

The War Amps Child Amputee - Presentation

Mayor Simpson recognized Ms. Hannah Trimble, who is 12 years old, for her efforts in Quesnel regarding The War Amps Child Amputee program. Ms. Trimble has spoken at her Quesnel school to encourage kids to “spot the danger” in their play environment to “PLAYSAFE”. As well Ms. Trimble has presented The War Amps Military Heritage Series at local libraries.

2017 Quesnel City Council Meeting Schedule

Council approved the 2017 Quesnel City Council Regular Meeting Schedule. Please visit the Council page on the City’s website.

Public Engagement Plan

The City is undergoing a review of the Official Community Plan and Master Zoning bylaws. This extensive review commenced in June 2016 and is now ready to go out for public engagement that will continue into mid-2017. The Public Engagement Plan will outreach to the general public and 23 community stakeholder groups through public workshops, neighbourhood road shows, a forum, a fair, an open house, Council Standing Committee meetings, Public Hearing(s), and Regular Council meetings. The upcoming public outreach sessions are:

#Quesnel2030 Speakers Night – Hear How to Get Involved

Friday, November 4, 2016 from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm at the Royal Canadian Legion

Neighbourhood Roadshow – West Quesnel – Provide Input

Saturday, November 5, 2016 from 9:30 am to Noon at West Park Mall

Neighbourhood Roadshow – Downtown/North Quesnel – Provide Input

Saturday, November 5, 2016 from 2:30 pm to 5:00 pm at the Tower Inn (Best Western) Banquet Room

Neighbourhood Roadshow – Johnston/Carson Subdivisions – Provide Input

Sunday, November 6, 2016 from 9:30 am to Noon at Carson Elementary

Neighbourhood Roadshow – South Quesnel – Provide Input

Sunday, November 6, 2016 from 2:30 pm to 5:00 pm at Dragon Lake Elementary

Please visit <http://www.quesnel.ca/OCP2030.html> for upcoming event schedule and progress of the Official Community Plan updates and Zoning Bylaw revisions.

Master Fees Bylaw – Annual Amendments

Council approved the first three readings of Bylaw 1812 that, if approved, will see fee increases to water rates; trade waste container rates; landfill rates; airport rates; additional fees/services for the cemetery and impounding fees that will be effective January 1, 2017. For full details of this report and attachments, please visit the City’s website under Council/Agendas.

Disposal of Surplus Equipment

Council has approved the City to dispose of surplus equipment “as is/where is” through a sealed bid process. To view this equipment, please contact the Public Works department at 250-992-6330 after October 26, 2016.

Museum – Intern Position

Council gave staff the go ahead to enter into a funding agreement to hire a museum intern under the Young Canada Works in Heritage Program. This temporary position is from November 2016 to March 2017. Please visit the City’s website under Careers for further details of this temporary employment position.

Marihuana Legislation Changes Update

Council heard an update on the new federal medical marihuana legislation. The Access to Cannabis for Medical Purposes Regulations merges the previous regulations for the development of commercial production facilities with that permitting a registered individual to grow a specified amount for their own use.

Regulations for commercial production facilities have seen minor changes, but registered individuals authorized to grow their own marihuana saw notable changes including allowing individuals to alter dried marihuana into other products such as oils.

It is still illegal for medical dispensaries as well as a person who is registered to use medical marihuana, under the Access to Cannabis for Medical Purposes Regulations, to sell, provide, or give cannabis to another person.

For more information regarding these issues please visit <http://healthycanadians.gc.ca/publications/drugs-products-medicaments-produits/understanding-regulations-medical-cannabis-medicales-comprehension-reglements/index-eng.php>

Bylaws

Bylaw 1812 - Comprehensive Fees and Charges Amendment
Bylaw (Schedules) – First, Second, Third Readings

Next Meetings

7 pm – Oct 25/16 - Regular Council Meeting