

December 5, 2018

Report To: Mayor and Council

From: Travis Rob, Manager of Operations and Facilities

RE: Request to Utilize Municipal Land North of the Fort Frances Curling Club for a Training Exercise

A request was received from the 116th Independent Field Battery of the Royal Canadian Artillery to, again, utilize municipal land north of the Fort Frances Curling Club for a winter training exercise in January of 2019, see attached. The 116th Independent Field Battery wants to setup tents and spend 2 nights tenting and practicing winter survival and other drills as part of their ongoing training program on January 25 through 27th, 2019. Further they want to utilize this event as a recruitment and public information mechanism and will be setting up a display providing information to residents on what they do and what sort of equipment they use.

They will bring all materials needed to be self sufficient during the exercise and have engaged the Fort Frances Curling Club and Fort Frances Fire Chief for related approvals.

In order for the military to utilize privately owned property for the purposes of an exercise, they must enter into a land use agreement for the duration of the exercise. Attached to this report you will find copies of the request from Major Jon Baker, a map of the exercise area and a breakdown

It is the recommendation of Administration that

1. the use of the land to the North of the Fort Frances Curling Club be granted for the purpose of a training exercise by the 116th Independent Field Battery January 26 to January 28, 2019,
2. That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to enter into a land use agreement for the purposes of this exercise on behalf of the corporation.

Respectfully Submitted



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Council approval of this report will ensure that:

1. the use of the municipal land to the North of the Fort Frances Curling Club be granted for the purpose of a training exercise by the 116th Independent Field Battery January 25 to January 27, 2019,
2. That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to enter into a land use agreement for the purposes of this exercise on behalf of the corporation.