

TOWN OF CRESTON

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – January 26, 2016

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, January 26, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. in the Town of Creston Council Chambers, 238 – 10th Avenue, North.

PRESENT: Mayor Toyota
Councillors Boehmer, Comer, Elford, Snopek, Unruh, Wilson
Lou Varela, Town Manager
Steffan Klassen, Director of Finance & Corporate Services
Ross Beddoes, Director of Municipal Services/Chief Building Official
Colin Farynowski, Manager of Engineering
Mike Moore, Fire Chief
Helene Miles, Local Government Intern
Bev Caldwell, Executive Assistant

MEDIA: Lorne Eckersley, Creston Valley Advance
Kris Dickeson, Juice FM 94.1 Radio

GALLERY: Director Larry Binks, RDCK Area C
Allan Clement, Resident

CALL TO ORDER: The Mayor called the Regular Meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

35-16
AGENDA Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Snopek
THAT the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of January 26, 2016, be
adopted. CARRIED

36-16
MINUTES Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Unruh
▶ **REGULAR JAN.** THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held January 12, 2016,
12/16 be adopted as read on this day and that such minutes as read set out all
the business before Council that day and fully and properly record all of
the resolutions and bylaws passed and adopted by Council at that
meeting. CARRIED

37-16
▶ **COMMITTEE JAN.** Moved by Councillor Comer, seconded by Councillor Boehmer
14/16 THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held January
14, 2016, be received. CARRIED

38-16
▶ **COMMITTEE JAN.** Moved by Councillor Unruh, seconded by Councillor Boehmer
19/16 THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting, held January
19, 2016, be received. CARRIED

DELEGATION Ms. Rachel Wagner, Coordinator for the 2016 Children's Festival was not
▶ **CHILDREN'S** in attendance. The Executive Assistant briefed members of Council
FESTIVAL regarding the Annual Children's Festival to be held at the Creston &
District Community Complex on February 8, 2016 and extended an
invitation to all members of Council to attend and participate in the
Opening Ceremonies at 1:00 p.m.

COUNCIL Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Snopek
COMMITTEE THAT Council Committee Recommendations No. 1 to 3, from the January
39-16 14, 2016 Regular Committee of the Whole Meeting, be adopted as follows:
▶ **JAN. 14/16 MTG** **RECOMMENDATION NO. 1:**
RECOMMENDATIONS THAT the Director of Finance and Corporate Services submit an invoice to
▶ **ELECTRIC CAR** the Regional District of Central Kootenay in the amount of \$11,861.12 to
CHARGING be dispersed from the Regional District's Service No. 108 (Economic
STATIONS Development), to reimburse the Town of Creston for expenses relating to
the installation of electric car charging stations for the Creston area.

▶ **PHYSICIAN** **RECOMMENDATION NO. 2:**
RECRUITMENT THAT Ltr #44 from the Town Manager, regarding an overview of the
PROGRAM Physician Recruitment Program, which is funded through the Regional
OVERVIEW District of Central Kootenay Economic Development Fund (Service No.
108), be received.

► KOOTENAY
ROCKIES TOURISM

RECOMMENDATION NO. 3:

THAT the Town Manager forward a request to Kootenay Rockies Tourism, to carry over any 2015 allocated funds for the Expression of Interest submitted by the Creston Valley Chamber of Commerce with respect to Community Tourism Foundation funding to develop a Tourism Plan, to 2016; AND FURTHER, THAT the Mayor, along with Regional District of Central Kootenay Directors for Areas B and C meet with the President of the Creston Valley Chamber of Commerce to discuss the proposal to Kootenay Rockies Tourism for funding to develop a Tourism Plan for the Creston Valley. CARRIED

40-16
► JAN. 19/16 MTG
RECOMMENDATIONS
► BUDGET REVIEW
(P/W/DEV. SERVICES
/ENGINEERING)

Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Snopek
THAT Council Committee Recommendations No. 1 and 2, from the January 19, 2016 Regular Committee of the Whole Meeting, be adopted as follows:

RECOMMENDATION NO. 1:

THAT the verbal report by the Director of Municipal Services, regarding the 2016 core budget review and one-time supplemental requests and capital projects for the Public Works, Development Services and Engineering Departments, be received.

► CEMETERY
BUDGET

RECOMMENDATION NO. 2:

THAT Council approves in principle, the 2016 General Operating Budget for Creston Cemetery facilities, a copy of which is attached to and forms a part of these minutes as Appendix 'I', as presented by the Director of Municipal Services and approved by the Cemetery Select Committee; AND FURTHER, THAT staff is authorized to forward the proposed 2016 General Operating Budget for the Creston Cemetery facilities, to the Regional District of Central Kootenay for approval. CARRIED

41-16
► 2016 CHILDREN'S
FESTIVAL

Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Comer
THAT Ltr #57 from Rachel Wagner, being a delegation request with respect to an invitation to Council members to attend the Opening Ceremonies of the 2016 Children's Festival on February 8, 2016, be received. CARRIED

42-16
► RQST SIDEWALK
PINE/RAILWAY

Moved by Councillor Snopek, seconded by Councillor Wilson
THAT Ltr #38 from Bruce Mabin, requesting Council consider funding in the 2016 or 2017 budget to install a hard surface sidewalk or ramp to accommodate safe pedestrian access to south Creston from Pine Street to Railway Boulevard, be referred to 2016 budget discussions for further consideration. CARRIED

43-16
► RQST GRANT RE
CBEEN

Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Wilson
THAT Ltr #23 from the Columbia Basin Environmental Education Network (CBEEN), requesting a discretionary grant, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT Council approves a discretionary grant to the Columbia Basin Environmental Education Network (CBEEN), in the amount of \$400, to assist with expenses relating to its Wild Voices for Kids program. CARRIED

44-16
► CITIZEN SURVEY

Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Wilson
THAT Ltr #59 from the Town Manager, regarding a Citizen Satisfaction Survey, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT Council authorizes the deferral of conducting a Citizen Satisfaction Survey for the Town of Creston, to the 2017 budget year, due to the Official Community Plan process that is being carried out in 2016 and due to limited staff capacity. CARRIED

45-16
► RQST LTR OF
SUPPORT
(KUSKANOOK
HARBOUR SOC.)

Moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Unruh
THAT Ltr #54 from the Kuskanook Harbour Society, requesting a letter of support, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT Council authorizes the Mayor to write the Kuskanook Harbour Society, advising of Council's support of their application to the Columbia Basin Trust, Recreation Infrastructure Grants Program, for improvements to the wooden pile breakwater at Kuskanook Harbour. CARRIED

BYLAWS

46-16
 ► BYLAW 1835
 (ADOPTION)

Moved by Councillor Comer, seconded by Councillor Boehmer
 THAT Records Management Bylaw No. 1835, 2016, be adopted. CARRIED

47-16
 ► COMMITTEE OF
 THE WHOLE
 AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Snopek, seconded by Councillor Unruh
 THAT the Regular Committee of the Whole Meeting agenda, as presented,
 be received. CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

48-16
 ► SCEEP
 WORKSHOP

Moved by Councillor Unruh, seconded by Councillor Boehmer
 THAT Ltr #68 from the Regional District of Central Kootenay, regarding a
 Strategic Community Energy and Emissions Plan (SCEEP) workshop, be
 received; AND FURTHER, THAT any member of Council wishing to attend
 the Strategic Community Energy and Emissions Plan (SCEEP) Workshop
 in Nelson on February 19, 2016, be authorized to do so, with expenses
 paid as per Policy. CARRIED

REPORTS OF REPS.

► CLR BOEHMER

Councillor Boehmer reported on his attendance at a Cemetery Select
 Committee meeting.

► CLR COMER

Councillor Comer reported on her attendance at a Creston Valley Spirit
 Committee meeting, a Trails Committee meeting, and a Library Strategic
 Planning meeting.

► CLR ELFORD

Councillor Elford reported on his attendance at a welcome reception for a
 Japanese happiness scholar, Dr. Takayoshi Kusago. Dr. Kusago has
 worked on rural wellbeing issues both in Japan and with the federal
 government in Bhutan. He is internationally respected and currently a
 visiting professor at UBC where he is working with economist Dr. John
 Helliwell – author of UN world happiness reports.

► CLR SNOPEK

Councillor Snopek reported on his attendance at a welcome reception for
 Dr. Kusago, and the Creston-Kaminoho Friendship Society Annual
 General Meeting.

► CLR UNRUH

Councillor Unruh reported on her attendance at a Creston Valley Chamber
 of Commerce meeting and the welcome reception for Dr. Kusago.

► CLR WILSON

Councillor Wilson reported on her attendance at the welcome reception for
 Dr. Kusago, the Creston-Kaminoho Friendship Society Annual General
 Meeting, and submitted an article in the Creston Valley Advance, entitled
 'Creative Thinking'.

► MAYOR TOYOTA

Mayor Toyota reported on his attendance at the welcome reception for Dr.
 Kusago, a Cemetery Select Committee meeting, Regional District of
 Central Kootenay meetings, and a meeting with TELUS.

49-16
 ► RECEIVE
 REPORTS

Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Unruh
 THAT the verbal Reports of Council members, be received. CARRIED

GIVING OF NOTICES

COTW – Feb. 2 (Special budget meeting), 16, Mar. 15, Apr. 19, 2016
 COUNCIL – 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of each month, Feb. 9, 23, Mar. 8, 22, Apr.
 12, 26, 2016.

QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions from the media or members of the Gallery.

50-16
 MOVE TO
 COMMITTEE OF THE
 WHOLE

Moved by Councillor Snopek, seconded by Councillor Wilson
 THAT Council move to Committee of the Whole at 4:49 p.m., for a
 presentation by the Fire Chief for the Fire and Protective Services
 Department, with respect to the 2016 Core Budget and one-time
 supplemental requests and capital projects. CARRIED

51-16
 RISE WITHOUT
 REPORTING

Moved by Councillor Snopek, seconded by Councillor Wilson
 THAT Council rise from the Committee of the Whole meeting, without
 reporting, to reconvene the Regular Council meeting 8:34 p.m. CARRIED

52-16
MOVE TO CLOSED MEETING Moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Unruh
THAT by authority of the Community Charter, this meeting is closed from the public and/or news media, pursuant to Sub-Section 90(1)(c),(e), (g) and (i). CARRIED

RECONVENE The Regular Meeting reconvened at 8:54 p.m.

53-16
ADJOURNMENT Moved by Councillor Elford
THAT the Regular Meeting of January 26, 2016, be adjourned at 8:54 p.m. CARRIED

**CERTIFIED
CORRECT:**

Ron Toyota
Mayor

Bev Caldwell
Executive Assistant