



VILLAGE OF HARRISON HOT SPRINGS NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Date: Monday, February 2, 2009
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Council Chambers, Harrison Hot Springs, British Columbia

1. CALL TO ORDER			
	(a)	Meeting called to order by Mayor Becotte	
2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS			
3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA			
4. ADOPTION AND RECEIPT OF MINUTES			
<input type="checkbox"/> Regular Council Meeting Minutes – January 19, 2009		THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of January 19, 2009 be adopted.	Item 4.1 Page 1
<input type="checkbox"/> Special Council Meeting Minutes – January 15, 2009		THAT the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of January 15, 2009 be adopted.	Item 4.2 Page 13
5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES			
6. PUBLIC AND STATUTORY HEARINGS			
7. DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS			
8. CORRESPONDENCE			
<input type="checkbox"/> Strategic Review of Transit in the Fraser Valley – Information Update January 2009			Item 8.1 Page 17
<input type="checkbox"/> Email dated January 5, 2009 from HealthLinkBC, Emergency and Health Services Commission			Item 8.2 Page 19
<input type="checkbox"/> Letter dated January 19, 2009 from Honours and Awards Secretariat re Order of British Columbia Nominations for 2009			Item 8.3 Page 21
<input type="checkbox"/> Letter dated January 19, 2009 from Fraser Valley Regional Library (Agassiz Branch) re donation to Spirit of BC activities			Item 8.4 Page 23

<input type="checkbox"/> Email dated January 23, 2009 from Office of Housing and Construction Standards re Building Code Provisions <input type="checkbox"/> Fax dated January 23, 2009 from UBCM re news release on accelerated infrastructure funding <input type="checkbox"/> News Release of UBCM - response to Federal Budget 2009 <input type="checkbox"/> News Release dated January 29, 2009 re Province Funds New Bridge in Harrison Hot Springs <input type="checkbox"/> News Release dated January 29, 2009 re New Webcam Helps Prepare Drivers	Item 8.5 Page 25 Item 8.6 Page 27 Item 8.7 Page 29 Item 8.8 Page 33 Item 8.9 Page 35	
9. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE		
10. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AND COMMISSIONS		
11. REPORTS FROM MAYOR		
12. REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS D. Harris - verbal D. Kenyon - verbal A. Jackson - verbal B. Perry – verbal		
13. REPORTS FROM STAFF		
<input type="checkbox"/> Water Treatment Evaluation Proposal – January 22, 2009 <input type="checkbox"/> 2009 Fraser Valley Regional Library Budget for Harrison Hot Springs Assessment - January 29, 2009	<p>Report of Chief Administrative Officer – January 22, 2009 Re: Water Treatment Evaluation Proposal</p> <p>Recommendation:</p> <p>THAT Council receive this report; and</p> <p>THAT Council approves option 3: that is approve the application and proceed with the evaluation subject to receipt of approval for planning grant assistance.</p> <p>Report of Director of Finance – January 29, 2009 Re: 2009 Fraser Valley Regional Library Budget for Harrison Hot Springs Assessment</p> <p>Recommendation:</p> <p>THAT Council approve the 2009 Fraser Valley Regional Library Draft Budget for 2009 for Harrison Hot Springs assessment.</p>	Item 13.1 Page 37 Item 13.2 Page 45

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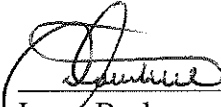
14. BYLAWS

<input type="checkbox"/> Bylaw 904 Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw	THAT Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw No. 904, 2009 be adopted.	Item 14 Page 47
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15. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

16. ADJOURNMENT

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for 

Larry Burk
Chief Administrative Officer

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

DATE: January 19, 2009
TIME: 7:00 p.m.
PLACE: Council Chambers

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

Chief Administrative Officer, Larry Burk

ABSENT: Director of Finance, Dale Courtice

Recording Secretary, Debra Key

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

Report of Chief Administrative Officer – January 19, 2009
Re: Award of Contract for Harrison Steel Water Reservoir

Memo from Chief Administrative Officer – January 19, 2009
Re: Village Status report

The Mayor stated the first and second recommendations of the COW meeting of January 12, 2009 are to be referred to staff.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

4. ADOPTION AND RECEIPT OF MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting
Minutes – December 15, 2008

Moved by Councillor Perry
Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of December 15, 2008 be adopted.

CARRIED

Committee of the Whole
Meeting Minutes – January
12, 2009

Moved by Councillor Perry
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of January 12, 2009 be adopted.

CARRIED

Special Council Meeting
Minutes – January 12, 2009

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

THAT the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of January 12, 2009 be adopted.

CARRIED

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

The Mayor asked if Councillor Harris would be asking Gerhard Schildpatt to attend a Regular Council meeting to address the issue of the flags to the Village entrance.

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

THAT Staff prepare a report with respect to the maintenance and installation of the flag poles at the Village entrance that have been donated by Gerhard Schildpatt.

CARRIED

6. PUBLIC AND STATUTORY HEARINGS

None

7. DELEGATIONS

Kerry Hiltz, Director of Parks, Recreation and Community Services District of Kent, gave a brief overview of the Arts & Cultural Scan prepared in conjunction with Spirit of BC Creative Communities.

The municipalities of Kent and Harrison Hot Springs joined together to develop and fund an Arts & Culture Mapping Scan for the area. The project got underway in spring of 2008. A joint Committee worked with a consultant together with public consultation to collect data.

Mr. Hilts introduced Lydia Marston-Blaauw, who was hired as a project consultant to the Spirit of BC Creative Communities Committee. Ms. Marston-Blaauw stated that she specializes in strategic planning and assessments of community needs. She was asked to do three things; cultural scan, brief needs assessments and draw conclusions with recommendations. All her information was then put in a visual form and completed in a comprehensive report. The scan includes information of what exists in both communities.

The overall message from the participants was that there was a need for more facilities and space in the Village. Ms. Marston-Blaauw thanked Mel Dunster for her assistance and thanked both communities, organizations and individuals who participated in the scan process.

Moved by Councillor Perry
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT the delegation be received.

CARRIED

8. CORRESPONDENCE

- Email dated December 10, 2008 from BC Recreation and Parks Association re Community Based Awareness Initiative
- Letter dated December 11, 2008 to Minister of Environment from the City of Langley re Polybrominated Diphenyl Ethers
- Letter dated December 15, 2008 from UBCM re School Community Connections Program
- Letter dated December 15, 2008 from Wedler Engineering re Proposal for Bench Mark and Monument Update
- Letter dated December 18, 2008 to Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure from District of Kent re request for Improvements of Rockwell Drive
- Letter dated December 19, 2008 from Minister of Education re Neighbourhoods of Learning pilot project
- Letter dated December 19, 2008 from Canadian Association of Home & Property Inspectors (BC) re home inspection standards
- Memo dated January 9, 2009 from UBCM re Regulation of Home and Property Inspection
- Letter dated December 22, 2008 from Canadian Heritage re Celebrate Canada Program funding
- Letter dated December 17, 2008 to Ministry of Housing and Social Development from the City of Langley re Supportive Housing

- Notice dated January 5, 2009 from UBCM re Trust Fund – Sparwood Avalanche Victims
- Memo dated January 5, 2009 from LMLGA re 2009 Resolutions – Annual General Meeting
- Letter dated January 7, 2009 to Marg Doman re Designation of Ranger Station as Heritage Building
- Letter dated January 12, 2009 from Harrison Hot Springs Pre-School re Breakfast with Santa

Moved by Councillor Perry
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT the correspondence be received.

CARRIED

9.

BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF CORRESPONDENCE

Moved by Councillor Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT Council support the City of Langley's recommendation for establishing a total ban on the use of polybrominated diphenyl ethers.

CARRIED

The Mayor stated that email from BC Recreation and Parks Association should be referred to the Parks & Recreation Commission once appointed.

The Mayor stated that the UBCM School Community Connections Program should be referred to staff to work with the local School District to seek funding sources re facility improvements.

The Mayor asked staff to request a meeting with the District of Kent to review the letter from District of Kent re restructuring of Rockwell Drive and offer support and to report back Council.

The Mayor reported that the request from Marg Doman regarding heritage designation is being reviewed by staff. The Mayor stated he would like to establish a select committee to look at Heritage Designations. Heritage Week is February 16 – 27, 2009 and we might be able to coordinate the committee with this event.

The Mayor reported that Canadian Heritage Funding – Celebrate Canada Program deadline is February 28, 2009.

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT Council approve applying for funding from the Canadian Heritage Celebrate Canada program for funds to help with joint Canada Day celebrations between District of Kent and Village of Harrison Hot Springs.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

THAT staff review the letter from the City of Langley regarding supportive housing assessment class; and

THAT staff send a recommendation to LMLGA and UBCM that the Province needs to consult municipalities before establishing legislation, and/or, if this is going to happen, then the Province needs to look at supporting the lost tax revenue it will create and give it back to each municipality.

CARRIED

10.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AND COMMISSIONS

The Mayor reported on the list of Committees/Commissions appointees/representatives.

Standing Committees:

Bylaw and Policy Review Committee – Councillor Jackson, Mayor Becotte

Administration and Finance Committee – Councillor Kenyon and Mayor Becotte

Sustainability & Infrastructure Committee – Councillor Harris and Councillor Jackson

Select Committees:

Communities in Bloom – Councillor Harris and Councillor Perry

Commissions:

Economic Development Commission – Councillor Kenyon

Parks & Recreation Commission – Councillor Harris

Harrison Lake Harbour Commission – Mayor Becotte

Advisory Planning Commission – Councillor Jackson

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT Council approve receiving applications and names of nomination or recommendation for members of committees and commissions.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Perry
Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT the responsibility of the Miami River Greenway initiatives and issues be removed from the Parks & Recreation Commission and established as a separate committee or board that can work autonomously with the FVRD and the Village as closely as has been done in the past.

CARRIED

Moved by Council Harris
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT Council approve the Vision Statement for the Council of 2009 – 2011

CARRIED

11. Mayor's Report

REPORTS FROM MAYOR

The Mayor thanked the public works department for their diligence and hard work providing winter maintenance in the Village.

The Mayor reported that the Spirit Square and Hot Springs Road redevelopment projects have been underway since December. Photos of the project have been taken by a resident and are available to view.

The Mayor reported that he has attended various meetings with Harrison Tourism Society, Chamber of Commerce, HHS Resort and the FVRD Board in order to establish a rapport with the Village.

The Mayor reported that the FVRD has approved the establishment of a Public Advisory Committee to work with a consultant on a strategic review of transit in the Fraser Valley. They invited each partnering

community to appoint a representative to take part in the Committee. The Mayor recommended that Leo Facio be invited to represent the Village.

Moved by Councillor Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT Council endorse the recommendation for Leo Facio to represent the Village on the FVRD Public Advisory Committee on transportation in the Fraser Valley.

CARRIED

The Mayor reported that the Post Mistress of the Village has left Harrison Hot Springs after 23 years and asked if any members of the public would be interested in organizing an event to recognize the Post Mistress' tenure at the Post Office.

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

THAT the Mayor's report be received.

CARRIED

REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

Councillor Harris

Councillor Harris reported on the judging of the Annual Community Christmas Lights Contest. The judges were Marg Doman, Gail Guimont and Carolyn Harris. The winners of the event were: Single family residence – 407 Miami River Drive, Runner up - 320 Fern Place and Honourable Mentions: 831 Myng Crescent, 836 Myng Crescent, and 449 Eagle Drive. Multi Family residential – Best overall was #19 – 730 McCombs Drive. Best commercial went to the Crazy Fish Bistro and Runner up went to the Bungalow Cabins. A new category was added this year for the residence with the best animated decorations which went to 232 Miami River Drive.

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT staff prepare plaques for the winners of the Annual Community Christmas Light Contest and invite them to a future Regular Council Meeting for acknowledgement for their achievements.

CARRIED

January 7, 2009 attended the Show Kids you Care Meeting and reported that Leo Facio was nominated and agreed to stand as Chair on the Committee.

Attended Citizens Advisory Committee at Mountain Institution. He reported that Corrections Canada has been diligent on educating and training inmates and gave a brief outline of the Apprenticeship Program on Carpentry Training that is now being implemented.

Councillor Kenyon Attended the monthly meeting of the local Chamber of Commerce where he brought the Chamber up to date on Village issues, including the establishment of new Committees and Commissions. Councillor Kenyon reported that there was enthusiasm with respect to the establishment of an Economic Development Committee.

On January 19, 2009 was invited to join a planning meeting of the Korbitron Studio of Performing Arts and was provided invitations for Mayor and Council for a performance on January 31, 2009 at Memorial Hall.

Councillor Jackson Met with Chief Charlie and Boyd Peters of the Chehalis Band last year. At that meeting, there was agreement that Council would provide the Band with a copy of the Regular Council Agendas. He asked that the CAO set up a meeting with Chief Charlie and Boyd Peters to meet with Council.

The Mayor reported that UBCM had sent information for Community to Community Forum Programs which is primarily set up for meetings and liaison between First Nations and Municipal Councils. Meetings should be structured to ensure continuity of relationships among elected officials and First Nations representatives. The Mayor asked that staff research and make application for funding for this program.

Councillor Perry January 8, 2009 attended Healthy Communities in District of Kent. He reported that two doctors are currently being solicited for Agassiz Medical Clinic.

January 7, 2009 attended Fraser Valley Regional Library Board and discussed budget issues to be voted on. He would like to invite Nicole Wentworth, Manager to the February 2, 2009 Council meeting and approve the budget portion at that meeting. He reported that he was appointed to the Fraser Valley Regional Library Board Trustee Association.

Moved by Councillor
Seconded by Councillor

THAT the Councillors' reports be received.

CARRIED

REPORTS FROM STAFF

☐ 2008 Interim Audit Report
– January 6, 2009

Report of Director of Finance – January 6, 2009
Re: 2008 Interim Audit Report

Moved by Councillor Perry
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT Council receives the 2008 Interim Audit Report from McConnell, Voelkl dated December 4, 2008.

CARRIED

☐ Approval of Contract for
Walnut Bridge – January 13,
2009

Report of Chief Administrative Officer – January 13, 2009
Re: Approval of Contract for Walnut Bridge

Moved by Councillor Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT Policy 2.30 Purchasing and Procurement, be set aside in order to approve the expenditure of \$202,250.00 for installation of the Walnut Bridge by Westcoast Floatation;

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

THAT Council approve the expenditure of \$202,250.00 for installation of the Walnut Bridge by Westcoast Floatation; and

THAT Council authorizes the Mayor and Corporate Officer to sign any contract documents as required.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT Policy 2.30 Purchasing and Procurement, be re-instated.

CARRIED

☐ Memorial Hall Revenues
Expenditures – January 14,
2009

Report of Director of Finance – January 14, 2009
Re: Memorial Hall Revenues & Expenditures

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT Council receives the Director of Finance's report on Memorial Hall.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT Council waive the fees and charges for the Harrison Festival Society for use of Beach and Memorial Hall facilities on an interim basis until the budget process has been completed.

CARRIED

Award of Contract for
Harrison Steel Water
Reservoir – January 19, 2009

Report of Chief Administrative Officer – January 19, 2009

Re: Award of Contract for “Harrison Steel Water Reservoir”

Moved by Councillor Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT Council awards the contract to provide, construct and install the proposed new *Harrison Steel Water Reservoir* to Timbro Contracting Ltd. in the amount of \$1,516,405.28; and

THAT Council approve the retention of Levelton Consultants Ltd. as our seismic monitors for the project, scheduling and providing response at the discretion of the consulting engineer; and

THAT Council authorizes the Mayor and Corporate Officer to sign any contract documents as required.

CARRIED

Status Report – January
19, 2009

Report of Chief Administrative Officer – January 19, 2009

Re: Status Report

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT the Status Report of the Chief Administrative Officer be received.

CARRIED

The CAO reported that during the recent winter storms that occurred in the Village, the number of available public works staff was limited. They performed above and beyond their limited numbers to provide and maintain service in the Village. The CAO expressed his desire that recognition go out to all staff and especially those employees that were available during the peak of the snow fight.

13.

BYLAWS

□ Bylaw 904 Revenue
Anticipation Borrowing
Bylaw

Moved by Councillor Perry
Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw No. 904, 2009
receive first reading.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

THAT Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw No. 904, 2009
receive second reading.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Perry
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw No. 904, 2009
receive third reading.

CARRIED

15.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

P. Stenson asked for clarification on the waiving of the Memorial Hall fees. She also asked whether or not the budget costs included the cost of the operation of washrooms being open to the public. The CAO stated the budget process will review costs for operating the public washrooms. P. Stenson asked about the term of user pay.

L. Facio stated he hoped this Council will continue in the same trend as last Council in considering the possibility of a joint facility (Village, School board, Festival venue, etc.) as there is money to do that. The Mayor stated that any facility will involve lots of public consulting before any decisions are made. The Ministry of Education has agreed to assist school district staff officials in preparing a business plan to support the possible development of a joint school board/municipal facility for consideration.

M. Doman asked if terms of reference for Commissions will be provided and will people be invited and will positions be advertised or nominated by Council. The Mayor stated that there will be both ads and invitations for selecting to be on Committees and Commissions.

M. Doman asked about the sani-station and if there was any guarantee that sewage won't spill into the lake. The Mayor stated that the station operates on a vacuum system. There is no guarantee, but with the type of system it is it is extremely difficult for a spill to occur. The CAO stated once the sani-station is in place, Minister Penner indicated that upon a request from us and users, the Province would take steps to designate the lake as a "dump free" lake.

M. Doman stated the Miami River would not be a good fit in the Parks & Recreation Commission. The Mayor reported he would like to see Councillor Perry come back with some recommendations.

E. Scotson asked for clarification on the Memorial Hall issues. She asked if the public would be involved in the Memorial Hall consultation process. She also asked about the plaques from the waterfront. The CAO stated they are with CHPA and will be relocated with the new Spirit Square work.

M. Doman asked if copies of the engineer's report on the Memorial Hall was available for the public. The Mayor stated yes it can be available if need be.

14.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT pursuant to Section 90(1) (2) and (3) of the *Community Charter* the meeting be adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

CARRIED

Certified a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held January 19, 2009 in the Council Chambers, Village of Harrison Hot Springs, BC

Ken Becotte
Mayor

Larry Burk
Chief Administrative Officer

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

DATE: January 15, 2009
TIME: 11:00 a.m.
PLACE: Council Chambers
Harrison Hot Springs, B. C.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor K. Becotte
Councillor B. Perry
Councillor D. Harris
Councillor D. Kenyon
Councillor A. Jackson

Larry Burk, Chief Administrative Officer
Dale Courtice, Director of Finance

ABSENT: Recording Secretary, D. Key

1. **CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Becotte called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

2. **ADOPTION AND RECEIPT OF MINUTES**

3. **LATE ITEMS**

Memorial Hall grant application

Village Safe

4. **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

LocalMotion Funding Approval
- January 14, 2009

Report of Chief Administrative Officer – January 14, 2009
Re: LocalMotion Funding Approval

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT Council approve the application to the LocalMotion program for work on McCombs Road.

During discussion Councillor Perry recommended that the motion be amended to add the words, “to include bridges and pedestrian walkways”.

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Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT Council approve the application to the LocalMotion program for work on McCombs Road to include bridges and pedestrian walkways.

CARRIED

- Memorial Hall grant application
- The CAO provided a verbal report that he met with Gerald Grahn of Preview Builders, Rob Powers of CHPA and Andy Kirkness of Krahn Engineering on January 14, 2009 to discuss the Krahn Engineering Report on the Memorial Hall. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss what proposed renovations might cost and what code requirements might be required for health and safety. The building has to be viewed as a Part 3 building. The issues in question are: sprinklers, washrooms, additional entrance, structural integrity, flooring, electricity, kitchen standards, roofing and trusses, sheeting, shingles, floor repairs, seismic evaluation, insulation, windows, siding replacement, cosmetics, new ceiling, paint and replacement of the existing entrance. The CAO stated that the minimum cost could be as high as \$650,000. Following minimum improvements, we could expect up to a 15 year added life span for the building. Towns for Tomorrow grants could provide as much as \$400,000 but there is no way to determine how much in advance. The CAO also indicated that certain renovations could reduce the cost of operating by as much as 50%.

Councillor Kenyon excused himself from the Chambers at 12:15 a.m. in order to attend to another engagement.

- Village Safe
- The Director of Finance reported on the issue of the old Village Safe. It needs to be removed to allow room for renovations. Valuables have been relocated to a secure fire proof cabinet. The Historical Society declined the offer. An old Bylaw is in place that approved the purchase of the safe and therefore Bylaw 27-1952 required approval of Council to rescind in order to dispose of it.

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Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT Bylaw 27-1952 Purchase of Office Safe be rescinded.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT the Village Safe be disposed of in an appropriate manner.

CARRIED

5. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Perry
Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 12:25 a.m.

CARRIED

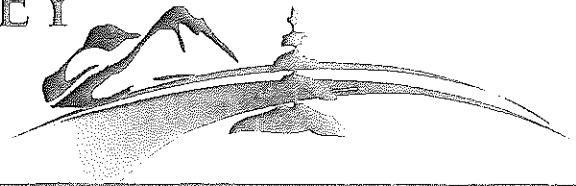
Certified a true and correct copy of the minutes of the
Special Council Meeting held January 15, 2009 in the
Council Chambers, Village of Harrison Hot Springs,
BC.

Ken Becotte
Mayor

Larry Burk
Chief Administrative Officer

STRATEGIC REVIEW OF TRANSIT IN THE FRASER VALLEY

INFORMATION UPDATE JANUARY 2009



Background

The Fraser Valley Regional District (FVRD) is currently undertaking a Strategic Review of Transit in the Fraser Valley in partnership with the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MoTI), BC Transit, and TransLink. The study will develop a long-range transit vision for the Fraser Valley that will support local community plans, the Regional Growth Strategy, and the Provincial Transit Plan. The vision will create a broad outline of transit services including key measures and initiatives for the years of 2013, 2020, and 2030.

In June 2008, the partners began working to produce a Terms of Reference for the project. In early fall, both the Executive Committee and the Regional Board reviewed and adopted the draft Terms of Reference for the Strategic Review of Transit in the Fraser Valley.

Partners & Committees

On November 14, 2008 Urban Systems Ltd. was selected as the project consultant and subsequently met with the Project Steering Committee and Project Technical Committee, consisting of representatives from MoTI, BC Transit, FVRD and TransLink. During December and January, Urban Systems Ltd. also met with local government engineering and planning representatives to discuss the project and give local government staff an opportunity to provide an overview of current local transit systems as well as outline community objectives and plans in their respective communities with regards to transit.

Local government staff were also provided with copies of the draft Public Advisory Committee (PAC) Terms of Reference for review and were asked to provide the project manager with comments and an appropriate time-frame as to when respective FVRD Councils would be able to forward nominations for the Committee.

PARTNERS



Bourquin Transit Exchange, Abbotsford

Project Committees:

Project Steering Committee (PSC): MoTI, FVRD, BC Transit, TransLink

The Project Steering Committee is comprised of representatives from each of the partner agencies and is responsible for coordinating project direction among the partner agencies, providing advice related to the Transit Strategy Review, and reporting back to the respective Partners, Regional Board, Councils, and Ministers.

Technical Committee (TC): FVRD, BC Transit, TransLink

The Technical Committee is comprised of representatives from each of the partner agencies and is responsible for providing advice on technical matters relating to each component of the study.

Transportation & Transit Technical Working Group (TTTWG): Local government staff

The Technical Working Group is comprised of engineering and planning representatives from local government and is responsible for providing direction and advice to the consultant on the integration of local community plans and objectives into a regional context, and ensuring that municipal interests are represented and incorporated into the study.

Public Advisory Committee (PAC): Membership to be established

The Public Advisory Committee will be comprised of members of the public as nominated by local councils and is responsible for providing community input and advice on transit related matters, reviewing and evaluating transit options proposed during the study, and representing a broad range of interests in the community. This is one component of what will be an extensive public consultation process.

Next Steps

Next steps in the study include the submission of the Interim Status Report by Urban Systems Ltd. in early February, in preparation for the Foundation Paper to be completed in early spring 2009. It is also anticipated that a Council of Councils will be held in the spring in order to provide a forum for dialogue and communication among the member municipalities.

Right: Project phasing is anticipated to follow the following timeline. The study is due to be completed in early 2010.

<i>Milestones</i>	<i>Date of Delivery</i>
<i>Interim Status Report</i>	<i>January 2009</i>
<i>Part 1: Foundation Paper</i>	<i>March 2009</i>
<i>• Formalize Communications Plan</i>	<i>April 2009</i>
<i>Part 2: Transit Vision (Regional)</i>	<i>September 2009</i>
<i>Part 3: Transit Vision (Municipal)</i>	<i>November 2009</i>
<i>Part 4: Transit Concept Plan</i>	<i>January 2010</i>
<i>Draft of Final Report</i>	<i>February 2010</i>
<i>Final Report and Associated Documents</i>	<i>February 2010</i>

For more information on the study and its next steps, please visit our webpage at:
www.fvrd.bc.ca/InsidetheFVRD/RegionalPlanning/Pages/TransportationandTransit.aspx

Debra Key

From: Ken Becotte [mayor@harrisonhotsprings.ca]
Sent: January 14, 2009 10:27 AM
To: Debra Key
Cc: Larry Burk
Subject: FW: A Message & Link to HealthLinkBC
Attachments: internet button.pdf

Hi Deb,

Could you please place the attached web link button on our website. I'm not sure which page would be best suited, but it should be fairly prominent. Perhaps in the "What's New" box on the home page? Would you also include this message with correspondence for the Council Meeting on the 19th.

Thanks, Ken

-----Original Message-----

From: MacDonald, Aaron HLTH:EX [mailto:Aaron.MacDonald@gov.bc.ca]
Sent: January 9, 2009 10:29 AM
To: mayor@harrisonhotsprings.ca
Subject: A Message & Link to HealthLinkBC

January 5, 2009

Dear Mayor Becotte:

Getting and staying healthy has become a top priority for British Columbians. In response to this demand, the Government of BC has launched HealthLink BC. This new service provides access to non-emergency health information and services to all residents of our province. HealthLink BC is a phone number, a website and print resources that put services and health know-how into the hands and homes of BC residents including your citizens and taxpayers.

By simply dialling 8-1-1, your citizens can now connect with a nurse, a pharmacist or a dietician from wherever they are, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Our website www.healthlinkbc.ca enables community members to look up symptoms or services and provides an expanded health navigation system for both the public and healthcare professionals. With over 2500 health services and 4000 resources, along with an integrated search and mapping function, we provide the most comprehensive list of healthcare resources in Canada.

We believe that our new service will transform how British Columbians get their health information and enable them to take charge of their health. Already we have witnessed HealthLink BC being utilized as a tool for public safety this winter by the District of Maple Ridge within a travel advisory which stated, *"Anyone seeking medical advice they do not consider to be an emergency but still feel they need some assistance can dial HealthLink BC at 8-1-1 where a trained health services team can provide help"* (www.mapleridge.ca)

We are asking for your help and assistance in creating even greater public awareness of HealthLink BC by adding the internet link to the splash/first page of your municipal website, which will allow direct access to our website and inform your residents about the new service.

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We truly appreciate your assistance on this initiative, and welcome any questions or comments you might have.

Many thanks—

Lori Halls
Chief Operating Officer
HealthLink BC
Emergency and Health Services Commission

Call
8-1-1
Health advice 24/7





Honours and Awards Secretariat

January 19, 2009

His Worship Ken Becotte and Councillors
Village of Harrison Hot Springs
Box 160
Harrison Hot Springs BC V0M 1K0

Dear Mayor and Councillors:

Re: Order of British Columbia ~ 2009 Call for Nominations

It is time once again to “call for nominations” for the Order of British Columbia, the Province’s highest award for excellence and outstanding achievement. I seek your assistance in informing your municipality about this opportunity to take part in the public recognition of its outstanding citizens. Could you bring this up at your next council meeting?

An independent Advisory Council chaired by the Chief Justice of British Columbia considers nominations to the Province’s highest award for excellence and outstanding achievement. Two hundred and seventy-five distinguished British Columbians have been honoured since 1990. 2009 marks the 20th Anniversary of the Order!

For your information, a report listing all of the recipients of the Order is available on our website <http://www.protocol.gov.bc.ca/protocol/prgs/obc/obc.htm>. If you would like this report broken down by City/Town, please contact our office.

Nomination forms for the Order are available from the Honours and Awards Secretariat in Victoria, (250) 387-1616, on the website: <http://www.protocol.gov.bc.ca/protocol/prgs/obc/obc.htm> or from the nearest Government Agent. Completed nominations must be received by the Secretariat by March 10, 2009 to be considered for an award this year.

Your continuing support of the Order of British Columbia is very much appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

Karen Felker
Coordinator



Telephone: 250 387-1616 Fax: 250 356-2814

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January 19, 2009

Dear Village of Harrison Hot Springs Council,

On behalf of the Kent Harrison Spirit of BC Committee, I am asking the Council to consider donating \$250 towards the upcoming Spirit of BC activities.

Over the course of 2 days, the Committee has planned events celebrating the Spirit of Family, as we look towards showing the world in the 1020 Olympics some of the things that make BC "the best place on earth" - family and community. In brief, the Spirit of Family project consists of an evening event and a day event. The evening event, Thursday Feb. 12 at 6:30 will have family entertainment by Sam's Rot'n Pot'n Pan Band from Vancouver, an Art Happening sponsored by the Kent Harrison Arts Council, healthy snacks, and Spirit of BC cake. We hope to have on the day event, Saturday, Feb. 14 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. dancers & drummer from Chehalis, an art workshop for kids, a family storytime, yoga and bellydancing demonstration, a magic show and an open house with displays and a healthy lunch. All these events are free and do not require registration. There will be giveaways on both days, and local businesses are donating items for door prizes too.

The committee has applied for and been successful in getting \$1550 towards the celebrations. To allow us to carry out our plans for a truly exciting event for our communities, we hope you will consider joining the other sponsors: District of Kent, Agassiz Library, Kent Harrison Arts Council, Agassiz Harrison Lions Club, Fraser Cascade School District, and it continues!

You can inform the committee of your decision by contacting Kerry Hilts at the District of Kent. We thank you for considering this and look forward to celebrating with spirit!

Many thanks,

Terrill Scott
 Library Supervisor, Agassiz Library
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Debra Key

From: Larry Burk [lburk@harrisonhotsprings.ca]
Sent: Friday, January 23, 2009 2:03 PM
To: 'Debra Key'
Subject: FW: six storey wood frame construction code changes

Please copy this send to the mayor and councilors and put on the agenda for Feb 2

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From: Chris Wilson [mailto:chiefwilson@shaw.ca]
Sent: Friday, January 23, 2009 1:56 PM
To: lburk@harrisonhotsprings.ca
Subject: FW: six storey wood frame construction code changes

FYI

Chris

Christopher A. Wilson
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From: Fire Chiefs Assoc. [mailto:fcabc@shaw.ca]
Sent: Friday, January 23, 2009 10:35 AM
To: Undisclosed Recipients
Subject: six storey wood frame construction code changes

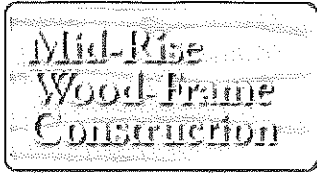
We received the following announcement – will post to Sharepoint

Subject: New Mid-Rise Wood Building Code Provisions Announced
Importance: High

The new building code provisions allowing six storey wood buildings has been announced. Below is suggested text for introducing a web link to the new provisions, which we encourage you to put up on your organization's website.

Regards,

John Nicol
Office of Housing and Construction Standards
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Mid-Rise Wood-Frame Residential Construction

Premier Gordon Campbell has announced new BC Building Code provisions which increase the maximum building height for mid-rise wood-frame residential construction from four to six storeys.

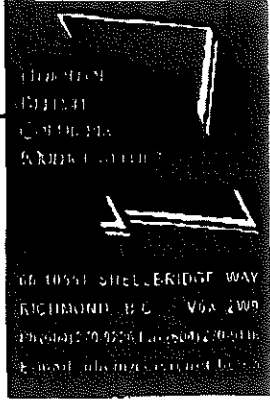
These new code provisions were approved in early January 2009 and will take effect on April 6, giving the residential construction sector time to prepare for implementation.

An online public consultation on these changes closed on December 15, 2008 and the feedback received from building industry stakeholders, local governments and the general public was considered in finalizing the changes to the new code requirements. A clear majority of consultation respondents supported the proposed changes and several adjustments were made to the original proposals in response to feedback. The exterior cladding proposal was altered to clarify the performance basis of fire resistance requirements, the shear wall integrity proposal was adjusted and the yielding diaphragm proposal was withdrawn.

The new BC Building Code provisions can be viewed on this website: .
http://www.housing.gov.bc.ca/building/wood_frame/

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MEMBER RELEASE



Prime Minister and Premiers Agree to Accelerate Infrastructure Funding

As a result of meetings between the Prime Minister and Premiers a series of actions have been agreed upon in an effort to stimulate the Canadian economy. One of the key actions in the January 16th announcement of specific interest to local governments relates to infrastructure investments.

The Prime Minister's January 16th news release states: *"The need for immediate infrastructure investments is critical. This Government has proposed to the provinces and territories to jointly accelerate planned spending to ensure that this money gets into the economy when it is most needed."*

The First Ministers have agreed on an action plan in an effort to speed up the delivery of funding under the Building Canada Fund (BCF), including both accelerated funding approvals and cutting red-tape.

Of most direct significance to local governments is the federal government's indication that it is prepared to approve projects this year using the entire funding available under the BCF Communities Component. We understand that the Province of BC is also supportive of expediting approvals. In practical terms, we expect that this will mean approvals based on the first round of Communities Component applications soon and a second call for applications in the near future.

Funding under the other two components of the BCF is also being accelerated, as

follows:

- Under the Major Infrastructure Component, the federal and provincial governments are jointly discussing priority infrastructure projects that could be approved, resulting in construction starting in 2009 and 2010; and
- Under the BCF Base Fund, \$25 million per year was to be delivered to BC over a 7 year period from 2007/08 to 2013/14. The federal government has announced that it is prepared to give the entire remaining funding over the next two years, subject to matching provincial contributions.

The federal government has indicated that these initial actions will accelerate approval of a combined \$1.9 billion nationally in infrastructure projects beyond what was planned for the next two years.

In addition to accelerating approvals, the First Ministers agreed to cutting red tape on infrastructure projects. Of key significance to local governments are plans, over the next two construction seasons, to reduce the number of federal assessments and regulatory reviews, to simplify and develop a more efficient review process to help get projects started, and to provide clarity and predictability for Aboriginal consultation on projects.

This January 16th announcement follows a series of national consultation meetings

that federal Transport, Infrastructure and Communities Minister John Baird held with provincial, territorial, and local government leaders from across Canada. UBCM President Robert Mobson was represented at a western provincial local government associations meeting held in Vancouver on December 15, 2008.

For further details on the January 16th announcement please go to: www.pm.gc.ca/eng/media.asp?id=2383

UBCM will also be monitoring the January 27 Federal Budget and will issue an "In the House" bulletin on any financial measures of interest to local governments.

UBCM Environment Conference Postponed

Due to changing economic circumstances, UBCM will not be in a position to hold the environment conference on February 24/25, 2009 as previously scheduled. The conference has been tentatively rescheduled to June of 2009 at which time we hope our partners will be in position to financially contribute and participate in the event.

Further updates related to the conference will be posted on the UBCM website and in the UBCM newsletter.

The provincial government has provided UBCM with the following reminder notice:

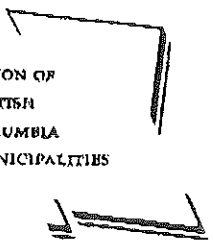
The B.C. budget will be released on February 17, 2009.

New this year, Budget 2009 will be distributed on CD as well as posted online. Electronic distribution is greener, more cost-effective and makes finding information easier.

Sign up now to be automatically notified when the budget documents are released by visiting <http://www.bcbudget.gov.bc.ca/>

Please make copies of this circular and distribute to Council/Board Members /Staff.

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News Release: UBCM Responds to Federal Budget 2009

For Immediate Release:
Media Inquiries: Paul Taylor
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Wednesday January 28, 2009 (Victoria, British Columbia) – Union of British Columbia Municipalities President Robert Hobson has responded favorably to the federal budget delivered yesterday.

"Local governments in BC have been making the case that there is an infrastructure gap in our communities that requires greater involvement of senior levels of government," said Mr. Hobson. "This budget begins to address our infrastructure needs and that is welcome news."

"There are a number of initiatives in Tuesday's budget that will have a direct impact on local governments in B.C. including new and accelerated infrastructure programs, funding for recreation infrastructure and money for social housing. "I am also pleased to see funding for other initiatives that directly impact the communities that we live in," said Mr. Hobson. "We welcome commitments made to First Nations, resource communities, and the sectors for tourism, arts and culture."

Mr. Hobson also indicated that in the coming days and weeks UBCM would focus its efforts to ensure that the infrastructure funding flows through to local governments as soon as possible. "There are many details to be worked out that were not contained in today's announcement and we will concentrate our advocacy efforts in these areas," said Mr. Hobson "Items such as new and accelerated infrastructure funding and low-cost loans to local governments require follow up on our part."

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IN THE HOUSE

Release January 28, 2009

Federal Budget 2009

The 2009 Budget tabled in the House of Commons by Finance Minister Jim Flaherty accelerates and expands federal spending in infrastructure and other sectors in an effort to spur the economy.

INFRASTRUCTURE

Infrastructure Investments will be made in four kinds of projects:

- Provincial, Territorial and Municipal infrastructure
- First Nations infrastructure
- Knowledge infrastructure
- Federal infrastructure

STREAMLINED FEDERAL APPROVALS

- The Government will act to streamline federal approval processes so that more provincial, territorial and municipal projects under the Building Canada plan can start in the upcoming construction season.
- Efficiencies will be introduced through legislative amendments to the Navigable Waters Protection Act, which has not been substantially amended since 1886.
- The Government will implement administrative changes to streamline application of the Fisheries Act, and regulatory efficiencies will be pursued for projects subject to the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act. For example, for projects requiring a federal environmental assessment decision, regulations could allow one environmental assessment process to meet federal and provincial requirements, by agreement with the provinces and territories.

GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE FUND

- Provides \$1 billion over five years for a Green Infrastructure Fund. The funding will be allocated based on merit to support green infrastructure projects on a cost-shared basis.

NEW FUNDING FOR COMMUNITIES COMPONENT OF BUILD CANADA

- Accelerates the construction of community projects by providing up to \$500 million over the next two years in new funding to the Communities Component of Build Canada to cost-share additional timely and targeted infrastructure projects.

PROVINCIAL BASE FUNDING OF BUILD CANADA

- Accelerates up to \$1 billion in payments over two years to the Provincial Territorial Base Funding Initiative to expedite "ready-to-go" infrastructure projects.
- The payments planned for the 2011-12, 2012-13 and 2013-14 fiscal years will be made in 2009-10 and 2010-11 to provinces and territories that can demonstrate the ability to put these funds to work quickly. This funding is cost-shared with the provinces and territories to maximize investment by all levels of government.

INFRASTRUCTURE STIMULUS FUND

- Establishes a new \$4-billion Infrastructure Stimulus Fund that will provide funding to provincial, territorial and municipal infrastructure rehabilitation projects.
- Funding will be available for two years for projects that will begin construction during the 2009 and 2010 construction seasons, and will be structured to flow funding and get shovels in the ground quickly.
- The federal government will approve provincial, territorial and municipal project plans, and will cover up to 50 per cent of eligible project costs. Subject to project readiness and merit, funding will be allocated for projects in provinces and territories based on their population.

RECREATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE

- Provides \$500 million over two years to support construction of new community recreational facilities and upgrades to existing facilities across Canada. Eligible facilities include recreational facilities owned by municipalities, First Nations, counties, community organizations and other not-for-profit entities.
- The initiative will support up to 50 per cent of the total cost of eligible projects, with the balance to be provided by provincial and municipal governments, community organizations, and the private sectors.

TRAILS

- Provides \$25 million for a national initiative to create, upgrade and sustain snowmobile and all-terrain-vehicle trails in 2009/10.

FIRST NATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE

- Invests \$515 million over the next two years for "ready-to-go" First Nations community infrastructure projects in three priority areas: schools, water and community services.

INFRASTRUCTURE AT UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

- Provides up to \$2 billion to support deferred maintenance and repair projects at post-secondary institutions.

BROADBAND ACCESS IN RURAL COMMUNITIES

- Beginning in 2009/10, the budget provides \$225 million over three years to develop and implement a strategy on extending broadband coverage to all currently unserved communities.

ACCELERATING THE REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE OF SMALL CRAFT HARBOURS

- Provides funding for the accelerated repair and maintenance of core commercial fishing small craft harbours [e.g. \$1.9 million for building, float, fire protection, service area and wharf repairs at the Steveston (Gulf and Paramount) Harbour and \$300,000 for wharf repairs at the Ladysmith Harbour].

SOCIAL HOUSING

- Provides a one-time federal investment of \$1 billion over two years for renovations and energy retrofits for up to 200,000 social housing units on a 50-50 cost-shared basis with provinces.
- Invests \$400 million over two years for the construction of social housing units for low-income seniors.
- Invests \$75 million over two years for the construction of social housing units for persons with disabilities.
- Dedicates \$400 million over two years to new social housing projects and to the remediation of existing social housing stock on First Nations reserves.
- Supports social housing in the North with an additional \$200 million over two years.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCING

- Makes available up to \$2 billion over two years in direct, low-cost loans to municipalities to finance improvements to housing related infrastructure, such as sewers, water lines, and neighbourhood regeneration projects.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- Provides \$1 billion over two years for a Community Adjustment Fund that will help mitigate the short-term impacts of restructuring in communities. This support for communities in all regions will be provided through regional development agencies.
- Commits \$170 million over two years to secure a more sustainable and competitive forest sector.
- Supports farmers with a \$500 million agricultural flexibility program that will help the farming sector adapt to pressures and improve its competitiveness.
- Invests \$50 million over the next three years to strengthen slaughterhouse capacity across Canada.
- Extends for one year the temporary 15-per-cent mineral exploration tax credit to help companies raise capital for mining exploration.

ARTS & CULTURE

- Provides targeted two-year funding of \$60 million to support infrastructure-related costs for local and community cultural and heritage institutions such as local theatres, libraries and small museums.

TOURISM

- Provides \$40 million to the Canadian Tourism Commission over two years to support marketing activities, such as the Vancouver 2010 Winter Olympics and Paralympic Games.
- Commits \$100 million over two years for marquee festivals and events that promote tourism.
- Provides \$75 million over two years for improvements and enhancements to Parks Canada's visitor facilities (e.g. campgrounds, visitor centers) and an additional \$75 million to Parks Canada for upgrades to National Historic Sites.

ENVIRONMENT

- Provides \$300 million over two years to the EcoENERGY retrofit program to support an additional 200,000 home retrofits.
- Commits \$80 million over the next two years to manage and assess federal contaminated sites, facilitating remediation work totaling \$165 million over two years.



BC GOVERNMENT CAUCUS

NEWS RELEASE

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For immediate release
January 29, 2009

Province Funds New Bridge in Harrison Hot Springs

HARRISON HOT SPRINGS – The provincial government is funding the construction of a replacement bridge over Miami River this spring, Chilliwack-Kent MLA Barry Penner announced today.

“The community told me that this bridge needed to be replaced, and I'm pleased to announce the BC Government will provide funding to get the job done,” said Penner. “This new bridge will provide safe transportation, while also improving water flow and environmental conditions in the Miami River. It will also help provide jobs and economic stimulus now as we make this valuable investment during these challenging economic times.”

“We are most pleased that the BC Government has responded so positively to our requests for a new bridge to replace the failed culvert over the Miami River,” said Harrison Hot Springs Mayor Ken Becotte. “The bridge is a vital link to our Village Centre and will be a great improvement for the community.”

The project will replace a failed culvert with a current standard, clear span bridge. The upgraded structure will improve the safety for travel throughout the entire village. Including previous work done since the existing culvert failed last year, the BC Government has committed a total of \$2.3 million for this project.

The contract award amount for the project is \$1,162,841.10 and was awarded to Jakes Construction Ltd. of Chilliwack. Construction is set to begin this winter and finish in May 2009. Motorists can expect detours during construction as the Miami Bridge will be closed and traffic will be re-routed.

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Visit Barry's website at www.barrypenner.com

Media contact: Jordan Grimsrud, BC Government Caucus Communications, 250-356-6170.



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NEWS RELEASE

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For immediate release
January 29, 2009

New Webcam Helps Prepare Drivers

HARRISON HOT SPRINGS – A new highway web camera has been added to the DriveBC website to let drivers of Highway 9 near Harrison Hot Springs see current road and weather conditions before travelling.

The new web camera is located on Highway 9 (Harrison Hot Springs Rd) at Miami River Drive, looking north. This is the first web camera on Highway 9.

“This new webcam is a great tool to help people plan their trips to Harrison,” says Chilliwack-Kent MLA Barry Penner. “Now residents and visitors will be able to check weather and road conditions before they leave their homes and see what the weather is like before heading to the beach!”

DriveBC also provides travel advisories, road closure information, weather information and other important links.

Travellers can also get B.C. highway information from anywhere in North America by calling the toll-free DriveBC line (1-800-550-HWYS). Motorists can view the new webcam and get travel information by visiting the DriveBC website at www.drivebc.ca.

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Visit Barry’s website at www.barrypenner.com

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DISCUSSION:

Staff has discussed with our consulting engineer options for treatment of the source supply as well as ongoing treatment of the distribution supply. By incorporating the treatment of both source and distribution at the same time is preferred as this is usually more economical and user friendly.

Can the treatment of our water supply either source or distribution or both be provided economically at this time with the reservoir works? Staff asked Dayton & Knight for a proposal to provide some options.

There proposal is attached for your information.

BUDGETARY CONSIDERATIONS:

Currently water reserves or DCC's would be adequate to cover the cost of this evaluation work. This would also be eligible for an Infrastructure Planning Grant. The grant could cover up to approximately one half the quoted cost up to a maximum amount of \$10,000.00. Application intakes are ongoing and typical responses come back within 6 to 8 weeks.

POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:

The application process requires a resolution of council.

ALTERNATIVES/OPTIONS:

Option one is not approve application for Planning Grant assistance and wait until 2010 to schedule this work;

Option two is to approve application for Planning Grant assistance and wait for approval of the 2009 budget before proceeding;

Option three is to approve application for Planning Grant assistance and utilize municipal share of funds from the DCC's or water reserves.
PREFERRED

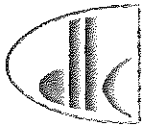
Respectfully submitted for your consideration;



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Chief Administrative Officer



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Our Commitment is to Sustain a Healthy Environment

January 19, 2009

VIA EMAIL AND MAIL

Mr. Larry Burk
 Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
The Village of Harrison Hot Springs
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 495 Hot Springs Road
 Harrison Hot Springs, B.C.
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Dear Mr. Burk:

**RE: Village of Harrison Hot Springs
 Water Treatment Evaluation**

Further to our conversation dated November 26, 2008 we are pleased to submit the following proposal for the assessment of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs water treatment program.

1.0 BACKGROUND

The Village of Harrison Hot Springs currently obtains its water from an intake in Harrison Lake, approximately 1,000 m from the shoreline. The water is pumped to a reservoir with a top water level of 50 m, west of Balsam Road. At Balsam Road, the water is chlorinated prior to discharging into the reservoir. A separate outlet from the reservoir brings the water to the distribution system. The intake and pumping station was installed in 1999/2000.

It is understood that the Village has received correspondence from the Public Health Inspector in January 1993 indicating that the Village must, on or before December 31, 2010, have finished water that has undergone treatment to achieve the following:

1. At least 4-log (99.99%) reduction and/or inactivation of viruses.
2. At least 3-log (99.9%) reduction and/or inactivation of Giardia cysts and oocysts
3. At least 3-log (99.9%) reduction and/or inactivation of Cryptosporidium cysts and oocysts.

Dayton & Knight has been involved in water sampling of Harrison Lake for the City of Abbotsford, and as such, we have extensive knowledge of the water quality within the lake. The Village has requested that Dayton & Knight Ltd. undertake a program to determine the best source of water that would meet the above requirements. Although a detailed investigation is not planned at this time, sufficient sampling will be undertaken to enable the Village to address any

additional issues that may be raised by health as a result of the changes to the drinking water requirements since 1993.

2.0 SCOPE

Our proposed scope of work is broken down into three separate categories: sampling and review of existing intake water, review of a supply from a deeper intake, and review of groundwater supply.

2.1 Existing Intake

In order to establish the treatment necessary to meet the requirements set by the Public Health Officer, the water quality of the current source requires being determined. We propose to take bi-monthly water samples (January, March, May, July) for a 7-month period from within the existing raw water pump station and undertake chemical and physical analysis on the samples.

Samples for chemical and physical analyses would be delivered to Bodycote Laboratories in Surrey (see attached fee proposal from Bodycote). Bacteriological testing would also be included in these analyses. Table 2-1 provides the parameters that are proposed for the laboratory testing program.

**TABLE 2-1
WATER QUALITY PARAMETERS**

Water Quality Parameters
pH
Turbidity
Total Suspended Solids
Conductivity
Alkalinity
Hardness
Colour (True and Apparent)
Metals Scan (Total and Dissolved)
Bromide
Nitrite/Nitrate
Sulphate
Ammonia Nitrogen
Total Organic Carbon
THM Formation Potential
UV Transmittance (254 nm)
Bacteriological (Total Coliform, E.Coli)

If turbidity levels in the source are less than 1 NTU and other physical and chemical properties of the water are acceptable at the existing intake location, ultraviolet (UV) treatment may be adequate to meet the requirements. In order to establish the turbidity

levels of the source water, we recommend that the Village install an online turbidimeter on the source water at the intake pump station and log turbidity readings.

We propose to review and summarize water quality data from the existing intake location and provide general comments on the suitability as a water source (treatment required, capital cost, etc.).

2.2 New Intake

The south end of the lake is relatively shallow, and the existing intake is in water ranging in depth from 3-8 m, depending on seasons and tides. The existing intake was installed in 1999, under the assumption that it be extended in the future.

In 1996 Dayton & Knight undertook a water supply study which recommended extending the existing intake to the 20 m depth, south west of Echo Island. This location is approximately 2,600 m from the existing intake. We have previously undertaken a quarterly sampling program for the City of Abbotsford approximately 2 km from this location, in depths of approximately 20-50 m. We have also previously undertaken, in conjunction with the University of BC, a general study of the water quality in Harrison Lake, and as such we are able to have substantiated confidence that the location recommended by Dayton & Knight in our previous report would still be suitable today.

We propose to review and summarize the past data gathered by Dayton & Knight as well as UBC and to provide general comments on the new intake location (treatment required, capital cost, etc.). If this location is confirmed, further investigation will be required (lake bed sediment sampling, etc.).

2.3 Groundwater

It is understood that the Village may consider using groundwater as a water supply, should it be a viable option. We have previously undertaken a reservoir study for the Village, a portion of which reviewed the potential for supplying water from groundwater. Results from that study indicated that at that time the groundwater sampled was relatively high in iron and manganese, as well as turbidity. However, these results were from shallow wells. It is understood that there are private wells in the vicinity that may have good water quality. The capacity of these wells is not known at this time. We propose to review this study and subsequent groundwater studies that have been undertaken to provide a recommendation for further investigation.

Should a groundwater supply be feasible, the next step would be to initiate a groundwater investigation program. This type of program is proposed to involve a desktop study and subsequent drilling program. Estimated costs for this type of program would be in the order of \$10,000 - \$15,000 for the desktop study and \$50,000 - \$100,000 for a drilling program.

3.0 DATA ANALYSIS AND REPORTING

A letter report will be prepared to present the results of the study and water quality monitoring. The report will include order of magnitude cost estimates as well as a recommendation for further investigation.

4.0 PROJECT TEAM

The project team all have qualifications and experience in projects of similar scope to the proposed work. Mr. John Boyle, P.Eng., Mr. Joel McAllister, P.Eng., Ms. Claire Bayless, P.Eng., and Ms. Stephanie Lapointe, EIT, from Dayton & Knight Ltd. will oversee the project, data collection and analysis. Mr. Sean Brophy, P.Eng. will be a Specialist Advisor on the team.

Samples will be delivered to Bodycote Laboratories in Surrey for analyses.

5.0 SCHEDULE

This program is scheduled to start in January 2009. Sampling would continue until July 2009. It may be feasible to extend the sampling program further into the summer in order to see the effect of recreational use and increased temperature on the water quality at the existing intake.

It is anticipated that the final report would be presented in August 2009.

6.0 FEES AND DISBURSEMENTS

A detailed cost breakdown for the proposed program follows as Table 6-1.

SUMMARY (GST excluded)

Total Dayton & Knight Ltd. fees and disbursements:	\$16,285.00
Total Bodycote	\$4,000.00

We propose to undertake the above for the lump sum price of \$20,285.00, excluding GST. This does not include the cost of online turbidity monitoring as recommended in Item 2.1.

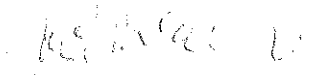
Disbursements will be charted at cost plus 5%. Disbursements will include sample shipping, long distance phone and fax charges, courier and printing costs, and mileage charges at \$0.52 per km.

7.0 CLOSURE

We trust you will find the foregoing workplan suitable. Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned or Mr. Sean Brophy, P.Eng. should you have any questions.

Yours truly,

Dayton & Knight Ltd.


Joel McAllister, P.Eng.

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Encls.

cc John Boyle, P.Eng., Dayton & Knight Ltd.

Village of Harrison Hot Springs
Water Treatment Evaluation

TABLE 6-1: Dayton & Knight Ltd. Fee Estimate
(Hours per Class of Employee)

TASK	NUMBER OF HOURS PER CLASS OF EMPLOYEE										Sub-total D&K Fees	D&K Disbursements	Bodycote	
	Principal-in- Charge	Specialist Adviser	Project Manager	Water Quality Engineer	Water Quality Technician	Assistant Project Engineer	Word Processing	SL	WP					
	JB	SB	JM	CB	DV	SL	WP							
	\$185	\$185	\$125	\$110	\$90	\$85	\$50							
1. Gather Existing Water Quality Records														
1.1 Literature Review			2	2	2	2	8					\$1,330		
1.2 Completion of Existing Data into Report	1		2	1	2	6	2					\$1,335		
2. Water Quality Investigations														
2.1 Existing Intake	2	1	6	8	10	30						\$5,635	\$750	\$4,000
2.2 New Intake	1	1	4	3	2	4						\$1,720	\$150	
2.3 Groundwater	1	1	4	3	2	4						\$1,720	\$100	
3. Data Analysis and Reporting														
	1	1	8	8	2	10	4					\$3,295	\$250	
SUBTOTAL	6	3	26	25	20	62	6					\$15,035	\$1,250	\$4,000

JB - John Boyle
SB - Sean Brophy
JM - Joel McAllister
CB - Claire Bayless
DV - Dana Vergamini
SL - Stephanie Lapointe

D&K Fees \$15,035
D&K Disbursements \$1,250
Subtotal D&K \$16,285

Bodycote \$4,000
\$4,000

TOTAL BUDGET \$20,285 GST excluded

2009 DRAFT BUDGET

FRASER VALLEY REGIONAL LIBRARY
CALCULATION OF FULLY ADJUSTED LIBRARY COSTS - VERSION 2 - With 3% Materials Budget Increase
 Prepared on: **December 19, 2008**

	FVRD	KENT	HOPE	CHILL	GVRD	HARRISON	ABBOTS	MISSION	LANG. CITY	LANG. TSHIP	WHITE ROCK	DELTA	PORT COCT	MAPLE RIDGE	PITT MIDDWS	Total FVRL
FULL LIBRARY COSTS	\$102,312	\$325,750	\$298,148	\$1,730,218	(\$1,001)	(\$2,830)	\$2,618,311	\$1,109,344	\$1,266,497	\$3,025,793	\$780,227	\$2,851,726	\$1,291,488	\$2,215,465	\$475,045	\$18,084,493
Less cost to other FVRL Customers	13,008	90,166	41,462	132,206	0	0	129,928	132,727	466,590	375,820	27,956	38,603	52,267	160,835	92,772	1,754,341
Plus costs from other FVRL Libraries	104,655	32,537	18,297	111,801	0	54,414	279,809	99,897	221,979	465,027	15,697	49,260	51,673	143,659	85,235	1,754,341
Adjusted Full Library Costs	194,159	268,121	272,984	1,709,813	(1,001)	51,584	2,788,191	1,076,514	1,021,885	3,135,000	767,989	2,862,384	1,291,094	2,198,289	467,508	18,084,493
Adjustment for Minimum	(32)	(44)	(45)	(284)	3,001	(9)	(459)	(179)	(170)	(520)	(127)	(475)	(214)	(365)	(76)	(0)
2009 MEMBER ASSESSMENTS	194,126	268,076	272,939	1,709,529	2,000	51,575	2,787,732	1,076,335	1,021,716	3,134,480	767,841	2,861,909	1,290,880	2,197,924	467,430	18,084,493
2008 Assessments	190,666	249,063	257,820	1,633,595	2,000	46,838	2,630,483	1,023,458	977,422	2,995,263	725,120	2,753,777	1,256,356	2,112,495	432,499	17,286,856
Increase (Decrease)	3,450	19,013	15,119	75,934	0	4,737	137,249	52,877	44,294	139,217	42,721	108,132	34,524	85,429	34,931	797,638
% Increase (Decrease)	2%	8%	6%	4.65%	0%	10%	5.22%	5%	5%	5%	6%	4%	3%	4%	8%	5%

PER CAPITA TREND ANALYSIS

2009 Per Capita Assessment	\$ 10.86	\$ 47.62	\$ 42.43	\$ 22.06	\$ 4.55	\$ 31.35	\$ 20.95	\$ 29.31	\$ 40.65	\$ 31.17	\$ 38.70	\$ 27.96	\$23.16	\$ 30.01	\$ 27.49	\$ 26.90
2008 Per Capita Assessment	\$ 10.52	\$ 39.40	\$ 38.67	\$ 21.90	\$ 12.90	\$ 29.11	\$ 20.36	\$ 28.02	\$ 37.90	\$ 29.94	\$ 37.10	\$ 26.63	\$22.55	\$ 27.87	\$ 24.36	\$ 25.80
2007 Per Capita Assessment	\$ 10.21	\$ 38.77	\$ 36.21	\$ 21.90	\$ 12.90	\$ 28.52	\$ 19.90	\$ 28.19	\$ 37.10	\$ 30.25	\$ 35.83	\$ 25.65	\$20.88	\$ 28.22	\$ 24.42	\$ 25.34

NOTES:
 1 The 2009 per capita assessment is based on 2008 estimated population figures provided by the Library Services Branch who uses figures from BC Stats.

VILLAGE OF HARRISON HOT SPRINGS

BYLAW NO. 904

A bylaw enacted for the borrowing of such sums of money that may be necessary to meet the lawful current expenditures of the Municipality.

WHEREAS, Section 177 of the *Community Charter* provides that a Council may, by bylaw, provide for the borrowing of money that may be necessary to meet the lawful current expenditures of the Municipality, provided that the total debt under this section does not exceed the unpaid taxes for all purposes imposed during the current year and the money remaining due from other governments;

AND WHEREAS, the taxes in the current year are deemed to be 75% of all property taxes imposed for all purposes for the preceding year;

AND WHEREAS, the amount of all property taxes imposed for all purposes in the preceding year, is \$3,385,522 and 75% of this amount is \$2,539,141;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council in open meeting assembled, HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- (1) It shall be lawful for Council to borrow upon the credit of the Village, from the Prospera Credit Union, the sum of two million five hundred thirty-nine thousand dollars (\$2,539,000), in such sums and amounts and at such times as may be required, and to pay interest at the Prime Rate per annum.
- (2) The form of obligation or obligations to be given as acknowledgement shall be a Promissory Note bearing the Corporate Seal and shall be signed by the Mayor and Director of Finance of the Village.
- (3) There is hereby set aside as security for the liability here authorized to be incurred, two million five hundred thirty-nine thousand dollars (\$2,539,000), being that part of the taxes for the current year deemed by the Village Council expedient to be so set aside.

- (4) That Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw No. 854, 2006 be repealed in its entirety.
- (5) That this bylaw may be cited for all purposes as "Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw NO. 904, 2009".

READ FOR A FIRST TIME THIS 19th DAY OF JANUARY, 2009.

READ FOR A SECOND TIME THIS 19th DAY OF JANUARY, 2009.

READ FOR A THIRD TIME THIS 19th DAY OF JANUARY, 2009.

ADOPTED THIS 2nd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2009.

**Ken Becotte
Mayor**

**Larry Burk
Corporate Officer**