

## **COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS**

# July 23, 2018

#### Regional District of Fraser Fort-George Presentation

Petra Wildauer, Laura Zapotichny and Jim Martin with the Regional District of Fraser Fort-George presented Council with an update on their upcoming Recycling & Extended Producer Responsibility policy development and the Mackenzie Regional Transfer Station project. The new transfer station is anticipated to be completed in 2019.

#### Summit Avalanche Consulting Ltd. Funding Request

Trapper Gilowski with Summit Avalanche Consulting Ltd. requested \$3,500 from Council to support free avalanche outreach programs and provide snow pack hazard assessments for Mackenzie snowmobile and back country ski areas. Council has directed staff to work with Summit Avalanche and provide recommendations for the most appropriate form of support for this service.

#### Community Wildfire Protection Plan 2017 Adoption

Council adopted the District of Mackenzie Community Wildfire Protection Plan, which identifies the wildfire risks within and surrounding the community, describes the potential consequences of a wildfire and examines ways to reduce wildfire risk in our area.

### BC Rural Dividend Application: Mackenzie Wildfire Protection

Council approved the application to the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development for the Wildfire Protection Improvement Project under the BC Rural Dividend Program. If approved, this project will provide funding towards fuel load mitigation along Highway 39 to reduce wildfire risk, increase safety, protect wildlife and improve means of access to and from the community.

### Playground/Community Space at John Dahl Park

Staff provided Council with an update on the BCAA playground project plans and proposed designs. Installation of the new play space is set to take place in late September.

## **Enabling Accessibility Fund Application**

Council approved the application to the Department of Employment & Social Development for up to \$100,000 for the Accessible Community Park Project under the Enabling Accessibility fund for small projects. This project aims to install disability accessible play structures adjacent to the new BCAA play space area.

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#### Professional Reliance Roundtable

Council authorized Mayor Crook to attend the Professional Reliance Roundtable hosted by the Provincial Legislature in Victoria on August 21, 2018 to address issues regarding the spread of spruce beetle through the northern region.

#### **Coming Events**

McLeod Lake Indian Band Annual General Assembly – August 10, 2018.

## Questions?

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