



TOWN OF HINTON
Community Engagement & Accountability
Teck Room, Hinton Municipal Library
May 27, 2015

PRESENT: Garth Griffiths, Scott Sunderwald, Kathy Rees, Fiona Murray-Galbraith, Albert Ostashek, Gerry Brandt, JoAnn Race, George Higgerty, Doug Heine, Ron McKay, Shirley Caputo, Councillor Dale Currie, Councillor Matthew Young, Councillor Jack Williams

ABSENT:

SECRETARY: Rhonda West

ALSO PRESENT: Laura Howarth – Director of Community & Protective Services; Mayor Rob Mackin; Emily Olsen, Communications and Strategic Advisor

ORDER

Chairman Garth Griffiths called the Regular Meeting of the Community Engagement & Accountability Committee ("CEAC") to order. The time was 11:11 a.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

There was consensus to add an action item to the Regular Agenda: Future of CEAC as Action Item #1.

BRANDT - That the Agenda for the May 27, 2015 Meeting of CEAC be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Administration noted that there were some errors relating to the attendance in the April 29, 2015 minutes. This has been corrected. The signed copy of the minutes will reflect the correction.

RACE – That the CEAC Minutes of April 29, 2015 be adopted as corrected.

CARRIED

ACTION ITEMS

1. Future of CEAC

Excerpt of Minutes from the Standing Committee Meeting of Council of May 26, 2015:

There was consensus that Council accepts the recommendations (1) to dissolve CEAC and (2) set up advisory working committees. The recommendations be forwarded to Regular Council for a decision".


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There was consensus to request the CEAC Chair attend the next Regular Council meeting to contribute input on whether to dissolve CEAC”.

Council members present at the meeting shared their concerns about the current CSP/CEAC structure, role and effectiveness. CEAC members expressed their frustration and disappointment with the process Council took to initiate the conversation and reiterated their role, value, successes and opportunities to improve. After a lengthy discussion among Council representatives and CEAC members regarding previous boards and committees, CEAC political issues, new task committees, the CSP and the value of CEAC, the following consensus was established by CEAC:

There was consensus to have Administration come up with a plan on a task committee structure that ties into the overall concept of CEAC with respect to 1) parks and recreation, 2) FCSS and 3) arts and culture for Council review. Council seeks CEAC’s advice as to process and structure.

Councillor Jack Williams left the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

2. Community Grant Program – Confirmation of Members

Fiona Murray-Galbraith was unable to participate on the Hinton Grant Funding Advisory Committee for Intake #1. Albert Ostashek acted as her alternate. Fiona Murray-Galbraith agrees that Albert continue to sit on the committee for the second intake in the fall of 2015.

BRANDT – That Albert Ostashek replace Fiona Murray-Galbraith on the Hinton Grant Funding Advisory Committee.

3. Annual Meeting with Council and Delegation to Regular Council Meeting

CEAC holds an annual meeting with Council to review the draft Report Card to the Community and draft strategic priorities. The following are the proposed dates:

June 9th In Camera – Standing Committee Meeting
June 16th Delegation – Regular Council Meeting

MOVE IN CAMERA

CURRIE – That the Regular Meeting of CEAC move In Camera.

CARRIED

The time was 1:27 p.m..

HEINE – That the Regular Meeting of CEAC revert to regular session.

CARRIED

The time was 2:29 p.m.

GALBRAITH-MURRAY – That CEAC publicly release the report card to the community at the CEAC meeting on June 17th, 2015 inviting all implementing partners including media to receive the report card at the same time.

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INFORMATION ITEMS

COMMUNICATION ACTION

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of CEAC is scheduled for June 17, 2015 at 11:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT


SUNDERWALD - That the Regular Meeting of CEAC adjourn.

CARRIED

The time was 3:10 p.m.



Chairman



Director of Community &
Protective Services

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