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

DATE: October 6, 2014

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

PLACE: Council Chambers

495 Hot Springs Road Harrison Hot Springs, BC

IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor Leo Facio

Councillor John Buckley Councillor Zoltan Kiss Councillor Allan Jackson Councillor Sonja Reyerse

Chief Administrative Officer, Ian Crane

Deputy Chief Administrative Officer/CO, Debra Key

Recording Secretary: Debra Key

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

- Letter from Communities in Bloom Souvenir Medal
- Message from MP Mark Strahl Communities in Bloom

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Kiss
Seconded by Councillor Buckley

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. ADOPTION AND RECEIPT OF MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Buckley Seconded by Councillor Reverse

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on September 8, 2014 be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. <u>BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES</u>

None

6. <u>CONSENT AGENDA</u>

- i. Bylaws
- ii. Agreements
- iii. Committee/ Commission Minutes
- iv Correspondence

Letter of Appreciation from the Fraser Valley Dragon Boat Club dated August 25, 2014, regarding the "10th Annual Harrison Dragon Boat Regatta"

Moved by Councillor Jackson Seconded by Councillor Reverse

THAT the Consent Agenda be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. <u>DELEGATIONS</u>

None

8. <u>CORRESPONDENCE</u>

(a) Letter from the British Columbia Achievement Foundation dated September 2, 2014, regarding the "2015 British Columbia Community Achievement Awards".

Councillor Reyerse commented she may have a name to put forward for nomination but will confirm with Corporate Officer.

- (b) Letter from Canada Post dated September 4, 2014, regarding the "Potential Closure on Saturdays Only at the Harrison Hot Springs Post Office".
- (c) Letter from Canadian Postmasters and Assistants Association received September 18, 2014, regarding the proposed reduction in service at the Harrison Hot Springs Post Office.

Moved by Councillor Buckley Seconded by Councillor Reverse

THAT the correspondence be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. <u>BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF CORRESPONDENCE</u>

None

10. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AND COMMISSIONS

None

11. REPORTS FROM MAYOR LEO FACIO

- Tourism Harrison releases a "Fresh Sheet" brochure each Friday outlining upcoming events in and around the community.
- September 27, 2014 the Miami River Streamkeepers held their annual Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup. Thanks to Janne Perrin for organizing the event.
- Council submitted a resolution at UBCM regarding the issue of "E cigarettes" which was endorsed at the Convention.
- The public works crew have been completing some work at Spring Park. This work was to improve drainage and remove algae around the tennis court. New plantings will occur in the spring.
- Fresh gravel has been installed on the pathway on the beachfront.
- The former MSA Hospital in Abbotsford is the site of a new 200-bed residential care facility.
- The Hiking Club had expressed concern that they were advised the Bear Mountain Trail was deactivated. It was confirmed with Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations that the road was not deactivated, only stabilized.
- Forty sessions were offered during the annual UBCM Convention held September 22 – 26, 2014, of which Council attended many, including the Small Talk Forum.
- The Globe and Mail newspaper wrote an article on the Harrison Sasquatch.
- A breakfast meeting was held at UBCM with the Mayor, CAO and MLA to receive updates on a cycle path and the proposed regional park in the east sector lands.
- The Mayor reported on the availability of upcoming grant applications.

- The FVRD held ongoing discussions regarding the east sector lands with the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations.
- A Resort Municipality Initiative Program held a reception for its 13 member municipalities and provided opportunity for selected municipalities to present the program projects. The Village was showcased with a powerpoint presentation on its Streetscape and Front Entrance projects.
- The Mayor's Caucus was held where discussion involved service changes for BC Ambulance, First Responders, Paramedics and Fire Departments.
- A Minister's meeting was held with Ministers Shirley Bond and Naomi Yamamoto to discuss the Resort Municipality Initiative and its funding structure.
- A Minister's meeting was held with Minister Todd Stone to discuss improvements to the Provincial Highway and Lillooet Avenue. The Ministry is looking at installation of a 3 way stop at Hot Springs Road and Lillooet Avenue. The Mayor advised that the FVRD has listed a bicycle path as a high priority in its Strategic Plan.
- The FVRD is discussing air quality issues with the proposed Waste to Energy Plant.
- A congratulatory message was received from MP Mark Strahl on the Village's achievement of the Communities in Bloom Award.
- The Communities in Bloom Committee received a 5 Bloom Award for the Village's "Streetscape Program" in the Communities in Bloom 2014 National Edition, in addition to receiving a souvenir medal for recognition as a finalist.
- As a member of the Lower Mainland Local Government Association, the Village was presented with a Community Award for Merit from Wood Works BC, during the 10th Annual Community Recognition Awards held at the UBCM Convention.

12. <u>REPORTS FROM STAFF</u>

None

13. BYLAWS

None

14. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

A member of the public commented on the good job Council is doing.

15. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

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Moved by Councillor Buckley Seconded by Councillor Reyerse

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Debra Key

Corporate Officer

CARRIED

UNANIMOUSLY