

**TOWN OF FORT FRANCES**  
**Community Services Executive Committee**  
**Minutes of Meeting**

**Date:** Monday, April 1, 2013     **Session No.** 42

A meeting of the Community Services Executive Committee was held in the '52 Canadians meeting room from 10:28 a.m. to 11:08 a.m.

**Committee Members present:** A. Hallikas – Chair; P. Ryan – Councillor; J. Albanese – Councillor; R. Avis – Mayor; Mark McCaig – CAO; J. Kabel – Manager of Community Services

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**CALL TO ORDER:**

A. Hallikas called the meeting to order at 10:28 am. J. Kabel recorded the minutes of the meeting.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Minutes of the March 21, 2013 Community Services Executive Committee were approved as circulated.

**DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:**

NIL

**ITEMS REFERRED FROM COUNCIL:**

- a) Fort Frances Minor Hockey Association Letter to Mayor and Council – A good discussion about extending the length of the ice season ensued as a result of the request in the letter from FFMHA. There were several reasons stated as to why this cannot happen in 2013; existing arena surface bookings cannot be cancelled, it is too late in the year to be receiving the letter & request, a more comprehensive plan will have to accompany such a request from a financial perspective, and unplanned strain on the ice plant.
- b) Presentation from Al Bedard re: Huffman School usage – Numerous explanations were offered as to why Huffman School cannot be re-purposed for any reason; the Huffman demolition began long ago and is beyond repairable without a very large investment of resources (e.g. floor tiles removed, holes in wall, asbestos, lights removed, burst water line, etc.), it is now beyond the 11<sup>th</sup> hour, there is no start-up or operational money. Other concerns were expressed that the existing Sister Kennedy Senior Centre is not being optimized yet to its fullest potential before more space is required.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- a) Fort Frances Canadian Bass Championship Letter – It was noted that the FFCBC letter did not include a comprehensive list of requests as in years past and the following direction was given to J. Kabel:
  - Contact FFCBC to ask for a list of needs for moving the tournament back to the waterfront as was done in the past.
  - Look at the previous inventory of requests from the Tournament Committee and forward most recent list to the FFCBC Chair for their immediate attention.

– J. Kabel will be made available as a contact person for the Committee.

- b) Fort Frances Voyageur Lions Club Letter – It was recommended to Council to allow the use of the Sorting Gap Marina for the start and finish of the Club’s annual walk for guide dogs.

**NON-AGENDA ITEMS:**

NIL

**INFORMATION**

- a) Next Meeting Date – Monday, April 15, 2013 - 10:30 am.

**CLOSING**

There being no further matters before the Committee at this time, the meeting was closed by A. Hallikas at 11:08 am.

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Chair

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Manager (or Superintendent)/Secretary