

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

DATE: February 2, 2016
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 Sonja Reyerse
Councillor John Hansen
Councillor Samantha Piper

Deputy Chief Administrative Officer/CO, Debra Key
Manager of Development and Community Services, Lisa Grant
Manager of Revenue Services, Tracey Jones

ABSENT:

Recording Secretary: Jaclyn Bhatti

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

- Report of Deputy Chief Administrative Officer/CO
Re: Awarding of Contract for Esplanade Phase 2 Revitalization
- Communications Engagement Strategy

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Buckley
Seconded by Councillor Piper

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

**CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY**

4. ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Piper
Seconded by Councillor Hansen

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on January 18, 2016 be adopted.

**CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY**

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5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

6. CONSENT AGENDA

i. Bylaws

(a) Revenue Anticipation Temporary Borrowing Bylaw No. 1077, 2016

(b) Animal Control and Licence Repeal Bylaw No. 1078, 2016

ii. Agreements

(c) Village of Harrison Hot Springs Bylaw Notice Enforcement Amendment
Bylaw No. 1079, 2016

**iii. Committee/
Commission
Minutes**

iv. Correspondence

(a) Letter dated January 19, 2016 from The City of North Vancouver
regarding the B.C. Building Act Implementation.

(b) Letter dated January 19, 2016 from the Ladner Sediment Group regarding
Federal funding for disaster mitigation and infrastructure for the lower
Fraser River.

(c) Letter dated January 19, 2016 from UBCM regarding the completion of
2015/2016 Community to Community Forum .

Moved by Councillor Buckley
Seconded by Councillor Piper

THAT Bylaw No. 1077, Bylaw No. 1078, and Bylaw No. 1079 be adopted and
the correspondence be received.

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7. DELEGATIONS

None

8. CORRESPONDENCE

None

9. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF CORRESPONDENCE

None

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

Councillor Reyerse

- Attended the Fraser Valley Library Board meeting.
Mayor Van Laerhoven from the District of Kent has been re-elected as chair.
The Food for Fines campaign collected over 13,000 food items and waived over \$25,000 in fines.
The 2015 year to date usage for the Agassiz Library was up 2.9%.
The 2016 budget was approved.

- Communications Strategy
Councillor Reyerse suggested that Council take steps to improve communication between Council and residents to help dispel rumors and incorrect information that is being circulated in the community.

Moved by Councillor Reyerse
Seconded by Councillor Buckley

THAT staff research options to develop a public engagement strategy that may include a monthly information page in the Agassiz-Harrison Observer, increase social media content, quarterly newsletter and conduct quarterly Town Hall meetings in an effort to improve communication between Council and residents.

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Councillor Buckley

- Attended a Tourism Harrison board meeting, the tourism industry is doing very well.

11. **REPORTS FROM MAYOR LEO FACIO**

- Reported that February 15, 2016 will mark the 51st anniversary of the National Flag of Canada.
- Attended a meeting with Minister Thomson, MLAs and other Fraser Valley community leaders regarding sediment gravel extraction.
- Attended the 5th Annual BC Economic Development Association Ministry dinner on February 1, 2016.
- Reported that the Federation of Canadian Municipalities is hosting a workshop on flooding on February 11, 2016.

12.

REPORTS FROM STAFF

Report of Interim Chief Administrative Officer – January 20, 2016

Re: Purchase of a Compressed Air Foam System Fire Truck

Moved by Councillor Hansen

Seconded by Councillor

THAT the Fire Chief be authorized to negotiate the purchase a Ford F550 light attack Compressed Air Foam System fire fighter 200 fire truck at a cost not to exceed \$264,000 including tax for delivery and final payment of the fire truck in January 2017, subject to the Chief Administrative Officer issuing a purchase order for the purchase of the truck.

MOTION FAILED

Moved by Councillor Buckley

Seconded by Councillor Piper

THAT the purchase of a Compressed Air Foam System fire truck be tabled until the new Chief Administrative Officer can review the report.

**CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY**

Report of Interim Chief Administrative Officer– January 22, 2016

Re: New Policy – Employee Farewell Get Together and Leaving Gift

Moved by Councillor Reyerse

Seconded by Councillor Buckley

THAT the draft policy entitled “Employee Farewell Get Together and Leaving Gift” be adopted as amended.

**CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY**

Report of Interim Chief Administrative Officer– January 25, 2016

Re: Purchasing and Procurement

Moved by Councillor Reyerse

Seconded by Councillor Buckley

THAT the Purchasing and Procurement policy be tabled until the new Chief Administrative Officer can review the report.

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Report of Interim Chief Administrative Officer– January 25, 2016

Re: Cost of Strategic Planning Session Leader

Moved by Councillor Reyerse

Seconded by Councillor Buckley

THAT Council revise the maximum cost to bring in an outside consultant to lead Council in a Strategic Planning session to \$4,000.00.

**MOTION DEFEATED
COUNCILLORS PIPER, HANSEN AND BUCKLEY OPPOSED**

Report of Interim Chief Administrative Officer – January 27, 2016

Re: Statlu Resources Inc. Rezoning Application (FVRD) – Chehalis Landfill Application

Moved by Councillor Piper

Seconded by Councillor Buckley

THAT the report titled “Statlu Resources Inc. Rezoning Application (FVRD)” be received for information.

**CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY**

Report of Deputy Chief Administrative Officer/CO – February 2, 2016

Re: Awarding of Contract – Esplanade Avenue Phase 2 Revitalization

Moved by Councillor Reyerse

Seconded by Councillor Buckley

THAT the contract for the construction of the Esplanade Avenue Phase 2 Revitalization Project be awarded to the lowest compliant tenderer, Timbro Contracting at a cost of \$726,764.40 plus \$36,338.00 GST; and

THAT a minimum contingency of \$72,000 be carried for any unanticipated costs or increases in the contract quantities.

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BYLAWS

None

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14. **QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Q: Now that the Esplanade Phase 2 Revitalization contract has been awarded – have you reconsidered the tactile sidewalk for the visually impaired?

A: It has been discussed with the Village engineers.

Q: During this work will Hot Springs Road be shut down at all at the junction?

A: Possibly for 2 to 4 hours only.

15. **RESOLUTION TO CLOSE THE MEETING**

Moved by Councillor Buckley

Seconded by Councillor Reyerse

THAT the meeting be closed to the public at 7:44 p.m., except for Council and senior staff and for the purpose of receiving and adopting Closed Meeting Minutes convened in accordance to Section 90 of the *Community Charter* and to consider matters pursuant to:

Section 90(1)(c) labour relations or other employee relations

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Leo Facio
Mayor



Debra Key
Corporate Officer