

COUNCIL & COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARIES



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March 1, 2021

Recreation Committee

Staff Reports

- The Committee suggested that staff look into coordinating a St. Patrick's Day activity for the community.

Committee of the Whole

Unfinished Business

- The Committee requested that staff look into next steps surrounding last mile high-speed internet connectivity installation and reach out to the District of Tumbler Ridge to discuss their experience on improving internet connectivity in their community.
- The Committee requested that staff present an overview of municipal revenue impacts and expenses incurred in 2020 as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as an overview of 2021 expenses expected to be incurred to support the pandemic response.
- The Committee discussed the Organizational Structure Proposals Staff Report and requested that staff develop an implementation plan which includes additional information on the following for the Committee's consideration:
 - Amalgamation of the following departments:
 - Community Services, Parks & Facilities, and Golf Course
 - Corporate Services and Protective Services
 - Realignment of services to the following functional areas:
 - Parks & Facilities:
 - Building and facilities maintenance
 - Grass cutting and weed control
 - Corporate Services:
 - Cemetery services
 - Public Works:
 - Vehicle and equipment maintenance
 - Realignment of staff resources as follows:

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- Seasonal Casual Labourer positions for grass cutting and mosquito control services from Public Works to Parks & Facilities
- Janitorial position from Corporate Services to Parks & Facilities
- Operations Administrative Assistant position from Protective Services and Public Works to Corporate Services
- Consideration of the Facilities Coordinator's reporting relationship within the amalgamated Recreation and Community Development Department
- Establishment of the following positions and appointments:
 - Full-time Corporate Services Clerk
 - Appointment of a Deputy Corporate Officer, within the existing Corporate Services team
- Consideration of the following positions:
 - Fleet Manager/Mechanic position as part of the Public Works Department, within the existing full-time equivalent employee allocation
 - Community Services Assistant/Pool Supervisor position for 2022, after the department amalgamations
 - Firefighter/Bylaw Enforcement position, after further public engagement is completed on the level of service for protective and policing services
- The Committee requested that staff prepare a follow-up report which outlines the preferred organizational structure, as well as preliminary financial compensation considerations for 2021 for the March 15, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting, if possible.

Regular Council

Guest & Delegate

- Andy Ackerman presented an overview of the 2020 Grant Writing Support and strategic governance services provided to various community and non-profit groups.

Correspondence

- Council resolved to authorize the Mayor to sign a letter in support of Geoscience BC's funding request to the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation.
- Council resolved that Ashlee Kirschner be appointed as a Board Member of the Taylor Public Library for term of nine months, from March 1, 2021 to November 30, 2021.
- Council resolved to provide sponsorship basket to the BC Recreation and Parks Association Virtual Symposium event through donation of the following items:
 - Two 18-hole golf certificates including cart rental at the Lone Wolf Golf Club
 - One gift card to the Lone Wolf Golf Club Restaurant valued at \$75.00
 - Two Lone Wolf Golf Club shirts
 - Two sleeves of golf balls
- Council resolved to provide a \$500 bronze sponsorship for the Vertical Slam Ultimate Challenge event being held on Saturday, June 5, 2021.
- Council requested that staff establish community advertising surrounding the changes to the Provincial Home Owner Grant Program, including how the public can receive support for this

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program, and that a request be made to Taylor Public Library to inquire about providing technological assistance to residents, if required.

- Council resolved to endorse the North Peace Rural Roads Coalition Memorandum of Understanding as presented and provide to the participating local governments for final review and endorsement.
- Council requested that staff prepare a response letter to the Peace River Regional District regarding proposed revisions to the draft North Peace Leisure Pool Facility Replacement Steering Committee Terms of Reference.
- Council requested that staff provide further information on sponsorship opportunities for the Spark Women's Leadership Conference being held on Wednesday, May 12, 2021, with consideration given to inclusion of supporting this professional development opportunity for District staff in the future.
- Council requested that staff investigate the opportunity of establishing a District of Taylor Community Foundation.

Closed Meeting

- Council requested that staff rise with report out of the Closed Meeting that:
 - The Senior Staff Attraction and Retention Policy – For Home Purchases within the District of Taylor be adopted as amended.