

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

**DATE:** February 1, 2021  
**TIME:** 7:00 p.m.  
**PLACE:** Council Chambers, Memorial Hall  
290 Esplanade Avenue, Harrison Hot Springs, BC

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mayor Leo Facio  
Councillor Samantha Piper  
Councillor Ray Hooper  
Councillor Gerry Palmer  
Councillor Michie Vidal

Chief Administrative Officer, Madeline McDonald  
Deputy Chief Administrative Officer/CO, Debra Key  
Community Services Coordinator, Rhonda Schell  
Financial Officer, Tracey Jones  
Operations Manager, Tyson Koch

**ABSENT:** None

*Recording Secretary: Brianne Stevens*

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Facio called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.  
Mayor Facio acknowledged the traditional territory of Sts'ailes.

**2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS**

- Grant application process

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Moved by Councillor Palmer  
Seconded by Councillor Vidal

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

**CARRIED  
UNANIMOUSLY**  
*RC-2021-02-01*

**4. ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES**

Moved by Councillor Piper  
Seconded by Councillor Vidal

THAT the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of January 18, 2021 be adopted.

**CARRIED  
UNANIMOUSLY**  
*RC-2021-02-02*

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**Moved by Councillor Vidal**  
**Seconded by Councillor Hooper**

THAT the Committee of The Whole Meeting Minutes of January 20, 2021 be adopted.

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UNANIMOUSLY**  
RC-2021-02-03

**5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

None

**6. CONSENT AGENDA**

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

**7. DELEGATIONS/PETITIONS**

None

**8. CORRESPONDENCE**

- (a) Lower Mainland Local Government Association  
Re: Resolutions Notice request for Submission

**Moved by Councillor Palmer**  
**Seconded by Councillor Vidal**

**THAT the correspondence be received.**

**CARRIED  
UNANIMOUSLY**  
RC-2021-02-04

**9. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE**

None

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

**Councillor Hooper**

- Agassiz Harrison Historical Society – no report
- Fraser Health
  - January 19, 2021 attended Tamarack Institute Webinar
  - January 21, 2021 attended a telephone conference with Angelina Robinson regarding road safety.
  - January 21, 2021 attended LGBTQ Academy Zoom Meeting
  - January 22, 2021 attended Zoom meeting with Fraser Health
  - January 22 and 27, 2021 attended CNIB Video Conference

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- January 28, 2021 attended Zoom meeting with members from Foundry/Yake.
- Fraser Valley Regional Library Board – no report
- January 20, 2021 attended Committee of the Whole Meeting

**Councillor Palmer**

- Fraser Valley Regional Library Board – no report
- Kent Harrison Joint Emergency Program Committee – no report
- Public Art Committee – no report
- January 20, 2021 attended Committee of the Whole Meeting

**Councillor Piper**

- Corrections Canada Citizen's Advisory Committee – no report
- Harrison Agassiz Chamber of Commerce – no report
- Kent Harrison Joint Emergency Program Committee – no report
- Tourism Harrison – January 27, 2021 attended a meeting
- January 20, 2021 attended Committee of the Whole Meeting

**Councillor Vidal**

- Agassiz Harrison Healthy Communities – attended a meeting January 21, 2021
- Fraser Valley Regional District Board – no report
- Fraser Valley Regional District Hospital Board – no report
- January 21, 2021 attended an executive meeting at the Lower Mainland Local Government Association
- February 1, 2021 attended a BC Assessment Virtual Forum
- Attended a meeting called Facing the Future
- January 20, 2021 attended a Committee of the Whole Meeting
- Noted that February 1<sup>st</sup> has been proclaimed RCMP Appreciation Day in BC – 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of RCMP

**11. MAYOR'S REPORT**

- January 28, 2021 attended a conference call with the Minister of Municipal Affairs and BC Mayors. The UCBM President was present. There was a total of 36-39 communities in attendance.
- Reported on Quarterly Update from the Fraser Valley Regional District. A public hearing for the OCP was held via zoom for Electoral Area C and D.
- FVRD adopted an amendment to the Bylaw to enable tickets to be issued for works conducted without obtaining development permits.

**12. REPORTS FROM STAFF**

- (a) Report of Chief Administrative Officer – January 27, 2021  
Re: Municipal and Regional District Tax (MRDT) Program

**Moved by Councillor Piper**  
**Seconded by Councillor Vidal**

THAT a letter of support be forwarded to Tourism Harrison to apply as a designated recipient under the Municipal and Regional District Tax Program for the collection of the 3% additional tax on accommodation in the designated accommodation areas of

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the municipalities of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs and District of Kent and the Fraser Valley Regional District (Electoral Area C).

**CARRIED**  
**OPPOSED BY COUNCILLOR HOOPER**  
RC-2021-02-05

**Moved by Councillor Piper**  
**Seconded by Councillor Palmer**

THAT staff send a letter to the District of Kent and Fraser Valley Regional District advising that Tourism Harrison will be applying as a designated recipient under the Municipal and Regional District Tax Program.

**CARRIED**  
**OPPOSED BY COUNCILLOR HOOPER**  
RC-2021-02-06

- (b) Report of Financial Officer – January 25, 2021  
Re: Tax Rate Multiplier 2021

**Moved by Councillor Palmer**  
**Seconded by Councillor Vidal**

THAT staff be directed to prepare a tax rate multiplier using the multipliers as set in 2019 as presented in Option 2.

**CARRIED**  
**UNANIMOUSLY**  
RC-2021-02-07

**13. BYLAWS**

- (a) Report of Financial Officer – January 25, 2021  
Re: 2021-2025 Financial Plan Bylaw No. 1161, 2021

**Moved by Councillor Piper**  
**Seconded by Councillor Vidal**

THAT the 2021-2025 Financial Plan Bylaw No. 1161, 2021 be introduced and be given first reading; and

**CARRIED**  
**OPPOSED BY COUNCILLOR HOOPER**  
RC-2021-02-08

**Moved by Councillor Palmer**  
**Seconded by Councillor Piper**

THAT the 2021-2025 Financial Plan be forwarded for public consultation at an Open House to be held via Zoom on February 16, 2021.

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**Late Item**

THAT in the event that the Storm Sewer, Miami River Greenway and McCombs Drive and COVID-19 Fire Hall grant applications are successful, they be forwarded to Council for approval prior to the projects being tendered.

**Moved by Councillor Palmer**  
**Seconded by Councillor Hooper**

**MOTION  
DEFEATED  
OPPOSED BY COUNCILLORS PIPER AND VIDAL AND MAYOR FACIO**  
RC-2021-02-10

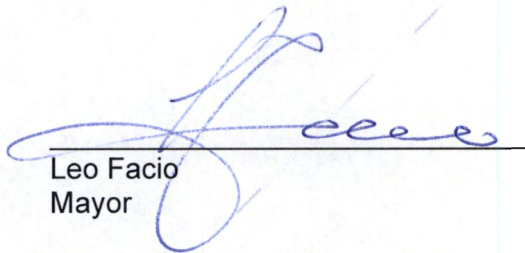
**14. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC (pertaining to agenda items only)**

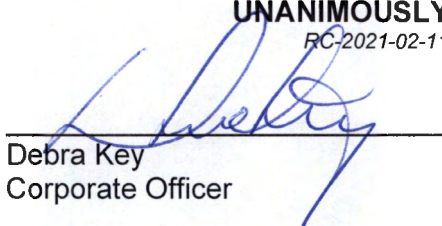
There were no questions from the public.

**15. ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved by Councillor Palmer**  
**Seconded by Councillor Vidal**

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

  
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Leo Facio  
Mayor

**CARRIED  
UNANIMOUSLY**  
RC-2021-02-11  
  
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Debra Key  
Corporate Officer

