

**VILLAGE OF HARRISON HOT SPRINGS
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL**

DATE: December 7, 2009
TIME: 7:00 p.m.
PLACE: Council Chambers

IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor Ken Becotte
Councillor Bob Perry
Councillor Dave Kenyon
Councillor Dave Harris
Councillor Allan Jackson

Chief Administrative Officer, Larry Burk
Executive Assistant, Debra Key (Recorder)

ABSENT:

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. **INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS**

Email from FVRL re annual appointment of representative to the Board

3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Moved by Councillor Perry
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

4. **ADOPTION AND RECEIPT OF MINUTES**

Regular Council Meeting
Minutes – November 16, 2009

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of November 16, 2009 be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

Errors & Omissions

Page 4, paragraph 7, the sentence, “On the East Sector are you planning on buying up to the properties on Cottonwood, ...” should be read, “On the East Sector are you planning on having a buffer to the properties to Cottonwood...”

Page 2, paragraph 6, 4th sentence should read, “Councillor Kenyon said no one is abiding, but if it is changed to 50 km.....”.

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☐ Committee of the Whole
Meeting Minutes – November
30, 2009

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of November 30, 2009 be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

Errors & Omissions

Page 6, 4th paragraph, 1st sentence, “Councillor Perry indicated that the last AGM at Laguna ...”, should read, “Councillor Perry indicated that at the last regular meeting of the strata at Laguna....”

☐ Advisory Planning
Commission Meeting
Minutes – September 22,
2009

Moved by Councillor Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT the minutes of the Advisory Planning Commission Meeting of September 22, 2009 be received.

CARRIED

Errors & Omissions

Page 1 of the APC minutes M. Doman is misspelled.

☐ Economic Development
Commission Meeting
Minutes - October 21, 2009

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT the minutes of the Economic Development Commission Meeting of October 21, 2009 be received.

CARRIED

☐ Parks and Recreation
Commission Meeting
Minutes – October 27, 2009

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT the minutes of the Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting of October 27, 2009 be received.

CARRIED

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

6. PUBLIC AND STATUTORY HEARINGS

None

7. DELEGATIONS

None

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8. CORRESPONDENCE

- Letter dated November 12, 2009 from the District of Kent re Water Main Extension on McPherson Road and letter dated November 24, 2009 in response

- Letter dated November 17, 2009 from the Legislative Assembly re Opposition Critics for Transportation and Infrastructure

- Email dated November 19, 2009 from BC Athletics re special event

- Letter dated November 23, 2009 from FVRD re request for statutory consent for proposed FVRD Base Mapping Service Area Amendment Bylaw

- Letter dated November 23, 2009 from Coast Mental Health Foundation re "The Courage to Come Back Awards"

- Letter dated October 6, 2009 to Minister Heed re (PRIME-BC) from City of Burnaby and letters dated November 23, 2009 from City of Burnaby re Police Records Information Management Environment (PRIME)

- Letter dated November 25, 2009 from FRVD re request for statutory consent for proposed FVRD Regional Fire Dispatch Service Area Establishment Bylaw

- Letter dated November 25, 2009 from FVRD re request for statutory consent for proposed FVRD Regional Enhanced 911 Emergency Telephone Service Area Merger Bylaw

- Letter received November 27, 2009 from Citizenship and Immigration Canada re Paul Yuzyk Award for Multiculturalism

- Letter dated November 30, 2009 from Communities in Bloom re invitation to 2010 National Edition participation

- Letter dated December 2, 2009 from the FVRD re 2010 FVRD Board and Committee Representatives

- Policy Directive dated December 2, 2009 from the Liquor Control and Licencing Branch re changes to licensee retail store policies

9. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF CORRESPONDENCE

- Letter dated November 12, 2009 from the District of Kent re Water Main Extension on McPherson Road and letter dated November 24, 2009 in response

CAO stated there has been no resolve to date from the District of Kent but has had conversation with M. Thiessen regarding municipal boundaries and watermain services. The CAO advises he should have a report for Council on December 21, 2009.

- Letter dated November 23, 2009 from FVRD re request for statutory consent for proposed FVRD Base Mapping Service Area Amendment Bylaw

Moved by Councillor Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT Council consent to the Fraser Valley Regional District Regional Base Mapping Extended Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 0987, 2009.

CARRIED

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□ Letter dated November 25, 2009 from FRVD re request for statutory consent for proposed FVRD Regional Fire Dispatch Service Area Establishment Bylaw

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT Council consent to the establishment of the Fraser Valley Regional District Regional Fire Dispatch Service Area Bylaw No. 0982, 2009.

CARRIED

□ Letter dated November 25, 2009 from FVRD re request for statutory consent for proposed FVRD Regional Enhanced 911 Emergency Telephone Service Area Merger Bylaw

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT Council consent to the establishment of the Fraser Valley Regional District Regional Enhanced 9-1-1 Emergency Telephone Service Area Merger Bylaw No. 0981, 2009.

CARRIED

□ Letter dated December 2, 2009 from the FVRD re 2010 FVRD Board and Committee Representatives

Moved by Councillor Perry
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT the 2010 Regional Board/Hospital Board, Environment Committee and FV Treaty Advisory Committee appointments to the Fraser Valley Regional District Board remain status quo.

CARRIED

□ Letter dated November 30, 2009 from Communities in Bloom re invitation to 2010 National Edition participation

Councillor Harris stated that due to the Communities in Bloom Committee's lack of membership, the Committee will not be making a decision to participate in the 2010 provincial/national edition until there is a better representation from the community. Would like to remain in Provincial edition rather than compete nationally due to the status of the membership.

Councillor Kenyon asked if the Village could participate in the WinterLights Celebrations.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AND COMMISSIONS

None

10.

REPORTS FROM MAYOR

Mayor reported that the Coroner's Report regarding the drowning at the lagoon has been released. The Mayor expressed condolences to the family. The Coroner's Report was found to be conclusive as to the cause with contributing factors.

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The 2010 Olympic Torch Relay is coming to Harrison on February 7, 2010. Initial plans are currently underway. A Conference call has been scheduled for December 8, 2009 with Torch Relay representatives to review the route community process.

The Christmas Light up last weekend was very successful. It is the hope that more businesses and residences will participate in future years.

A new brochure has been developed by staff regarding Snow and Ice Removal.

The Mayor thanked Councillors, Committees and Commissions for all of the hard work over this past year.

11.

REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

Councillor Harris

November 18, 2009 attended with the Mayor and others for a demonstration of proposed new Fire Truck from Abbotsford and was extremely impressed with capabilities and very impressed with Chief Wilson's knowledge of the truck.

December 1, 2009 attended the Sustainability and Infrastructure Workshop at Harrison Beach Hotel.

December 2, 2009 attended Kent Institution "Change of Command" with a full dress parade.

On December 14, 2009 will be attending the Citizen's Advisory Christmas Luncheon and on the evening of 14th have been asked to be a judge for the Chamber of Commerce Christmas Lights contest.

Councillor Kenyon

Impressed with the Fire Truck, complimented Chief Wilson on his knowledge of truck and tenaciousness in getting this truck into the community.

Participated in the Festival of Lights light float in the lake.

December 5, 2009 attended Search and Rescue Volunteer Appreciation Dinner.

Next EDC meeting on December 16, 2009

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Councillor Jackson November 18, 2009 attended an in camera Fraser Valley Treaty Association meeting. Things are moving along very successfully.

On December 1, 2009 attended an Environment Meeting at the Fraser Valley Regional District. We are looking at airshed management proposals for the Regional District. The desire is to protect the airsheds. Will be starting regulations on PM2.5. Another issue is with farmers' plastic wrap disposal. Looking at ways to clean the plastic. Invasive plants are an issue, but are finding solutions and are gaining ground. Giant hogweed is very bad/poisonous. The Regional District is looking at the problems with burning at Bridal Falls and Cultus Lake campgrounds and is seeking ways for the campgrounds to conform with new bylaws. The Regional District is looking at the possibility of hiring an air quality manager.

Thanked all of the people who put trees up at the Hotel. Thanked all businesses that entered again this year. Special thanks to Shannon Simmonds on organizing the Breakfast with Santa event. Thanks to the pipe band and Fire Chief Wilson who picked up Mr. & Mrs. Santa.

Prizes for best commercial tree went to the Old Settler Pub and Liquor Store, 2nd place to VHHS Fire Department, best handmade to Cookin' Kim's Country Café and 3rd to the Harrison Hot Springs Preschool. Prizes will be presented at the Resort Hotel.

Councillor Perry There was a great turnout for the Christmas Tree display at the Resort.

On November 25, 2009 attended a Wine and Cheese party at the Resort after tree decoration event. Later in the day attended the Fraser Valley Regional Library Board meeting.

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

THAT Councillor Perry be re-appointed to fulfill the role as municipal director for the Fraser Valley Regional Library Board.

CARRIED

Received an invitation from the Upper Fraser Valley RCMP Detachment to attend a gala event.

12.

□ New Village website

REPORTS FROM STAFF

Report of Chief Administrative Officer – December 7, 2009

Re: Report on new Village website (verbal)

The CAO reported that the new website is up and running.

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A new Snow and Ice Removal Guide has been developed that will be going out in mail and also on the website.

The new water reservoir grand opening will be on Monday, December 21, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. A notice will go into the newspaper advising the public that pressure may be little bit higher so older toilets may keep running. Final costs for the water reservoir came approximately \$39,000 under budget.

Tenders closed for the watermain extension for Hot Springs Road so hope to start construction early in the New Year.

☐ Fire Department Monthly Report for September 2009 – October 7, 2009

Report of Fire Chief – October 7, 2009

Re: Fire Department Monthly Report for September 2009

Received for information and filed.

☐ Fire Department Monthly Report for September 2009 – November 4, 2009

Report of Fire Chief – November 4, 2009

Re: Fire Department Monthly Report for October 2009

Received for information and filed.

☐ 2010 Regular council meeting schedule – November 30, 2009

Moved by Councillor Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Perry

Report of Chief Administrative Officer – November 30, 2009

Re: 2010 Regular Council Meeting Schedule

THAT the 2010 Regular Council meeting schedule be approved as amended.

CARRIED

☐ Memorandum of Understanding – Fraser Valley Regional District Aggregate Pilot Project Update – December 3, 2009

Moved by Councillor Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Perry

Report of Chief Administrative Officer – December 3, 2009

Re: Memorandum of Understanding – Fraser Valley Regional District Aggregate Pilot Project Update

THAT the Memorandum of Understanding between the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources and the Fraser Valley Regional District Member Municipalities and Area Districts A-G be endorsed by Council.

CARRIED

☐ Policy 2.31 Disposal of Surplus Items and Equipment – December 7, 2009

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Perry

Report of Chief Administrative Officer – December 3, 2009

Re: Disposal of Surplus Items and Equipment Policy No. 2.31

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THAT Policy No.2.31 Disposal of Surplus Items and Equipment be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

Councillor Jackson does not believe Council should be included in 3.2.

□ Final Adjustments to our Fleet – December 3, 2009

Moved by Councillor Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Perry

Report of Chief Administrative Officer – December 3, 2009

Re: Final adjustments to our Fleet

THAT the purchase of two new vehicles for Public Works including to a maximum amount of \$51,000 including taxes, freight and pdi, etc. be approved.

□ Speed limit on McCombs Drive– December 3, 2009

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Harris

Report of Chief Administrative Officer – December 3, 2009

Re: Speed limits on McCombs Drive

THAT resolution of the March 17, 2008 regular meeting whereby the speed limit on McCombs between Miami River Drive and Emerald Avenue be posted at 50 km/h be upheld and that staff be directed to make that change; and

THAT a sign be posted at the entrance to the Village that the speed limit within Village boundaries is 50 km/h unless otherwise posted.

CARRIED

OPPOSED BY COUNCILLOR PERRY
OPPOSED BY COUNCILLOR JACKSON

Councillor Perry asked staff to follow up with the Ministry of Transportation regarding the posted speed on Hot Springs Road.

□ Young Anderson Law Seminar – December 7, 2009

Report of Chief Administrative Officer – December 7, 2009

Re: Report on Young Anderson Law Seminar November 27, 2009 (Verbal)

The CAO reported on the law seminar that was well attended by several municipalities. The CAO provided excerpts of refreshers and case law.

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13.

BYLAWS

□ Bylaw No. 928 Regulation of Well Closure – November 30, 2009

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Harris

Report of Chief Administrative Officer – November 30, 2009

Re: Bylaw No. 928 Regulation of Well Closure on properties connected to the Village Water System

THAT Bylaw No. 928, 2009 “Village of Harrison Hot Springs Well Closure Regulation Bylaw” receive first reading;

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT Bylaw No. 928, 2009 “Village of Harrison Hot Springs Well Closure Regulation Bylaw” receive second reading;

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT Bylaw No. 928, 2009 “Village of Harrison Hot Springs Well Closure Regulation Bylaw” receive third reading;

CARRIED

□ Bylaw No. 929 Officer Establishment and Appointment Bylaw – December 1, 2009

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Jackson

Report of Chief Administrative Officer – December 1, 2009

Re: Officer Establishment and Appointment Bylaw No. 929 and repeal of old bylaws

THAT Bylaw 929, 2009 Officer Establishment and Appointment Bylaw receive first reading;

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT Bylaw 929, 2009 Officer Establishment and Appointment Bylaw receive second reading;

CARRIED

The Mayor asked that staff review the bylaw to remove the schedules of duties and responsibilities for all officers.

14.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

A member of the public commented that he would like the Village to research the amount of children that frequent McCombs Road.

A member of the public asked that the white marker remain on the tabletop on McCombs Drive.

A member of the public asked about the disposal of surplus items policy and whether the items would be available to the public. The Mayor stated yes.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Perry

Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT the meeting be adjourned.


The meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

CARRIED

Certified a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held December 7, 2009 in the Council Chambers, Village of Harrison Hot Springs, BC



Ken Becotte
Mayor



Larry Burk
Chief Administrative Officer