

# **TOWN OF CRESTON**

## **REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – February 28, 2017**

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, February 28, 2017 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  
Colin Farynowski, Manager of Engineering  
Helene Miles, Community, Policy & Research Coordinator  
Bev Caldwell, Executive Assistant

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

**GALLERY:** Paris Marshall, Fields Forward Program  
Director Tanya Wall, RDCK, Area B  
Allan Clement, Creston  
Bruno Schultz, Creston

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

72-17  
**AGENDA** Moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Elford  
THAT the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of February 28, 2017, be  
adopted. CARRIED

73-17  
**MINUTES** Moved by Councillor Comer, seconded by Councillor Unruh  
THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held February 14, 2017,  
▶ **REGULAR FEB.** be adopted as read on this day and that such minutes as read set out all  
14/17 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

74-17  
▶ **COMMITTEE FEB.** Moved by Councillor Comer, seconded by Councillor Elford  
14/17 THAT the minutes of the Special Committee of the Whole Meeting held  
February 14, 2017, be received. CARRIED

75-17  
▶ **COMMITTEE FEB.** Moved by Councillor Unruh, seconded by Councillor Elford  
21/17 THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held February  
21, 2017, be received. CARRIED

**DELEGATION** Mayor Toyota welcomed Ms. Paris Marshall, Fields Forward Program  
▶ **FIELDS FORWARD** Coordinator, to the meeting at 4:05 p.m.

Ms. Marshall stated that Fields Forward is a new food and agriculture initiative launched in January 2016. It is a collaborative network of over 80 producers, organizations, businesses and local government from Yahk to Riondel. Fields Forward is creating the Food Venture Collaborative, a new food and agriculture social benefit operation for Creston and District.

Ms. Marshall advised that the first step is to establish a Mobile Juicing service for the region. The Mobile Juicer is a single unit that can process, pasteurize and package 1,500 litres of apple, carrot, beet, cherry or berry juice a day. The juice is packaged into boxed bags (Kootenay Farms branding) and is shelf stable for one year. The service costs \$4.50 per 5 litres and can be retailed for \$15 for 5 litres conventional, or \$25 for 5 litres organic. The Mobile Juicer will either purchase cherry culls from local packing houses (6,000 lbs/day currently go to the landfill at the expense of taxpayers and orchardists) to produce its own juice or provide the service to orchardists, community groups, families interested in producing their own juice. The Mobile Juicer initiative will create six new jobs in the Valley.

Councillors will be provided with a copy of financial information on the Mobile Juicer initiative, showing projected revenues and expenses. Fields Forward is currently working with Community Futures to develop a business case.

Mayor Toyota thanked Ms. Marshall for her presentation.

<p><b>COUNCIL COMMITTEE</b> 76-17 ► FEB. 21/17 MTG RECOMMENDATIONS ► LTR OF SUPPORT (VALLEY COMM. SERVICES)</p>	<p>Moved by Councillor Elford, seconded by Councillor Unruh THAT Council Committee Recommendations No. 1 to 6, from the February 21, 2017 Regular Committee of the Whole Meeting, be adopted as follows: <b>RECOMMENDATION NO. 1:</b> THAT Ltr #91 from Valley Community Services, requesting a letter of support for a grant application, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT the Mayor is authorized to write a letter of support for the grant application to be submitted by Valley Community Services, under the United Way Seniors Active Aging Grant Program, for the Therapeutic Activation Program for Seniors (TAPS).</p>
<p>► RIDESHARE</p>	<p><b>RECOMMENDATION NO. 2:</b> THAT Ltr #85 from Kootenay Rideshare, regarding sponsorship of the Kootenay Rideshare Program, be referred to the February 28, 2017 Regular Council Meeting, pending further information being available with respect to the Program, how the Program affects local transportation business and insurance coverage for users.</p>
<p>► OCP DRAFT IMPLEMENTATION</p>	<p><b>RECOMMENDATION NO. 3:</b> THAT Ltr #90 from the Director of Municipal Services, regarding the Implementation Section of the draft Official Community Plan for the Town of Creston, be received.</p>
<p>► LTR OF SUPPORT RE LKB GRANT APP.</p>	<p><b>RECOMMENDATION NO. 4:</b> THAT Ltr #93 from the Lower Kootenay Band, requesting a letter of support of its grant application to Western Diversification, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT the Mayor is authorized to write a letter in support of the Lower Kootenay Band's application to Western Diversification, for funding to support an Indigenous Economic Growth Proposal.</p>
<p>► OUTDOOR SMOKE-FREE PLACES</p>	<p><b>RECOMMENDATION NO. 5:</b> THAT Ltr #94 from the Canadian Cancer Society, BC and Yukon Division, regarding endorsement of provincial smoke and vape-free outdoor public places legislation, be received; THAT the Canadian Cancer Society, BC and Yukon Division be advised that Council endorses its recommendation to the Province of British Columbia for the Province to expand the scope of the <i>Tobacco and Vapour Products Control Act</i> to include bar and restaurant patios, playgrounds, parks and beaches as smoke-free and vape-free areas, with Ministry guidelines legislated for post-secondary campuses; AND FURTHER, THAT Council Action List item No. 312-16 dated September 7, 2016 with respect to Ltr #537 from the Canadian Cancer Society, be removed from the Action List.</p>
<p>► DRAFT BUDGET REVIEW</p>	<p><b>RECOMMENDATION NO. 6:</b> THAT the verbal presentation by the Director of Finance and Corporate Services, regarding a review of the draft 2017 Town of Creston Budget, with respect to the overall budget, summary of Department presentations and final cuts for projects, be received. <span style="float: right;">CARRIED</span></p>
<p>77-17 ► FIELDS FWD. MOBILE JUICER INITIATIVE</p>	<p>Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Wilson THAT Ltr #804 from Fields Forward, regarding a Mobile Juicer initiative, be received. <span style="float: right;">CARRIED</span></p>
<p>78-17 ► UBCM RE MEMBERSHIP</p>	<p>Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Wilson THAT Ltr #84 from the Union of BC Municipalities, regarding membership, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT Council authorizes staff to process an invoice for Town of Creston membership with the Union of BC Municipalities for the year 2017, in the amount of \$3,370.04. <span style="float: right;">CARRIED</span></p>
<p>79-17 ► RQST FUNDING RE BLIND GOLF TOURN.</p>	<p>Moved by Councillor Unruh, seconded by Councillor Wilson THAT Ltr #99 from Darren Douma, requesting sponsorship of the 2017 ISPS HANDA Vision Cup, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT the Mayor is authorized to submit a request to the Regional District of Central Kootenay for \$1,000.00 from the Town of Creston's portion of Community Development funding, for sponsorship of the 2017 ISPS HANDA Vision Cup international blind golf event in Creston in July 2017; and that Mr. Darren Douma be advised of same. <span style="float: right;">CARRIED</span></p>

- 80-17  
► CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEMBERSHIP
- Moved by Councillor Comer, seconded by Councillor Unruh  
THAT Ltr #111 from the Creston Valley Chamber of Commerce, regarding membership for 2017; be referred to staff for a report back to Council on the benefits to a municipality to taking a membership with a Chamber of Commerce, and to also survey other municipalities as to what their practice is with respect to memberships with their local Chamber.  
CARRIED
- 81-17  
► LIQUOR PRIMARY LICENCE RE 1136 CANYON STREET
- Moved by Councillor Elford, seconded by Councillor Unruh  
THAT Ltr #108 from Tanya Wall and Ralph Casemore, regarding a Liquor Primary Licence application for 'Casey's Community House', be received; THAT Council supports in principle the application by Tanya Wall and Ralph Casemore for a Liquor Primary Licence for a new liquor establishment (Casey's Community House) to be located at 1136 Canyon Street, Creston, BC; THAT the proposed use of the property situated at 1136 Canyon Street, Creston, BC for a liquor establishment, is a permitted use under the Town of Creston Zoning Bylaw No. 1123, General Commercial C-1 zone; AND FURTHER, THAT the Liquor Control and Licensing Branch be advised that Council 'opts out' of the public process with respect to this application.  
CARRIED
- 82-17  
► KOOTENAY RIDESHARE
- Moved by Councillor Comer, seconded by Councillor Wilson  
THAT Ltr #85 from Kootenay Rideshare, regarding sponsorship, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT the Mayor is authorized to submit an application to the Regional District of Central Kootenay, for \$500.00 from the Town's portion of Community Development funding, to the West Kootenay Eco Society for 2017 Platinum sponsorship in the Kootenay Rideshare Program.  
CARRIED
- 83-17  
► UBCM SCHOLARSHIP RE TOWN MANAGER TRAINING
- Moved by Councillor Elford, seconded by Councillor Boehmer  
THAT Ltr #106 from the Executive Assistant, regarding support of a Scholarship application to the Union of BC Municipalities by the Town Manager, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT Council endorses an application to the Board of Examiners and Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development by Lou Varela, the Town Manager, for financial assistance through the Union of BC Municipalities' Commemorative Scholarship Program and Jeff McKelvey Scholarship Program, with respect to attendance at a 2017 MATI – Leadership in Local Government Organizations, course.  
CARRIED
- 84-17  
► WALKING TOUR BROCHURE
- Moved by Councillor Comer, seconded by Councillor Wilson  
THAT Ltr #103 from Nancy Pridham, regarding the production of an updated Walking Tour Brochure for the Town of Creston, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT Council approves purchasing advertising from Ms. Nancy Pridham, in the amount of \$600.00, for the reproduction of an updated 'Walking Tour Brochure' for the Town of Creston in 2017.  
CARRIED
- NEW BUSINESS**
- 85-17  
► RQST TO WAIVE PARK BOOKING FEE
- Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Unruh  
THAT Ltr #113 from Kristina Leidums, requesting waiver of a parking booking fee, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT Council declines the request from Ms. Kristina Leidums for the waiving of the park booking fee for Schikurski Park for March 20 to 24, 2017, as the Town of Creston is already providing in-kind support of her 'Creston Kids Outside' program through assistance by our Public Works and Fire Departments.  
CARRIED
- REPORTS OF REPS.**
- CLR COMER
- Councillor Comer reported on her attendance at two Fields Forward meetings.
- CLR ELFORD
- Councillor Elford reported on his attendance at a Regional District of Central Kootenay Special Budget meeting and a Creston Valley Forest Corp. meeting.
- CLR UNRUH
- Councillor Unruh reported on her attendance at a Creston Valley Blossom Festival meeting.
- CLR WILSON
- Councillor Wilson reported on her attendance at a Creston Valley Blossom Festival meeting and an Arts Council meeting.

- **MAYOR TOYOTA** Mayor Toyota reported on his attendance at a College of the Rockies luncheon meeting and a BC Mayor's Caucus meeting.
- 86-17  
► **RECEIVE REPORTS** Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Comer THAT the verbal Reports of Council members, be received. CARRIED
- GIVING OF NOTICES** COTW – Mar. 21; Apr. 18, May 16, June 20, 2017  
COUNCIL – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of each month; Mar. 14, 28, Apr. 11, 25, May 9, 23, June 13, 27 2017  
AKBLG – Apr. 26 - 28, 2017  
FCM – Jun. 1 - 5, 2017
- QUESTION PERIOD** There were no questions from the media or members of the Gallery.
- 87-17  
**MOVE TO SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING** Moved by Councillor Unruh, seconded by Councillor Comer THAT the February 28, 2017 Regular Council meeting recess at 5:13 p.m. and Council move to Committee of the Whole. CARRIED
- RECONVENE** The Regular Council Meeting reconvened at 5:35 p.m.
- 88-17  
**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 5:37 p.m.
- 89-17  
**ADJOURNMENT** Moved by Councillor Comer THAT the Regular Council Meeting of February 28, 2017, be adjourned at 5:37 p.m. CARRIED
- CERTIFIED CORRECT:**

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Ron Toyota  
Mayor

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Bev Caldwell  
Executive Assistant