

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

DATE: February 15, 2010
TIME: 7:00 p.m.
PLACE: Council Chambers

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

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

ABSENT:

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

Report of Fire Chief Wilson – December 3, 2009
Re: Fire Department Monthly Report for November 2009

Report of Fire Chief Wilson – January 4, 2010
Re: Fire Department Monthly Report for December 2009

Report of Fire Chief Wilson – February 2, 2010
Re: Fire Department Monthly Report for January 2010

The Mayor presented the Executive Assistant with a framed Certification for International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC).

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT the agenda be approved.

**CARRIED
RC-2010-030**

4. ADOPTION AND RECEIPT OF MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting
Minutes – February 1, 2010

Moved by Councillor Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of February 1, 2010 be adopted.

**CARRIED
RC-2010-031**

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□ Harrison Lake Harbour
Commission Meeting
Minutes – November 5, 2009

Moved by Councillor Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

THAT the minutes of the Harrison Lake Harbour Commission Meeting of November 5, 2009 be received.

CARRIED
RC-2010-032

□ Parks and Recreation
Commission Meeting
Minutes – December 15, 2009

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT the minutes of the Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting of December 15, 2009 be received.

CARRIED
RC-2010-033

5.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

□ Parks and Recreation
Commission

Parks and Recreation Commission

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

THAT staff be instructed to apply to Correctional Service of Canada for the use of work release inmates to protect the trees along the Miami River with the use of chicken wire.

CARRIED
OPPOSED BY COUNCILLOR JACKSON
OPPOSED BY COUNCILLOR PERRY
RC-2010-034

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

THAT staff provide an inventory of playground equipment description of the equipment condition to the Parks and Recreation Commission.

CARRIED
RC-2010-035

6.

PUBLIC AND STATUTORY HEARINGS

None

7.

DELEGATIONS

None

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8. CORRESPONDENCE

- Letter dated January 19, 2010 from Child Find British Columbia re donation
- Letter dated January 28, 2010 from Campaign for Health Care Excellence re campaign
- Letter dated February 1, 2010 from School District 78 Fraser-Cascade re elected Trustee
- Letter dated February 1, 2010 from Premier Gordon Campbell re funding for Tourism, Culture and the Art
- Email from LMLGA Conference Registration Online re Registration
- Letter received February 5, 2010 re proclamation for "Easter Seals Month" and response dated February 12, 2010

9. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF CORRESPONDENCE

Letter dated January 28, 2010 from Campaign for Health Care Excellence re campaign

Campaign for Health Care Excellence re campaign

**Moved by Councillor Perry
Seconded by Councillor Harris**

THAT the Campaign for Health Care Excellence be endorsed and supported by Council.

**CARRIED
RC-2010-036**

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
AND COMMISSIONS**

10. REPORTS FROM MAYOR

The Mayor reported that Council has now been provided with computer laptops. A new projector and screen has also been installed in the Council Chambers which will allow the public to view the complete Council agenda along with presentations as provided.

The Olympic Torch Relay event was very successful with approximately 500 - 1,000 people attending. The event at the Plaza was opened with Chehalis First Nations dancers performing the "Welcome Dance". MLA Barry Penner also attended. Festivities followed at the Memorial Hall. The Mayor thanked all members of the Committee and volunteers who participated in the event.

The Agassiz Harrison Business Excellence Awards are taking place at the Resort Hotel. There have been 145 nominations submitted for various categories.

11. REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

Councillor Harris

February 9, 2010 attended Show Kids You Care meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to judge "I Love to Read" contest entries. This contest is sponsored by Show Kids You Care, School District #78, Fraser Valley Regional Library, Free Rein and Associates from Hope and Agassiz Printers. Twelve schools participated of which two were chosen from Harrison Hot Springs Elementary. Logan Sparks and Maddie Ward were chosen as winners. Their entries will become bookmarks to be distributed throughout the area.

February 10, 2010 attended Joint PEP meeting in Harrison Hot Springs. A resolution was brought forward by W. Mah, CAO of District of Kent to support writing a letter to the Province to request community gaming grant funding for Emergency Training.

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Jackson

WHEREAS Municipalities are required to have an Emergency Coordinator to recruit, train and educate our volunteers and to have an emergency plan to address emergency disasters;

AND WHEREAS the Province of British Columbia has abrogated their financial responsibilities by no longer providing funding for training emergency volunteers;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Province of British Columbia restore the Community Gaming Grant funding for emergency training for BC Municipalities; and

THAT a letter of support be written to the Province of British Columbia to restore Community Gaming Grant funding for emergency training for BC Municipalities

CARRIED
RC-2010-037

February 12, 2010 attended Sustainability and Infrastructure Committee meeting to review the draft report from our consultant.

February 15, 2010 attended a luncheon with Mayor and Council at the Community Access Program hosted by the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Fire Department.

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Councillor Kenyon February 7, 2010 attended the Olympic Torch Relay event.

February 9, 2010 attended the Administration and Finance Committee to discuss potential scheduling for upcoming budget meetings.

Councillor Jackson February 2, 2010 attended Environment Committee meeting of the Fraser Valley Regional District. The Chilliwack River Valley Watershed Program provided information regarding the logging industry. There are 295,000 hectares of forests of which 1/3 of 1% is protected. 75% biodiversity is in BC but we have no provincial Species At Risk Act to date.

Another delegation spoke with reference to the West Nile Virus. Of note, there are 80 million larvae per hectare that will produce mosquitoes in this region.

This will be the third year for the “Tire Roundup” that has been very successful.

Still working on getting an Ozone and Particulate station in Agassiz to test air in the future.

Councillor Jackson commented on an article “State of the Air” that is very good and if anyone wanted to obtain a copy they are to contact Councillor Jackson.

February 12, 2010 attended Sustainability and Infrastructure meeting. There is a commitment to develop an environmental program to reduce our carbon footprint. The next process is how we are going to attain that task. May 2010 we must report to the Provincial Government.

Councillor Jackson requested approval to attend the 7th Annual Air Quality Health workshop/BC Lung Association in Vancouver. The cost is \$100 for registration and hotel (one night) and mileage.

Moved by Councillor Perry
Seconded Councillor Harris

THAT approval be given for Councillor Jackson to attend the 7th Annual Air Quality Health Workshop/BC Lung Association in Vancouver.

CARRIED
RC-2010-038

Councillor Perry February 4, 2010 attended Healthy Communities Sub-Committee in the District of Kent. This has been set up to select stakeholders from Hope with respect to low cost housing and deficiencies in the area.

February 7, 2010 attended Olympic Torch Relay event.

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February 11, 2010 attended Healthy Communities Meeting was held in District of Kent with great feedback from the Health Department.

February 15, 2010 attended the Fire Department luncheon for funding for the defibrillator program.

There was no FVRL meeting this month in lieu of a two day retreat in March.

REPORTS FROM STAFF

□ Neighborhood Planning
Area 2 – Proposed Planning
Framework – February 11,
2010

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

Report of Chief Administrative Officer – February 11, 2010 – RC014

Re: Neighborhood Planning Area 2 – Proposed Planning Framework

THAT the report from the Planning Consultant entitled *Neighborhood Planning Area 2 - Reporting Back on the Proposed Planning Framework* dated 18 January 2010 be received; and

THAT a working group be established consisting of local residents who would work with Village staff and the Planning Consultant to further review the Neighborhood Planning Framework for Area 2 prior to preparing a bylaw to send for Public Hearing.

**CARRIED
RC-2010-039**

Michael Rosen gave a brief summary of the proposed planning framework for Neighborhood Planning Area 2.

□ Information Technology –
Email Communication and
Computer Use – February 11,
2010

Moved by Councillor Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Perry

Report of Chief Administrative Officer – February 11, 2010 – RC015

Re: Information Technology – Email Communication and Computer Use

THAT Policy No. 2.23 Information Technology – Email Communication and Computer Use be adopted.

**CARRIED
RC-2010-040**

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□ Janitorial Services
Agreement Award –
February 11, 2010

Moved by Councillor Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

**Report of Chief Administrative Officer – February 11, 2010 –
RC016**

Re: Janitorial Services Agreement Award

THAT the Janitorial Services Agreement for the years 2010 to 2013 inclusive be awarded to Hatt's Services.

**CARRIED
RC-2010-041**

□ Agriculture Land
Commission Process (Verbal)
– February 15, 2010

Report of Chief Administrative Officer – February 15, 2010

Re: Agriculture Land Commission Processes (Verbal)

The CAO provided a brief outline on the process for applications for exclusion to the Agriculture Land Commission. The material will be available to the public on the website.

M. Rosen commented that once the application comes before Council, Council can choose to hold a public consultation meeting if they wish.

□ Fire Department Monthly
Reports for November,
December and January-
February 15, 2010

Reports of Fire Chief Wilson – February 15, 2010

Re: Fire Department Monthly Report for November 2009, December 2009 and January 2010

The Fire Chief's monthly reports received and filed.

CAO reported that a Special Council meeting has been scheduled for February 18, 2010 at 9:30 a.m. to begin the budget deliberation process.

CAO reported that the partnership between Chehalis, Harrison Hot Springs, District of Kent and the Golf Course for eligibility in the BC Hydro PowerSmart Program has been approved. A consultant will be hired at cost to BC Hydro to provide measurements and recommendations to reduce consumption in all partner locations.

Effective April 12, 2010 the Village will be implementing a flexible work week schedule on a trial basis until August 12, 2010. The Village will be open from 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. including the lunch hour. This will provide 1 ½ hours/day more public access.

CAO reported that the Village has hired Andre Isakov as the new Community Economic and Development Officer. Mr. Isakov will commence employment with the Village on March 15, 2010

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BYLAWS

□ Bylaw No. 932 Hot Springs Road and McPherson Road residential water connection finance plan

Moved by Councillor Perry
Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT Bylaw No. 932 Village of Harrison Hot Springs Hot Springs Road and McPherson Road residential water connection finance plan be adopted.

Councillor Harris noted a minor discrepancy in the bylaw that was not noted prior to third reading.

Moved by Councillor Perry
Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THEREFORE it was resolved that the resolution to adopt Bylaw No. 932 Village of Harrison Hot Springs Hot Springs Road and McPherson Road residential water connection finance plan be withdrawn.

CARRIED
RC-2010-042

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

THAT third reading of Bylaw No. 932 Village of Harrison Hot Springs Hot Springs Road and McPherson Road residential water connection finance plan be rescinded.

CARRIED
RC-2010-043

Moved by Councillor
Seconded by Councillor

THAT Bylaw No. 932 Village of Harrison Hot Springs Hot Springs Road and McPherson Road residential water connection finance plan be amended by deleting "connection" from page 2, item 4.(b) and on page 2, item 4.(c) and amending the sentence to read, "If the water service connection on the Hot Springs Road watermain project is paid after February 26, 2010, the actual cost will be as invoiced by the contractor plus applicable taxes;".

CARRIED
RC-2010-044

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT Bylaw No. 932 Village of Harrison Hot Springs Hot Springs Road and McPherson Road residential water connection finance plan as amended, receive third reading.

CARRIED
RC-2010-045

14.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

A member of the public expressed his objection to Correctional Service of Canada inmates being proposed to work anywhere in the Village.

A member of the public asked if School District #78 had been informed that Correctional Service of Canada inmates may be working in the Village.

ADJOURNMENT


Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT the meeting be adjourned.


The meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

CARRIED
RC-2010-046

Certified a true and correct copy of the minutes of the
Regular Meeting of Council held February 15, 2010 in
the Council Chambers, Village of Harrison Hot Springs,
BC



Ken Becotte
Mayor



Larry Burk
Chief Administrative
Officer