



**TOWN OF CRESTON
REGULAR COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING AGENDA**

Tuesday, September 12, 2023

4:00 P.M.

Council Chambers, 238-10th Avenue North, Creston, BC

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **TRADITIONAL TERRITORY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**
3. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA (and additional items if necessary)**

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the agenda for the Regular Committee of the Whole meeting of September 12, 2023, be adopted.

4. **DELEGATIONS**

- a. Staff Sgt. Brandon Buliziuk, Creston RCMP, regarding Quarterly Update
- b. Cops for Kids Ride Participants

5. **BUSINESS**

- a. Staff Sgt. Brandon Buliziuk, Creston RCMP, Regarding Quarterly Update

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Committee of the Whole RECEIVES the delegation from Staff Sgt. Brandon Buliziuk regarding the Creston RCMP Quarterly Report.

- b. Council Direction Request from the Manager of Community Planning and Development regarding Electric Vehicle Charging Fees

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Committee of the Whole RECOMMENDS: THAT Council DIRECT Staff to draft an amendment to the fees and charges bylaw and any associated policies/bylaws to incorporate fees for the use of Town owned Electric Vehicle Chargers.

- c. Council Direction Request from the Chief Administrative Officer regarding the replacement of the roof at 1130 Canyon Street

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends to Council the following motion, "*THAT Council DIRECT Staff to replace the roof at 1130 Canyon Street (Downtown Public Washroom Building) and include the amount in the upcoming 2023 budget amendment*".

6. QUESTION PERIOD

7. RECESS AND MOVE TO CLOSED MEETING

Pursuant to Sub-Section 90(1)(c) labour relations of the *Community Charter*.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Regular Committee of the Whole Meeting of September 12, 2023 BE RECESSED at TIME and by the authority of the *Community Charter*, Council move to a Closed Committee of the Whole Meeting with this meeting being closed from the public and/or news media pursuant Sub-Section 90(1)(e) the acquisition, disposition, or expropriation of land or improvements.

8. RECONVENE TO REGULAR COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

9. REPORT FROM CLOSED COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

10. ADJOURNMENT

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Regular Committee of the Whole, BE ADJOURNED at time.



Creston Detachment



Presented by: S/Sgt. Brandon Buliziuk, Detachment Commander



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AGENDA

- Calls for Service
 - Total founded events. Rural v. Municipal.
 - Events per Population.
- Staffing / Resources
- Files of significant impact
- Crime reduction efforts and comparative statistics.
- Initiatives Update
 - RevOII
 - SITE
 - Decriminalization



CALLS FOR SERVICE MUNICIPAL v. RURAL



Total General Occurrence Count Southeast District RCMP, 2019-2022

Jurisdiction	20202	20212	20222	2023 YTD	Trend	% Change 2019/2020	% Change 2020/2021	% Change 2021/2022
Creston RCMP (Municipal)	1820	1747	1982	1420		-4.01%	13.45%	-28.36%
Creston RCMP (Rural)	1794	1862	1810	1024		3.79%	-2.79%	-43.43%

**Note the trend of reduction of calls for service in the Provincial area. This stat will typically increase once highway conditions worsen, but we are far lower than average with the Municipality on pace for lower than average year as well.



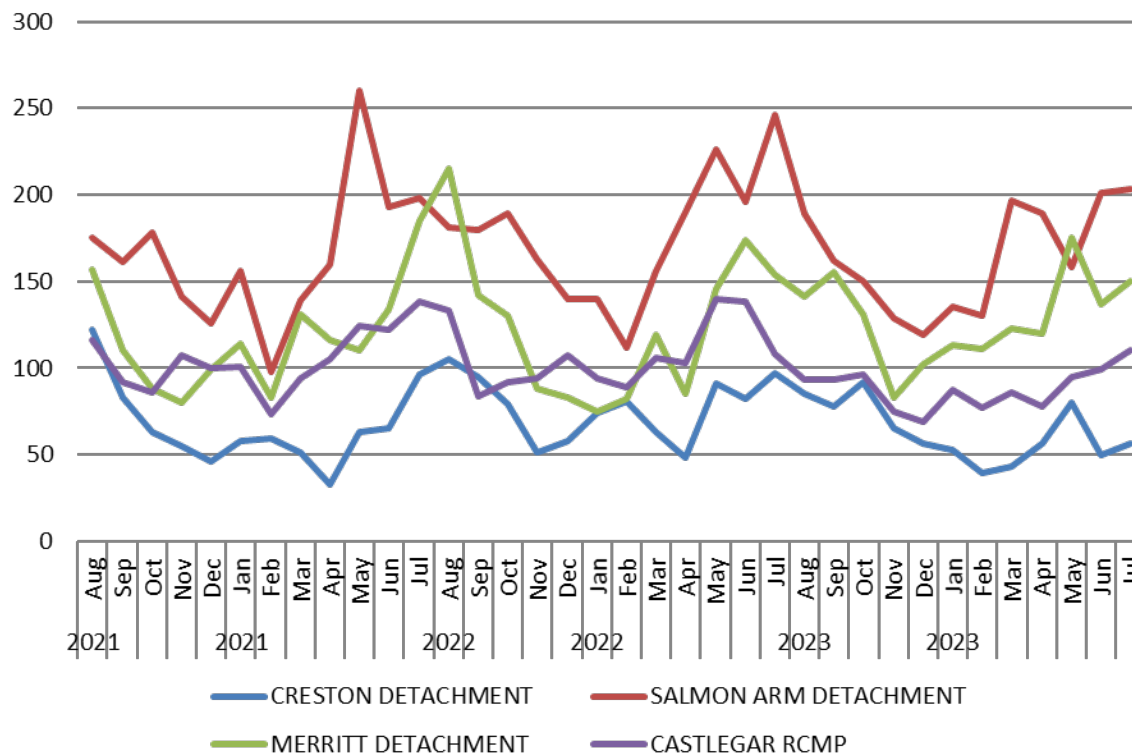
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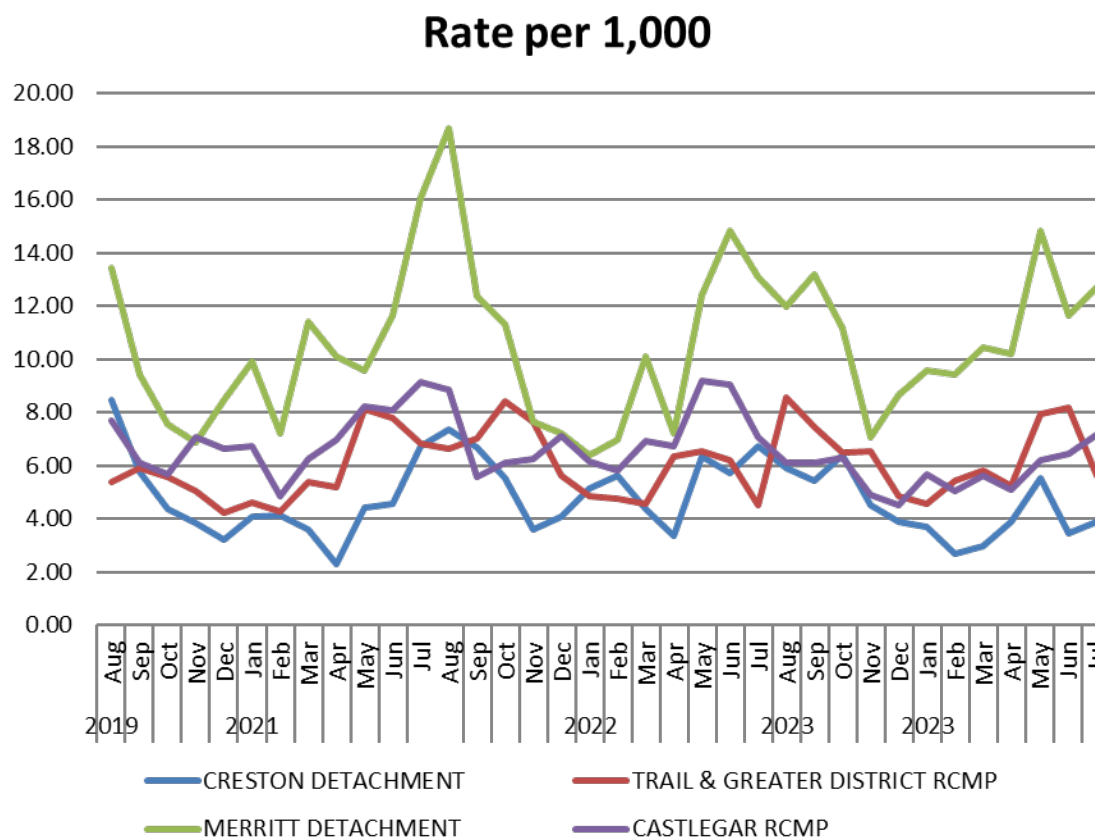
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TOTAL FOUNDED EVENTS

Founded Events



EVENTS PER POP.



STAFFING / RESOURCES

Creston Detachment Full Time Equivalent:

- 1 x Staff Sergeant, Detachment Commander
- 2 x General Duty Corporal, Patrol Supervisors
- 8 x General Duty Constables
- 1 x General Investigation Section Corporal, NCO i/c
- 1 x General Investigation Section Constable
- 3 x Civilian Support Staff (Public Service Employees)
- 1 x Victim Services Coordinator

Current Hard Vacancies:

- 1 x General Duty Corporal
- 3 x General Duty Constables

Inbound:

- 1 x General Duty Corporal (Pending sale of home)
- 1 x General Duty Constable (EPO – Calgary PS)



FILES OF SIGNIFICANT IMPACT TO COMMUNITY

Canyon St – Multiple proactive efforts associated to a known problem residence. Following months of diligent work by officers, search warrants executed and primary occupant arrested on numerous related offences. Occupant a significant problem in community and was part of ReVOII program. Occupant detained pending future trials and remains long term custodial. All tenants removed from residence.

Birch St – Problem residence of note was heavily pressured by Law Enforcement. Multiple offences noted and addressed ranging from drugs and violence, to stolen property. Pressure effective and all parties relocated out of town, some to Rural Creston area and others to another Province. Residence for sale.

Ash St – Problem residence of note has seen sustained pressure from Law Enforcement in partnership with Bylaws. Search Warrant recently executed wherein court designated “dangerous animals” seized. High profile and dangerous prolific offender located inside and wanted on numerous arrest warrants. Subject detained by the courts and bail revoked. Subject is now long term custodial.

Elm St – Homicide investigation. Ongoing with carriage of investigation by SEDMCU.

Bountiful / Plural Culture – Continues to be a draw on resources. Ongoing.

****Multiple prolific offenders have departed community.**



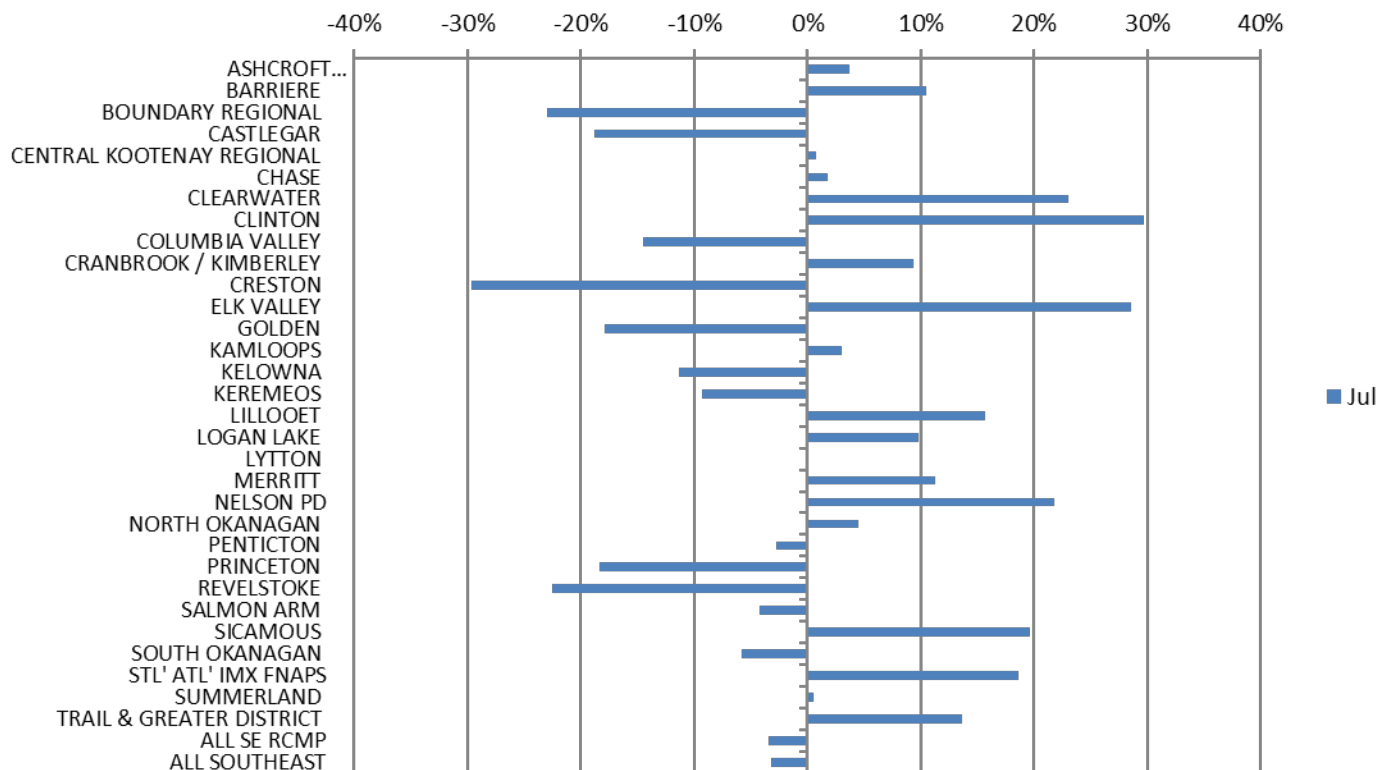
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CRIME REDUCTION EFFORTS / STATS

YTD % Change 2022/2023



****Creston Detachment are seeing unprecedented levels of success with our local prolific offender management program. Sustained month end reductions of 30-35% below 5 year average for Criminal Offences.**



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INITIATIVES (Update)

- **Special Investigations & Targeted Enforcement (SITE)**
 - Provincial Initiative: Safer Communities Action Plan
 - One-year pilot driven by the PSB to supplement police investigative resources and targeted enforcement capacity to timely and effectively manage violent repeat offender cases.
- **Repeat Violent Offending Intervention Initiative (ReVOII)**
 - Provincial Initiative: Safer Communities Action Plan
 - Three years; driven by PSB, BC Corrections and BCPS to create a multi-agency response comprised of Police-Prosecution –Probation teams to intervene and address repeat violent offending in BC as a first phase. Success x 4 clients thus far.
- **Decriminalization – Possession of Small Quantity of Drugs**
 - Not seeing any impact locally.



- Questions / concerns?

Thank you for your time and continued support.

Staff Sergeant Brandon Buliziuk

Detachment Commander

Royal Canadian Mounted Police

Creston Detachment

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COUNCIL DIRECTION REQUEST (CDR)

Town of Creston



ACTION DATE: 2023-09-12

SUBJECT: EV Charger fees

SUGGESTED FOLLOW-UP ACTION: THAT the Committee of the Whole **RECOMMENDS:** THAT Council **DIRECT** Staff to draft an amendment to the fees and charges bylaw and any associated policies/bylaws to incorporate fees for the use of Town owned Electric Vehicle Chargers.

CAO COMMENTS: I concur with the recommendation.

BACKGROUND

Staff Briefing Note:

Attached ☐

Available ☐

Nil ☒

1. DEFINE THE TOPIC

KEY INFORMATION: The Town of Creston currently owns two Level 2 Electric Vehicle (EV) chargers with two more planned for 2023. There are eight other Level 2 chargers located in Town. At the June 20th, 2023 Regular Committee of the Whole meeting Council recommended that staff develop a fee strategy to begin charging for the use of Town-owned EV charger in order to recover electricity and administrative costs and encourage people to stay in a parking stall only as long as needed.

RELEVANT OBSERVATIONS: Making this change may increase usage of other free EV chargers in Town, or incentivize other organizations to begin charging a fee for use.

STRATEGIC FOCUS: Economic Health; Service Excellence

ESSENTIAL QUESTION: Does Council want to charge for the use of Town-owned electric vehicle chargers?

2. DETERMINE DESIRED OUTCOMES if the essential question is addressed.

KEY RESULT: Begin charging a fee for the use of EV chargers.

DESIRED BENEFITS OF KEY RESULT: The fees collected will cover the electric and administrative costs of Town-owned EV chargers.

REQUISITES: The Level 2 Tesla charger in the Cook Street parking lot will need to be upgraded or replaced as it is currently unable to charge a fee for use.

UNINTENDED OUTCOMES: Town-owned EV chargers could be used less than other, free EV chargers.

3. EXPLORE RESPONSE OPTIONS to achieve the key result (Pros & Cons)

1.	Council decides to charge a fee of \$1.75 per hour for the use of Town-owned EV chargers;
2.	Council decides to charge a fee of \$2.45 per hour for the use of Town-owned EV chargers, OR;
3.	Council declines to charge a fee for the use of Town-owned EV chargers (status quo).

Submitted by:

Joel Comer, MCPD

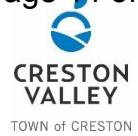
Reviewed by:

CAO

Michael Moore, CAO

STAFF BRIEFING NOTE

Town of Creston



DATE: 2023-09-12

TO: Michael Moore, Chief Administrative Officer

CC: Asha DeLisle, Affordable Housing & Climate Change Coordinator

FROM: Joel Comer, Manager of Community Planning & Development

DEPARTMENT: Community Planning & Development

SUBJECT: EV Charger Fees

APPENDIX: ☐ ATTACHED ☐ OTHER DOCUMENT ☒ NOT APPLICABLE

PURPOSE / ISSUE:

The Town of Creston currently owns two Level 2 Electric Vehicle (EV) chargers with two more planned for 2023. The Community Energy Association recommends that municipalities start charging for the use of EV chargers. Adding more Town-owned chargers to our inventory will increase electricity and administrative costs. This report outlines a fee strategy for how the Town can begin charging a fee for the use of EV chargers to recover electricity and administrative costs and encourage people to stay in parking stalls only as long as needed.

BACKGROUND:

Fees

- Level 2 chargers are available in models that deliver between 15-80Amps and range between 200-240V.
- Operating the two Level 2 chargers at the Cook St. parking lot incurs an approximate monthly electricity cost of \$100 for public charging (approximately \$1.25 per hour), payable by the Town.

	FLO	Siemens	United Chargers	Tesla
Transaction Fees	15% per transaction	7% per transaction	2.9% per transaction	One penny per kWh (11-17 cents an hour) (currently an illegal way to charge in Canada, but may change in the future)
Annual Service Fees	\$200	\$250-300	Free for the first 3 years followed by \$150 - \$200	No annual service fees
Installation option	Wall mount and pedestal	Wall mount and pedestal	Wall mount only	Wall mount and pedestal (minimum of 2 required)

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Benefits of imposing a fee	Challenges of imposing a fee
Recover electricity, administrative and service costs to the Town	Potentially decrease usage of the EV chargers
Prevent individuals from staying in an EV charger designated parking stall longer than needed	May deter potential buyers of EV vehicles or cause drivers to bypass paid chargers in search of free chargers
Additional EV chargers may attract tourism.	EV chargers in other locations are free for use, potentially impacting tourism in this area.
A higher fee may result in increased revenue and could allow for future EV Charger infrastructure installation	Too high of a fee for EV charging could completely deter use of Town-owned EV chargers

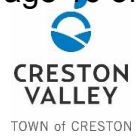
Municipality	Charge for use? Y/N	Rate
Nelson	N (considering)	N/A
Trail	N	N/A
Kimberley	N (considering)	N/A
Fernie	Y	\$1.30 per hour for the first 4 hours \$5.00 per hour after 4 hours
Castlegar (City doesn't own/operate any)	Non-city owned: one free, the rest impose a fee	\$0 for the first 2 hours, \$5 per hour for parking after 2 hours Level 3 chargers 0.24¢ per minute

Fee Options

Fee Type	Description	Advantage	Disadvantage
Per Hour (using sensor on charger)	Rate per hour during the entire session, billed by the second	The electric vehicle (EV) owner pays a fair amount for the electricity they are using and will continue to pay for being in the parking stall	Not a large disincentive for leaving the parking stall once charging is complete
Per 'Charging' Hour	Rate per hour while energy is being transferred from the station to the EV, billed by the second	The EV owner only pays for the electricity they are using	No disincentive to leave the parking stall after charging is complete
Graduated (recommended)	Rate per hour during the entire session. At a pre-determined session length, the rate is raised (or reduced), billed by the second	By adding a higher hourly rate after a certain amount of charging hours, the EV owner has incentive to leave the parking stall	If the owner is unable to leave the location for any reason, they may end up with a high bill
Per session	One unique fee for the entire session	Everyone is charged the same amount	No disincentive for leaving the parking

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			stall once charging is complete. Some users will use more electricity than others.
Per Hour (parking meter)	Charge by the minute for parking	Incentive to leave the parking stall after charging is complete	Difficult to insert this regulation without adding Town-wide paid parking stalls

CURRENT SITUATION:

None of the level 2 chargers in the Town of Creston currently charge a fee for use.

KEY CONSIDERATIONS:

The Community Energy Association is recommending that the Town start imposing a fee for utilizing EV chargers.

- To recover **base costs** (including electricity, transaction fees, service fees, and administrative fees), a fee for use of \$1.75 per hour is recommended for the first 4 hours, with \$5 per hour for every hour thereafter.
- By charging more, the Town could save money for the expansion of EV infrastructure or other uses. I.e., if Council wants to save approximately \$8,000 over two years for added EV charger infrastructure, a fee of \$2.45 per hour for the first 4 hours, with \$5 per hour every hour thereafter could be charged (assuming usage of the two new chargers is similar to the existing chargers).
- The Tesla EV station in the Cook Street parking lot will need to be replaced with a charger that has the ability to charge for use. Replacement has been quoted at **\$9070** for an 80amp FLO charger.
- The existing station could be moved to Town Hall for employee and/or fleet vehicles (if Council wants to provide free electricity to Staff to charge personal vehicles).
 - Town hall is at electrical capacity, therefore the quote for moving the charger includes the cost of installing a new breaker box. The total cost for moving the charger to the Town Office is quoted at **\$5,046**. *This price does not include repair of damaged sprinkler lines while trenching through the grass.*

OPTIONS FOR FOLLOW-UP ACTION:

1. Council decides to charge a fee of \$1.75 per hour for the use of Town-owned EV chargers, to recover base costs;
2. Council decides to charge a fee of \$2.45 per hour (or other amount) for the use of Town-owned EV chargers;
3. Council declines to charge a fee for the use of Town-owned EV chargers (status quo).

Submitted by:

Joel Comer, MCPD

Reviewed by:

CAO

Michael Moore, CAO

COUNCIL DIRECTION REQUEST (CDR)

Town of Creston



ACTION DATE: September 12, 2023

SUBJECT: 1130 Canyon Street – Roof Replacement

SUGGESTED FOLLOW-UP ACTION: THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends to Council the following motion, "THAT Council DIRECT Staff to replace the roof at 1130 Canyon Street (Downtown Public Washroom Building) and include the amount in the upcoming 2023 budget amendment".

CAO COMMENTS: Report is submitted to Council.

BACKGROUND

Staff Briefing Note:

Attached ☐

Available ☐

Nil ☒

1. DEFINE THE TOPIC

KEY INFORMATION: The Town has requested proposals for 1130 Canyon Street on two occasions in the last two years that has not resulted in disposition of the building while maintaining the public washrooms. At the September 5, 2023 meeting, Council request that Staff provide an accurate costing to replace the roof at the building to prevent any further deterioration of the building. Attached quote includes installing a 3/8" plywood substrate to ensure a smooth surface for new roofing material.

RELEVANT OBSERVATIONS: Replacement of the roof allows the Town to maintain the building for future considerations on development or disposition.

STRATEGIC FOCUS: Livability, Economic Health and Community Safety and Security

ESSENTIAL QUESTION: Does Council want to prevent further deterioration of the building that has the downtown public washrooms located in and maintain the building for an indefinite period until disposal or development considerations can be made by Council?

2. DETERMINE DESIRED OUTCOMES if the essential question is addressed.

KEY RESULT: Preventing further deterioration of the building.

DESIRED BENEFITS OF KEY RESULT: Being able to maintain the building envelope for the downtown washrooms.

REQUISITES: N/A

UNINTENDED OUTCOMES: The building roof replacement costs being higher due to unforeseen deterioration of existing roof structural materials.

3. EXPLORE RESPONSE OPTIONS to achieve the key result (Pros & Cons)

1.	COTW recommends roof replacement and amending of 2023 budget.
2.	COTW recommends roof replacement in 2024 budget cycle.
3.	COTW provides alternative direction to Staff.

Submitted by:


Michael Moore, CAO

Reviewed by:

CAO


Michael Moore, CAO

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March 4, 2022

Project Name: Town of Creston Canyon Street Washrooms

Client: Town of Creston

Project: Flat Roof Replacement

Location: 1130 Canyon Street Creston, BC

Project type: Commercial Repair

Contact: Brad Ziefflie

Hi Brad,

The following is BF Roofing Ltd.'s quote for the ***Town of Creston Canyon Street Washrooms Roof Replacement*** located in Creston BC.

Scope of Work (Mop Section Original Classrooms and Tar & Gravel):

1. Remove existing SBS, Tar & Gravel roofing system
2. Remove all Roof Top Units, Satellite and Obsolete Chimney from Roof
3. Remove Metal counter flashing from parapet walls and install 3/8" Plywood Substrate
4. Supply & Install IKO Fast Stick base-sheet on field
5. Supply & Install IKO Armourbond 180 on all parapet walls and details
6. Supply & Install new roof drains
7. Supply & Install Menzies 5:1 roof jack on all protrusion through roof
8. Supply & Install 5" x 5" pitch pockets and new B-Vent around Gas and Electrical conduit for existing roof top units if required
9. Supply & Install (Torch applied) Torchflex 250 granulated cap-sheet on field and stripping details
10. Supply & Install new 26 gauge: cap, detail and perimeter flashings
11. Remove all waste to local landfill and recycling

Subtotal	\$64,800.00
GST	\$3,240.00
Total	\$64,806.00

Note:

- *This is a fixed price based on the scope(s) of work discussed and described above.*
- *Quote Valid for 30 Days*

Sincerely,

Jarrold Buchy
 Director of Operations- 587-888-4867