Action Group, following up on their letter dated October 13, 2011, requesting Council to consider passing a resolution highlighting the current situation of provincial government cuts made to housing and programs supporting adults with developmental disabilities, be received (0530-05).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- 9.10 cont'd  
12.0040      Briennesse/Adomeit  
                 THAT a letter be sent to Premier C. Clark, as requested in the letters dated October 13 and December 23, 2011, from the BC Community Living Action Group, voicing Council's concern regarding funding cuts to services for adults with developmental disabilities.  
**OPPOSED: COUNCILLORS BANDSTRA,                      CARRIED.  
NORTHROP, AND WRAY.**

Councillor Goodacre left the Chambers for the remainder of the meeting (10:07 p.m.).

- 9.11  
12.0041      NH REGIONAL MAGAZINE  
                 Bandstra/Wray  
                 THAT the email dated January 3, 2012, seeking advertisers for the regional magazine "A Healthier You", being produced by the Northern Health Authority and the Prince George Citizen, be received (0400-80).  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- 9.12  
12.0042      WALK FOR MEMORIES  
                 Briennesse/Wray  
                 THAT the letter dated January 3, 2012, from the Investors Group, on behalf of the Alzheimer's Society of British Columbia, inviting Council to participate in the *Walk for Memories* being held January 29, 2012, be received (0530-05).  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Council directed Staff to RSVP that Councillor Briennesse will attend the Walk.

- 9.13  
12.0043      CENTRAL PARK BUILDING  
                 Wray/Northrup  
                 THAT the letter dated January 3, 2012, from J. Harris, Central Park Building Society, inviting Council to tour the Central Park Building, be received;  
  
                 AND THAT Staff contact J. Harris to schedule a tour of the Central Park Building for Council (7960-02).  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**10. CORRESPONDENCE (B) ITEMS - RECEIVE AND REPLY**

**11. CORRESPONDENCE (B) ITEMS - RECEIVE FOR INFORMATION**

11.1 to 11.19 Adomeit/Briennesse

12.0044 THAT the following correspondence be received:

- 11.1 Letter dated December 7, 2011, from Northern BC Tourism congratulating Mayor Bachrach and Council on being elected (6900-01).
- 11.2 Letter dated November 29, 2011, from D. Barnett, Parliamentary Secretary for Rural Communities, congratulating Mayor Bachrach and Council on being elected (0400-20).
- 11.3 Letter dated December 1, 2011, from BC Healthy Living Alliance congratulating Mayor Bachrach and Council on being elected and advising of results of the Smithers' *Healthier Small Communities - A Virtual Town Hall*, hosted by the Alliance (0530-05).
- 11.4 Letter dated December 13, 2011, from BC Assessment congratulating Mayor Bachrach on being elected (1950-03).
- 11.5 Letter dated November 25, 2011, from Premier Christy Clark congratulating Mayor Bachrach on being elected (0400-20).
- 11.6 Letter dated December 14, 2011, from M. deJong, Minister of Health, congratulating Council on being elected and providing an update regarding the initiative to provide CT-scan capability in Smithers (0400-20).
- 11.7 Letter dated December 15, 2011, from Mayor C. Graf, Village of Telkwa, congratulating Mayor Bachrach and Council on being elected (0400-50).
- 11.8 Letter dated November 28, 2011, from the British Columbia Trucking Association congratulating Mayor Bachrach on being elected (brochure in 'D' Items) (0530-05).
- 11.9 Letter dated December 13, 2011, from Gas Tax/Public Transit Management Services advising that the General Strategic Priorities Fund application for the *Smithers and Area Recycling Depot Expansion Project* was not approved (0230-30, 1855-01).
- 11.10 Letter dated December 16, 2011, from E. McGiffin, Sandhill Community Strategies, presenting the final report summarizing 2011 grant writing activities (6750-20).
- 11.11 Memorandum dated December 14, 2011, from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities, regarding membership.

- 11.12 Letter dated December 18, 2011, from Citizenship and Immigration Canada inviting Mayor Bachrach to attend a Citizenship Ceremony in Smithers on January 19, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. at Muheim Elementary School (0530-05).
- 11.13 Registration information for the "Growing the North" conference being held February 21 to 23, 2012, in Grande Prairie, Alberta (0390-01).
- 11.14 Registration information for the "Leading the North" conference being held January 25 to 27, 2012, in Fort McMurray, Alberta (0390-01).
- 11.15 Letter dated December 15, 2011, from D. Mosure, BC Hydro, congratulating Council on the recent election results (0400-30).
- 11.16 Letter dated December 15, 2011, from C. Pecknold, Assistant Deputy Minister, Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General, regarding changes to the *Police Act* and the implementation of *BC Provincial Policing Standards* (CD in 'D' Items) (0400-20, 7400-01).
- 11.17 Letter dated December 12, 2011, from C. Ulrich, President and CEO, Northern Health, providing contact information to the new Council (0400-80)
- 11.18 Letter dated December 13, 2011, from S. Finn, CN Corporate Services, congratulating Council on the recent elections (0530-05).
- 11.19 Letter dated December 16, 2011, from Minister Thomson, Ministry of Forests, Lands, and Natural Resources Operations, regarding the Wetzin'kwa Community Forest volume expansion request (0400-20, 0230-30, 0360-20).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**12. CORRESPONDENCE (C) ITEMS**

**13. CORRESPONDENCE (D) ITEMS**

13.1 to 13.14 Wray/Adomeit

12.0045 THAT the following correspondence, as routed, be received for information:

- 13.1 *The Woodland Almanac*, Federation of British Columbia Woodlot Associations, Winter 2011.
- 13.2 *Smithers Community Services Association Newsletter*, November 2011.
- 13.3 *British Columbia State of the Air 2011*, BC Lung Association.
- 13.4 *Connections*, BC Transit, Fall 2011.

- 13.5 Email dated December 15, 2011, from the Assistant Deputy Minister and Director of Police Services presenting the document, "BC Provincial Policing Standards" (7400-01).
- 13.6 *Horse & Rider Press*, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Fall 2011 Special Issue regarding Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (letter in 'A' Correspondence).
- 13.7 *Connections*, BC Transit, Fall 2011 (duplicate item).
- 13.8 *Mineral Exploration*, Association for Mineral Exploration British Columbia, Winter 2011.
- 13.9 *The Trucking Industry - Proudly Servicing BC and You*, British Columbia Trucking Association (letter in 'B' Items) (0530-05).
- 13.10 *The Spin*, BC Paraplegic Association, Winter 2012.
- 13.11 *Northwest Business*, January/February 2012.
- 13.12 *BC Progress Board*, Benchmark Summary Report, December 19, 2011.
- 13.13 CD "Provincial Policing Standards", Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General (letter in 'B' Items) (0400-20, 7400-01).
- 13.14 *2010/11 Annual Report*, B.C. Ombudsperson's Office.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**14. SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS APPROVED FOR DISCUSSION**

14.1 'THE GREY' ADVANCED SCREENING

12.0046 Briennesse/Bandstra

THAT the letter dated January 9, 2012, from G. Atrill, Tourism Coordinator, inviting Mayor Bachrach to participate in the official opening of the advanced screening reception of "The Grey" on January 25 or 26, 2012, and requesting a donation of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for anticipated expenses for the event, be received;

AND THAT Council contribute up to one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00), as required, from the Economic Development Fund for anticipated expenses for the advanced screening reception of "The Grey" (6900-01).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**



**15. OTHER/NEW BUSINESS**

- 15.1 There was a discussion regarding Council's availability for noon versus evening meetings and days of the week that Councillors are unable to attend meetings because of their work schedules.
- 15.2 D. Sargent confirmed that the Staff Report regarding the new arena RFP's will be included on the agenda for the January 24, 2012, Regular Meeting and that two parties have shown interest in buying out covenanted parking spaces and that it must be a one-time payment. D. Sargent advised that she will contact Council by email regarding 2012 conference attendance.

**16. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD**

- 16.1 Karen Koppitz reported that she is relocating to Calgary after working for CFTK-TV for the past four years.
- 16.2 Kala Hooker commented that: a) the grant writer program is a good program; b) Council may wish to consider the former Mohawk site as an alternate location for the Legacy Project; and c) Council may wish to consider, when putting out a survey for public input, that the public expects actions to be acted upon.
- 16.3 Servaas Mes stated that he enjoyed the discussion and reminded Council that sitting for extended periods of time is not recommended.
- 16.4 Sean Mitchell thanked Council for its support and assistance regarding the 2013 Legacy Project and advised that there will be an events-planning meeting on January 19, 2012, at St. Joseph's.

**17. NOTICE OF SPECIAL (IN-CAMERA) MEETING(S) OF COUNCIL PURSUANT TO SECTION 92 OF THE COMMUNITY CHARTER.**

- 12.0053 NOTICE OF IN-CAMERA  
Wray/Adomeit  
THAT, pursuant to Section 92 of the *Community Charter*, Council gives notice and exercises its authority and excludes the media and the public, except for municipal staff, from the Special (In-Camera) meeting being held Tuesday, January 24, 2012, at 6:00 p.m. to deal with matters falling under Section 90, Subsection 1 and/or 2 of the *Community Charter*.  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**18. ADJOURNMENT**

- 12.0054      ADJOURN  
Adomeit/Wray  
THAT the Regular Meeting of Council be adjourned (11:24 p.m.).  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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Taylor Bachrach  
Mayor

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Deborah Sargent  
Chief Administrative Officer

**Certified a True and Correct Copy** of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council meeting held Tuesday, January 10, 2012, at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers, 1027 Aldous Street, Smithers, B.C.

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Deborah Sargent  
Chief Administrative Officer