

TOWN OF CRESTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, May 26, 2020, 4:00 PM
Held Electronically via Webex In Accordance with Ministerial Order No. M139

PRESENT: Mayor Ron Toyota
Councillor Arnold DeBoon
Councillor Jen Comer
Councillor Jim Elford
Councillor Karen Unruh
Councillor Joanna Wilson

REGRETS: Councillor Ellen Tzakis

STAFF: Mike Moore, Chief Administrative Officer
Steffan Klassen, Director of Finance & Corporate Services
Jared Riel, Fire Chief
Marsha Neufeld, Executive Assistant
Bev Caldwell, Corporate Officer
Kirsten Dunbar, Community & Corp. Services Research & Policy
Coord.

MEDIA: Jensen Shields, Juice FM

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the Regular Council Meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Resolution #: 163-20

Moved by Councillor Unruh
Seconded by Councillor DeBoon

THAT the Agenda for the Regular Council Meeting of May 26, 2020, be adopted.
MOTION CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

a. Regular Council Meeting Minutes- May 12, 2020

Resolution #: 164-20

Moved by Councillor Comer
Seconded by Councillor Unruh

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held May 12, 2020, be
adopted. MOTION CARRIED

4. DELEGATIONS

a. Erin Carr, Apex Accounting, regarding the 2019 Audited Financial Statements for
the Town of Creston

Mayor Toyota welcomed Ms. Erin Carr of Apex Accounting to the meeting at 4:03
pm.

Ms. Carr proceeded to present the Auditor's report for the 2019 Town of Creston
Financial Statements. Ms. Carr advised that the audit was conducted in
accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. In her opinion,
the Town's financial statements presented fairly. In all material respects, the
financial position of the Town of Creston as at December 31, 2019 and the
results of its operation for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian
Public Sector Accounting Standards.

Mayor Toyota thanked Ms. Carr for her presentation.

6. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

- a. 2019 Audited Financial Statements for the Town of Creston

Resolution #: 165-20

Moved by Councillor DeBoon
 Seconded by Councillor Comer

THAT the presentation from Erin Carr, regarding the 2019 Financial Statements for the Town of Creston, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT the 2019 Audited Financial Statements, as presented by Ms. Carr of Apex Accounting, a copy of which is attached to and forms a part of these minutes as Appendix I, be adopted. MOTION CARRIED

RECESS AND MOVE TO SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

Resolution #: 166-20

Moved by Councillor DeBoon
 Seconded by Councillor Comer

THAT the Regular Council Meeting of May 26, 2020 be recessed at 4:33 pm and move to a Special Committee of the Whole Meeting. MOTION CARRIED

RISE AND REPORT FROM THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING AND RECONVENE TO REGULAR MEETING AT 4:55 PM

- b. Columbia Basin Trust / Community Initiatives Program grant applications for 2020 (rise and report on recommendation from Special Committee of the Whole Meeting of May 26, 2020)

Resolution #: 167-20

Moved by Councillor Comer
 Seconded by Councillor Wilson

THAT Council rise and report; AND FURTHER, THAT Committee Recommendation No. 1 from the May 26, 2020 Special Committee of the Whole Meeting, be adopted as follows:

RECOMMENDATION NO. 1:

THAT Council recommends to the Regional District of Central Kootenay, approval of funding to the following applicants with respect to the Town of Creston allocation of funds under the Columbia Basin Trust, Community Initiatives and Affected Areas Programs 2020 intake:

SPCA Nelson Branch.....	\$0
Boots & Stools 4H Club.....	\$795
College of the Rockies, Creston Branch	\$2,279
Community Arts Council of Creston	\$521
Crawford Bay & District Hall & Parks Assoc.	\$357
Cresteramics Society	\$2,146
Creston & District Community Centre	\$1,129
Creston & District Historical & Museum Society	\$1,257
Creston Air Search & Rescue	\$3,386
Creston & District Society for Community Living.....	\$2,570
Creston Climate Action Society.....	\$707
Creston Judo Club	\$888
Creston Lions Club.....	\$1,314
Creston Pet Adoption & Welfare Society	\$2,343
Creston Quilts 4 Kids	\$684
Creston Valley Blossom Festival Association	\$4,486
Creston Valley Fall Fair.....	\$7,157
Creston Valley Figure Skating Club	\$1,236
Creston Valley Music Teachers Association	\$1,929
Creston Valley Public Art Connection Society	\$3,929
East Shore Trail & Bike Association.....	\$171
Empire of Dirt Residency Association (Mural Festival)	\$1,857
Empire of Dirt Residency Association (EOD).....	\$400

Focus on Youth	\$1,571
Friends of Kootenay Lake	\$343
Health Arts Society.....	\$1,428
Kootenai Community Centre Society	\$443
Kootenay Boundary Reg. Hospital & Health Foundation	\$500
Kootenay Carshare Cooperative.....	\$400
Kootenay Employment Services Society	\$1,857
Kootenay Region Equine Supports Society	\$2,343
Kootenay-Columbia Discovery Centre Society	\$3,621
Kutenai Art Therapy Institute.....	\$685
Lister Community Association.....	\$1,103
Nelson Civic Theatre Society	\$0
Nelson Fine Art Centre Society.....	\$0
Northern BC Friends of Children - East Kootenay Branch.....	\$3,429
Royal Canadian Legion – Creston Branch.....	\$3,257
SQx Danza.....	\$2,040
The Canadian Red Cross Society.....	\$1,916
The Venue-Performing & Visual Arts Centre (V. Weitman)	\$2,554
The Venue Performance & Visual Arts Society (Sound System)...	\$714
Tilted Brick Gallery Association.....	\$2,071
Valley Community Services Society.....	\$3,785
Wildsight – Creston Valley Branch.....	\$1,076
TOTAL	\$76,677

MOTION CARRIED

- c. Social Planning and Research Council of British Columbia, regarding the Access Awareness Day Grant

Resolution #: 168-20

Moved by Councillor Comer
 Seconded by Councillor Elford

THAT the correspondence from the Social Planning and Research Council of British Columbia, regarding AccessAbility Week and Access Awareness Day, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT the Mayor is authorized to issue a Proclamation to declare May 31 to June 6, 2020 AccessAbility Week and June 6, 2020 as Access Awareness Day in the Town of Creston. MOTION CARRIED

- d. Request for Decision from the Chief Administrative Officer, regarding the Town Hall Re-Opening Policy

Resolution #: 169-20

Moved by Councillor Unruh
 Seconded by Councillor DeBoon

THAT the Request for Decision from the Chief Administrative Officer, regarding the Town Hall Re-Opening Policy (SER-003-050), be received; AND FURTHER, THAT Policy SER-003-050 (Town Hall Re-Opening (COVID-19 Pandemic), a copy of which is attached to and forms a part of these minutes as Appendix "II", be adopted. OPPOSED COUNCILLOR ELFORD

MOTION CARRIED

- e. Verbal Report from the Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) Director, regarding the status of the EOC and the COVID-19 Pandemic

Resolution #: 170-20

Moved by Councillor Unruh
 Seconded by Councillor Comer

THAT the verbal report from the Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) Director, regarding the status of the EOC and the COVID-19 Pandemic, be received.

MOTION CARRIED

7. BYLAWS

None

8. NEW BUSINESS

None

9. REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mayor Toyota reported on his attendance at the Highway 3 Mayors and Chairs Coalition and noted that there is a new editor for the Creston Valley Advance.

Councillor DeBoon reported on his attendance at an East Resource Recovery Meeting.

Councillor Wilson reported on her attendance at a Chamber of Commerce Meeting.

Resolution #: 171-20

Moved by Councillor Wilson

Seconded by Councillor Comer

THAT the verbal reports of Council, be received.

MOTION CARRIED

10. GIVING OF NOTICES

- SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – June 9, 2020
- COUNCIL – June 9, 2020

11. QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions from members of the gallery.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution #: 172-20

Moved by Councillor DeBoon

THAT the Regular Council Meeting of May 26, 2020, be adjourned at 5:28 pm.

MOTION CARRIED

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Ron Toyota
Mayor

Bev Caldwell
Corporate Officer