

TOWN OF CRESTON
REGULAR COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 18, 2020

Minutes of a Regular Committee of the Whole Meeting of Council held on Tuesday February 18, 2020 at 4:05 p.m. in the Town of Creston Council Chambers, 238 - 10th Avenue, North, Creston, BC.

PRESENT: Mayor Ron Toyota
Councillor Jen Comer
Councillor Jim Elford
Councillor Ellen Tzakis
Councillor Karen Unruh
Councillor Joanna Wilson

REGRETS: Councillor Arnold DeBoon

STAFF: Michael Moore, Chief Administrative Officer
Steffan Klassen, Director of Finance & Corporate Services
Ross Beddoes, Director of Community Services
Colin Farynowski, Manager of Engineering
Jared Riel, Fire Chief
Ferd Schmidt, Director of Infrastructure
Marsha Neufeld, Executive Assistant
Kirsten Dunbar, Community and Corp. Services Research & Policy Coordinator
Bev Caldwell, Corporate Officer

MEDIA: Lorne Eckersley, Creston Valley Advance

GALLERY: Clements Verhoeven, Creston Climate Action
Joanne Gailius, Creston Climate Action
Jackie Moore, Creston Climate Action
Sheila Wolver, Creston Climate Action
Dale Wolver, Creston Climate Action
Elizabeth Quinn, Creston Climate Action
Tan MacVicar, Creston Climate Action
Dallas Magrum, Resident
Wendy MacVicar, Erickson Resident

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Toyota called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA Moved by Councillor Elford, seconded by Councillor Tzakis
THAT the agenda for the Committee of the Whole meeting of February 18, 2020,
be adopted. MOTION CARRIED

**COUNCIL
COMMITTEE**
► CV CHAMBER
OF COMMERCE
RE: MEMBERSHIP

RECOMMENDATION NO. 1:
THAT the invitation from the Creston Valley Chamber of Commerce regarding membership, be received; THAT, Council directs staff to survey other local governments in the Kootenay Region to ascertain if they are members of their respective Chambers of Commerce; AND FURTHER, THAT staff bring the results of that survey back to a future Committee of the Whole meeting for further consideration.

- CITY OF PORT MOODY RE: NATIONAL PHARMACARE PROGRAM **RECOMMENDATION NO. 2:** THAT the request from the City of Port Moody to support a Universal Public National Pharmacare Program, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT the Mayor is authorized to write the Federal Minister of Health in support of a Universal Public National Pharmacare Program.
- VEHICLE IDLING REGULATIONS **RECOMMENDATION NO. 3:** THAT correspondence from Brian Grant, Dianne Grant, Diane Furlong, Clements Verhoeven, Jackie Moore, Alexandra Ewashen, Drew Galius and Joanne Galius; all regarding the establishment of vehicle idling regulations in the Town of Creston, be received.
- AIR QUALITY POLICY **RECOMMENDATION NO. 4:** THAT the Council Direction Request and Staff Briefing Note from the Chief Administrative Officer regarding an Air Quality Policy, be received; THAT, Policy HUM-002-011 (Vehicle Idling Control Policy) is hereby rescinded; THAT, Council consider a new policy HUM-002-011 (Municipal Vehicle Anti-Idling Policy), a copy of which is attached to and forms a part of these minutes as Appendix "I", at a future Regular Council meeting; THAT, Policy SER-009-001 (No Smoking in Public Policy) is hereby rescinded; AND FURTHER, THAT Council consider a new policy SER-009-001 (Clean Air in Public Spaces Policy), a copy of which is attached to and forms a part of these minutes as Appendix "II", at a future Regular Council meeting.
- RDCK RE: AIR QUALITY CONTROL **RECOMMENDATION NO. 5:** THAT the Mayor write the Regional District of Central Kootenay, to request that the Regional District consider taking a policy approach with respect to air quality in the Creston Valley related to open burning, vehicle idling and solid fuel burning appliances.
- STAFF TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT POLICY **RECOMMENDATION NO. 6:** THAT the Council Direction Request from the Chief Administrative Officer regarding Staff Training and Development Policy, be received; THAT Policy HUM-004-001 (Training and Development Policy) is hereby rescinded; AND FURTHER, THAT council consider a new policy HUM-004-001(Training and Development Policy), a copy of which is attached to and forms a part of these minutes as Appendix "III", at a future Regular Council meeting.
- CLOSED COUNCIL MEETING POLICY **RECOMMENDATION NO. 7:** THAT The verbal report by the Chief Administrative Officer regarding the Closed Council Meeting Policy, be received; THAT, staff is directed to conduct a survey of several local governments as to their procedures with respect to Closed Council Meeting Policies and bring the results of that survey to a Regular Council Meeting for information; AND FURTHER, THAT, Council directs staff to bring forward a revised Closed Council Meeting Policy (GOV-001-036) for consideration at a future Regular Council meeting.
- RDCK RURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING **RECOMMENDATION NO. 8:** THAT the invitation from the Regional District of Central Kootenay Rural Affairs Committee to attend the Rural Affairs Committee meeting, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT Mayor Toyota and Councillor Elford are authorized to attend the Rural Affairs Committee in Nelson on February 19, 2020, with expenses paid as per Policy.

► **CRAWFORD HILL RECOMMENDATION NO. 9:**

RESEVOIR SITE THAT the Council Direction Request and Staff Briefing Note from the Director of Community Services regarding the Crawford Hill Reservoir Site, be received; THAT, Council directs staff to complete the environmental restoration of the former open water reservoirs as per funding received from Columbia Basin Trust in the amount of \$75,000.00; THAT, staff draft a preliminary development plan for the reservoir site to be used as public open space with consideration of the public input received to date; AND FURTHER, THAT staff present the development plan at an upcoming public meeting to seek further public input.

QUESTION PERIOD Clements Verhoeven of the Creston Climate Action Committee expressed appreciation on behalf of his membership to Council and Staff for considering the Creston Climate Action campaign to regulate vehicle emissions. The Mayor commended Staff on its research with respect to this issue.

ADJOURN The Regular Committee of the Whole Meeting held February 18, 2020, adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

AS TO THE MINUTES OF THIS COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING:

Mayor Ron Toyota

Bev Caldwell, Corporate Officer