

# Town of Fort Smith Town Council Meeting Agenda

# June 19, 2018, 7:00 p.m. - Council Chambers

A. Call to Order and Confirmation of Quorum	
B. Approval of Agenda	
C. Presentations a. RCMP delegation – May 2018 Police Report	RCMP May Police Report
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E. Business Arising from the Minutes	
F. Declaration of Financial Interest	
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e. Administration i. Briefing Note – First Quarter Variance Report ii. Briefing Note – Application to Rezone iii. Briefing Note – Donation Request	BN-First Quarter BN-Application to Variance Report Rezone
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# COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FORT SMITH MEETING 06-18 THE FIRST REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE AND THE SIXTH FOR THE YEAR 2018

PRESENT:

Mayor L. Napier-Buckley

D/M K. Smith

Cr. R. Patel

Cr. B. McArthur

Cr. A. Kikoak

Cr. B. Tuckey

Cr. A. Kikoak
Cr. A. Dumont

Cr. E. Bell

Cr. R. Holtorf

STAFF:

K. Morrison, Senior Administrative Officer

L. Pierrot, Executive Secretary

GALLERY:

Patti Haaima

Meeting 06-18

7:00 PM

June 19, 2018

Council Chambers

# A. CALL TO ORDER & CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Mayor Napier-Buckley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and confirmed a quorum of Council was present.

### B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

18-122 Moved by: Cr. Patel

Seconded by: Cr. Dumont

That the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Cr. Kikoak entered the meeting.

#### C. PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations.

# D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

18-123 Moved by: Cr. Dumont

Seconded by: Cr. Bell

That the minutes of Regular Meeting 05-18 of May 15, 2018 be adopted as presented.

IN FAVOUR – D/M SMITH, CR. PATEL, CR. MCARTHUR, CR. TUCKEY, CR. DUMONT, CR. BELL, CR. HOLTORF

ABSTAINED - CR. KIKOAK

**CARRIED** 

## F. DECLARATION OF FINANCIAL INTEREST

Mayor Napier-Buckley, Cr. Kikoak and Cr. Patel declared a financial interest with respect to Accounts Paid List Part II.



#### G. COUNCIL BUSINESS

a. Introduction and Consideration of Committee Reports

#### Committee of the Whole

18-124 Moved By: Cr. Bell

Seconded By: Cr. Tuckey

That the attached Committee of the Whole meeting minutes from June 12, 2018, be adopted as presented.

# CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Special Committee of Council – Cr. Kikoak advised that she has written a Facebook post advising of the creation of the committee. She added that she included in the post that Council would define the name, purpose, members and meeting schedule of the committee and that information would be released once it is approved. Cr. Tuckey thinks that before posts are made on Facebook Councillors ensure that they have all the proper information. She asked if Mayor Napier-Buckley and D/M Smith were supposed to be added on the committee. D/M Smith advised that he didn't sign up for the committee but that he will make efforts to attend the meetings. Cr. Bell advised that she would also like to attend the meetings and would be available to help the committee. Administration advised that council procedures requires a broad statement of membership within Council and a broad statement for the purpose of the committee. Any further work with respect to the terms of reference would be created at a committee level and that the motion as stated is sufficient.

18-125 Moved By: D/M Smith Seconded By: Cr. Patel

That the Town Council create a committee to address the recommendations from the Aurora College Foundational review and will be comprised of Cr. Kikoak, Cr. Tuckey, and Cr. Holtorf.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

# Accounts Paid List Part I

18-126 Moved By: Cr. Patel

Seconded By: Cr. McArthur

That the Accounts Paid List Part I for the period ending May 31, 2018, totaling \$1,035,065.00 be approved.

### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Mayor Napier-Buckley passed the chair to D/M Smith.

#### Accounts Paid List Part II

18-127 Moved By: Cr. McArthur

Seconded By: Cr. Dumont

That the Accounts Paid List Part II for the period ending May 31, 2018, totaling \$1,400.15 be approved.

IN FAVOUR – CR. MCARTHUR, CR. TUCKEY, CR. DUMONT, CR. BELL, CR. HOLTORF

ABSTAINED – MAYOR NAPIER-BUCKLEY, CR. KIKOAK, CR. PATEL CARRIED

D/M Smith passed the chair to Mayor Napier-Buckley.



Briefing Note - DPA-014-18 Jeffery Dixon Home Occupation Permit

18-128 Moved By: Cr. Tuckey Seconded By: Cr. Bell

That DPA-014-018, Submitted by Jeffery Dixon, to operate a home occupation lawn mowing, tree pruning/planting and small carpentry work business from Lot 117, Plan 14, 75 Pine Crescent in Fort Smith be approved.

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Cr. Patel declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting.

Briefing Note - DPA-015-18 Rashmi Patel Home Occupation Permit

18-129 Moved By: Cr. Tuckey Seconded By: Cr. Bell

That DPA-015-018, Submitted by Rashmi Patel, to operate a home occupation technology consulting, database and website development business from Lot 1417, Plan 1835, 1 St. Alphonse Drive in Fort Smith be approved.

# CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Cr. Patel entered the meeting.

Appointment of Senior Administrative Officer

18-130 Moved By: Cr. Patel Seconded By: Cr. Bell

That Cynthia White, Director of Community Services, be appointed Acting Senior Administrative Officer from the period of Wednesday June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 5:00 pm to Monday July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 8:30 am.

# CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Briefing Note Canada Day Road Closure – Cr. McArthur asked if the events for the road closure are later than normal. Mayor Napier-Buckley clarified that Canada day is on Sunday and that request was made to have the events after church. Cr. Patel asked if there was a road closure done for Treaty Land Entitlement days. Mayor Napier-Buckley advised that the motion was passed at the last regular meeting of Council.

18-131 Moved By: Cr. Holtorf Seconded By: Cr. Dumont

That Council approves the following road closures for the Canada Day Celebration 2018.

That Marine Drive adjacent to Riverside Park be closed to traffic on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 from 11:30 am to 6:00 pm for the Canada Day Celebration;

Furthermore, that the following road closures occur for the Canada Day Parade; from, Portage Avenue in front of the RCMP compound to the corner of McDougal Road, along McDougal Road from Portage Avenue to Mills Street, and Mills Street from 11:45 am to 1:00 pm.

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

# b. Enactment of Bylaws and Policies

Bylaw 990 Appoint a Bylaw Officer Ashleigh Stokes First Reading - Cr. Dumont advised that he has heard news that the Bylaw Officer will be retiring and asked for more information. Administration advised that the Bylaw Officer has made no indication that he will be retiring. He added that staff are not supposed to be speaking to the media without approval. He advised of an unfortunate situation where the Bylaw Officer was participating in the cross-walk painting at JBT Elementary School and was approached by



a South Slave Divisional Education member who also works as a Cabin Radio Journalist. She presented herself as an SDEC member and gathered information turning it into a news story. It is unfortunate that the misinformation was released, typically we manage our contacts with the media better than that but were snuck up on this particular issue. He added that the Bylaw Officer may retire but he has made no indication of that and that the new bylaw officer is doing a fantastic job.

18-132 Moved By: Cr. McArthur Seconded By: Cr. Tuckey

WHEREAS, the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Town of Fort Smith, in the Northwest Territories, deems it necessary to appoint Bylaw Enforcement Officers to enforce the bylaws of the Municipality;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Town of Fort Smith, at a duly assembled meeting enacts as follows:

- 1. That Ashleigh Stokes be appointed Bylaw Enforcement Officer for the Town of Fort Smith.
- 2. That this appointment shall come into effect upon this bylaw receiving third reading.
- 3. That Bylaw #975 is hereby repealed.

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bylaw 990 Appointment of Bylaw Officer Ashleigh Stokes Second Reading

18-133 Moved By: Cr. Holtorf Seconded By: Cr. Patel

That Bylaw 990 Appoint a Bylaw Officer Ashleigh Stokes be given second reading by title only.

# CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Unanimous Consent for Third Reading of Bylaw 990

18-134 Moved By: Cr. Tuckey Seconded By: Cr. Patel

That Unanimous Consent be given to have Third Reading of Bylaw 990 Appoint Bylaw Officer Ashleigh Stokes.

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bylaw 990 Appointment of Bylaw Officer Ashleigh Stokes Third Reading – Administration advised that with Bylaw 990 receiving third reading the only agenda item that will be on the special meeting for June 26, 2018 will be the Hay River Town Council delegation.

18-135 Moved By: Cr. Tuckey Seconded By: Cr. Holtorf

That Bylaw 990 Appoint Bylaw Officer Ashleigh Stokes be given third reading by title only.

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- c. Appointments There were no appointments.
- d. Mayor and Council
  - i. <u>Cr. Tuckey</u> Cr. Tuckey had no comments.
  - ii. <u>Cr. Holtorf</u> Cr. Holtorf indicated that the sound at the recreation centre is an issue. He asked if the safety committee still exists adding that it would be beneficial to receive a recommendation from the



safety committee regarding the issues at the Recreation Centre. Administration advised that the Town is required by the collective agreement to have an Occupational Health and Safety Committee. Cr. Holtorf advised that the college committee has had three meetings. The first two was to identify all the possible resources and opportunities to continue to support the idea that our community remain the headquarters of post-secondary education. He noted that the committee plans to meet every two weeks. The committee started with obtaining information on the legislative process and timing of the GNWT. He advised that in addition to the continued the support from local bands and metis organizations that the committee also get support from other bands and organizations in the NWT. He suggested having an ongoing media campaign. He added that the City of Yellowknife will be completing a study on the impacts of building a University and suggested that a study be completed on Fort Smith and the impacts of losing the college headquarters. He added that the committee is in need of administrative support. He added that the City of Yellowknife has funded a full-time position from funding from the truth and reconciliation commission and noted that maybe there is an opportunity to apply for some of those funds for assistance to the library to continue adequate level of library services.

- iii. Cr. McArthur Cr. McArthur apologized for missing the last meeting. He advised that RAB did agree for the electronic sign to be placed over the main entrance doors of the recreation centre. He wondered if spring clean-up is officially over as there are lots of garbage on the side of the street that was not picked up. He asked if clients will be getting a notice to clean it themselves. He indicated that the college of the Yukon is now going to be a University which could cause a problem with a University in Yellowknife as potential students may prefer living in the Yukon.
- iv. Cr. Bell Cr. Bell was glad to have the Minister of Education Culture and Employment come to Fort Smith and meet with Council and the community regarding the Aurora College Foundational Review. She commended the community members that attended the public meeting and was grateful for their input. She commended Council's decision to create a committee that will keep the momentum lobbying on the issue of the college and looks forward to their efforts. She advised that she will be available to help periodically with the committee but can't make a commitment as she has prior commitments. She suggested that Council advertise to get volunteers for Canada day.
- v. D/M Smith D/M Smith agreed with Cr. Patel's suggestion to have clothing made for Councillors. He thinks that having clothing with the Town logo would be beneficial and would identify Councillors representing the Town of Fort Smith when traveling. He recognized that the heat in the Recreation centre is a problem and that has been an issue that previous Council and Administration has tried to fix. He noted that the problem is a design issue and that the building can't be cooled mechanically. He trusts that Administration will adhere to workers compensation regulations around working in hot conditions. He supported the idea of having a cooling room for staff and youth programs that are running in the recreation centre. He requested an update from the college committee and if they can provide information on the immediate that strategy has been formed. Cr. Patel suggested that the committee schedule a meeting after the special meeting next week. Mayor Napier-Buckley advised that the Standing Committee on Social Development with the Legislative Assembly is meeting on Tuesday June 26, 2018 and she is hoping to delegate to the standing committee.



- vi. <u>Cr. Patel</u> Cr. Patel advised that the AWG Chase the Ace will be ongoing and asked if anyone wants to volunteer on Wednesday nights. She added that they can show up at Dirty O' Fergies on Wednesdays at 6:00 pm. She is looking forward to the Canada Day events. She added that there is a local business that customizes t-shirts and suggested having t-shirts made for Council volunteering on Canada Day. She advised that she has spoken to a few residents from Yellowknife who are under the assumption that the University will be built and headquartered in Yellowknife. Therefore, Council has to continue to lobby for the headquarters to remain in Fort Smith. She was happy with the creation of the committee and was pleased to see the schedule for all the summer activities.
- vii. <u>Cr. Dumont</u> Cr. Dumont had no concerns and is happy with the way things are going. He fully supports Councils position on the Aurora College Foundational review and looks forward to helping with that.
- viii. Cr. Kikoak Cr. Kikoak advised that the heat in the Recreation Centre is unpleasant to work in when there is a forecast for heat warnings. She hopes that Council upholds work place safety standards and takes the staff recommendations to have a cooling room behind the reception desk. This has been stalled because the air conditioner had to be properly vented. She added that it is her understanding that the vent could not be installed to the outside of the building and the solution was for the vent to be vented to a janitor's room. She is appealing to Council so that staff have a cool room to cool off in heat warning conditions. She added that it is a dangerous work environment to be working in that heat. She asked if Council would be interested in taking the next step and have the Town's lawyers review the recommendations and comments in the Aurora College Foundational review and see if there is a case for slander. This would hold the GNWT accountable for publishing an unverified document that was slanderous towards our corporation.
- ix. Mayor Napier-Buckley Mayor Napier-Buckley provided an update on the college committee. She noted that the issue has to continue to be discussed so that Yellowknife doesn't think that we are just leaving it and letting it go. There was a constructive discussion with residents and committee members at the meeting on June 18, 2018. There are action items that came out of that meeting most of which is lobbying and getting the support from across the NWT. With the support from municipal leaders, indigenous leaders and MLAs it will put more pressure on the legislative standing committee. She advised that there is a meeting scheduled on Monday June 25, 2018 with Minister Sebert and he will also be meeting with the public in the evening. She advised that she is looking to delegate to the Legislative Standing Committee in addition to the joint letter from all the Councils and indigenous leaders in the South Slave region. She advised that there is a special meeting scheduled for June 26, 2018 to meet with Hay River Town Council. She requested volunteers for Canada day, volunteers are needed for judging floats, suggestions for a master of ceremonies and singers for the national anthem. She congratulated PWK SAGE group on the successful pride week. She advised that today is the Kindergarten celebration and Tuesday June 26, 2018 is the Grade 6 celebration at JBT Elementary. She advised that the recreation summer programs have been released. She indicated that heat warnings have been issued for Fort Smith. She advised that there is a sign up for the Day Care and indicated that she will get information on when the Day Care will be opening and that she would like the Town to be involved in the opening. She recognized that the heat in the



Recreation Centre is an issue and has been for many years. She noted that Administration is actively working on getting it resolved. She advised that the Advisory Board on Culture was not successful in meeting therefore she would like the request to rename McDougal Road be forwarded to Council for the first meeting in July.

e. Administration – Administration advised that the Recreation Centre has been a hot place since it was built while Cr. Kikoak's father was mayor 20 years ago. He indicated that achieving cooling is one of the items included in the plans to redesign the recreation centre through the small community's fund. He is aware of the safety issues and that has been communicated to employees. He indicated that the Town also has employees that work outside directly in the heat and have set limits and that they have the same information on how to work in that environment. The GNWT is looking to access climate change funding where climate change is causing hot weather and forest fires. With the funding GNWT is looking at renovating facilities to provide cooling and the recreation centre, arena and health centre are included in that list of facilities.

Cr. Kikoak felt the need to supplicate to Administrations comments that pointed her out as the daughter to a previous mayor. She indicated that the comments she had made regarding the heat in the recreation centre shouldn't be given less value because of that. She indicated that employees working outside are given opportunities to find cooling in air conditioned vehicles and are outside in the fresh air. She is looking for support for a cooling room that includes an air conditioner in the recreation centre. With recent events during AWG, the fire marshal advised that a vent could be installed for an air conditioner. She would like an air conditioner to be installed and added that it would take a couple of weeks for it to be installed.

Briefing Note First Quarter Variance Report – Administration advised that everything is on budget and close to the same as last year. Recreation revenues appear to be lower compared to previous years and is researching the reasons why recreation revenues have decreased. The salary's are showing as overspent but that is due to the last pay period in 2017 crossed over into 2018.

Utility costs are above budget due to the long cold winter and increase in prices.

Public relations budget is experiencing pressure with lots of spending on the AWG. He anticipates more spending on that budget with the issue of the Aurora College Foundational Review and Council lobbying on that issue. With that the Council travel will also experience unforeseen pressures. He indicated that the pressure on the public relation budget is impossible to budget for but will have a better idea in the second quarter and that he will explore ways to relieve some of those pressures after the expenses are processed.

Cr. Patel asked if there will be large variance with recreation wages particularly janitorial due to AWG. Administration advised that the costs associated with AWG are still in the process of being finalized and anticipates the final report in the coming weeks.

Cr. Holtorf asked for clarification on the water and sewer revenues. He understands that the total budget for the year is \$1,927,000 and that actual year to date is \$214,000 and asked if that is on budget. Administration indicated that there is one column titled 2018 budget and included in that number is the total the Town is expecting to receive for 2018. He indicated that this is a variance report and that we try to estimate what the spending should be to date. He advised that the 25% of the total revenue is \$231,000 but we are \$15,000 lower than that estimated revenue in this first quarter. The 2017 first quarter variance does show a difference of \$400 in the actual revenue from water and sewer meaning that in the first quarter compared to last year revenues has increased by \$400. He advised that the difference in the estimates could be due to the winter months and residents using less water. He anticipates the revenues to catch up after the summer and people using more water.



Cr. Holtorf asked for a summary of the environmental variance. Administration advised that on page 19 includes the total budget for the solid waste. He indicated that the budgeted revenues are \$418,000 and a quarter of that is \$104,000. Total revenues year to date is \$106,000 indicating that revenues have slightly increased compared to the anticipated revenue and considerably higher than 2017. He added that the revenue for tipping fees have also increased compared to 2017 and that does not take into consideration spring clean up.

Cr. Holtorf indicated that the auditors recommended that the Town increase water charges by 25% to achieve the cost recovery which would also require a change to the bylaw and asked if that is something that Administration is pursuing. Administration advised that to achieve the cost recovery the increase would have to be closer to 200% increase to water charges. That recovery has to do with how the rate structure was designed to recover O&M funds, the funds that is spent in any given year to run the system is offset by the funds taken in revenue. But It didn't take into consideration the fact that we have to repair and replace the infrastructure which was always covered under capital. And to reflect that with the changeover to accrual accounting MACA started adding in depreciation to track the valuation of our assets and shows up in the O&M budget. A good first step to try and get full cost recovery is to have the revenue that we make equal the operating costs plus the depreciation value. The depreciation value is not an actual number as it is based on accounting life time and not actual life time. Doesn't take into consideration utility's specific capital funding we receive because we can't take that funding a transfer it into the O&M budget. So, there is other things and those were the purpose of the 20-year capital plan is to be able to take some of those things into consideration and get a more representative number of what our replacement costs for capital is going to be and then add that to operating costs. But until then if you want to aim for something that MACA couldn't argue about you use the depreciation number but the thing is we are required not to profit on utilities so that means we actually have to have a very good understanding of how much water we sell because the math then becomes the amount of money we need to raise divided by the amount of water sold. We don't have a good understanding of how much water that is being sold. We know how much water we make but there are things like shrinkage and spillage in the system giving an inaccurate number. We are trying to get a handle on that, so we can set a justifiable water rate. The other thing being as there is going to be a big change so there's going to be one in the acknowledgement that we are not just going to go in and triple prices to balance the budget. But we will do incremental increases in the rate every year to eventually get us there. What we have been doing every year or second year is raising the water rates knowing that we are still well below target and working our way there. Even if we know how much money we have to make we are not going to raise it that much. As long as we continuously raise it every year that is the best we can do at a responsible pace so that we do not off put the residents.

18-136 Moved By: Cr. Patel Seconded By: Cr. Bell

That the First Quarter Variance report be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Briefing Note Fort Smith Metis Council Donation Request —Administration advised that the Fort Smith Metis Council are requesting assistance for providing rough boxes and crosses. He advised that the Fort Smith Metis Council has historically provided this service free of charge to any residents. They are finding that the cost to provide this service is increasing. Currently the cost of a rough box, cross and the labour is approximately \$500.00 per burial. They are looking for any type of support that the Town may like to provide. They were contacted to see if they to quantify that and add a dollar value to the request but were not specific and were just looking for help. The status of the donations budget is the same as last briefing note. He doesn't have a number for how many burials that occur annually as it varies every year. Cr. Patel asked if the Fort Smith Metis Council is looking for labour support, financial support or both. Administration understands that the Fort Smith Metis Council is looking for financial support. Cr.



Kikoak asked for clarification on the cross and if they are replacement crosses and not original crosses. Mayor Napier-Buckley believes that the Fort Smith Metis Council provides both replacement crosses and original crosses but noted that the briefing note indicates replacement crosses. Administration advised that the initial letter indicates replacement crosses to replenish the grave sites but after contacting the Fort Smith Metis Council they discussed the cost for initial burial. Cr. Holtorf indicated that in the past the Town has help with clean up in the cemetery and asked if there is leverage in that area to provide assistance. Administration advised that there is a line item in the budget titled cemetery which is typically used for hiring contractors in the winter. He advised that the budget was also accessed to provide maintenance for gravesites. There could be an opportunity to use that budget as there are currently no parameters around it as we don't know the cost for cleanliness around gravesites. Administration requested the motion be tabled until more information is provided.

18-137 Moved By: Cr. Holtorf Seconded By: Cr. Patel

That council approve a contribution of \$1000.00 to the Fort Smith Metis Council from the cemetery budget.

**TABLED** 

Briefing Note Fort Smith Metis Council Request for Donated Swim Passes – Administration advised that the Fort Smith Metis Council is requesting a donation of 150 swim passes to provide to youth during aboriginal day celebrations. He advised that the cost per swim pass is \$2.50 totaling \$375.00. They are asking to receive them for \$1.00 each for a total of \$150.00. So, we are looking at a donation of \$175.00. The donations budget has been expended by 1/3 so there are available funds in the donation budget. D/M Smith asked for clarification on who would be receiving the free passes. Mayor Napier-Buckley advised the celebrations hosted by the Fort Smith Metis Council is for the whole community and that the free passes will be given to any children attending the celebrations.

18-138 Moved By: Cr. Patel Seconded By: Cr. Holtorf

That Council donate the equivalent of 90 free swim passes to the Fort Smith Metis Council for National Indigenous Peoples Day celebrations.

# CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Cr. Holtorf asked for clarification on the special meeting scheduled with the Hay River Town Council. He asked what are the points of discussion, what do we hope to achieve jointly, and would the information that will be obtain from Administration meeting with the Town of Hay River's SAO be relevant to this meeting. Administration advised that he did meet with the Town of Hay River's SAO on June 14, 2018. There was a lot of progress made at this meeting. There were provided a list of the various items that have been disbursed between the communities from the AWG and the list was provided to Council. There were a number of items that is identified as disbursed to the Town of Fort Smith when in actuality it was disbursed to various sports groups. He added that there were very few items that were actually disbursed to the Town of Fort Smith and a level of disappointment with the number of items disbursed to the Town of Hay River. The Hay River SAO brought up the fact that a number of the items disbursed from AWG actually belonged to the Hay River Reserve. There were items that were shipped to Fort Smith for storage which was paid from funding obtained for culture. Amongst the items are bleachers and sleeping bags that will have to be shipped back to the Hay River reserve as it is being stored at the recreation centre and is indicated as a disbursement to the Town of Fort Smith on the AWG list. There were also a discussion on cots that were received and resolved the issue that Fort Smith didn't received all the cots they were supposed to have received. The merchandise was also a topic of discussion and that the SAO's came to an agreement as the merchandise is showing as a revenue in the AWG financials giving the impression that the Town's will buy the merchandise from AWG. He clarified that the Town's have made no commitment to buy the surplus of merchandise. He indicated that they have advised the AWG to zero out the merchandise which will cause



an increase in the deficit but have agreed to split the merchandise between the Town's and sell on behalf of the AWG. They will be researching innovative ways to sell the merchandise but anticipates difficulty with the limit range of left over sizes. They also discussed when the Town's would assume management of the games and anticipates that would happen in mid-July after the audit is completed. Hay river advised that the reason they want the Councils to meet is because they have identified cash flow issues. The amount of funds left in the budget as outstanding is equivalent to payroll, so they don't think AWG will be able to make payroll. He added that most of the outstanding payables are invoices that are currently in question and are working to resolve. He advised that he has meeting on June 20, 2018 with the Deputy Minister of MACA and the Town of Hay River SAO to discuss the cash flows issues and will communicate the outcome to the Acting Senior Administrative Officer so Council is aware of MACA's position on the issue. He advised that Hay River has communicated cash flows to MACA and they appear to be willing to assume any cash flows issues in the interim. D/M Smith advised that the AWG developed a priority list in terms of payments; first being payroll, businesses, none for profit organizations and then GNWT invoices. Cr. Holtorf asked if there any way of getting a plaque that recognizes the Town of Fort Smith as a co-host to the 2018 AWG. Cr. Kikoak perhaps ask Greg Rowe to sponsor some plaques. Cr. Patel advised that there are tons of signage and banners that we may be able to reutilize and is not keen on spending any more money.

#### H. PROCLAMATIONS

There were no proclamations.

#### I. ABSENCE OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

18-139 Moved By: Cr. Kikoak Seconded By: Cr. Patel

That Cr. McArthur be excused from the Committee of the Whole Meeting on June 12, 2018.

IN FAVOUR – D/M SMITH, CR. PATEL, CR. KIKOAK, CR. TUCKEY, CR. DUMONT, CR. BELL, CR. HOLTORF ABSTAINED – CR. MCARTHUR CARRIED



# J. <u>DATE OF NEXT COUNCIL MEETING</u>

Corporate Services Standing Committee Meeting – July 3, 2018 Community and Municipal Services Standing Committee Meetings – July 10, 2018 Council Meeting 07-18– July 17, 2018

# K. ADJOURNMENT

18-140 Moved By: Cr. Patel Seconded By: Cr. Bell

That the meeting be adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Minutes adopted this 17th day of July, 2018.

Mayor Lynn/Napier-Buckley

Certified Correct by the

Senior Administrative Officer Keith Morrison

# L. **QUESTION PERIOD**

A question period was offered in accordance with policy.