

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 location of her choosing.
- 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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January 18, 2017



Town of Fort Frances
Mayor, Roy Avis and Town Council
320 Portage Avenue
Fort Frances, Ont. P9A 3P9

Re: For your consideration

Dear Mayor Avis and Town Council,

The family of Bob and Dot Cupp respectfully write, to request your consideration of a contribution to the waterfront.

Bob and Dot lived the majority of their lives in the Rainy River District and made Fort Frances their permanent home from the late 1940's. Throughout the years, they were busy within the community, volunteering countless hours to the various service clubs and groups they belonged to.

They chose to build their life long family residence on the 1200 block of First St., thereby making the East End their home. The kitchen window allowed a beautiful view of Rainy River, a site that Bob, Dot, family and friends enjoyed and commented on many times throughout the years.

In loving memory, we would like to honour our parents with a contribution to the LaVerendrye Parkway.

I look forward to your approval of this request, and meeting with the appropriate committee to discuss options.

On behalf of my family, thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Wendy Derendorf
275-7144