

TOWN OF CRESTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES - APRIL 25, 2005

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of Council held on Monday, April 25, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town of Creston Council Chambers, 238 - 10th Avenue, North.

PRESENT: Mayor Snopek
Councillors Folkman, Lavender, Mueller, Sadler, Thomas, Vondracek
Wm. F. Hutchinson, Chief Administrative Officer
Gwen Mason, Director of Corporate Administration

MEDIA Lorne Eckersley, Creston Valley Advance

GALLERY: Mr. Nick Andriash, Ambulance Paramedics of BC, Delegation
Mr. Dennis Kemle, Creston Rotary Club, Delegation

CALL TO ORDER The Mayor called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

253-05
AGENDA Moved by Councillor Sadler, seconded by Councillor Mueller
THAT the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of April 25, 2005, be adopted.
CARRIED

INVOCATION Reverend Leslie Lewis, Christ Church Anglican, delivered the Invocation.

254-05
MINUTES Moved by Councillor Vondracek, seconded by Councillor Lavender
REGULAR MTG THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting held April 11, 2005, be adopted.
APRIL 11TH CARRIED

255-05
COMMITTEE MTG Moved by Councillor Sadler, seconded by Councillor Thomas
APRIL 18TH THAT the minutes of the Regular Committee Meeting held April 18, 2005, be received.
CARRIED

DELEGATIONS: The Mayor welcomed Mr. Nick Andriash, of Ambulance Paramedics of BC, to
AMBULANCE the meeting at 7:00 p.m.
PARAMEDICS OF BC

Mr. Andriash thanked Council for the opportunity to attend and discuss, the Ministry of Health Service's plans for the deployment of Ambulance services in the Creston Valley. He reported that contrary to the Province wide Station Standby Shifts, the Regional Director has decided to deploy Creston's quick response Units in such a manner that they will be doing all out of Town long distance transfers, which removes the availability of the Foxtrot Cars for local emergency calls.

Mr. Andriash also reported that last week a resident in Canyon, called the Hospital to report that someone was having chest pains; didn't want to call 911 as Ambulance service takes too long; then proceeded to transport the person to the Hospital but on arrival, the person was pronounced dead. He noted that the new plans for Ambulance deployment, will not enhance this service. He also reviewed statistics from other BC municipalities, with lower and/or comparable call outs and noted that these areas have a 2nd car for out of Town and/or air-vac transfers.

There was general discussion regarding service, staffing, training, morale and the original goal of providing 90 second response time.

Mr. Andriash closed by requesting Council's support and assistance in notifying the Ministry of Health Services that Creston deserves the same kind of pre-hospital emergency care that is available in other rural communities in BC; and further, request that the Foxtrot Cars be deployed in Creston and assign the long distance transfers to Crews who can respond by pager, from their homes.

The Mayor thanked Mr. Andriash for his presentation and advised that Council will call a meeting with Mr. Bob Gallaher, Regional Director 3/4 and Mr. Dave Brooks, Superintendent, Ministry of Health Services; and the Regional District of Central Kootenay Area Directors, to discuss same.

☞ CRESTON ROTARY CLUB The Mayor welcomed Mr. Dennis Kemle, of the Creston Rotary Club, to the meeting at 7:26 p.m.

Mr Kemle thanked Council for the opportunity to attend and he distributed information on a Spray Park proposal for Centennial Park. He advised that the Creston Rotary Club has attended numerous meetings regarding location; costs, maintenance, etc.; and toured other Parks prior to accepting the Spray Park project for 2005/06. Recommendations from other municipalities include the use of ground spray only and the addition of signage at entrances to the community.

Mr. Kemle also reported that Centennial Park was chosen for the space provided as the Spray Park area requirements are 3,230 sq. feet; existing landscaping in place; and parking and picnic areas are available. Infrastructure is estimated at \$175,000; components at \$100,000; time line 24 weeks; design in September with opening on May 24, 2006.

There was general discussion regarding the location being moved to the Recreation Complex; funding; annual operational period and costs.

Mr. Kemle advised that they are applying to the Columbia Basin Trust for funding; and requesting that the Town partner with the Creston Rotary Club, by providing the following: property at Centennial Park; excavation of the site; preparation of the site, including gravel, sand, etc.; construction expertise from Town employees; architectural and mechanical drawings; financial assistance; maintenance and operational costs.

The Mayor thanked Mr. Kemle for his presentation and advised that Council will review the proposal further, at the next Regular Committee meeting. Mr. Kemle and members of the Gallery, left Council Chambers at 7:37 p.m.

256-05
CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

Moved by Councillor Folkman, seconded by Councillor Sadler THAT Ltr #555 from the Director of Corporate Administration, listing Correspondence for Information, be received and filed for information.
CARRIED

257-05
FINANCE WARRANTS
 ☞ 15 AND 16

Moved by Councillor Folkman, seconded by councillor Sadler THAT Finance Warrant No. 15 in the amount of \$85,374.35 and No. 16 in the amount of \$80,105.79, be received.
CARRIED

COUNCIL COMMITTEE
 258-05
 ☞ APRIL 18TH
RECOMMENDATIONS
 ☞ RQST DELEGATION (CRESTON SATURDAY MARKET)

Moved by Councillor Sadler, seconded by Councillor Mueller THAT Council Committee Recommendations 1 and 2, from the April 18, 2005 Regular Committee Meeting, be adopted as follows:
RECOMMENDATION NO. 1:
 THAT Ltr #498 from the Creston Saturday Market, requesting a delegation with Council on April 25th to confirm use of the Millennium Park band stand on Saturdays only from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon, from June 11th to September 3rd, 2005, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT Administration advise the Creston Saturday Market that Council declines their request for a delegation with Council on April 25th, and further advise that Park Regulations Bylaw 1600 is being reviewed.

☞ DRUG AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

RECOMMENDATION NO. 2:
 THAT Ltr #508 from the Drug Awareness Group of Creston, requesting participation in a drug awareness campaign via signage, letters to the Solicitor General and Minister of Health requesting funding for Crisis and Intervention and Drug and Alcohol Counselling; visible adult and senior presence in schools; and/or sponsorship of youth activities; be received and filed for information; AND FURTHER, THAT Administration advise the Drug Awareness Group of Creston that Council budgets funding for youth programs and participates in Community Policing and other activities involving youth and drug awareness campaigns.
CARRIED

259-05
 ☞ FEDERAL BUDGET

Moved by Councillor Lavender, seconded by Councillor Mueller THAT Ltr #532 from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, regarding a Members' Advisory to urge MPs to pass the Federal Budget, be received and filed for information.
CARRIED

GENERAL GOV'T

260-05

☞ APRIL 18TH
RECOMMENDATIONS
☞ ADVERTISING

Moved by Councillor Folkman, seconded by Councillor Sadler
THAT General Government and Finance Committee Recommendations 3 to 6, from the April 18, 2005 Regular Committee Meeting, be adopted as follows:
RECOMMENDATION NO. 3:
THAT Ltr #497 from the Rocky Mountain Visitors Magazine, soliciting advertising for the Town of Creston, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT Administration forward a copy of Ltr #497 to the Creston Area Economic Development Society for consideration.

☞ SENIORS IN
COMMUNITIES
DIALOGUE

RECOMMENDATION NO. 4:
THAT Ltr #502 from the Union of BC Municipalities, regarding funding available for developing and hosting a 'Seniors in Communities Dialogue' Program, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT Administration forward a copy of Ltr #502 to the Creston Valley Seniors Association, and the Rotacrest Hall Seniors Group, for consideration.

☞ ELECTRICAL
SAFETY PROGRAM

RECOMMENDATION NO. 5:
THAT Ltr #481 from FortisBC, regarding partnership in an Electrical Safety Program, community outreach initiative in the Kootenay Region; be received and filed for information.

☞ ADVERTISING
RE COLUMBIA
BREWERY
EXPANSION

RECOMMENDATION NO. 6:
THAT Ltr #534 from the Kootenay Business Magazine, soliciting advertising in a special edition featuring Labatt's Columbia Brewery expansion, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT Administration purchase a 1/12 page colour ad, at a cost of \$250, in the May/June issue of the Kootenay Business Magazine, congratulating Labatt's Columbia Brewery, and general contractor T.A. Rendek & Associates, on the new 'can line' Brewery expansion. **CARRIED**

261-05

☞ TRAVEL POLICY
REVIEW

Moved by Councillor Folkman, seconded by Vondracek
THAT Ltr #544 from the Chief Administrative Officer, regarding a review of the Administrative Policy for Travel Expenses; be referred to the General Government and Finance Committee for further review and recommendation. **CARRIED**

LAND USE

262-05

☞ RDCK, DVP
REFERRAL

Moved by Councillor Mueller, seconded by Councillor Vondracek
THAT Ltr #539 from the Regional District of Central Kootenay, seeking comments on a Development Variance Application for property located at 1121 Erickson Road, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT Administration advise the Regional District of Central Kootenay that Council has no objection to Development Variance Application 4270-20-V0503B-03514.000. **CARRIED**

☞ CONFLICT OF
INTEREST

Councillor Vondracek declared a Conflict of Interest in conjunction with Ltr #546 as he is a co-owner of the property at 1132 Canyon Street and left Council Chambers at 7:40 p.m.

263-05

☞ RQST ENCROACH-
MENT AGRMT (1132
CANYON STREET)

Moved by Councillor Mueller, seconded by Councillor Folkman
THAT Ltr #546 from Ken Alexander, Group of Eight Ent., requesting an encroachment agreement for a projecting sign and awning at 1132 Canyon Street, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT Administration process the said Highway Encroachment Agreement, for the Group of Eight Ent. **CARRIED**

Councillor Vondracek returned to Council Chambers at 7:41 p.m.

**PARKS, YOUTH
AND CULTURE**

264-05

☞ APRIL 18TH
RECOMMENDATIONS
☞ RQST RELOCATION
OF CADET PIPE &
DRUM PRACTICE

Moved by Councillor Lavender, seconded by Councillor Sadler
THAT Parks, Youth and Culture Committee Recommendations 7 to 10, from the April 18, 2005 Regular Committee Meeting, be adopted as follows:
RECOMMENDATION NO. 7:
THAT Ltr #505 from Mr. Lucien Douville, requesting the relocation of the Cadets pipe and drum practices, from the Credit Union property on 11th Avenue North, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT Administration advise Mr. Douville that the Cadets are not violating any Town Bylaw by carrying out pipe and drum practices at that time of day, on the Credit Union property.

☞ MILLENNIUM PARK
BOOKING REGS. &
FEES

RECOMMENDATION NO. 8:
THAT Schedule "D" of Park Regulations Bylaw 1600 be amended to include paid admission and/or no admission bookings, at Millennium Park.

☞ PCSS GRAD 2005
MURAL

RECOMMENDATION NO. 9:

THAT Ltr #333 from Tiffany Paynter and Anna Pittman, representing the 2005 PCSS Grad Class, requesting permission to paint a mural on Town property as a legacy to the 2005 Grad Class, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT the Community Pride Committee recommends approval of the mural design proposed by the PCSS Grads of 2005, as featured in Ltr #333, subject to the Town Murals Policy.

☞ BAHAMAS
GENERAL STORE
MURAL

RECOMMENDATION NO. 10:

THAT Ltr #495 from Sandy Reid, co-owner of Bahamas General Store, requesting permission to paint a mural on the side of the building located at 1223 Canyon Street, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT the Community Pride Committee recommends approval of the mural design proposed by Bahamas General Store, featured in Ltr #495 and to be painted on the side of the building located at 1223 Canyon Street, subject to the Town Murals Policy.

CARRIED

265-05
☞ COMMUNITY PRIDE
MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Lavender, seconded by Councillor Sadler
THAT Ltr #556 from the Community Pride Committee, being minutes of it's April 13th, 2005 meeting, be received and filed for information.

CARRIED

**PROTECTION AND
POLICING**

266-05
☞ PARKING METER
FEES

Moved by Councillor Vondracek, seconded by Councillor Folkman

THAT Ltr #537 from Norman Long, requesting clarification on parking meter fees, be referred to the Protection and Policing Committee for further review and recommendation.

CARRIED

TRANSPORTATION

267-05
☞ APRIL 18TH
RECOMMENDATIONS
☞ AIRPORTS 2005
WORKSHOP

Moved by Councillor Thomas, seconded by Councillor Folkman

THAT Transportation Committee Recommendation No. 11, from the April 18, 2005 Regular Committee Meeting, be adopted as follows:

RECOMMENDATION NO. 11:

THAT Ltr #531 from the BC Aviation Council, requesting a delegate attend the Airports Workshop 2005 in Vancouver on April 21st, 2005; be received and filed for information.

CARRIED

268-05
☞ ARROW MNT.
BYPASS ROUTE

Moved by Councillor Thomas, seconded by Councillor Folkman

THAT Ltr #545 from the Ministry of Transportation, advising that the Ministry has no plans to include construction of the Arrow Mountain Bypass, in conjunction with any Highway 3 upgrades for the Olympics, be received; AND FURTHER, THAT Mayor Snopek write the Ministry of Transportation, advising that Council is willing to discuss further options for securing the Arrow Mountain Bypass.

CARRIED

**UTILITIES AND
CEMETERIES**

269-05
☞ APRIL 18TH
RECOMMENDATIONS
☞ STP OPERATOR'S
REPORT (FEB/05)

Moved by Councillor Sadler, seconded by Councillor Folkman

THAT Utilities and Cemeteries Committee Recommendation No. 12, from the April 18, 2005 Regular Committee Meeting, be adopted as follows:

RECOMMENDATION NO. 12:

THAT Ltr #511 from the Sewage Treatment Plant Operator, regarding the Water and Sewage Treatment Plant monthly report for February, 2005; be received and filed for information.

CARRIED

**REGIONAL DISTRICT
DIRECTOR**

270-05
☞ APRIL 18TH
RECOMMENDATIONS
☞ GIA SUMMARY

Moved by Councillor Sadler, seconded by Councillor Folkman

THAT the Regional District Director's Recommendation No. 13, from the April 18, 2005 Regular Committee Meeting, be adopted as follows:

RECOMMENDATION NO. 13:

THAT Ltr #496 from the Regional District of Central Kootenay, regarding the RDCK Grant-In-Aid Summary dated March 31, 2005 and Transactions dated April 6, 2005; be received and filed for information.

CARRIED

BYLAWS

271-05
☞ BYLAW 1618
(ADOPTION)

Moved by Councillor Folkman, seconded by Councillor Sadler

THAT Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Bylaw 1618, be adopted.

CARRIED

272-05
☞ BYLAW 1621
(ADOPTION)

Moved by Councillor Mueller, seconded by Councillor Lavender

THAT Park Regulations Amendment Bylaw 1621, be adopted.

CARRIED

- UNFINISHED BUS.:**
273-05
THANK YOU LTR
- Moved by Councillor Lavender, seconded by Councillor Folkman
THAT Mayor Snopek write a letter to Gina Rawson thanking her for organizing the successful Community to Community Forum. CARRIED
- NEW BUSINESS:**
274-05
RQST MTG WITH BC AMBULANCE
- Moved by Councillor Sadler, seconded by Councillor Thomas
THAT Administration contact the Ministry of Health Services, BC Ambulance Service and request an immediate meeting with Mr. Bob Gallaher, Regional Director 3/4 and Mr. Dave Brooks, Superintendent; Council; and the Regional District of Central Kootenay Area Directors, to discuss the deployment of Ambulance service in the Creston Valley; AND FURTHER, THAT a copy of same be forwarded to Blair Suffredine, MLA, Nelson-Creston and Corky Evans, MLA Nominee, Nelson-Creston. CARRIED
- REPORTS OF REP'S**
CLR FOLKMAN
- Councillor Folkman reported on his attendance at a meeting with Mr. Tom Watson of Recreation Excellence.
- CLR LAVENDER
- Councillor Lavender reported that Ms. Ann Gay has been hired as the new Librarian commencing on June 1st.
- CLR VONDRACEK
- Councillor Vondracek reported on his attendance at the Farming Practices; International Selkirk Loop and Women of Bountiful, meetings.
- MAYOR SNOPEK
- Mayor Snopek reported on Councillor Lavender's appointment to the Provincial Library Board; his attendance at the Farming Practices and Women of Bountiful meetings; as well, the Community Forest and LGMA Conferences.
- 275-05
RECEIVE REPORTS
- Moved by Councillor Folkman, seconded by Councillor Vondracek
THAT the verbal Reports of Representatives, be received for information. CARRIED
- GIVING OF NOTICES**
1. Committee Meetings (1st & 3rd Mondays) (**May 2nd, 16th**)
 2. Council Meetings (2nd & 4th Mondays) (**May 9th, 24th (Tuesday)**)
 3. May 8th - 14th - **Clean Up Week - Saturday May 14th - Clean Up Day**
 4. May 21st - Blossom Festival VIP Reception
 5. June 4th - Relay For Life
 6. June 22nd - BC Hydro Lunch Meeting.
- QUESTION PERIOD**
- There was a questions regarding Millennium Park use by the Saturday Market Group and the Mayor advised that Council is working with the Group to accommodate their needs.
- 276-05
ADJOURNMENT
- Moved by Councillor Thomas, seconded by Councilor Folkman
THAT the Regular Meeting of April 25, 2005, be adjourned at 8:10 p.m. CARRIED

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Mayor Joe Snopek

Deputy or Director of Corporate Administration