

February 6, 2017

Report To: Mayor and Council

From: Travis Rob, Manager of Operations & Facilities

SUBJECT: Request from Ms. Wendy Derendorf to make a contribution to the LaVerendrye Parkway in honor of her parents.

A letter was received January 19, 2017 from Ms. Derendorf requesting to make a contribution to the LaVerendrye Parkway in honor of her late parents, Mr. Bob and Mrs. Dot Cupp, see attached letter. Historically the Town have received requests to have a memorial bench installed along the Waterfront Parkway in honor of the deceased at a specified location.

A little history on the benches along the Waterfront Parkway; in 2003 & 2004 several citizens and organizations purchased a bench at a price of \$1600 which included the cost of the plaque. The bench & plaque were installed for the commemoration of the Town of Fort Frances 100th anniversary. Since Fort Frances 100th Birthday event, 4 additional benches (Mr. & Mrs. Allison 2013, Bob Ward 2014, Tammy Wihnan- 2015 and Annie Gladu (Boon) – 2016) have been approved by Council where the requests were directed to the O & F executive committee.

In May of 2016 Mr. Joe Gladu made a similar request, which was approved by Council, where he was responsible for the cost of a Trystan bench, freight from the manufacturer to Fort Frances and the plaque. The cost of the bench is \$1494.99 (includes HST) plus shipping and the plaque can be paid for directly to General Supply or included as part of the bench costs. A detailed quote will be prepared for Ms. Derendorf prior to ordering any materials should this be the chosen contribution.

The Operations & Facilities Executive Committee recommends the following;

- 1) That Ms. Derendorf's request to make a contribution to the LaVerendrye Parkway be approved through the installation of a commemorative bench at a mutually agreed upon location.
- 2) The costs of the bench, shipping and plaque be covered by Ms. Derendorf
- 3) The Town will supply the labour & materials to construct the foundation for the select bench.
- 4) The Town will supply the labour to install the new select bench and plaque.

Respectfully Submitted

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Travis Rob', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Travis Rob, EIT
Manager of Operations & Facilities

Council approval of this report will ensure the following:

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