

Schedule A-4 – Advisory Committee

Committee Name: Indigenous Relations Advisory Committee

Reporting To: Council

Composition (As Appointed by Council): Two (2) Members of Council of the Town of Fort Frances
Two (2) Local Members of the Indigenous Population
Two (2) Indigenous Youth members up to 26 years of age.
One (1) Member of the Public
One (1) Elder of the Southern Treaty Three (to be appointed without an application process)

Terms of Appointment: Term of Council

Remuneration: None

Mission Statement: The Indigenous Relations Advisory Committee is established to strengthen the relationship between the Town of Fort Frances and Indigenous communities. The Committee serves to guide the Town on matters affecting Indigenous residents and to foster a spirit of reconciliation, respect, and inclusivity within the community.

Mandate/Terms of Reference: The Town of Fort Frances recognizes and respects the unique status and cultural diversity among the Indigenous Communities of Fort Frances. The Town is committed to supporting the Indigenous Communities in Fort Frances as follows:

- 1.1 To foster communication and to help steer the process of reconciliation with the Town of Fort Frances;
- 1.2 The elimination of barriers faced by Indigenous peoples including barriers relating to Town By-Laws, policies, programs and service delivery;
- 1.3 Advancing the achievement of social, cultural, economic and spiritual wellbeing of Indigenous peoples;
- 1.4 To facilitate conversations within the Town of Fort Frances about the relationships and history of indigenous peoples in Fort Frances;
- 1.5 To inform the Town on strategic and/or emerging issues related to Indigenous peoples and practices.

The Advisory Committee or its members have no direct input or authority related to the day-to-day financial aspects, policy making or operations of the Town of Fort Frances, or in any other aspect of the Town of Fort Frances other than specified above, unless such advice is requested by the Council of the Town of Fort Frances. The day-to-day operation remains the sole responsibility of Administration.

Schedule of Meetings

A minimum of 4 meetings per year.

Reporting

- The Committee shall report to Council on a minimum annual basis and more frequently as necessary.
- Approved meeting minutes to be provided to Council following each committee meeting.
- The Council member appointee shall report on the Regular Council Meeting Agenda per the Procedural By-Law

Staff Support

- The Deputy Clerk shall provide support to the Committee in preparation of an advance agenda, meeting minutes, and other administrative work as necessary.
- The Town of Fort Frances Recreation and Culture Manager and consultants may be called upon as necessary.