

**TOWN OF CRESTON**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – October 11, 2016**

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, October 11, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. in the Town of Creston Council Chambers, 238 – 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue, North.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Toyota  
Councillors Boehmer, Comer, Elford, Unruh, Wilson  
Lou Varela, Town Manager  
Ross Beddoes, Director of Municipal Services/Chief Building Official  
Mike Moore, Fire Chief  
Bev Caldwell, Executive Assistant

**MEDIA:** Lorne Eckersley, Creston Valley Advance

**GALLERY:** Allan Clement, Resident  
Bruno Schulz, Resident  
Audrey Vance, Resident

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Mayor called the Regular Meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

345-16  
**AGENDA** Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Comer  
THAT the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of October 11, 2016, be  
adopted. CARRIED

346-16  
**MINUTES** Moved by Councillor Unruh, seconded by Councillor Boehmer  
THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held September 20,  
2016, be adopted as read on this day and that such minutes as read set  
▶REGULAR SEPT. 20/16 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

347-16  
▶PUBLIC HEARING SEPT. 20/16 Moved by Councillor Elford, seconded by Councillor Comer  
THAT the minutes of the Public Hearing, held September 20, 2016, be  
received. CARRIED

▶MOMENT OF SILENCE RE PASSING OF COUNCILLOR SNOPEK  
Mayor Toyota asked for a moment of silence in memory of Councillor Joe Snopek, who passed away on September 22, 2016.

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE** Moved by Councillor Unruh, seconded by Councillor Comer  
THAT Ltr #659, being the amended Council Committee Appointments, be  
348-16 received; AND FURTHER, THAT Council approves the amended list of  
▶COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS Council Committee Appointments, effective October 11, 2016, as identified  
in Ltr #659. CARRIED

349-16  
▶CBT/CIP FUNDING RE CR. & DIST. SOC. FOR COMM. LIVING Moved by Councillor Unruh, seconded by Councillor Comer  
THAT Ltr #658 from the Regional District of Central Kootenay, regarding  
the Creston & District Society for Community Living's 2016 Columbia  
Basin Trust/Community Initiatives Program funding application, be  
received; AND FURTHER, THAT Council has no objection to the change  
of scope to the 2016 Columbia Basin Trust/Community Initiatives Program  
application from the Creston & District Society for Community Living's  
Therapeutic Riding Program with respect to the Town of Creston's funding  
award to that Society. CARRIED

350-16  
▶ARROW CREEK WATER UPGRADE GRANT FUNDING Moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Boehmer  
THAT Ltr #657 from the Regional District of Central Kootenay, regarding  
the awarding of grant funding under the Provincial Government New Build  
Canada Fund – Small Communities Fund, for the Arrow Creek Water  
System Upgrade project, be received. CARRIED

351-16  
▶KIJHL TRAVEL RESERVE Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Comer  
THAT Ltr #505 from the District of 100 Mile House, regarding a proposal  
to establish a Travel Reserve for the Kootenay International Junior Hockey  
League, be received as the District of 100 Mile House has withdrawn the  
proposal. CARRIED

- 352-16  
▶ C2C FALL INTAKE
- Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Wilson  
THAT Ltr #615 from the Union of BC Municipalities, regarding the Fall intake of the 2016/17 Regional Community to Community (C2C) Forum program, be received. CARRIED
- 353-16  
▶ STOP OF INTEREST SIGNS
- Moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Boehmer  
THAT Ltr #622 from the Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure, seeking nominations for new Stop of Interest Signs, be received. CARRIED
- 354-16  
▶ CANADA POST REVIEW
- Moved by Councillor Elford, seconded by Councillor Unruh  
THAT Ltr #632 from the Canadian Union of Postal Workers, regarding the Canada Post Review, be received. CARRIED
- 355-16  
▶ DONATION OF SAND
- Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Unruh  
THAT Ltr #637 from the First Creston Scouts, requesting a donation of sand, be received; THAT Council approves a donation of twelve yards of sand, to be delivered to the Creston Branch of Scouts Canada, at a cost of \$275.00; AND FURTHER, THAT \$275.00 be transferred from Council's Discretionary Grant fund, to the Public Works budget, for the cost of the sand, manpower, equipment and delivery of the sand. CARRIED
- 356-16  
▶ CANFOR RE PUBLIC CONSULT.
- Moved by Councillor Elford, seconded by Councillor Boehmer  
THAT Ltr #643 from the Canadian Forest Products Ltd. (Canfor), seeking comments (public consultation) on the proposed forest development activities within the East Kootenay operating area, be referred to the Creston Valley Forest Corporation, requesting they provide Council with their comments prior to the October 25, 2016 Regular Council Meeting. CARRIED
- 357-16  
▶ CENTRAL KOOT. FOOD POLICY COUNCIL
- Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Comer  
THAT Ltr #642 from the Central Kootenay Food Policy Council, inviting applications from residents of the Central Kootenay to sit on the Inaugural Food Policy Council, be referred to the Fields Forward Committee for consideration as Council encourages support of the Central Kootenay Food Policy Council. CARRIED
- 358-16  
▶ DVP RE 1340 – 1<sup>ST</sup> AVE. NORTHWEST
- Moved by Councillor Elford, seconded by Councillor Unruh  
THAT Ltr. #652 from Al Brent Cherowka, being a Development Variance Permit Application for the property located at 1340 – 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue Northwest, be received; THAT Council consider the application for a Development Variance Permit DVP #02/16 to Al Brent Cherowka (the owner) for the property legally described as Lot 2, District Lot 892, Kootenay District, Plan NEP23427, except Plan NEP80334 (1340 – 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue Northwest), to vary Zoning Bylaw No. 1123, Zone R-5, Rural Residential, Section 2.3.i) Minimum Setbacks, "*Principal and Accessory Buildings, rear lot line setback of 7.6 metres*" to "*Principal and Accessory Buildings, rear lot line setback of 0.0 metres*", to allow for the construction of a workshop addition within the setback area; AND FURTHER, THAT staff is directed to proceed with the required public notice for the Development Variance Permit Application to vary the rear yard setback from 7.6 metres to 0.0 metres. CARRIED
- 359-16  
▶ ACTING MAYOR NOVEMBER 2016
- Moved by Councillor Elford, seconded by Councillor Boehmer  
THAT Councillor Wilson be appointed as Acting Mayor for the month of November 2016. CARRIED
- 360-16  
▶ RAILWAY BLVD. SIDEWALK
- Moved by Councillor Elford, seconded by Councillor Wilson  
THAT Council write the Public Works management and crew, expressing Council's appreciation for the excellent job in designing and constructing the sidewalk and planting trees, etc. in a timely manner on Railway Boulevard between Northwest Boulevard and Canyon Street. CARRIED
- BYLAWS**
- 361-16  
▶ BYLAW 1847 (1<sup>ST</sup> & 2<sup>ND</sup> RDGS)
- Moved by Councillor Unruh, seconded by Councillor Comer  
THAT 2017, 2018 and 2019 Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 1847, 2016, be read a first time by title, second time by content. CARRIED
- 362-16  
▶ BYLAW 1847 (3<sup>RD</sup> RDG)
- Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Wilson  
THAT 2017, 2018 and 2019 Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 1847, 2016, be read a third time. CARRIED

- 363-16  
**► STRATEGIC PRIORITIES CHART** Moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Comer THAT the Strategic Priorities Chart, as presented, be received. **CARRIED**
- NEW BUSINESS**
- 364-16  
**► FORTISBC RESOURCE PLANNING** Moved by Councillor Elford, seconded by Councillor Comer THAT Ltr #661 from FortisBC, regarding an Energy Planning Workshop and Site Tour, be received. **CARRIED**
- REPORTS OF REPS.**
- CLR BOEHMER** Councillor Boehmer reported on his attendance at a Creston & District Community Coop meeting, the funeral service for Councillor Snopek, and participation in the Columbia Basin Alliance for Literacy campaign.
- CLR COMER** Councillor Comer reported on her attendance at the Union of BC Municipalities annual conference, Fields Forward Strategic Planning meetings and the funeral service for Councillor Snopek.
- CLR ELFORD** Councillor Elford reported on his attendance at the Union of BC Municipalities Conference, the Creston Valley Regional Airport Society meeting, and the funeral service for Councillor Snopek and participation in the Columbia Basin Alliance for Literacy campaign.
- CLR UNRUH** Councillor Unruh reported on her attendance at the Union of BC Municipalities annual conference, a Creston Valley Blossom Festival meeting and the funeral service for Councillor Snopek.
- CLR WILSON** Councillor Wilson reported on her attendance at a Creston Valley Blossom Festival meeting, the Union of BC Municipalities annual conference and the funeral service for Councillor Snopek.
- MAYOR TOYOTA** Mayor Toyota reported on his attendance at the Union of BC Municipalities annual conference, the Kootenay Rockies Tourism Annual General Meeting, the Community Directed Funds meeting, a Fire Hall Schematic Design meeting, the funeral service for Councillor Snopek, participation in the Columbia Basin Alliance for Literacy campaign, the hosting of a 'Meet the Mayor' public opportunity, and wrote a Council article for the Creston Valley Advance.
- STAFF REPORTS** Members of staff provided verbal reports on key issues and projects currently being addressed by the various Departments.
- 365-16  
**► RECEIVE REPORTS** Moved by Councillor Elford, seconded by Councillor Comer THAT the verbal Reports of Council and staff members, be received. **CARRIED**
- GIVING OF NOTICES** COTW – October 18, November 1, 15, December 6, 2016  
 COUNCIL – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of each month – October 25, November 8, 22, December 13, 2016  
 December 3 – Santa Parade
- QUESTION PERIOD**
- CBAL PARTICIPATION** Mr. Lorne Eckersley of the Creston Valley Advance, expressed appreciation to those members of Council who participated in the Columbia Basin Alliance for Literacy campaign by selling newspapers.
- 2125 CEDAR STREET RESPONSE** Ms. Audrey Vance expressed appreciation to the member of Council that took the time to discuss issues regarding the road condition in the 2000 Block of Cedar Street.
- 366-16  
**MOVE TO CLOSED MEETING** Moved by Councillor Elford, 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) and (e). **CARRIED**
- RECONVENE** The Regular Council Meeting reconvened at 4:57 p.m.
- 367-16  
**ADJOURNMENT** Moved by Councillor Elford THAT the Regular Council Meeting of October 11, 2016, be adjourned at 4:57 p.m. **CARRIED**

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Ron Toyota  
Mayor

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Bev Caldwell  
Executive Assistant