

**TOWN OF CRESTON**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – November 22, 2016**

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, November 22, 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  
Steffan Klassen, Acting Town Manager/Dir. of Finance & Corp. Services  
Ross Beddoes, Director of Municipal Services/Chief Building Official  
Ferd Schmidt, Works Superintendent  
Helene Miles, Community, Policy & Research Coordinator  
Bev Caldwell, Executive Assistant

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

**GALLERY:** Gail Brown, Friends of Children  
Sheila Hall, Friends of Children  
Allan Clement, Resident

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

699-16  
**AGENDA** Moved by Councillor Comer, seconded by Councillor Boehmer  
THAT the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of November 22, 2016, be  
adopted. CARRIED

700-16  
**MINUTES** Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Unruh  
▶REGULAR NOV. THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held November 8, 2016,  
8/16 be adopted as read on this day and that such minutes as read set 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

**DELEGATION** Mayor Toyota welcomed Ms. Gail Brown and Ms. Sheila Hall of Friends of  
▶FRIENDS OF CHILDREN Children, to the meeting at 4:03 p.m.

Ms. Brown outlined the benefits of the Friends of Children program to East Kootenay residents, in supporting families with children with medical conditions that require travel outside the region for care. Ms. Brown stated that 100% of donated funds go to assisting families. Friends of Children assists families with the non-medical costs arising as a direct result of their child's medical condition, including fuel expenses, accommodation, parking fees and meals. Communities served in 2016 to date are: Cranbrook, Creston, Edgewater, Erickson, Fairmont, Fernie, Golden, Invermere, Kimberley, Sparwood and Wasa. So far in 2016, 188 family requests have been received, with 32 of those requests coming from within the Town of Creston.

Ms. Brown expressed appreciation on behalf of the Friends of Children organization, for the financial support that has been received from the Town of Creston.

Mayor Toyota thanked Ms. Brown for her presentation, Ms. Brown and Ms. Hall left the meeting at 4:25 p.m.

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE** Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Unruh  
701-16 THAT Ltr #727 from the Friends of Children, regarding a delegation to  
▶FRIENDS OF Council on the benefits of the program to residents within the Town of  
CHILDREN Creston, be received. CARRIED

702-16 Moved by Councillor Comer, seconded by Councillor Unruh  
▶VANDALISM IN THAT Ltr #730 from the Creston Valley Rotary Club, advising that the  
CENTENNIAL PARK - ROTARY CLUB will be posting a \$2,000 reward for the arrest and conviction of  
REWARD the person or persons responsible for vandalism of the Centennial Park  
washrooms in October 2016, be received. CARRIED

- 703-16  
► RQST GRANT RE  
2016 CHRISTMAS  
HAMPER PROGRAM
- Moved by Councillor Elford, seconded by Councillor Unruh  
THAT Ltr #738 from the Creston Ministerial Association, requesting a financial contribution with respect to the 2016 Christmas Hamper Program, be received; THAT Council approves a donation of \$700 from the Council Discretionary Grant budget, to the Creston Ministerial Association, in support of its 2016 Christmas Hamper Program; AND FURTHER, THAT the Creston Ministerial Association be encouraged to submit a request to the Regional District of Central Kootenay Directors for Areas A, B and C for additional financial support of the 2016 Christmas Hamper Program.  
CARRIED
- 704-16  
► SCHIKURSKI PUMP  
STN. UPGRADE  
PROJECT
- Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Unruh  
THAT the verbal report by the Director of Municipal Services, regarding an application for funding for the Schikurski Pump Station Upgrade Project, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT Resolution No. 687-16 from the November 8, 2016 Regular Council Meeting, be and is hereby rescinded, as staff will not be submitting an application to the Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development for funding assistance under the Clean Water and Wastewater Fund, for the Schikurski Pump Station Upgrade project, at this time.  
CARRIED
- 705-16  
► ASSET MGMT.  
PLANNING GRANT  
APPLICATION
- Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Wilson  
THAT Ltr #739 from the Manager of Engineering, regarding a funding application for an Asset Management Initiative, be received; THAT staff is authorized to submit an application to the Union of BC Municipalities, for funding under the Asset Management Planning Program for an Asset Management Data Set Completion and Verification project; AND FURTHER, THAT Council supports this initiative and commits staff to providing overall grant management with respect to this project. CARRIED
- BYLAWS**
- 706-16  
► BYLAW 1846  
(ADOPTION)
- Moved by Councillor Comer, seconded by Councillor Boehmer  
THAT West Kootenay Inter-Community Business Licence Bylaw No. 1846, 2016, be adopted. CARRIED
- NEW BUSINESS**
- 707-16  
► RQST STREET  
LIGHT – 7<sup>TH</sup> AVE. N.
- Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Wilson  
THAT Ltr #749 from Ms. Karen Montgomery, requesting a street light near 222 – 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue N., Creston, and the cutting of grass on the Canadian Pacific Railway right-of-way abutting 222 – 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue N.; be referred to staff for response to Ms. Montgomery. CARRIED
- 708-16  
► VANDALISM OF  
ART WORK
- Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Unruh  
THAT the verbal report by Mayor Toyota, regarding the recent vandalism of artwork (sculpture) that is privately owned, not the property of or sponsored by the Town of Creston, as may be assumed by some individuals, be received. CARRIED
- REPORTS OF REPS.**
- CLR BOEHMER
- Councillor Boehmer had nothing to report at this time.
- CLR COMER
- Councillor Comer reported on her attendance at the Remembrance Day Service and the BC AgriFood Conference.
- CLR ELFORD
- Councillor Elford reported on his attendance at the Remembrance Day Service and an Official Community Plan Advisory Committee meeting.
- CLR UNRUH
- Councillor Unruh reported on her attendance at the Remembrance Day Service, a Creston-Kootenay Foundation meeting and an Official Community Plan Advisory Committee meeting.
- CLR WILSON
- Councillor Wilson reported on her attendance at the Remembrance Day Service and the Arts Council Craft Fair.
- MAYOR TOYOTA
- Mayor Toyota reported on his attendance at the Remembrance Day Service, Regional District of Central Kootenay meetings, a Fire Hall Schematic Design meeting, a Creston Valley Wildlife Management Area interpretive Centre meeting, the Fire Chief for a Day, and the Governor General's Medal presentation to Shelagh Schmidt.

- 709-16  
► **RECEIVE REPORTS** Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Comer THAT the verbal Reports of Council, be received. **CARRIED**
- GIVING OF NOTICES** COTW – December 6, 2016  
COUNCIL – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of each month (Dec. 6 (Special), 13, 2016)  
December 3 – Santa Parade
- QUESTION PERIOD** There were no questions from the media or members of the Gallery.
- 710-16  
**MOVE TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE** Moved by Councillor Unruh, seconded by Councillor Elford THAT Council recess the Regular Council Meeting and convene to Committee of the Whole. **CARRIED**
- RECONVENE** The Regular Council Meeting reconvened at 5:55 p.m.
- 711-16  
**MOVE TO CLOSED MEETING** Moved by Councillor Elford, seconded by Councillor Comer 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 6:00 p.m.
- 712-16  
**ADJOURNMENT** Moved by Councillor Elford THAT the Regular Council Meeting of November 22, 2016, be adjourned at 6:01 p.m. **CARRIED**
- CERTIFIED CORRECT:**

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Ron Toyota  
Mayor

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Bev Caldwell  
Executive Assistant