

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

DATE: March 7, 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

Chief Administrative Officer, Madeline McDonald
Deputy Chief Administrative Officer/CO, Debra Key
Deputy Financial Officer, 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

None

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Piper
Seconded by Councillor Reyerse

THAT the agenda be approved.

**CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY**

4. ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Buckley
Seconded by Councillor Piper

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on February 2, 2016
be adopted.

**CARRIED
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Moved by Councillor Reyerse
Seconded by Councillor Hansen

THAT the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on February 19, 2016
be adopted.

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5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

6. CONSENT AGENDA

i. Bylaws

ii. Agreements

iii. Committee/
Commission
Minutes Advisory Planning Commission meeting minutes of September 17, 2015.

iv. Correspondence **Moved by Councillor Buckley**
Seconded by Councillor Piper

THAT the Advisory Planning Commission meeting minutes be received.

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7. DELEGATIONS

- Sergeant Darren Rennie, RCMP

Sgt. Rennie provided an update on current property crime statistics, priority policing levels and anticipated summer policing staff for 2016.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

- (a) Report dated February 18, 2016 from the Lower Mainland Local Government Association regarding Resolutions for the 2016 Annual General Meeting.

Moved by Councillor Buckley
Seconded by Councillor Piper

THAT a resolution be forwarded to the Lower Mainland Local Government Association with respect to cost sharing for the Federal Government's Build Canada Grant Funding Program.

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- (b) Report dated February 18, 2016 from the Lower Mainland Local Government Association regarding Call for Nominations.

- (c) Email dated March 2, 2016 from the Honourable Peter Fassbender, Ministry of Community Sport and Cultural Development and Minister Responsible for Translink re Invitation to Engage on the Climate Leadership Team's Recommendations

9. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF CORRESPONDENCE

None

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

Councillor Piper

- Attended the Car Show Committee planning meeting on February 29, 2016. The event is set for August 13, 2016.
- Attended a webinar on public engagement that was put on by the Local Government Leadership Academy and Simon Fraser University.

Councillor Reyerse

- Attended the Harrison-Agassiz Chamber of Commerce Business Excellence Awards. Nine awards were given out and all proceeds from the evenings 50/50 draw were given to the Agassiz Story Time in the Park program that is put on through the Fraser Valley Regional Library.
- Attended the Fraser Valley Regional Library Board meeting. They are in the process of planning a 2 day strategic planning session for the board.

Councillor Buckley

- Attended the Car Show Committee meeting. They are in the process of organizing volunteers.
- Attended Kent-Harrison Joint Emergency Program Committee meeting on March 2, 2016.
- Attended the Vancouver International Mountain Film Festival in Hope.

11. REPORTS FROM MAYOR LEO FACIO

- Reported that a Harrison citizen, Phyllis Stenson, was recently awarded the Spirit of Folk award at the Folk Alliance International Conference in Kansas City.

Moved by Councillor Buckley
Seconded by Councillor Reyerse

THAT a letter of congratulations be sent to Phyllis Stenson acknowledging her Spirit of Folk award.

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- Reported that the new bus route from Chilliwack to Langley is doing very well and residents are asking for service on Sundays and holidays and for an increase on the number of trips on Saturdays
- Electoral Area Directors refused the application for a Zoning Amendment to permit a contaminated soil landfill near the Chehalis River.
- Commented on the new book exchange library stand on the corner of Clover Place and Balsam Avenue.
- Met with MP Jati Sidhu and our CAO. Discussed infrastructure and RCMP Auxiliary Constable Program.
- Met with MLA Laurie Throness and CAO to discuss infrastructure.

Moved by Councillor Reyerse
Seconded by Councillor Buckley

THAT a letter be sent to Minister Todd Stone requesting assistance in covering the increased cost of the flood pump due to the American/Canadian exchange rate.

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- Reminded everyone that the Beach Washrooms are now closed for the upgrade project and that portable toilets are available.
- The District of Mission is hosting a symposium on Exploring Substance Use & Addictions on April 13, 2016.
- Reported that the first Homelessness Affordability Housing Taskforce meeting was held on February 25, 2016 and gave a brief overview.
- Met with the local Lions Club in regards to funding a Handicap swing for the Village.
- Attended the Harrison-Agassiz Chamber of Commerce Business Excellence awards.
- Reminded everyone that the nomination deadline for the Community Service awards is March 11, 2016.
- Reported that Isobel MacKenzie, BC's Seniors Advocate will be at Cheam Lodge on October 18, 2016.
- Commented on the inter-community business licence opportunity and referred the item to staff for more information.
- Provided information on Council's authority under the *Community Charter* to establish Committees and Commissions.

12. REPORTS FROM STAFF

Report of Chief Administrative Officer – March 1, 2016

Re: Update from the Chief Administrative Officer

The CAO provided an update on the RCMP Auxiliary Constable Program and Bylaw Enforcement.

Report of Chief Administrative Officer – March 2, 2016

Re: Emergency Program Act Revision

Moved by Councillor Reyerse

Seconded by Councillor Buckley

THAT the Village send a letter to the Honourable Naomi Yamamoto, Minister of State for Emergency Preparedness, addressing the concerns identified in the February 19, 2016 report from Emergency Program Coordinator Gerald Basten relating to proposed revisions to the Emergency Program Act.

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Report of Manager of Development and Community Services – March 2, 2016

Re: Development Permit – Civic Plaza, Beach Washroom Facilities Upgrade

Moved by Councillor Reyerse

Seconded by Councillor Piper

THAT Council approve the issuance of Development Permit 02/2016 with respect for the property the Beach Washroom Facility located at the Civic Plaza.

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13. BYLAWS

None

14. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Questions from the public were entertained.

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15.

RESOLUTION TO CLOSE THE MEETING


Moved by Councillor

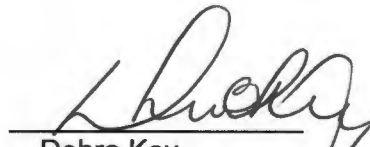
Seconded by Councillor

THAT the meeting be closed to the public at 7:52 p.m., except for Council and senior staff and for the purpose of receiving and adopting Closed Meeting Minutes convened in accordance of Section 90 of the *Community Charter* and to consider matters pursuant to:

Section 90(1)(g) litigation or potential litigation affecting the municipality

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Leo Facio
Mayor

Debra Key
Corporate Officer