



Minutes of the Advisory Committee on Bear Awareness

July 3, 2024

9:00 am

5th Floor Board Room of City Hall

1100 Patricia Boulevard, Prince George, BC

*We respectfully acknowledge the unceded ancestral lands of the Lheidli T'enneh,
on whose land we live, work and play.*

PRESENT: Lisa Cran <Chair>
Alicia Buchanan
Lauren Harding
Nicole Botten
James Spankie
Alex Rowan <Zoom>

IN ATTENDANCE: Councillor Trudy Klassen
Gina Layte Liston, Regional District of Fraser Fort George
Charlotte Peters, Manager of Bylaw Services
Sean LeBrun, Manager of Parks and Solid Waste Division / Staff Liaison
Leslie Kellett, Deputy Corporate Officer
Catharine Sikobe, Legislative Services Assistant

A. COMMENCEMENT

The meeting of the Advisory Committee on Bear Awareness was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

B. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved By A. Buchanan

Seconded By L. Cran

*That the agenda for the July 3, 2024 Advisory Committee on Bear Awareness meeting BE
ADOPTED.*

Carried Unanimously

C. NEW BUSINESS

C.1 Introduction of Committee Members

A roundtable of introductions was held for members of the Advisory Committee on Bear Awareness.

C.2 Overview of Committees, Commissions, and Boards

C. Sikobe, Legislative Services Assistant presented an overview of committees and committee meeting processes.

Moved By A. Buchanan

Seconded by A. Rowan

That the Advisory Committee on Bear Awareness RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the presentation “Overview of Committees, Commissions and Boards”.

Carried Unanimously

C.3 Appointment of the Chair and Vice Chair

L. Cran was appointed Chair by acclamation.

Moved By A. Rowan

Seconded by J. Spankie

That the Advisory Committee on Bear Awareness APPOINTS Lisa Cran as Chair of the Advisory Committee on Bear Awareness for the term beginning July 3, 2024 and ending on December 31, 2024 or upon dissolution of the committee, whichever comes first.

Carried Unanimously

J. Spankie was appointed Vice-Chair by acclamation.

Moved By L. Cran

Seconded by A. Buchanan

That the Advisory Committee on Bear Awareness APPOINTS James Spankie as Vice-Chair of the Advisory Committee on Bear Awareness for the term beginning July 3, 2024 and ending on December 31, 2024 or upon dissolution of the committee, whichever comes first.

Carried Unanimously

C.4 Terms of Reference

The Advisory Committee on Bear Awareness reviewed the Purpose and Mandate of the Committee and highlighted the importance of striving for provincial Bear Smart status.

C.5 City of Prince George Fruit Removal Incentive Program

Moved By A. Buchanan
Seconded by N. Botten

That the Advisory Committee on Bear Awareness RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the referred item from Council dated April 9, 2024 titled "City of Prince George Fruit Tree Removal Incentive Program" and REFERS the item to the meeting of the Committee focused on Fruit-Bearing Trees.

Carried Unanimously

D. OLD BUSINESS

E. CORRESPONDENCE

E.1 Correspondence from Christopher Grilz dated May 21, 2024 titled "Improved Bear Proof Containers"

Moved By L. Cran
Seconded by N. Botten

That the Advisory Committee on Bear Awareness RECEIVES FOR INFORMATION the correspondence from Christoper Grilz dated May 21, 2024 titled "Improved Bear Proof Containers" and REFERS the item to the meeting of the Committee focused on Waste Management.

Carried Unanimously

F. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

F.1 Determination of Committee Meeting Schedule

The Committee expressed interest in meeting bi-weekly and that each meeting will be focused on one topic related to Bear Awareness. Legislative Support staff will propose meeting dates based on staff and room availability.

G. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By L. Harding
Seconded By A. Buchanan

That there being no further business, the meeting of the Advisory Committee on Bear Awareness, BE ADJOURNED.

Carried Unanimously

The meeting adjourned at 10:33 a.m.

Lisa Cran, Chair

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