



TOWN OF HINTON
Community Engagement & Advisory Committee
Committee Room
February 8, 2017

PRESENT: Don Harrison, Shirley Caputo, Kathy Rees, Albert Ostashek, Jan Vassbotn, Sharon Meredith, Jailin Bertolin

SECRETARY: Rhonda West, Legislative & Executive Assistant

ORDER

Vice-Chairman Kathy Rees called the Regular Meeting of the Community Engagement & Advisory Committee ("CEAC") to order. The time was 11:40 a.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

HARRISON - That the agenda for the CEAC meeting of February 8, 2017 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

AHS Addictions & Mental Health

Tammy Crozier spoke to the group about drug use in Hinton. She indicated that crystal methamphetamine is a serious problem in the community. She provided information on treatment options including contact information (see Attachment #1).

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MEREDITH - That the CEAC minutes of January 4, 2017 be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

ACTION ITEMS

1. CEAC Website Update

Josh Yaworski provided the group with an update of the CEAC page on the Town of Hinton website. The group discussed the possibility of creating an action list for CEAC to be included in the web page. A draft of the format will be presented to the group at the March, 2017 meeting for review. Josh will send the draft web content to the CEAC members for their review and comments. Deadline for feedback is March 1, 2017. Josh will return to the March meeting to provide a final review.

2. Alternate Appointment to Hinton Grant Funding Advisory Committee

Jan Vasbotn advised the group that he is unable to attend the meeting on April 12th for Intake #1 of the Hinton Grant Funding Advisory Committee.

There was consensus that Jailin Bertolin replace Jan on the Hinton Grant Funding Advisory Committee for Intake #1.

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3. Community Connection Team Reports

Recreation & Culture:

- Jan stated that the Town has an issue of not having signs on Town boundaries (ie. Town trails). The mountain bike club are trying to keep atvs off of the trails and he stated that ohv use is getting worse;
- There was a question as to how the pottery space was for users. Jailin advised that she had lessons last week and was not aware of any current issues;
- The Nordic Ski Club is hosting a Fat bike race and biathlon on February 26th;
- Jan proposed that a tracking list be created for the committee on their Town web page that would reflect the issues and accomplishments of the group. Each member would be responsible for updating the list. Jan will provide a draft for the group to review at the next meeting;
- Jan expressed that non-profit organizations continue to feel frustration in dealing with administration challenges within their organizations and believe that the Town should be providing support. Members were directed to the Hinton Connects page on the Town of Hinton website for information on assistance that the Town provides to non-profit organizations;
- Jailin asked about the green space on Collinge and its potential use. Any questions regarding uses on vacant land can be directed to Planning & Development.

Education, Wellness & Social Supports:

- Homelessness: Ashley is setting up a meeting; Shirley attended the presentation on February 1st and it was very good; Hinton Adult Learning Centre is in process of applying for a grant; ongoing communication will continue throughout the process; an inventory is being created on what type of resources and programs currently exist; the group is tentatively scheduled to present at the March 21st Regular Council Meeting.

Governance & Partnerships:

Local Economy:

- CEAC members did not participate in the business walk-about but received a briefing on what the Chamber is hearing from the businesses they attended. Feedback was that housing prices are holding, and overall comments very positive from business owners. More walk-about to be conducted and briefings will be provided to JoAnn and Don;
- Don advised that he was pleased to hear that Council passed a motion requesting a meeting with the appropriate Provincial Minister with respect to seniors lodging and long term care in Hinton;
- The organizer for the Challenge in the Rockies advised that there are 502 hotel rooms booked for the event;
- Councillor Ostashek spoke about the Destination Marketing Fee – he stated that this initiative has been attempted in Hinton and it has received big resistance from the hotels in town; there are groups that are still trying to attempt to bring it in but there are challenges; HREDC will provide assistance to groups trying to get the idea off the ground;
- Performing Arts Venue – Don voiced a concern that residents are not aware of the actual price costs compared to what was initially communicated (\$6 million); Albert

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explained that after the initial cost was communicated, grants and sponsorships have been received which has in effect lowered the amount the Town will have to contribute to the project. Further communication should be provided to residents so that they better understand.

Natural & Built Environments:

- Sharon voiced Christian's report that he is hearing issues re traffic safety in school zones. There is currently a 4-way stop at Crescent Valley which that helps to slow down traffic; Administration will be bringing a report to Council recommending an overhead crosswalk sign in front of Mountain View School;
- Water metering – she is hearing that people want more information and are wondering why water use is so high; more information will be required as the matter moves forward;
- Good news that the church along the highway has been sold.

4. Review and Update Delegation Invitation List

There was consensus to schedule the following delegations for upcoming meetings:

- Growing Great Kids Coalition – Joan Melvin – June delegation

INFORMATION ITEMS

Councillor Ostashek and CEAC members thanked Rhonda West for her service to the committee over the years.

Next meeting is scheduled for March 8, 2017.

ADJOURNMENT

VASBOTN - That the meeting adjourn.

CARRIED

The time was 1:26 p.m.



Chairman



Secretary

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DRUG USE IN HINTON

Tammy Crozier
Addictions Counsellor
Addiction and Mental Health



What are the drugs of choice in Hinton?

- ❖ Alcohol
- ❖ Marijuana
- ❖ Crystal methamphetamine
- ❖ Cocaine



treatment

Treatment Options

- Alberta Health Services - Addiction Services
 - 102 – 131 Civic Centre Road
 - (780)865-8263
 - Outpatient counselling
 - Education/Prevention Work
- Residential Treatment Centres
 - Youth, Young Adult, Adult, Gender Specific

Addiction Office Stats 2015 - 2016

- 84% of clients were attending for their own use
- 16 % were family members/friends/parents/spouses of alcohol and drug users
- 93% of clients were aged 18 or older
- 30% of clients reported a concern with alcohol
- 36% of clients reported a drug concern
- 25% of clients reported poly substance concerns (3 or more substances)
- 7% of clients were youth: 98% of youth clients (<18 years) reported marijuana use/concern

QUESTIONS?

