



CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT

MAYOR'S AND COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Report from: Councillor Lynda Hundleby

Subject: Summary Report for FCM 2017 Annual Conference and Trade Show in Ottawa
June 1 – June 5

Council Agenda: June 26, 2017

Recommendation:

That Council:

- (1) receive this report for information; and
- (2) endorse Councillor Lynda Hundleby's appointment to FCM Standing Committees 2017-2018 and assume all costs associated with FCM Board of Directors meetings in Wood Buffalo, AB; Ottawa, ON; and Laval, PQ.

Background

FCM's 2017 Annual Conference and Trade Show in Ottawa was the biggest gathering ever with nearly 3,500 participants. The conference was held at the Ottawa Conference Centre with participants accommodated in downtown Ottawa hotels.

The theme for the conference was *Shaping Canada's Future* in partnership with Canada 150 where dignitaries from 150 years ago, like "Sir John A MacDonald", were invited to help host and introduce the proceedings.

Between plenary sessions, workshops - *Build for low carbon, Stakeholder Engagement*; study sessions; keynote speakers, a remarkable Trade Show, and networking opportunities, we had 4 full, long enjoyable days.



Some highlights of the week –

- The Opening speaker was an Assiniboine elder and professor who welcomed us and gave the traditional blessing in 3 languages (Anishinaabe, French, and English). "Let us exercise love and kindness to all."
- The Federal Government political keynote was given by PM Justin Trudeau. Given how busy the PM is it is quite impressive that he has always come to FCM Conferences to deliver his own message. This gives me an indication of his

respect for the FCM and his acknowledgement that partnerships with municipalities will help build a stronger Canada

- The visit and reception at the Canadian Museum of History across the river in Gatineau. Delegates received a preview to the latest section to be opened for Canada 150. A very different creative look at Canadian history – open, bright, and airy
- Networking – the opportunity to meet and talk with municipal leaders across Canada – sharing successes and challenges, ways to do things better
- Tradeshow offerings – an opportunity to meet exhibitors, to see the new products available on the market, to see different ways of doing things. As an example, *Enerkem* – company which can turn trash into clean fuels and chemicals; Canada Post, Veterans' Affairs Canada.
- Breakfast fundraiser for women in Municipal Government scholarships - Five female students were named Canadian Women in Municipal Government scholarship winners and two more were named Andrée P. Boucher scholarship winners
- A study tour and sneak preview of MosaiCanada 150, a living sculpture garden across the river in Gatineau specially created for Canada 150, under the direction of Raymond Carriere, Founding president of Communities in Bloom. The exhibits showcase 150 years of history, values, culture and arts in Canada, represented by some 40 different arrangements, such as a large life-size building, life-size railway cars, a giant grand piano, and iconic images for each province and territory. This is a multi-faceted partnership including Chinese master artists/gardeners, Canada 150, Ottawa/Gatineau, CIBC. The Chinese artists were still working feverishly to complete this special garden in time for Canada Day and will be open to the public free of charge for 90 minute tours. The plants are all purchased in Canada. The Chinese expertise using their specialized horticultural technique, labour, and a huge dragon sculpture, are provided as gifts, with Ottawa covering their lodging and food. The Garden will be dismantled beginning October 16 when these large exhibits are readied for delivery to their final destinations. So hard to describe what these really look like – so here are some of the photos I took.



Train engine and box cars



Large Building



Anne of Green Gables (PEI)



Mounted RCMP, Coun AM Gillis(Sarnia),myself

Note: the size of the structures



Muskox of Nunavut



Grand piano

For more info and full screen photos: <http://www.gatineau2017.ca/mosaicanada-150gatineau-2017/>

Election Results:

Elected Executive for the term: July 2017 to June 2018, Congratulations to:

Past President: Clark Sommerville, Councillor, Halton Hills, ON

President: Jenny Gerbasi, Councillor, Winnipeg, MB

Second Vice-President: Sylvie Goneau, Councillor, PQ

Third Vice-President: Garth Frizzel, Councillor, Prince George, BC

BC Caucus Chair: Chris Coleman, Councillor, Victoria, BC

Although I was not successful in my bid for a position on the FCM Board – I would like to continue to participate in Standing Committees for the next term.

My request for resolution of endorsement and funding follows.

Thank you to Mayor and Council for this opportunity to participate in Ottawa for FCM 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynda Hundleby

COUNCIL RESOLUTION - 2017

**FEDERATION OF CANADIAN MUNICIPALITIES –
ELECTION TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

WHEREAS the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) represents the interests of municipalities on policy and program matters that fall within federal jurisdiction;

WHEREAS FCM's Board of Directors is comprised of elected municipal officials from all regions and sizes of communities to form a broad base of support and provide FCM with the prestige required to carry the municipal message to the federal government; and

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the **CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT** endorse **COUNCILLOR LYNDIA HUNDLEBY** and her request to be appointed to Standing Committees of FCM for **THE TERM 2017-2018**; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council assumes all costs associated with **COUNCILLOR LYNDIA HUNDLEBY** attending FCM's Board of Directors meetings.