



## TOWN OF HINTON

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council  
Held December 5, 2017  
in Council Chambers

### **Present:**

Mayor Marcel Michaels, Councillors Trevor Haas, Ryan Maguhn, Dewly Nelson, Albert Ostashek, JoAnn Race, Tyler Waugh

### **Also in Attendance:**

Stephane Labonne, Chief Administrative Officer, Denise Parent, Director of Corporate Services, Wendy Jones, Director of Planning & Development, Gordie Lee, Director of Infrastructure Services, Jenna Altrogge, Legislative & Administrative Assistant, Wendy Anderson, Executive Assistant

**Refer to the Regular Council Meeting Agenda package for [December 5, 2017](#) for detailed background information.**

## ORDER

Mayor Marcel Michaels called the Regular Council meeting to order. The time was 5:00 p.m.

## ADOPTION OF AGENDA

**HAAS - That the agenda be adopted as presented:**

**CARRIED**

## COUNCIL MINUTES FOR ADOPTION

1. Regular Meeting of Council Minutes – November 7, 2017
2. Standing Committee of Council Minutes – November 14, 2017
3. Special Meeting of Council Minutes – November 29, 2017

**OSTASHEK - That the Minutes listed above be approved as presented.**

**CARRIED**

## CITIZENS "MINUTE WITH COUNCIL"

No citizens wished to speak with Council.

## DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

### Community Resilience to Mountain Pine Beetle Outbreak

Robert Friberg, fRI Research and the University of British Columbia, provided Council with a presentation on his upcoming research into the effects of Mountain Pine Beetle on a community



(Attachment #1). The project has been ongoing for approximately 11/2 years with the next step being interviews with a number of staff and Councillors and will be followed by a focus group discussion.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

1. Membership of Hinton Grant Funding Advisory Committee

**OSTASHEK - That Council refer the report on the Membership of Hinton Grant Funding Advisory Committee to the second Standing Committee meeting in January 2018 to be reviewed and discussed with the Community Grant Funding process.**

**CARRIED**

2. Request to Write-off Property Taxes on Demolished Manufactured Homes

**HAAS - That Council approve the write-off of property taxes for a total \$2,254.32 for five demolished manufactured homes previously located at 77, 101, 263 and 314 – 133 Jarvis Street and 65 – 145 East River Road.**

**CARRIED**

3. Membership Applications for Hinton Mountain Pine Beetle Advisory Committee

**OSTASHEK - That William Dunn and Rick Zroback be appointed to the Hinton Mountain Pine Beetle Advisory Committee.**

**CARRIED**

**MAGUHN - That Council approve the Hinton Mountain Pine Beetle Advisory Committee Terms of Reference (Revised 2.0) dated December 5, 2017.**

**CARRIED**

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

1. Council Information Package #1, #2, #3 and #4 for December 5, 2017

**NELSON - That Council Information Packages #1, #2, #3 and #4 for December 5, 2017 accepted for information.**

**CARRIED**

## **REPORTS FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL, CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. Council Updates (Training, Conferences, Committees, Community Events)

Councillors reported on the various committees, meetings and activities they attended since the last Regular Council meeting and what they plan on attending in the coming weeks.

2. Administrative Inquiries

No inquiries were received.

  
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**3. Chief Administrative Officer Report**

Stephane Labonne, Chief Administrative Officer, provided an update on administrative matters.

**NOTICES OF MOTION**

**MICHAELS – That Policy #055 – Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and AUMA Council Attendance Policy be brought to the January 9, 2018 Regular Council meeting.**

**IN CAMERA**

**OSTASHEK - That the Regular Meeting of Council move In Camera.**

**CARRIED**

The time was 5:49 p.m.; Jenna Altrogge left the meeting.

**OSTASHEK - That the Regular Meeting of Council move out of In Camera.**

**CARRIED**

The time was 6:14 p.m.

**GRANT FUNDING AGREEMENTS**

**MICHAELS - That Town Council authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to:**

- a) enter into Agreements as presented, for the purpose of accepting a financial contribution to complete a Geothermal Feed Study.
- b) enter into an Agreement as presented, for the purpose of completing a Geothermal Feed Study.

**CARRIED**

**NELSON - That the Request for Decision titled, “Grant Funding Agreements” and attachments, remain private pursuant to Sections 16, 21, 23, 24 and 25 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, RSA 2000, Chapter F-25.**


**CARRIED**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**RACE - That the Regular Meeting of Council adjourn.**

**CARRIED**

The time was 6:17 p.m.

  
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Mayor

  
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Director of Corporate Services

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# Project Brief: Community Resilience to Pine Beetle and Rural Economic Change

Presented to Town of Hinton Mayor and Council  
December 5, 2017

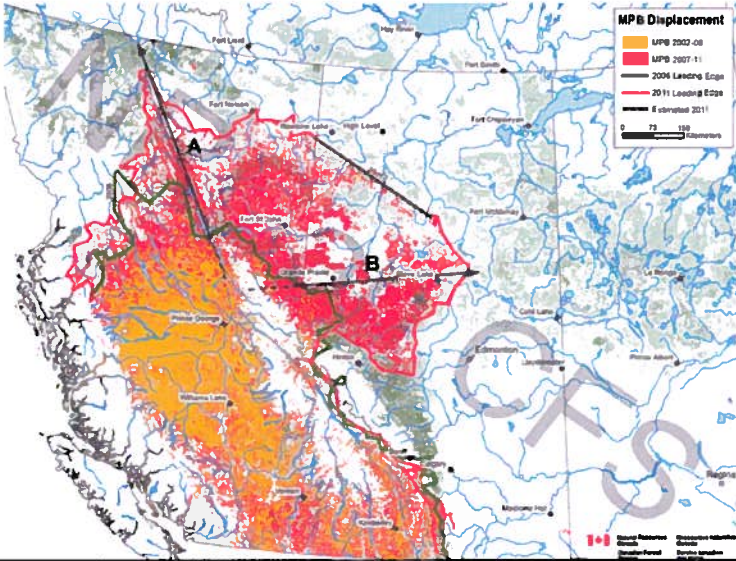
By Rob Friberg, PhD Candidate, The University of British Columbia, Okanagan

## Partners in the Pine Beetle Research Program:



## The Issue: Potential Social and Economic Impacts from Beetle.

Historic Pine Beetle Trajectory 2002 - 2011 NRCan



## Project Background:

- Working with community leaders, key stakeholders;
- Linkages across levels/scales of government;
- Identify, prioritize locally relevant aspects of resilience;
- Links to other planning processes, sustainability priorities;
- Exploratory focus.

*The capacity to function, adapt and flourish  
in difficult and changing circumstances.*



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## Process

- Interviews explore key resilience features:
  - local presence, strengths, challenges
  - factors that enable or hinder resilience.
- Development of a draft resilience assessment for Hinton.
- Focus group to prioritize potential community strategies based on scenarios of future impact.
- Scenarios may include additional landscape-level priorities such as tourism, caribou habitat.



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## Study Topics Include

- Timing and potential beetle impacts (via scenarios);
- Exposure & vulnerability of local forests, employment;
- Stability (and diversity) of local economy, livelihoods;
- Community assets for adaptive and collective action;
- The capacity of local, provincial and federal institutions for learning and innovation;
- Leadership and strategic action.



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## Project Outcomes

- Assessment of local resilience strengths and challenges.
- Summary of focus group priority strategies for Hinton.
- A practical guide for assessing & strengthening resilience and community sustainability.
- Knowledge made available to broader audience through publication in relevant journals.



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## Approximate Schedule

- Interviews: Feb – June, 2018
- Data analysis, initial results: July – Sept, 2018
- Focus group: Sept – Oct, 2018
- Semi-final results: Nov – Dec, 2018
- Write-up, guides, publication Jan – June, 2019



THANK YOU!

QUESTIONS?

