

Committee-of-the-Whole meeting

Tuesday, December 13, 2016

Present	Acting Mayor Dwain Wacko, Mayor Richard Ireland, Councillors Brian Nesbitt, Helen Kelleher-Empey, Rico Damota
Absent	Councillors Vonna Arsenault, Gilbert Wall
Also present	Mark Fercho CAO, Beryl Cahill, Admin. Officer, Christine Nadon, Comm. Mgr, Bruce Thompson, Operations Director, Natasha Malenchak, Finance Director, Gord Hutton, Municipal Bldgs & Asset Manager Lisa Daniel, Childcare Mgr, Paul Clarke, The Fitzhugh, Shelley Koebel, observer
Call to Order	Acting Mayor Wacko called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.
Additions to Agenda	Brief Updates - Discussion at a future meeting – marijuana Brief update on housing project Tonquin/Turret and other areas
Approval of Agenda w/ additions	Motion by Councillor Nesbitt that the agenda for today’s meeting be approved with the above additions. Carried
Approval of Minutes	Motion by Mayor Ireland that the minutes of the November 22 nd , 2016 committee-of-the-Whole meeting be approved as presented. Carried
Presentations	None
Business Arising	None
Brief Updates CCW staff Accom.	CAO Mark Fercho left the room at 9:43 a.m. Gord Hutton provided Council with an update on the condition of the house in which the CAO lives. After some discussion, Council agreed that repairs should be done as needed without the necessity of going through Council. Discussion on emergency repairs, budget funds available, and safety features. Repairs are underway with a plan to bring the property back to a good living condition.
Applications For Boards/ Committees	A Human Resources committee meeting will be held this week with recommendations for appointment to come at the December 20 th regular meeting.
ATCO Agreement	CAO provided a brief update on the lengthy process required in order to enter into a ten-year franchise agreement with ATCO. A request to give first reading to a bylaw will be considered by Council at the December 20 th 2017 regular meeting.
Tour of	CAO advised that two recommendations will come forward to Council at the

Alberta	<p>December 20th 2017 regular meeting. The Tour has been proposed for August 31 and September 1 2017. The Tour to be structured slightly differently than last year. Some concerns last year from businesses. Local organizing committee would be in charge of routing the Tour. Also concerns about timing – might be better in 2018. Free Park passes in 2017 celebrates the 150th anniversary of Parks Canada. Impact statement shows a positive growth in the effects of this event. International viewership was definitely up.</p> <p>Shelley Koebel commented on the budget for the Tour, asking for clarification on the figures. It was noted that the figure is \$40,000 with \$10,000 left over from last year. This item to come from Council Projects budget line.</p>
Midwifery Care in Yellowhead County	<p>Council received a request from the Midwifery Care Congress of Alberta for support in bringing midwifery services into the Yellowhead County from the Hinton Hospital. Council agreed to a letter of support to be sent by the Mayor.</p>
Recess	<p>A recess was called for at 10:31 am.</p>
Reconvened	<p>The Committee meeting was reconvened by the Councillor Wacko at 10:36 am.</p>
Budget Discussions Library Benefits	<p>Council discussed the budget item Library benefits package with information provided by Director of Library Services Angie Thom. Additional information will be available for the December 20th, 2017 regular meeting.</p>
Museum Budget	<p>Discussion on Museum history, conditional grants, archives, general manager position, financial review, adjacent land status, current funding request of \$49,000 and the possibility of hiring a professional audit review expert.</p>
Bike Skills Park Budget	<p>Discussion on water supply trucks, power, frequency, volume of pressure, use of tank and truck (for which more details are required). Water is required to repack the bumps which is a regular requirement, although it was noted that not all bike parks have water available. Money for this item to come from Restricted Funds. Council needs more specifics as to how this will be addressed. The Bike Skills group did indicate that they are willing to be open to other solutions. This will come back to Council at the December 20th 2017 regular meeting in the Capital budget.</p>
General Budget Questions	<p>Annual rebate received from insurance company will be placed in the Risk Reduction account for health and safety training. No motion required.</p>
Cult/Rec	<p>Centennial Park soccer field and irrigation was put forward in the Capital Budget. Land rent and planning fee comes out of Finance and Administration.</p> <p>General discussion on impact on residential taxpayers, IT costs, Community and Economic Development Fun – return on investments, environmental charges, fleet replacement, cultural funds, lift station for intended hostel, funding for legal issues,</p>

housing, Hakone visitation, Municipal election, natural gas agreement, and policy on reserved funds. Mayor Ireland would like to see the subject of marijuana as a topic for another meeting. Would also like to review the smoking bylaw and template on zoning issues, and business licensing. This item to be placed on the next Intergovernmental meeting agenda to be discussed with Parks Canada.

Brief update on latest housing project Tonquin/Turret. CAO advised that a planning consultant will be selected and the project will proceed in the new year.

ECD	A letter will be sent from Mayor Ireland requesting that the government look into the status of the ECD Coordinator position. From recent information received, the incumbent has resigned and the position has been scrapped.
Councillor Reports	None
Upcoming	As listed on Agenda package with the addition of: Dec 19 – Museum Xmas Party
Nomination Of Chair	Council nominated Councillor Gilbert Wall to chair the next committee meeting of Council.
Events	and Dec 22 – NETMA
In Camera	Council moved in camera at 12:26 pm to discuss land negotiations (FOIP).
Revert to Open meeting	Council reverted to open meeting at 12:45 pm.
Adjournment	Councillor Wacko adjourned the meeting at 12:46 pm.