

**TOWN OF CRESTON**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – November 10, 2015**

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, November 10, 2015 at 3:30 p.m. in the Town of Creston Council Chambers, 238 – 10<sup>th</sup> 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  
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:** S/Sgt. Darryl Hammond, C/O Creston RCMP Detachment  
Director Larry Binks, RDCK, Area C  
Allan Clement, Resident  
Bruno Schultz, Resident

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Mayor called the Regular Meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

439-15  
**MOVE TO CLOSED MEETING** Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Wilson  
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) and (k). CARRIED

**RECONVENE** The Regular Meeting reconvened at 4:00 p.m.

440-15  
**AGENDA** Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Unruh  
THAT the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of November 10, 2015, be adopted. CARRIED

**INTRODUCTION OF WEP STUDENTS** The Fire Chief introduced the new Work Experience Program students to members of Council, staff and the Gallery. Mayor Toyota welcomed Matt Sylvester, Ben Taylor, Brett Hanley and Scott Ralph (all from Ontario), and Ashley Lewis (from Vancouver, BC), to Creston. The students will be working with the Creston Fire & Rescue service over the next year.

441-15  
**MINUTES**  
►REGULAR OCT. 27/15 Moved by Councillor Snopek, seconded by Councillor Elford  
THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held October 27, 2015, 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

**DELEGATION**  
►S/SGT. CRESTON RCMP DETACHMENT Mayor Toyota welcomed S/Sgt. Darryl Hammond, Commanding Officer for the Creston RCMP Detachment, to the meeting at 4:05 p.m.

S/Sgt. Hammond introduced himself as the new Commanding Officer for the Creston RCMP Detachment, as of August 2015. He advised that the Detachment consisted of 13 members and one reserve constable, 7 of which are assigned to the Town of Creston. As of September 30, 2015, 63.14% of the Provincial and 53.61% of the municipal budgets have been spent.

Mayor Toyota thanked S/Sgt. Hammond for his report and stated that Council and the Regional District Directors would welcome a further report on policing in the Creston Valley, in mid-January 2016.

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE**  
442-15  
►QUARTERLY REPORT – CRESTON RCMP DETACH. Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Wilson  
THAT Ltr #637 from S/Sgt. Darryl Hammond, Commanding Officer, Creston RCMP Detachment, regarding a quarterly report on policing for the Creston Valley, be received. CARRIED

- 443-15  
▶ WATER CONSERVATION  
Moved by Councillor Elford, seconded by Councillor Unruh  
THAT Ltr #662 from the Director of Municipal Services, regarding proposed Water Conservation Measures by the Regional District of Central Kootenay and the Town of Creston, be received. CARRIED
- 444-15  
▶ RADON AWARENESS  
Moved by Councillor Elford, seconded by Councillor Boehmer  
THAT Ltr #643 from The Lung Association of BC, regarding a Radon Awareness Campaign, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT staff provide Council with more detailed information with respect to radon levels in the Creston area and options for a public communications plan with respect to this issue. CARRIED
- 445-15  
▶ MIABC DIVIDENDS  
Moved by Councillor Snopek, seconded by Councillor Comer  
THAT Ltr #636 from the Municipal Insurance Association of British Columbia, regarding dividends to the Town of Creston for 2014, be received. CARRIED
- 446-15  
▶ RENAMING TOWN STREETS  
Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Snopek  
THAT Ltr #642 from Jorg Kamp, regarding renaming Town streets in honour of Creston's pioneers, be referred to 2017 Budget discussions, for consideration following the completion of the Official Community Plan process. CARRIED
- 447-15  
▶ 2016 LEADERSHIP FORUM  
Moved by Councillor Unruh, seconded by Councillor Boehmer  
THAT Ltr #634 from the Local Government Leadership Academy, regarding the 2016 Leadership Forum, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT any member of Council interested in attending the 2016 Leadership Forum, advise the Executive Assistant as soon as possible. CARRIED
- 448-15  
▶ YES MEETING MINUTES  
Moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Unruh  
THAT Ltr #632, being the minutes of the Youth Engagement Strategy (YES) Committee for October 14, 20 and 30, 2015, be received. CARRIED
- 449-15  
▶ FINANCIAL PLAN 2015 UPDATE  
Moved by Councillor Unruh, seconded by Councillor Snopek  
THAT Ltr #660 from the Director of Finance and Corporate Services, regarding the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter update on the Town of Creston Financial Plan 2015, be received. CARRIED
- 450-15  
▶ WILDFIRE FUEL TREATMENT FUNDING  
Moved by Councillor Elford, seconded by Councillor Comer  
THAT Ltr #663 from the Fire Chief, regarding a partnership with the Creston Valley Forest Corporation with respect to Union of BC Municipalities funding for wildfire fuel treatment, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT stall is authorized to submit an application to the Union of BC Municipalities under the 2016 UBCM FireSmart Grant Program, for funding for wildfire fuel treatment. CARRIED
- 451-15  
▶ STRATEGIC PRIORITIES CHART  
Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Comer  
THAT the Strategic Priorities Chart, as presented, be received. CARRIED
- 452-15  
▶ FOLLOW UP ACTION LIST  
Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Unruh  
THAT the Regular Council Meeting Follow-Up Action List, as of October 27, 2015, be received. CARRIED
- 453-15  
▶ COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AGENDA  
Moved by Councillor Unruh, seconded by Councillor Snopek  
THAT the Regular Committee of the Whole Meeting agenda, as presented, be received. CARRIED
- REPORTS OF REPS.**  
▶ CLR BOEHMER  
Councillor Boehmer reported on his attendance at Youth Engagement Strategy Select Committee and Community Advisory Committee (CAC) meetings.
- ▶ CLR COMER  
Councillor Comer reported on her attendance at Youth Engagement Strategy Select Committee and Community Advisory Committee (CAC) meetings, a Library Board meeting, Creston Valley Spirit Committee meeting, Network Society meeting, East Kootenay Hospital Board meeting, SCEEP Workshop, an Economic Development Forum and wrote an article for Council in the Creston Valley Advance.

- **CLR ELFORD** Councillor Elford reported on his attendance at a SCEEP Webinar and Workshop, and an Economic Development Forum.
- **CLR SNOPEK** Councillor Snopek reported on his attendance at a Creston Valley Blossom Festival meeting, a Creston Valley Forest Corporation meeting and the Creston Valley Housing Society's Open House.
- **CLR UNRUH** Councillor Unruh reported on her attendance at an East Kootenay Hospital Board meeting, the Legacy Place Open House, the PCSS Auditorium ribbon cutting for the new seating and the Halloween Safety event at the Fire Hall.
- **CLR WILSON** Councillor Wilson reported on her attendance at a Creston Valley Blossom Festival Association meeting, the SCEEP Workshop, the Creston Valley Housing Society's Open House and the ribbon cutting ceremony for the PCSS Auditorium new seating.
- **MAYOR TOYOTA** Mayor Toyota reported on his attendance at a BC Hydro meeting on Grohman Narrows, Regional District of Central Kootenay meetings, CKNW Radio interview, Fire Chief for a Day luncheon, Community Directed Fund meeting, a SCEEP Workshop and a Community Paramedicine meeting.

454-15  
► **RECEIVE REPORTS** Moved by Councillor Elford, seconded by Councillor Unruh THAT the verbal Reports of Council, be received. **CARRIED**

**GIVING OF NOTICES**

1. COTW – Nov. 17, Dec. 8, 2015
2. COUNCIL – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of each month (Nov. 24, Dec. 15, 2015)
3. Santa Parade – Dec. 5, 2015
4. CP Holiday Train – December 14, 2015 – 10:00 a.m.

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

455-15  
**RECONVENE TO CLOSED MEETING** Moved by Councillor Snopek, seconded by Councillor Comer THAT Council reconvenes to Closed Meeting at 5:23 p.m. **CARRIED**

**RECONVENE** The Regular Council Meeting reconvened at 5:52 pm.

456-15  
**ADJOURNMENT** Moved by Councillor Boehmer THAT the Regular Meeting of November 10, 2015, be adjourned at 5:53 p.m. **CARRIED**

**CERTIFIED  
CORRECT:**

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Ron Toyota  
Mayor

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Bev Caldwell  
Executive Assistant