

TOWN OF CRESTON
REGULAR COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES
March 15, 2016

Minutes of a Regular Committee of the Whole Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, March 15, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. in the Town of Creston Council Chambers, 238 - 10th Avenue, North.

PRESENT: Mayor Ron Toyota
Councillors Boehmer, Comer, Elford, Snopek, Unruh, Wilson

ALSO PRESENT: Lou Varela, Town Manager
Steffan Klassen, Director of Finance & Corporate Services
Michael Moore, Fire Chief
Bev Caldwell, Executive Assistant

GALLELRY: Lorne Eckersley, C. V. Advance
Kris Dickison, Juice FM Radio
Mary Jayne Blackmore, Trails for Creston Valley Society
Pat Smith, Trails for Creston Valley Society
Peter Searle, Trails for Creston Valley Society
Deb Nelius, Trails for Creston Valley Society
Pete Schloss, Trails for Creston Valley Society
Adam Mjolsness, Trails for Creston Valley Society
Trevor Marzke, Trails for Creston Valley Society
Rosemarie Niemoeller, Trails for Creston Valley Society

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Toyota called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA Moved by Councillor Elford, seconded by Councillor Comer
THAT the agenda for the Committee of the Whole meeting of March 15, 2016, be adopted. CARRIED

DELEGATION: Mayor Toyota welcomed Ms. Mary Jayne Blackmore of the Trails for Creston Valley Society (the Society), to the meeting at 4:30 p.m.

► TRAILS FOR CV SOCIETY

Ms. Blackmore presented a proposal to partner with the Town for trail development (footpath), linking 16th Avenue and Devon Street in Creston. The proposed gravel trail, along a gazetted road right-of-way, would be approximately 500 metres in length and located adjacent to the eastern boundary of Schikurski Park. The trail would be temporary until such time that a road is required in that location. In the meantime the trail would provide the only legal, non-motorized access linking 16th Avenue North to the Alice Siding area. Subject to approval by Council, and funding through the Columbia Basin Trust, trail construction is anticipated to be in the summer of 2016 and be completed before winter. Volunteers would register as per the Town's Volunteer policy for the duration of the project. The Town would assume ownership of the trail once the project is completed.

The Society's contribution and commitments to the proposal are:

- Assist Town staff during an initial public-consultation communication process with neighbouring residents;
- Plan the trail route and specifications, in partnership with Town staff;
- Clear brush from the trail location;
- Help to spread the gravel surfacing material (bobcat use required), and
- Supply on-the-ground management of volunteers.

The Society requests the following from the Town:

- A letter of support indicating Town approval for the Society to pursue this project partnership;
- Staff representation at a preliminary neighbourhood consultation communication process, if applicable;
- Minimal staff time to establish the right-of-way boundaries and estimate the volume of gravel surfacing required;
- Gravel surfacing material, as an in-kind contribution to this project; and
- Town staff member or Councillor assigned as a contact person for this project, in case of issues that may arise during the development process.

Mayor Toyota thanks Ms. Blackmore for her presentation.

COUNCIL

COMMITTEE

► FOOTPATH/TRAIL
DEVON ST. & 16TH
AVE. N.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 1:

THAT Ltr #112 from the Trails for Creston Valley Society, proposing a partnership with the Town of Creston to construct a footpath (trail) linking the end of Devon Street with 16th Avenue North, be referred to staff for a report regarding the proposal and detail costs, communication plan, staff involvement, etc., for Council's consideration.

► KOOT. COLUMBIA
DISCOVERY
CENTRE

RECOMMENDATION NO. 2:

THAT Ltr #132 from the Kootenay Columbia Discovery Centre Society, requesting a letter of support, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT the Mayor is authorized to write the Kootenay Columbia Discovery Centre Society, advising of Council's support of the proposed concept to construct a Discovery Centre facility in the Creston Valley.

► RDCK SERVICE
107 (SUSTAINA-
BILITY SERVICE)

RECOMMENDATION NO. 3:

That the verbal report by the Town Manager, regarding Regional District of Central Kootenay Sustainability Service No. 107, and advising that the Town had given notice to withdraw from that Service as of December 31, 2015, be received.

► CV THUNDER
CATS RE 2017
CYCLONE TAYLOR
CUP

RECOMMENDATION NO. 4:

THAT the Mayor is authorized to write the Creston Valley Thunder Cats Hockey Team, in support of the Team's application to host the 2017 Cyclone Taylor Cub Junior B Provincial Hockey Championships, in Creston.

► CV ROTARY CLUB
RE CRESTON-
KOOTENAY FOUND.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 5:

THAT Ltr #187 from the Director of Finance and Corporate Services, regarding a request to submit an application to the Creston-Kootenay Foundation for funding assistance, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT staff is authorized to submit an application to the Creston-Kootenay Foundation, on behalf of the Creston Valley Rotary Club, for funding to assist with the costs to construct a 1,600 square foot concrete pad to house a 900 square foot pavilion, and the construction of a 664 square foot washroom / changing room building in Centennial Park.

► DRAFT FIVE-
YEAR FINANCIAL
PLAN

RECOMMENDATION NO. 6:

THAT the presentation by the Director of Finance and Corporate Services, regarding the draft Five-Year Financial Plan (2016 – 2020) and recommended 2016 budget for the Town of Creston, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT staff is authorized to draft a Five-Year Financial Plan (2016 – 2020) Bylaw for Council to consider three readings at the April 12, 2016 Regular meeting.

ADJOURN

The Regular Committee of the Whole Meeting held March 15, 2016, adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

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

Mayor Ron Toyota

Bev Caldwell, Executive Assistant