

# **TOWN OF CRESTON**

## **REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – September 5, 2017**

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, September 5, 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, Casemore, Comer, Elford, Unruh, Wilson  
Ross Beddoes, Acting Town Manager/Dir. of Mun. Serv./Chief Bldg Official  
Steffan Klassen, Director of Finance & Corporate Services  
Colin Farynowski, Manager of Engineering  
Mike Moore, Fire Chief  
Bev Caldwell, Executive Assistant  
Marsha Neufeld, Executive Assistant

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

**GALLERY:** Trish Drinkle, WildSafeBC – Selkirk/Purcell Transborder  
Sam Parsons, Creston  
Bruno Schultz, Creston  
Allan Clement, Creston

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

263-17  
**AGENDA** Moved by Councillor Comer, seconded by Councillor Unruh  
THAT the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of September 5, 2017, be  
adopted. CARRIED

264-17  
**MINUTES** Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Casemore  
▶ **REGULAR AUG.** THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held August 8, 2017, be  
8/17 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

265-17  
▶ **COMMITTEE AUG.** Moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Unruh  
15/17 THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held August 15,  
2017, be received. CARRIED

**DELEGATION** Mayor Toyota welcomed Ms. Trish Drinkle of WildSafeBC – Selkirk/Purcell  
▶ **WILDSAFEBBC –** Transborder to the meeting at 4:05 p.m.  
**SELKIRK/PURCELL**

**TRANSBORDER** Ms. Drinkle provided a power point presentation which highlighted the  
following:

- WildSafeBC (formerly Bear Aware) is a program designed to reduce human-wildlife conflict through education, innovation and cooperation. It is delivered throughout the province and exists in communities where there are established partnerships between local funding bodies and the primary funder (Provincial Government).
- Habituation – when wild animals lose their fear of humans and tolerate them at a closer distance.
- Human food conditioning – when wild animals become reliant on human sourced foods.
- Rat Facts – rodents have poor eyesight, but an amazing sense of smell. They can smell the trails where other rats have walked, from the smell of rat grease and pheromones. Rats can sense where heat is escaping from a house and heated outbuildings and will seek the heat and shelter during the cold winter months. With sufficient food source, a breeding pair of rats could contribute to upwards of 950 rats.
- Solutions to the wildlife problems could be trapping, relocation and translocation or destroying the animal, but those are short-term solutions as the destroyed or relocated animal will be replaced with another animal. The real solutions are education, outreach (door to door canvassing), resources (brochures/signage/information videos, etc.), continuity and neutrality (WildSafeBC coordinators messaging on keeping wildlife wild and the community safe so are seen as neutral), support work and bylaw regulations.

Ms. Drinkle advised that with financial support, WildSafeBC can address rat, raccoon and skunk populations in Creston; address conflict situations in winter months such as cougar, moose, deer, wolves and coyotes; provide outreach to Creston Valley schools and organizations throughout the winter; maintain momentum and messaging to further mitigate spring and early winter conflict with bears; and work to prevent the ever growing urban deer population in Creston through outreach and education.

Mayor Toyota asked if the Regional District of Central Kootenay contributed to funding of the WildSafeBC program. Ms. Drinkle advised that the Regional District was a key funder of the program.

Mayor Toyota thanked Ms. Drinkle for her presentation.

**COUNCIL  
COMMITTEE**

266-17  
▶ AUG. 15/17 MTG  
RECOMMENDATIONS  
▶ CV THUNDER  
CATS RE  
SPONSORSHIP

Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Casemore  
THAT Council Committee Recommendation No. 1 from the August 15, 2017 Regular Committee of the Whole Meeting, be adopted as follows:

**RECOMMENDATION NO. 1:**

THAT Ltr #458 from the Creston Valley Thunder Cats, requesting a donation or sponsorship of its annual golf tournament, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT Council approves a discretionary grant to the Creston Valley Thunder Cats, in the amount of \$250.00, to sponsor one hole in the Thunder Cats annual fundraising golf tournament. CARRIED

267-17  
▶ WILDSAFEBBC

Moved by Councillor Comer, seconded by Councillor Wilson  
THAT Ltr #476 from WildSafeBC – Selkirk/Purcell Transborder, regarding human / wildlife conflict, be received. CARRIED

268-17  
▶ COPS FOR KIDS

Moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Boehmer  
THAT Ltr #485 from Cops for Kids, requesting a donation towards the annual Cops for Kids Ride, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT Council approves a discretionary grant to Cops for Kids, in the amount of \$500.00, as a donation towards the annual Cops for Kids Ride. CARRIED

269-17  
▶ DUCKS UNLIMITED  
RE FUNDRAISING  
DINNER / AUCTION

Moved by Councillor Elford, seconded by Councillor Boehmer  
THAT Ltr #461 from Ducks Unlimited Canada, regarding its annual Fundraising dinner and auction, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT Council approves a donation of one duffle bag, one Town jacket and one Town t-shirt, to Ducks Unlimited Canada (Creston Chapter), towards the organization's annual Fundraising Dinner and Auction event. CARRIED

270-17  
▶ DVP RE 225 – 25<sup>TH</sup>  
AVE. S.

Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Casemore  
THAT Ltr #482 from Daniel and Jennifer Schiffke, and Ltr #496 from the Director of Municipal Services, regarding a Development Variance Permit Application for the property located at 225 – 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, be received; THAT Council consider the application for Development Variance Permit DVP #04/17 to Daniel and Jennifer Schiffke (the owners) for the property legally described as Lot 2, District Lot 891, Kootenay District, Plan 2755; being located at 225 – 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, to vary Zoning Bylaw No. 1123, Zone R-1, Single Family Residential, Section 2.8,i, Principle Buildings Minimum Setbacks, "*Rear lot line setback of 6.1 metres*" to "*Rear lot line setback of 0.914 metres*", to allow for the conversion of an existing Accessory Building (Garage) into an expansion of the Principle Building (House); AND FURTHER, THAT staff is directed to proceed with the required public notice for the Development Variance Permit Application to vary the rear lot line setback only, from 6.1 metres to 0.914 metres. CARRIED

271-17  
▶ SCHICKURSKI  
PUMP STATION  
UPGRADE – ENG.  
SERVICES  
CONTRACT

Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Comer  
THAT Ltr #497 from the Manager of Engineering, regarding awarding of the Professional Engineering Services Contract for the design, construction and commissioning of the Schickurski Pump Station Upgrade, be received; THAT Council award the Professional Engineering Services Contract for the design, construction and commissioning of the Schickurski Pump Station Upgrade to WSA Engineering (2012) Ltd., in the amount of \$169,953.43 (including GST) as the highest rated proposal meeting the Town's terms of reference for this project; AND FURTHER, THAT funding be allocated from the 2017 – 2018 Capital Budget for the Schickurski Pump Station Upgrade. CARRIED

- 272-17  
▶ 1128 NORTHWEST BLVD. REZONING APPLICATION
- Moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Comer  
THAT Ltr #498 from the Director of Municipal Services, regarding a rezoning application for 1128 Northwest Boulevard, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT Council deny the application to rezone a portion of the property legally described as Lot 1, District Lot 892, Kootenay District Plan 6178 (PID 014-151-952), from “Single Family Residential (R-1) Zone” to “Highway Service Commercial (HSC) Zone”. CARRIED
- 273-17  
▶ DVP RE 416 DEVON STREET
- Moved by Councillor Comer, seconded by Councillor Wilson  
THAT Ltr #423 from Wade and Tamara Romano, and Ltr #499 from the Director of Municipal Services, regarding a Development Variance Permit Application for the property located at 416 Devon Street, be received; THAT Council consider the application for a Development Variance Permit DVP #03/17 to Wade Leroy Romano and Tamara Kathleen Mary Romano (the owners) for the property legally described as Parcel 1 (See 116203-I), Block B, District Lot 892, Kootenay District, Plan 2307, except part included in Plan NEP22112; and located at 416 Devon Street, to vary Zoning Bylaw No. 1123, Zone Highway Service Commercial (HSC), Section 2.3, Minimum Setbacks, “Rear lot line setback of 4.5 metres” to “Rear lot line setback of 3.5 metres”, to allow for the construction of a 3 metre sun deck on the north side (rear) of the existing structure; AND FURTHER, THAT staff is directed to proceed with the required public notice for the Development Variance Permit Application to vary the rear lot line setback only from 4.5 metres to 3.5 metres. CARRIED
- 274-17  
▶ STRATEGIC PRIORITIES CHART
- Moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Unruh  
THAT the Strategic Priorities Chart, as presented, be received. CARRIED
- 275-17  
▶ FOLLOW UP ACTION LIST
- Moved by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Casemore  
THAT the Regular Council Meeting Follow-Up Action List, as of August 8, 2017, be received. CARRIED
- NEW BUSINESS**
- 276-17  
▶ CBT SYMPOSIUM
- Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Comer  
THAT the Mayor is authorized to attend the Columbia Basin Trust Symposium being held in Kimberley, BC on October 13, 14 and 15, 2017, with expenses paid as per Policy. CARRIED
- REPORTS OF REPS.**
- ▶ CLR BOEHMER
- Councillor Boehmer reported on his attendance at a Council Retreat.
- ▶ CLR CASEMORE
- Councillor Casemore reported on his attendance at a Council Retreat.
- ▶ CLR COMER
- Councillor Comer reported on her attendance at Fields Forward meetings, and at a Council Retreat.
- ▶ CLR ELFORD
- Councillor Elford reported on his attendance at a Creston Education Centre meeting, at two Creston Valley Forest Corporation (Community Forest) meetings, and a Council Retreat.
- ▶ CLR UNRUH
- Councillor Unruh reported on her attendance at a Creston Valley Chamber of Commerce meeting, and at a Council Retreat.
- ▶ CLR WILSON
- Councillor Wilson reported on her attendance at a Creston Valley Chamber of Commerce meeting, and at a Council Retreat.
- ▶ MAYOR TOYOTA
- Mayor Toyota reported on his attendance at Regional District of Central Kootenay meetings, a Creston Valley Regional Airport Society meeting, a Creston Valley Chamber of Commerce executive meeting, a Community Investment Consultant meeting, and at a Council Retreat.
- ▶ STAFF REPORTS
- Members of staff provided verbal reports on key issues and projects currently being addressed by the various Departments.
- 277-17  
▶ RECEIVE REPORTS
- Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Comer  
THAT the verbal Reports of Council and staff members, be received. CARRIED

**GIVING OF NOTICES** COTW – Sept. 12, Oct. 17, Nov. 21, Dec. 5, 2017  
 COUNCIL – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of each month; Sept. 19, Oct. 10, 24, Nov. 14, 28, Dec. 12, 2017  
 UBCM – Sept. 25 – 29, 2017  
 CBT SYMPOSIUM – Oct. 13 – 15, 2017

**QUESTION PERIOD** There were no questions from the Media or members of the gallery.

278-17  
**MOVE TO CLOSED MEETING** Moved by Councillor Boehmer, 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), (e) and (k). **CARRIED**

**RECONVENE** The Regular Council Meeting reconvened at 5:21 p.m.

**RESOLUTIONS FROM CLOSED MEETING** Moved by Councillor Boehmer, seconded by Councillor Unruh THAT Recommendation No. 4 of Resolution No. 106-17 from the September 5, 2017 Closed Meeting, be reported at the September 5, 2017 Regular Meeting, as follows:  
 279-17  
**► TERMS OF REF. RE CEMETERY SELECT COMMITTEE** THAT Council Committee Recommendation No. 4, from the August 15, 2017 Closed Committee of the Whole Meeting, be adopted as follows:  
**RECOMMENDATION NO. 4:**  
 THAT staff provide Council members with a copy of the current Terms of Reference for the Cemetery Select Committee, for review and discussion. **CARRIED**

280-17  
**ADJOURNMENT** Moved by Councillor Elford THAT the Regular Council Meeting of September 5, 2017, be adjourned at 5:24 p.m. **CARRIED**

**CERTIFIED CORRECT:**

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Ron Toyota  
 Mayor

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Bev Caldwell  
 Executive Assistant