



VILLAGE OF HARRISON HOT SPRINGS NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Date:

Monday, April 6, 2009

Time:

7:00 p.m.

Location:

Council Chambers, Harrison Hot Springs, British Columbia

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1. CALL TO	ORDE	R	
	(a)	Meeting called to order by Mayor Becotte	
2. INTRODUC	CTION	N OF LATE ITEMS	
3. APPROVA	LOF	AGENDA	
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4. ADOPTION	AND	RECEIPT OF MINUTES	
☐ Regular Council Meeting Minutes – March 16, 2009		THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of March 16, 2009 be adopted.	Item 4.1 Page 1
☐ Special Council Meeting Minutes – March 18, 2009		THAT the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of March 18, 2009 be adopted.	Item 4.2 Page 15
5. BUSINESS	ARIS	ING FROM THE MINUTES	
6. PUBLIC A	ND ST	ATUTORY HEARINGS	
7. DELEGAT	IONS	AND PETITIONS	
		Awards Presentation for the Harrison Hot Springs Christmas Lights Contest Peter & Linda Bugden, Residential 1 st Place, 407 Miami River Dr Emil & Marianne Strutz, Multi Family Residential 1 st Place, #19-730 McCombs Drive	
		John & Michelle DeMartin, Animated Decorations 1 st Place, 232 Miami River Drive Crazy Fish Bistro, Commercial 1 st Place	

8. CORRESPONDENCE	
Letter dated February 27, 2009 from LMLGA RE: 2009 AGM and Convention	Item 8.1 Page 23
☐ Memo dated March 9, 2009 from LMLGA RE: 2009 Resolutions	Item 8.2 Page 27
☐ Letter dated March 11, 2009 from Minister of the Environment RE:Polybrominated Diphenyl Ethers	Item 8.3 Page 31
☐ Letter dated March 16, 2009 from UBCM RE: Proposed Indigenous Recognition Act	Item 8.4 Page 33
☐ Letter dated March 17, 2009 from Harrison Hot Springs Sand Sculpture Society	Item 8.5 Page 35
☐ News Release dated March 19, 2009 from MLA Barry Penner RE: Major Grants for Community Projects in Hope	Item 8.6 Page 37
☐ Letter dated March 24, 2009, from Squamish-Lillooet Regional District RE: Expanded Use of Section 941 in Lieu of Park Lands	Item 8.7 Page 39
☐ Letter dated March 26, 2009 from Mayor Lorne Fisher RE: Appointments to Harrison Lake Harbour Commission	Item 8.8 Page 41
☐ Letter dated April 1, 2009 from British Columbia Ambulance Service RE: CUPE Local 873 Negotiations Update/Essential Services	ltem 8.9 Page 43
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	

Connection to lands outside the boundaries of the Village – March 31, 2009	Report of Chief Administrative Officer – March 31, 2009 Re: Connection to lands outside the boundaries of the Village	Item 13.1 Page 45
	Recommendation:	
	THAT Council receives this report; and	
	THAT Council rescinds policy 6.11 and approves the connections subject to consent from the District of Kent to provide services to lands outside the municipal boundaries per Section 13 of the Community Charter and execution of an acceptable agreement for these services with the owner.	
□ Regulate the Usc of Explosive Agents for Blasting – Policy 4.17 - March 31, 2009	Report of Chief Administrative Officer – March 31, 2009 Re: Regulate the Use of Explosive Agents for Blasting – Policy 4.17	Item 13. Page 55
	Recommendation:	
	THAT Council approves Policy 4.17 to Regulate the Use of Explosive Agents for Blasting.	- WAAAA
☐ Village of Harrison Hot Springs New Letterhead & Logo – "60 th Anniversary" – April 2, 2009	Report of Chief Administrative Officer – April 2, 2009 Re: Village of Harrison Hot Springs New Letterhead & Logo – "60 th Anniversary"	Item 13. Page 61
	Recommendation:	- Haddin rates a
	THAT Council approves the design for new letterhead and logo commemorating the 60 th anniversary of incorporation of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs.	
☐ Tree Bylaw – April 2, 2009	Report of Chief Administrative Officer – April 2, 2009 Re: Tree Bylaw	Item 13. Page 63
	Recommendation:	
	THAT this report be received; and	
	THAT Council direct staff to prepare a report and possible bylaw for presentation to the public and eventual consideration.	THE ST. T.
14. BYLAW		
□ Fee Schedule Bylaw No. 906, 2009 – April 6, 2009	THAT "Village of Harrison Hot Springs Fee Schedule Bylaw No. 906, 2009" be adopted.	Item 14 Page 67
☐ Business Licence Bylaw No. 908 – March 16, 2009	THAT Business Licence Bylaw No. 908 be adopted.	Item 14 Page 79

15. QUESTIONS FI	ROM THE PUBLIC	

16. ADJOURNMENT

Larry Burk
Chief Administrative Officer

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

DATE:

March 16, 2009

TIME:

7:00 p.m.

PLACE:

Council Chambers

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Ken Becotte

Councillor Allan Jackson Councillor Bob Perry Councillor Dave Kenyon

Chief Administrative Officer, Larry Burk

ABSENT:

Councillor Dave Harris

Recording Secretary, Debra Key and Cindy Richardson

1. <u>CALL</u> TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

2. <u>INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS</u>

Report of Chief Administrative Officer

Re: Advance approval of 2009 proposed budget item to make improvements at Rendall Beach

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Jackson Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

ADOPTION AND RECEIPT OF MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Kenyon

4.

Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of March 2, 2009 be adopted.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

5. <u>PUBLIC AND STATUTORY HEARINGS</u>

None

6. <u>DELEGATIONS</u>

None

7. <u>CORRESPONDENCE</u>

☐ Letter dated February 23, 2009 from Ratcliff & Company re Local Government Law Conference

☐ Letter dated February 26, 2009 from M. Doman

☐ Letter dated February 26, 2009 to Southern Interior Local Government Association from District of Coldstream re Quality of Drinking Water

☐ Email dated February 26, 2009 from Get Moving BC re Funding for Evergreen Line

☐ Memo dated March 5, 2009 to all members of UBCM from City of North Vancouver re Earth Hour

☐ Memo dated March 7, 2009 from FCM re Bottled Water

Moved by Councillor Perry Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT the correspondence be received.

CARRIED

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

CAO Burk gave a verbal report with respect to the letter dated February 26, 2009 from M. Doman. CAO is currently working with ILMB re East Sector but they are waiting for a response from the Agriculture Land Commission.

The CAO reported that he has had discussions with Bob Parliament from Heritage BC with respect to details on the process for heritage issues. B. Parliament has offered to attend a public information meeting to discuss the process with Council, public and Committee members. A meeting has been scheduled for May 7, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Memorial Hall. The meeting will be advertised in due course. Details of the heritage process will be sent to M. Doman and

all members of the Heritage Advisory Committee.

Moved by Councillor Jackson Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT Council send a letter of support to the District of Coldstream regarding the Okanagan Basin Water Board's request for support to encourage Southern Interior Local Government Association to pass a resolution against the sale of lease lots on Upper-Watershed Drinking Water Reservoirs.

CARRIED

Councillor Kenyon asked staff to consider advertising for Earthhour. The CAO advised that advertising has already been sent in to the newspaper.

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

The Mayor stated that an ad for appointees will go out shortly for the Heritage Advisory Committee. Staff is currently preparing Terms of Reference for each Committee/Commission.

Moved by Councillor Kenyon Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT Carol Hepnar be appointed to the Communities in Bloom Committee.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Jackson Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

THAT Ruth Altendorf be appointed to the Parks and Recreation Commission.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Jackson Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

THAT Marg Doman and Brian Bignell be appointed to the Advisory Planning Commission.

10. Mayor's Report

REPORTS FROM MAYOR

The Mayor welcomed Jessica Murdy, the new editor of the Agassiz Harrison Observer.

Mayor Becotte advised that former Mayor, Ed North passed away.

Mayor Becotte advises that Council is moving ahead rapidly working on the budget process.

Moved by Councillor Kenyon Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT the Mayor's report be received.

CARRIED

REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

Councillor Harris

Absent

Councillor Jackson

FVRD is planning more regulations for air quality. The plan is to bring the Fraser Valley up to the same level as Metro Vancouver. The ozone layer in Hope is the highest in the country. Ammonia level in the Fraser Valley is now higher than in Holland. The FVRD is looking at the possibility of a wood stove exchange program in future which would mean every stove would need a new type of insert. Air Care for cars will probably be disbanded after 2011. They are still working really hard on refitting old diesel engines and trucks. There are also concerns regarding the use of incinerators.

CAO Burk asked if sections regarding wood stoves should be removed from the Building Bylaw? Councillor Jackson responded yes as the FVRD hoped to have these regulations instituted within a year.

The Mayor reported that Run of the River projects are currently underway on Harrison Lake and will increase traffic considerably. FVRD has done an assessment with respect to tax implications but they report that it is basically just lines running through.

Councillor Kenyon

Reported that after being on vacation in another Country, he has a new appreciation for infrastructure in small communities.

Councillor Perry

March 4, 2009 attended a two day retreat at the Ramada Conference Centre for the FVRL Board. Councillor Jackson also attended half a day session. The conference involved discussion on strategic plan, tactical plan and technology trends.

March 7, 2009 attended the Trustee Orientation Program meeting for the FVRL Board.

March 9, 2009 attended a Joint Harrison-Kent In-Camera Council meeting.

March 10, 2009 attended a Council budget meeting.

March 10, 2009 met with J. Nootebos, Coordinator of Harrison Hot Springs Community Garden. A garden space has been created through Healthy Communities at the property on McCombs where the hold pump station was located.

March 12, 2009 attended a Healthy Communities meeting. A long discussion ensued regarding the recent fire at T. Marlow Manor. Councillor Perry asked if anyone was able to donate money and/or clothing to the thrift store and collect items for the food bank for those who have been displaced by the fire.

March 16, 2009 attended a Council budget meeting.

Councillor Perry asked if the Village still allows campfire burning. Mayor Becotte advised that permits are still being issued for communal and residential campfires. The Mayor asked if staff could review and research this issue.

Moved by Councillor Jackson Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

THAT the Councillors' reports be received.

REPORTS FROM STAFF

☐ Food Vending Policy – Beach Front 4.15 – March 12, 2009

Moved by Councillor Jackson Seconded by Councillor Perry

Report of Chief Administrative Officer – March 12, 2009 Re: Revision of Policy for Food Vending – Beach Front 4.15

THAT Council approves the revision of Policy 4.15 for Food Vending – Beach Front; and

THAT Council approves rescinding of current Policy 4.15 Food Vending – Beach Front adopted April 18, 2006.

CARRIED

☐ Status Report - Projects in the Village - March 12, 2009

Moved by Councillor Jackson Seconded by Councillor Perry

Report of Chief Administrative Officer – March 12, 2009

Re: Status Report on Projects in the Village as of March 10, 2009

THAT the status report of the Chief Administrative Officer be received.

CARRIED

CAO Burk reported on the current status of projects in the Village.

The CAO reported that he will be attending a practice scenario "tabletop exercise" on March 19, 2009 for the Kent-Harrison Emergency Program. This practice scenario will take us from Level I to Level II to enable us to handle any disaster emergency. Observers will be on hand to critique the exercise.

Councillor Perry asked about the removal of trees near Walnut Bridge and whether these will be replaced. CAO Burk replied that trees and plants will be replanted in this area.

☐ Advance approval of 2009 proposed budget – March 16, 2009

Moved by Councillor Kenyon Seconded by Councillor Jackson

Report of Chief Administrative Officer – March 16, 2009 Re: Advance approval of 2009 proposed budget item to make improvements at Rendall Beach

THAT Council approve the expenditure of \$20,000 for proposed improvements to Rendall Beach.

CARRIED

11.

BYLAWS

☐ Fee Schedule Bylaw No. 906, 2009 – March 13, 2009

Moved by Councillor Kenyon Seconded by Councillor Jackson

Report of Chief Administrative Officer - March 13, 2009

Re: Fee Schedule Bylaw No. 906, 2009

THAT "Village of Harrison Hot Springs Fee Schedule Bylaw No. 906, 2009" receive first reading; and

THAT every reference to a fee or charge in the following bylaws be repealed:

- The Corporation of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Dog Licence Control and Impounding Amendment Bylaw No. 653, 1995
- The Corporation of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Dog Licence Control and Impounding Amendment Bylaw 735, 1999
- Village of Harrison Hot Springs Dog Licence Control and Impounding Amendment Bylaw No. 881
- Village of Harrison Hot Springs Building Regulation Bylaw No. 581, 1994
- The Corporation of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Water Connection Charge and Regulation Bylaw No. 730, 1999
- The Corporation of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Water Connection Charge and Regulation Amendment Bylaw No. 734, 1999
- Village of Harrison Hot Springs Water Frontage Tax Amendment Bylaw No. 889, 2008

- The Corporation of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Sewer User Rates Bylaw No. 242
- The Corporation of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Sewer Connection and Regulation Amendment Bylaw No. 805, 2004
- Village of Harrison Hot Springs Sewer Frontage Tax Amendment Bylaw No. 891, 2008
- The Corporation of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Tree Protection Bylaw No. 695, 1998
- The Corporation of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Sign Bylaw No. 479, 1988
- Village of Harrison Hot Springs Subdivision and Development Servicing Bylaw No. 578, Schedule "C", 1993
- The Corporation of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Board of Variance Application Fee Bylaw No. 715, 1998
- The Corporation of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Official Community Plan and Zoning Amendment Fee Amendment Bylaw No. 571, 1992
- The Corporation of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Development Permit and Development Variance Permit Application Fee Amendment Bylaw No. 572, 1992
- The Corporation of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Outdoor Campfire Regulation Bylaw No. 816, 2004
- Village of Harrison Hot Springs Nuisance, Noxious or Offensive Trades, Health and Safety Bylaw No. 829, 2004
- Village of Harrison Hot Springs Fire Alarm System Regulation Bylaw No. 832, 2005

The Mayor asked that "Sales" be added to the Marine section 7 of the Fee Schedule Bylaw, page 3.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Jackson Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

THAT "Village of Harrison Hot Springs Fee Schedule Bylaw No. 906, 2009" receive second reading; and

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- Village of Harrison Hot Springs Fire Alarm System Regulation Bylaw No. 832, 2005

Moved by Councillor Perry Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

THAT "Village of Harrison Hot Springs Fee Schedule Bylaw No. 906, 2009" receive third reading; and

THAT every reference to a fee or charge in the following bylaws be repealed:

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CARRIED

Councillor Jackson asked staff to prepare report on current status of Bylaw 816 (Campfire Permits).

☐ Business Licence Bylaw No. 908 – March 16, 2009

Moved by Councillor Jackson Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

THAT Business Licence Bylaw No. 908 be received for first reading;

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Perry Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT Business Licence Bylaw No. 908 be received for second reading;

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Kenyon Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT Business Licence Bylaw No. 908 be received for third reading.

CARRIED

12. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

S. Hilatis asked about the possibility of getting door to door mail service. Mayor Becotte asked staff to bring this issue forward for the next Regular Council meeting.

P. Stenson asked about whether Council would reconsider the \$5,000 damage deposit in the new Fee Schedule Bylaw. The CAO reported that the Administration and Finance Committee had made a recommendation to Council. A report will be prepared and submitted to Council for consideration to amend the Fee Schedule Bylaw at the April 6, 2009 regular council meeting. P. Stenson asked what the reference to "other" means under User Groups? CAO Burk explained it may be another user group that may fall under that category.

M. Doman thanked the CAO for his response to her letter of February 26, 2009 but is still waiting for a response to her February 16, 2009 letter. CAO Burk stated he is working on it.

The Mayor welcomed Minister Barry Penner to the Council meeting.

Minister Penner reported he attended the meeting to repay the favour as Council had met with him in Victoria. Minister Penner asked when the boats can start using sani-station. Mayor Becotte reported that it is now open for business and once the water comes up, the boat activity will increase.

Minister Penner asked if there were any community mail boxes in the Village. The Mayor responded that there are some that are located at one of the local condominiums.

Minister Penner asked for update on the 2nd pedestrian bridge. CAO Burk reported that it should be ready by April 1, 2009. The Mayor advised that LocalMotion grants have helped to pay for both the Fred Hardy Bridge and the Walnut Bridge.

Minister Penner reported that Minister Krueger has advised him that the Strategic Community Investment Funds have been made available to communities and will be paid in several installments. The 1st installment will be \$413,500.73, an additional installment in July and then again next year.

Minister Penner advised that the "In-CHUCK-ch" have signed an agreement with the Province to resolve the treaty issues. Minister De Jong held a signing ceremony at Deroche.

Mayor Becotte advised Minister Penner that the Paddlewheeler will again be on the lake in July.

Mayor thanked Minister Penner for attending.

13. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Moved by Councillor Perry Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT pursuant to Section 90(1) (2) and (3) of the *Community Charter* the meeting be adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

CARRIED

Certified a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held March 16, 2009 in the Council Chambers, Village of Harrison Hot Springs, BC

Ken Becotte Larry Burk
Mayor Chief Administrative Officer

VILLAGE OF HARRISON HOT SPRINGS MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: March 18, 2009

9:00 a.m. TIME:

PLACE: Council Chambers

Harrison Hot Springs, B. C.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor K. Becotte

> Councillor B. Perry Councillor D. Harris Councillor A. Jackson Councillor D. Kenyon

Larry Burk, Chief Administrative Officer

Dale Courtice, Director of Finance

Ken Fleckenstein, Superintendent of Public Works

(arrived at 9:06 a.m.)

Recording Secretary, D. Key

ABSENT:

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Becotte called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. ADOPTION AND RECEIPT OF **MINUTES**

Moved by Councillor Jackson Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of March 16.

2009 be adopted.

CARRIED

3. LATE ITEMS

Mayor Becotte - Committee/Commission appointment

4. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Committee/Commission appointment

Moved by Councillor Jackson Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

THAT Ken Burningham be appointed to the Parks and Recreation Commission and Stephanie Key be appointed to the Economic Development Commission.

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2009 Financial Plan

Director of Finance provided the next copy of the proposed budget with changes highlighted in yellow. Some additional changes have also been made which he went through.

Infrastructure grants dropped down to \$312,500 by taking out Memorial Hall and McCombs Road. Transfers from Reserves dropped from \$805, 000 to \$428,000 by taking out Fire Department transfer of \$345,000.

Provincial Grants infrastructure – changed slightly leaving a balance of \$32,000 eligible to claim for the #2 pump station.

In 2008 Council committed to using water frontage rate fees to help offset reservoir borrowing interest charges. Water frontage fees in 2008 were \$123,000 combined and has jumped to \$164,000. Council at the time felt the water reservoir could be financing the water frontage and would be adjusted annually to cover the interest cost. Water frontage charges are currently at \$7.64/m. Had to increase to \$11.14 metre. CAO reported that the increase is what will show on the tax notice. (\$5.40 per bill on a short lot and a \$9.00 increase on longest lot).

CAO prepared preliminary estimates to install water on Pine, Lakberg, Emerald and Diamond. The total would be about \$289,041.00. This could potentially increase fire flow in these areas and even up to about 16-18% in the rest of the Village. Approximately 45 lots will/should provide income from user fees and frontage charges. Councillor Harris added that there is no policy in place that insists residents connect to the water system. Fraser Health frowns upon residential wells. Councillor Perry asked what the return would be on the new mains including hookup. CAO indicated perhaps \$40,000 and we could institute an incentive to hookup. Councillor Jackson asked if this could be done by a local improvement bylaw. The Mayor stated Pine is also a special planning area. There has been some interest in developing some of this property. Maybe look into going into Emerald. CAO reported any developer coming in would be required to provide upgrades. Emerald Avenue and Diamond's total cost would be \$141,414.00 with a 200 m main on Emerald and 150 m on Diamond.

DoF says current Water DCC's had been previously allocated to help offset water reservoir borrowing costs to pay the principle down before locking in to the loan. Councillor Jackson indicated that the money paid by IRCA can be allocated to the water reservoir. Councillor Perry asked CAO for reports on IRCA and Lakehill Villas.

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Moved by Councillor Harris Seconded Councillor Kenyon

THAT installation of a water system on Emerald Avenue and Diamond Street be added to this years budget.

CARRIED

Councillor Harris asked that the design include a loop through the neighbouring development to improve fire fighting in the complex. CAO agreed provided costs could be offset somehow.

- DoF advised that promotional materials have been contemplated for the Village's 60th anniversary.
- He also added a licence and permits account to track Village permits.
- The Mayor asked Council to consider purchasing logo'd jackets.
- DoF condensed Grants to Groups rather than have individual accounts.
- Dropped planning/engineering consultant by \$5,000.
- CIB Awards Banquet dropped from \$15,000 to \$10,000. Canada Day was bumped up to \$7,000. Community Development to \$1,500.

Bylaw Enforcement was adjusted to account for the new service agreement. As there may be additional policing this year, the CAO is hoping to bring in curfew bylaw for the beach to provide some assistance. Mayor reported that after meeting with the RCMP, and due to their budget constraints, maybe we could consider providing additional funding to open a community policing office. Mayor asked Councillor Perry to consider setting up a Public Safety Committee.

Based on the Fire Department's report, the DoF increased honorariums. Current Fire Chief Remuneration has been increased. The Mayor asked Council their thoughts on the remuneration. Council unanimously agreed to increase. Training allowances are not currently included. CAO researched other municipalities which indicated varied policies associated with funding.

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CAO indicated that the provincial draft fire standard practices model suggests different levels for different community types and populations. Recommendation was suggested Agassiz and Harrison combine training practices and recruiting as a regional centre. Can increase training based on development. Councillor Jackson asked about the purchase of a defibrillator. This has been budgeted for in capital.

Public Works office increased to \$3,000 for patch work on roof; took roof replacement out.

Drainage and Ditching increased to \$50,000, dropped \$5,000 to \$2,500 for contracted services.

Street lighting dropped, sand and salt increased, waste collection dropped \$2,000.

Removed mechanical lift from the garbage truck. CAO reported that FVRD are looking at another centre for recycling to include Hope, Harrison, Kent, Deroche, Harrison Mills. Looking at contractors.

Boat Launch and washroom wages reallocated.

Dropped gardening supplies due to previous project.

Arts Centre bumped up for washroom renovations.

Rendall Park increased to include for equipment rentals (fibercans).

Training under sewer dropped.

Sewer Collection contract services dropped \$1,500.

Sewer Treatment Plant repairs dropped and chemical allocation reduced based on last years totals.

Other Capital Expenditures dropped or amended

- Fire truck out
- Public Works vehicles increased CAO researched costs for vehicles, possibly would be less
- Drainage out
- Leave Engineering for McCombs bridges -\$30,000
- Memorial Hall deferred to 2010
- Beach Erosion out of capital and shuffled to repairs and maintenance

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- Mayor stated trails development could be increased. Take \$45,000 out of gas tax and put in trails.

Mayor asked to use surplus.

CAO reported he received a letter from Kent and recommended taking a position on this project as if from the beginning. There is no significant agreement between Harrison and Kent to actually connect to their sewer.

Councillor Perry asked if we have any idea on the cost to establish our own plant? CAO has talked to industry people. Mayor asked how this would impact the current funding application? CAO stated he has had conversations on rescoping and suggested that the Ministry has been willing to look at options up to now. We still have 2 ½ years to commence/complete the project. Councillor Perry stated he believes our existing plant be relocated due to its proximity to the hot springs site. What's wrong with putting a treatment plant on Crown land?

Councillor Kenyon asked if it impacts the current budget if we stop the Kent process. CAO stated he would like to keep it in pending the outcome of the current situation. Mayor stated he believed Corrections should pay their portion, Harrison pay theirs and Kent pay theirs.

DoF asked if putting it on hold will affect what Dayton & Knight have done. CAO suggested we can put it on hold until we receive clarification from Kent.

DoF stated he doesn't mind using the surplus but warns that the surplus is what we have in the bank to carry on business between budget approvals.

Mayor stated we budgeted \$300,000 in 2008 from surplus but didn't use it.

DoF stated Council/Mayor has requested a zero increase based on most recent assessments in order to generate the same revenue resulting in a 1.9% tax rate increase. That may also result in a slight decrease on the business side.

DoF stated even with a tax rate increase, there is the distinct likelihood that residents will be paying less taxes based on the assessments provided by BC Assessment Authority. Councillor Jackson stated a 1.9% tax rate increase is doable.

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Councillor Jackson asked if there is sufficient money in the budget for strategic planning retreat? Believe this should be done away from home. DoF stated there could be money set aside in the budget to go up to the Hotel but would be difficult to go out of town without adding to the budget.

CAO reported that staff could support recommending moving \$435,000 from surplus to offset the deficit in the current budget. CAO states DoF's advice on being very careful on the surplus, is very worthy of note. DoF asked for direction for next budget meeting.

DoF stated that he would plug om the 1.9% tax rate residential increase, adjust non-profit/commercial rates and then report the actual transfer from surplus at next meeting.

Councillor Harris asked about the increase in staff and budget for public works. Would like to advance expenditures to the budget. DoF states that an advance would be allowed at July 1st. CAO anticipates May 1, 2009 before anyone can be hired with job descriptions. Mayor stated we have to work on some personnel changes. CAO indicated he will start working with Union as soon as possible with respect to Union approvals, etc.

Moved by Councillor Kenyon Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT Council direct staff to use surplus to augment a zero balance revenue of expenditures for 2009.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Kenyon Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT the residential tax rate for 2009 to be set based on maintaining 2008 tax revenue levels.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Harris Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT staff send a letter to District of Kent to stop all proceedings of the current Ken-Harrison sewer project.

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The next budget meeting will be scheduled for April 14, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Perry Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 11:03 a.m.

CARRIED

Certified a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Special Council Meeting held March 18, 2009 in the Council Chambers, Village of Harrison Hot Springs, BC.

Ken Becotte Larry Burk Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer



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February 27, 2009

Mayor Ken Becotte and Council Village of Harrison Hot Springs PO Box 160 Harrison Hot Springs, B.C. V0M 1K0

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Dear Mayor Becotte and Council:

As you are aware the 2009 AGM and Convention to be held at the Harrison Hot Springs Resort is quickly approaching. I am contacting all LMLGA members again to request donations for prizes at the AGM and Convention on May 6, 7 and 8th.

If your municipality or regional district will be donating a prize for the 2009 AGM and Convention, please advise Eydie Fraser at (250) 356-5133 or email to efraser@civicinet.bc.ca and bring the prize with you to the Harrison Hot Springs Resort. We are encouraging members to approach businesses in their local communities for gifts or gift certificates.

We are looking forward to a full and interesting program and hope to see you in Harrison Hot Springs. Please check the LMLGA website for the draft program. We will be updating it as details are confirmed.

Sincerely,

Eydie Fraser

Executive Coordinator

Email: info@LMLGA.bc.ca



LMLGA PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP

May 6, 2009 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

LOCAL GOVERNMENT LEADERSHIP ACADEMY
IN PARTNERSHIP WITH LMLGA

LOCATION:

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SEE YOU IN HARRISON HOT SPRINGS



TO:

LMLGA MEMBERS

FROM:

Eydie Fraser, Executive Coordinator

RE:

REMINDER - 2009 RESOLUTIONS - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

DATE:

March 9, 2009

GOLD STAR CRITERIA

LMLGA implemented the Gold Star Criteria used by the Union of BC Municipalities in time for the 2006 LMLGA AGM and Convention. We would encourage all members to review the Gold Star Criteria and the Model Resolution (attached) in an effort to see concise and clear resolutions submitted for debate.

We would encourage LMLGA members to submit their resolutions to the Area Association (LMLGA) for debate prior to submitting them to UBCM.

DEADLINE FOR RESOLUTIONS

All resolutions must be received in the LMLGA office by:

MARCH 27, 2009

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Resolutions submitted to the LMLGA for consideration shall be submitted as follows:

- one copy of the resolution,
- the resolution should not contain more than two "whereas" clauses;
- background documentation must accompany each resolution submitted.

Sponsors should be prepared to introduce their resolutions on the Convention floor.

LATE RESOLUTIONS

- a. Resolutions submitted following the expiry of the regular deadline shall be considered "Late Resolutions" and shall comply with all other submission requirements to the LMLGA by the Monday noon (May 4th) preceding the date of the Annual General Meeting.
- b. Late resolutions shall be available for discussion after all resolutions printed in the Resolutions Book have been debated.
- c. Late resolutions are deemed to be appropriate for discussion only if the topic is such that is has arisen since or was not known prior to the regular deadline date for submission of resolutions.
- In the event that a late resolution is recommended to be admitted for discussion LMLGA shall produce sufficient copies for distribution to the Convention.

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Minister of the Environment

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The Honourable L'honorable
Jim Prentice

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Ottawa, Canada K1A 0H3

His Worship Mayor Ken Becotte Village of Harrison Hot Springs P.O. Box 160 495 Hot Springs Road Harrison Hot Springs BC V0M 1K0

Dear Mayor Becotte:

Thank you for your letter of January 28, expressing the support of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Council for the City of Langley's resolution urging the Government of Canada to seek benign non-toxic alternatives to flame retardants, and institute a ban on the production and import of products containing polybrominated diphenyl ethers (PBDEs).

The Government's Chemicals Management Plan, which was announced in December 2006, identified PBDEs as a high priority. In that regard, the final Polybrominated Diphenyl Ethers Screening Assessment (www.ec.gc.ca/CEPARegistry/subs_list/FinalAssess.cfm) was published on July 1, 2006, and the Polybrominated Diphenyl Ethers Regulations on July 9, 2008. The PBDE Regulations effectively ban the production and use of the PentaBDE and OctaBDE commercial mixtures in Canada.

In addition, the Government is undertaking the following actions with respect to PBDEs: (a) a regulation to control PBDEs in domestic and imported manufactured products, (b) a detailed review of newly published science on the bioaccumulation and environmental transformation of decaBDE, to determine whether further controls on this form of PBDE are warranted, (c) a performance agreement with industry to minimize releases to the environment from the use of the DecaBDE commercial mixture in Canadian manufacturing operations, (d) development of a management strategy for PBDE-containing products at end-of-life, and (e) monitoring Canadians' exposure to PBDEs.

As to your comment on the need to find non-toxic alternatives to PBDEs for use in products, the availability and use of acceptable alternatives is considered as part of the risk management process that Environment Canada undertakes with

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stakeholders. Moreover, my department is carrying out screening assessments for two alternative brominated flame retardants: tetrabromobisphenol A (TBBPA) and two of its derivative substances (TBBPA alkyl ether and ethoxylated TBBPA), and hexabromocyclododecane (HBCD). If required, risk management actions will be developed once the conclusions of these assessments are available.

Further information on PBDEs and the Chemicals Management Plan can be found on the Government's Chemical Substances website at www.chemicalsubstanceschimiques.gc.ca/interest-interet/pbde_e.html.

I appreciate your bringing the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Council's views to my attention, and trust that the information provided is of assistance.

Sincerely,

The Honourable Jim Prentice, P.C., Q.C., M.P.

c.c.: The Honourable Leona Aglukkaq, P.C., M.P.

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MEMBER NOTICE

TO:

Mayor and Council

Chair and Regional District Board

FROM:

UBCM Secretariat

DATE:

March 16, 2009

RE:

PROPOSED INDIGENOUS RECOGNITION ACT

The UBCM Executive met March 13th, with the Honourable Mike de Jong, Minister of Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation, to discuss the proposed indigenous recognition act that would formally recognize Aboriginal rights and title in BC. The proposed legislation is a result of ongoing discussions between the Province and the BC First Nations Leadership Council. The Minister provided a brief overview of the proposal.

In addition to recognizing Aboriginal rights and title, the proposed legislation would recognize Crown title.

He stated that the proposed legislation would not:

- Alter or create new constitutional rights;
- Alter constitutional division of powers;
- Provide First Nations with a veto vote; or
- Affect the status of existing provincial crown grants or tenures in land or resources, including fee simple title.

Minister de Jong confirmed with the Executive that the provincial government has no intention of passing this legislation without further extensive consultation with UBCM.

The UBCM President communicated to the Minister that under our recently signed MOU the Province committed to early and ongoing consultation with local government on New Relationship activities. The Minister committed to establishing a process for consulting with local governments. UBCM will work with the Ministry over the next few weeks on development of a consultation process.

The Ministry recently released a discussion paper on the proposed legislation. To download a copy, please go to the provincial government website at: http://www.gov.bc.ca/arr/newrelationship/default.html.

If you have any questions or comments that you would like UBCM to raise with the Ministry please forward them to Marlene Wells at the UBCM office at mwells@civicnet.bc.ca or at 604-270-8226, ext. 116.

Harrison Hot Springs Sand Sculpture Society

PO Box 266, Harrison Hot Springs, BC Canada V0M 1K0

Phone or Fax 604-796-3089 Email: info@harrisand.org



March 17, 2009

Mayor and Council Village of Harrison Hot Springs BC

Dear Mayor and Council

The Harrison Hot Springs Sand Sculpture Society's Board of Directors has voted to fold the Society due to financial constraints. We are sad to see the Society die and the businesses lose the added influx of tourists because of the sculptures on the beach. We are therefore offering the Village Council the Society's assets to continue the operation of the Sand Sculpture venue in Harrison Hot Springs. We would appreciate an answer in writing by April 15, 2009.

Yours truly

Donna Cooney

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Secretary,

Harrison Hot Springs Sand Sculpture Society

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From: localmla [mailto:localmla@uniserve.com]

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News Release March 19, 2009

Major Grants for Community Projects in Hope



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Barry was joined by Hope Mayor Laurie French (centre), Bronwyn Punch, Chair of the Hope & District Recreation Commission and other members of the community on March 18th. Barry announced \$563,426 in Towns for Tomorrow funding on behalf of the BC Government and Chuck Strahl, MP Chilliwack-Fraser Canyon, to improve recreational facilities in Hope.

HOPE – Hope and the Fraser Valley Regional District are receiving \$563,426 in funding to improve infrastructure in parks and the community's recreational facilities.

"The Government of Canada is pleased to join with the Province in providing Towns for Tomorrow funding for Fraser Valley Regional District, which helps to both build local infrastructure and create jobs," said Chuck Strahl MP for Chilliwack-Fraser Canyon. "This is another example of how the federal government is committed to strengthening B.C.'s economy and keeping British Columbians working."

"These projects will help Hope improve its recreational facilities, making them more accessible and

welcoming," says Chilliwack-Kent MLA Barry Penner. "Residents will be able to enjoy an improved arena and tennis facility for many years to come. This will encourage more people to get out and get active, which is part of our 'ActNow' initiative.

The announcement includes:

\$188,426 through Towns for Tomorrow for the Kawkawa Lake Upgrades & Memorial Park Tennis Courts project. The project will replace existing outhouses with new washrooms, install new equipment to make the Kawkawa Lake playground safer, install proper surfacing at the tennis court, and build a new basketball court.

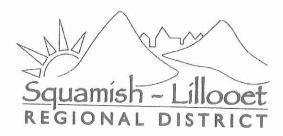
\$375,000 through Towns for Tomorrow for the Hope Arena Roof Replacement & Enhanced Dressing Room project.

These investments are part of the Government of Canada and Province of B.C.'s ongoing commitment to invest in B.C. communities and support the economy.

Both levels of government are accelerating investments in capital infrastructure to stimulate job creation, while building assets that will be useful for many years to come.

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March 24, 2009

UBCM Member Municipalities:

The Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Board, at its regular meeting of Monday, March 23, 2009, passed the following resolution:

"THAT the following resolution be submitted to UBCM and Area Associations for consideration at the 2009 UBCM convention:

EXPANDED USE OF SECTION 941 FUNDS PROVIDED IN LIEU OF PARK LANDS Squamish-Lillooet Regional District

WHEREAS funds paid by an owner, pursuant to Section 941 of the Local Government Act in lieu of providing park land at time of subdivision are often insufficient to enable acquisition of suitable parklands, and

WHEREAS communities might receive a greater and more immediate benefit from utilization of these funds to improve existing parks,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Province of BC be requested to amend Section 941 of the Local Government Act to provide that funds received under Section 941 may be used for acquisition and improvement of parklands."

Yours truly,

Leslie E. Lloyd

Director of Administrative Services

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March 26, 2009

FILE: COUNC-GC

Mayor K. Becotte Village of Harrison Hot Springs Box 160 Harrison Hot Springs, BC V0M 1K0

Dear Mayor Becotte:

Re: Appointments to Harrison Lake Harbour Commission

At its Regular meeting held March 23, 2009, Council received Mayor Fisher's report with respect to the District of Kent's appointment to the Village of Harrison Hot Springs – Harrison Lake Harbour Commission.

As a result of this information Council endorsed the following resolution:

THAT Councillor Darcy Striker be appointed as the District's representative to the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Harrison Lake Harbour Commission, and the Director of Development Services be appointed as the staff representative thereto. (R2009-163)

At your convenience, please forward to us a copy of the Commission's Terms of Reference.

Yours truly,

Lorne Fisher

Mayor

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April 1, 2009

File: 1480-04/CUPE

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To: All Mayors, RD Chairpersons and MLA's of BC

Dear Sir/Madam:

Re: BC Ambulance Service - CUPE Local 873 Negotiations Update/Essential Services

As you are likely aware, the union representing B.C.'s paramedics and dispatchers, the Ambulance Paramedics of B.C. – CUPE Local 873 (CUPE 873), have initiated job action following the expiration of the collective agreement on March 31, 2009. The union and the BC Ambulance Service (BCAS) began collective bargaining in December 2008 but have been unable to reach a settlement despite the assistance of a mediator appointed early last month.

The Labour Relations Code requires employers and unions to maintain certain essential services to the public before job action is taken in a labour dispute. In the case of the BCAS, essential services are those related to public health and safety.

BCAS and CUPE 873 have been working with the Labour Relations Board (LRB) for the past several weeks to designate essential services in the event of a strike. On Friday, March 27, the LRB issued an interim Essential Services Order that designates the following paramedic work as being essential:

- All "existing service levels" related to delivery of ambulance services, including:
 - All ground and air ambulance pre-hospital responses, including district supervisor work.
 - All ground and air ambulance patient transfers;
 - All ground and air ambulance dispatch activity, including dispatch supervisor work.

The Order also specifies that paramedics at all stations and dispatchers at all centres are required to make themselves available for work at their normal and customary rate of availability.

In short, only administrative work should be impacted by paramedic job action. The public should continue to call 9-1-1 for ambulance service as they normally would in the event of a medical emergency.

The BCAS has tabled four separate contract offers that ranged in term from one to three years and provided improvements to wages and benefits for part-time and full-time paramedics and dispatchers. The employer's final offer included a three per cent wage increase and a signing bonus worth up to \$2,600 for part-time and \$4,100 for full-time paramedics for a one year agreement. For your information, all paramedics and dispatchers received a two per cent wage increase in 2008/09.

BRITISH COLUMBIA By comparison, CUPE 873 has tabled two offers; a seven-year proposal for wage parity with the Vancouver Police Department (VPD) that outlines a 29 per cent wage increase in the first year and subsequent pay increases aligned with VPD in the remaining years, and a three-year proposal calling for a 21 per cent wage increase to wages.

The proposals also included other changes to the Collective Agreement that would significantly increase the costs to BCAS and government.

On March 26, the Minister of Labour and Citizens' Service appointed Associate Deputy Minister Paul Straszak to provide an assessment of the likelihood the two parties could reach a voluntary settlement by the time the election is called on April 14, 2009. After that time, the government dissolves and is managed by a political 'care taker' with limited capabilities to intervene. Mr. Straszak interviewed both parties and concluded that there was no chance that the parties could reach a voluntary settlement before April 14 largely due to significant disparity in compensation and the term of the contract proposals.

On March 30, the Minister of Health Services met with the union to offer a 90-day extension to the contract discussion to extend the opportunity for paramedics to benefit from the signing bonus. Unfortunately the CUPE 873 union would not agree to the 90-day extension and chose to exercise its legal right to initiate strike action.

Although the BCAS and CUPE 873 are far apart on many issues, the employer will continue to be available to work towards a settlement with the union that provides fair wage increases for staff as well as provincial taxpayers.

For more information on the BCAS-CUPE 873 contract negotiations, please visit our web site at www.bcas.ca or contact the nearest BCAS regional office directly.

Sincerely,

Sue Conroy

Chief Operating Officer

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VILLAGE OF HARRISON HOT SPRINGS

REPORT TO COUNCIL

TO:

Mayor and Council

DATE: March 31, 2009

FROM:

Larry Burk Chief Administrative Officer FILE: 5600

SUBJECT:

Connection to lands outside the boundaries of the Village

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council receives this report; and

THAT Council rescinds policy 6.11 and approves the connections subject to consent from the District of Kent to provide services to lands outside the municipal boundaries per Section 13 of the *Community Charter* and execution of an acceptable agreement for these services with the owner.

BACKGROUND:

Letters with respect to issues surrounding connection of utilities to lands outside the boundaries of the Village, specifically at the east end of Driftwood Avenue have been received.

DISCUSSION:

With respect to the statements made in the latest letter from Ms. Doman:

First bullet paragraph 2:

-Page 21, section 3.2.8 refers to "an extension of Village infrastructure to serve new development outside the municipal boundaries".

-The connection to existing service utilities is not an extension of Village infrastructure. Also since there is no change or amendment to the plan there is no requirement for the public input process noted on pages 5 & 6;

-Policy 6.11 does, as a general policy deny individual connections of services to lands outside the Village boundaries. It was put in place on Dec. 6, 2004 primarily as it appears on the basis of a memo to Council by the Mayor at the

time. See the attached correspondence. I would like to address the comments as put forth at that time with respect to changes in philosophy, technology and improvements to our systems:

Firstly; the suggestion that the addition of one single family home will disrupt an existing orderly neighborhood is without merit. The capacity of the existing streets, water system and sewer system will not be affected by this addition. Drainage is to ground via a wet wells and to existing ditches adjacent to the lands.

Secondly; to suggest this home will depress Harrison land values is also without precedent. The home being built on the property is estimated to have a conservative value somewhere in the neighborhood of 1 million dollars. Also, how can one single family new home depress land values in the rest of Harrison?

Thirdly; there are no other lands adjacent to the boundaries of the Village that can directly access existing water and sewer services. All other lands adjacent to the Village must "extend infrastructure" (OCP) in order to obtain services. The application to extend infrastructure can be subject to a multitude of benefits for the Village:

- 1. An application must receive Council approval vis a vis the policies within the OCP, including public consultation as in a public hearing;
- 2. Connection fees can be applied bringing revenue to the Village;
- Fees equivalent to development cost charges for long and short term improvements to internal systems can be applied bringing the ability to extend or improve inadequate infrastructure where necessary within the Village at no or limited impacts to annual general revenues;
- 4. Requirements to improve, reconstruct or add to downstream inadequacies in the existing Village systems can be applied:
- User fees, which not only offset the new users operational costs, will provide better economies-of-scale to the overall user fees for the existing residents ie: spread the operational costs over a larger number of users.

These are not necessarily the only issues relative to the extension of infrastructure and development of lands outside the Village boundaries.

New businesses, even though in another municipality will attract tourists who use all facilities.

New development will attract new residents and the potential for new construction within the Village; all of which will contribute to increase the Village tax base.

New development will stimulate more infill and business within the Village especially since the neighboring lands in Kent are limited and extremely difficult to develop.

Sections 13, 14 and 15 of the *Community Charter* provide avenues for neighboring municipalities to work cooperatively in providing and suggesting connections across municipal boundaries. This particular project is to be processed accordingly.

Suggesting that people can "beat the system" by locating just outside the municipal boundaries as a matter of principle to beat taxes, is not founded in fact. Many municipalities across the country have people living just outside boundaries and they haven't done it to beat anything.

BUDGETARY CONSIDERATIONS:

No cost to the Village has been expended to date to install these new service connections. In order to receive final approval for the connections, the owner is required to pay a connection fee equivalent to the standard Development Cost Charge payment on lands within the Village. The water 'connection' payment is \$3,339.00 and the sanitary 'connection' payment is \$2,495.00.

Also, the owner of the lands shall pay an annual fee equivalent to "User fees' within the Village for both water and sewer utilities. The water user fee of \$207/yr plus \$207/yr for swimming pools is the current fee. The sewer user fee of \$150/yr is the current fee. Both of these fees are subject to change annually at the discretion of Council as they are for all residents within the Village.

Should the Council consider that the Bed and Breakfast portion be allowed as part of the approval, then the cost could be attributable to a volume rate based on the meter readings. Currently the rate for water use through a meter is \$0.41 per cubic meter. As noted above, I suspect that this format would yield less fees than the current flat rate charge.

An annual charge for maintenance and improvements to infrastructure is also required. This is equivalent to what is referred to as the "Frontage Charge" on lands within the Village. The current charge for water is \$7.64/m/yr to a maximum of \$229.20. The current charge for sewers is \$0.86/m/yr and is calculated to a maximum of \$25.80/yr. These charges are also subject to change annually at the discretion of Council just as they are for all residents within the Village.

There is the potential for the residence to accommodate a bed and breakfast via the District of Kent's current zoning of the lands. A condition of the approval for the services could be to limit the use to a single family residence only.

However Council should consider the benefits to the Village with a bed and breakfast operation. The tenants will be literally staying in Harrison Hot Springs. It is obvious that they will take advantage of all the amenities and benefits that the Village has to offer including but not necessarily limited to shopping, hiking, eating out, various entertainment and social events etc. There is no other opportunity for these amenities anywhere locally. The spending of their monies in these opportunities far outweighs the supposed loss of access to any property taxes from this single and isolated property venture, as is suggested by some to be significant.

Council does have the right as subject to approval to limit the number of units within the Bed and Breakfast. However, please note that the existing streets and sewer and water systems are more than adequate to accommodate any minimal impact that 2 or 3 rooms might impose on the Village systems.

User fees for a bed and breakfast operation could be assessed on the basis of actual use via meters, as opposed to the flat rate experienced by existing residents in the Village now. However, I suggest that with the limited flow technology in plumbing fixtures etc. now, this may actually generate fewer user fees than the current flat rate assessments we have now.

POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:

Section 13 and 14 of the *Community Charter* provide a protocol to provide for connection of services to lands outside municipal boundaries (see attached). A resolution of Council is required, asking for consent from the District of Kent to allow these service connections to be made from the existing Village systems.

A benefit and premise to connecting to municipal systems follows our community's commitment to being a sustainable, environmentally friendly community.

Good environmental stewardship and sustainability includes consideration to preventing draw down and contamination of our precious ground water resources. A well will draw down the ground water supply and the septic system will eventually contaminate the same ground water resource. Many residents in the Village still depend on wells in this ground water resource for their drinking water. It seems prudent to provide any avenue possible to protect not only existing resident uses, but future generations from further stress on this resource from a new user who is, although outside the municipal boundary, but within the catchment area of this resource.

As noted above there are no other lands with potential for service connections to lands outside the Village. If infrastructure were extended at some time in the future which may be able to provide service to lands outside the Village, then at that time the parameters of the OCP and current bylaws would require appropriate review, consultation, process and approvals.

ALTERNATIVES/OPTIONS:

In order to approve the connections:

- 1. Council must first seek consent of the District of Kent per Section 13 of the Community Charter;
- 2. Council would have to rescind the policy and allow appropriate development bylaws, zoning criteria and development approval processes, specifications and standards to address this issue should it ever arise again;
- 3. Council would have to temporarily set aside the policy to approve the connections.

OR:

Council can uphold the current policy and deny access to water and sewer connections to this property.

Respectfully submitted for your consideration;

Larry Burk

Chief Administrative Officer

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March 30, 2009

Marg Doman PO Box 674 518 Cottonwood Ave. Harrison Hot Springs, BC V0M 1K0

Village of Harrison Hot Springs

To Mayor and Councillors;

A reply, dated Mar. 20, 2009 from CAO Larry Burk, to my letter dated Feb.17, 2009 has now been received and appreciated.

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However, the concerns in the original letter of Feb. 17 have still not been addressed regarding the provision of water and sewer services outside the boundaries of Harrison Village.

The following excerpt from the letter of reply states: "Decisions for connections are left to staff for approval or consideration based on regulations and policies. The Village did not appear to have a policy or regulation that prevented me from making this decision. Also, unless I was specifically party to the decision in Council, there is no way I would have thought to research Council minutes to determine if a specific connection to an existing utility could be considered."

However, the Village does have the OCP, page 21 section 3.2.8, the Plan Amendment Policy, pages 5/6 and Policy 6.11. The 6.11 policy states, "That as a general policy of the Village, no individual water or sewer services shall be extended or provided outside the corporate boundaries of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs". There is no amendment date on this policy.

• When the ten story-building proposal did not comply with the OCP, amendments were made and presented at a public review and then adopted. This current situation could also be corrected by following the same procedure as stated in the OCP and Policies.

An issue that has surfaced during this process is the manner in which correspondence is directed or not directed to Mayor and Councillors.

According to the Local Government Act, correspondence addressed to the Mayor and Council should be listed as correspondence on the Agenda of a Council meeting. It seems that only selective letters are brought forward to a Council meeting. An example is my letter regarding the privately owned East Sector Land and the Ranger Station Art Gallery was included on the March 16, 2009 agenda and then discussed which was greatly appreciated. However, my letter of Feb. 17, 2009 was not brought forward because "this is the way we do things here".

The concern generated by this practice is that the Council, as a group, and the residents do not have the opportunity for their input into matters, in a democratic way, because correspondence is being withheld.

Please consider the impact of the following excerpts from the Mar. 20, 2009 reply letter.

• The letter of reply states, "Mr. Juneau indicated that he was not expecting to use water unless his well became operationally unsuitable, or perhaps when the political climate became friendlier".

This query was never initiated nor intended to be of a personal or political in nature but rather for the sole purpose of questioning the process surrounding the use of services outside of the Village boundary.

• It also states "this particular issue is well below a threshold of importance to where I believe my attention should be directed".

As a resident of Harrison, I believe that following all procedural mandates of the Village to be very important. The OCP and Policies are established to guide, establish leadership and a focus for the future.

In summary the following questions need clarification. First, were the OCP, the Plan Amendment Policy and the Policy 6.11 applied in this case and if they were not, why not? Does the Village's practice of including correspondence, addressed to Mayor and Council, on the Council agenda follow the procedures of the Local Government Act and if not, why not?

As stated, "You have the right to take your position to council for their consideration". These concerns need clarification and so I will exercise this right. Could you please include the enclosed information on the April 6, 2009 agenda for Council's discussion?

I welcome your reply in the near future. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Marg Doman

HHS Resident

Attached: Letter to Council Feb. 17, 2009 – M.Doman Letter from CAO Mar. 20, 2009 – L. Burk Policy 6.11

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- (2) The natural person powers of a municipality may be exercised outside the boundaries of the municipality.
- (3) If a municipality has established works or facilities outside the boundaries of the municipality for the purposes of a municipal service, the council's power to regulate the use of those works and facilities may be exercised outside the boundaries of the municipality.

Division 3 – Ancillary Powers

Authority to establish variations, terms and conditions

- 12 (1) A municipal bylaw under this Act may do one or more of the following:
 - (a) make different provisions for different areas, times, conditions or circumstances as described by bylaw;
 - (b) establish different classes of persons, places, activities, property or things;
 - (c) make different provisions, including exceptions, for different classes established under paragraph (b).
 - (2) A council may, in exercising its powers under section 8 (1) [natural person powers], establish any terms and conditions it considers appropriate.

Services outside municipality

- 13 (1) A municipality may provide a service in an area outside the municipality, but it must first obtain consent as follows:
 - (a) if the area is in another municipality, the council must obtain the consent of the council of the other municipality;
 - (b) if the area is not in another municipality, the council must obtain the consent of the regional district board for the area.
 - (2) In giving consent under subsection (1), the other local government may establish terms and conditions, including terms and conditions respecting
 - (a) limits on the service to be provided in its area, and
 - (b) the process for terminating provision of the service in its area.
 - (3) If consent is given as referred to in subsection (1), the municipal powers, duties and functions provided by or under this or any other Act in relation to the service may be exercised in the area referred to in that subsection, subject to any applicable terms and conditions established under subsection (2).

Intermunicipal service, regulatory and other schemes

- 14 (1) Two or more municipalities may, by bylaw adopted by the council of each participating municipality, establish an intermunicipal scheme in relation to one or more matters for which they have authority under this Act or the *Local Government Act*.
 - (2) A bylaw under subsection (1) may do one or more of the following:

- (a) provide that the bylaws of one or more of the participating municipalities in relation to the matters dealt with by the scheme apply in other participating municipalities;
- (b) provide that the municipal powers, duties and functions of one or more of the participating municipalities may be exercised in relation to the scheme in another participating municipality;
- (c) provide that the council of one or more of the participating municipalities may delegate under Division 6 [Delegation] of Part 5 [Municipal Government and Procedures] to council members, council committees, officers, employees and other bodies referred to in section 154 (1) [delegation of council authority] of another participating municipality;
- (d) restrict a participating municipality from separately exercising its authority in relation to the matters dealt with by the scheme;
- (e) establish the process by which a participating municipality may withdraw from the scheme.
- (3) If an intermunicipal service scheme is established under this section, this section rather than section 13 applies.

Licensing and standards authority

- 15 (1) A council may, in regulating under this Act or the *Local Government Act*, provide for a system of licences, permits or approvals, including by doing one or more of the following:
 - (a) prohibiting any activity or thing until a licence, permit or approval has been granted;
 - (b) providing for the granting and refusal of licences, permits and approvals;
 - (c) providing for the effective periods of licences, permits and approvals;
 - (d) establishing
 - (i) terms and conditions of, or
 - (ii) terms and conditions that must be met for obtaining, continuing to hold or renewing
 - a licence, permit or approval, or providing that such terms and conditions may be imposed, the nature of the terms and conditions and who may impose them;
 - (e) providing for the suspension or cancellation of licences, permits and approvals for
 - (i) failure to comply with a term or condition of a licence, permit or approval, or
 - (ii) failure to comply with the bylaw;
 - (f) providing for reconsideration or appeals of decisions made with respect to the granting, refusal, suspension or cancellation of licences, permits and approvals.

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF HARRISON HOT SPRINGS POLICY		
SUBJECT	POLICY NUMBER	6.11
EXTENSION OF MUNICIPAL SERVICES (WATER AND SEWER) OUTSIDE THE BOUNDARIES OF THE VILLAGE	DATE ADOPTED DATE AMENDED	Dec. 6, 2004
That as a general policy of the Village, no in extended or provided outside the corporate b Springs.	dividual water or sewer se oundaries of the Village o	rvices shall be f Harrison Hot



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VILLAGE OF HARRISON HOT SPRINGS

REPORT TO COUNCIL

TO:

Mayor and Council

DATE:

March 31, 2009

FROM:

Larry Burk,

FILE:

0110

PREPARED BY: Debra Kev.

Executive Assistant

Chief Administrative Officer

SUBJECT:

Regulate the Use of Explosive Agents for Blasting - Policy 4.17

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council approves Policy 4.17 to Regulate the Use of Explosive Agents for Blasting.

BACKGROUND:

The Village of Harrison Hot Springs currently does not have a Bylaw or Policy to regulate or permit the use of any explosive agent for blasting. Section 933(b) of the *Municipal Act*, Chapter 290, RSBC, 1979 was the authority to govern miscellaneous bylaws which dealt specifically in the use and prohibition of explosive materials.

In June of 2000, the *Municipal Act* was replaced by title change under the *Local Government Act*. Section 724 Noise Control and Section 725 Nuisances and Disturbances under the *Local Government Act* do not speak specifically to the use of any explosive material.

The Village of Harrison Hot Springs' Noise Bylaw No. 474 does not govern the use or prohibition of any explosive agents. Part 2, Section 8 of the *Community Charter* gives authority to Council to adopt a bylaw to regulate, prohibit and impose requirements in relation to firecrackers, fireworks and explosives, but Bylaw No. 871 Fireworks Regulations only lists explosives in its title and reference and does not specifically address explosive use. Part 2, Section 15 of the *Community Charter* gives Council authority to provide for a system of licences, permits or approvals.

Therefore, it is prudent that the Village adopt this policy. It will ensure the Village regulates the use of any explosive agent for blasting, and regulate persons engaged in blasting, and require persons who engage in blasting to give security for damage to persons who, or whose property, may be injured by it.

POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:

All new policies require resolution of Council.

Respectfully submitted for your consideration;

Larry/Burk

Chief Administrative Officer

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VILLAGE OF	HARRISON HOT SPRINGS	
POLICY		
SUBJECT	POLICY NUMBER	4.17
REGULATE THE USE OF EXPLOSIVE AGENTS FOR BLASTING	DATE ADOPTED	

No person shall carry out blasting within the Village of Harrison Hot Springs without first obtaining a blasting permit.

1. PERMIT APPLICATIONS

Applications for a permit shall be made to the Building Inspector. The fee for a permit application is pursuant to Fee Schedule Bylaw 906.

<u>Small Blast:</u> Blasts of three pounds or less of explosive per blast require a Small Blast Permit. This Permit shall be valid for 90 calendar days from the date of issuance.

<u>Large Blast:</u> Blasts of more than three pounds of explosives per blast require a Large Blast Permit. This Permit shall be valid for 30 calendar days from the date of issuance.

2. DUTIES OF APPLICANT

An applicant for a permit to carry out blasting operations in the Village shall provide a report from a Professional Engineer licenced to practice in the Province of British Columbia and experienced in geotechnical engineering and blasting, certifying that the blasting plan is acceptable for the site described in the permit application.

(2) A holder of a permit shall:

- (a) ensure that a blaster holds a valid blaster's certificate as defined in the Occupational Health & Safety Regulations made under the Workers' Compensation Act, R.S.B.C., 1996, Chapter 492;
- (b) carry out blasting Monday to Friday only between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.;
- (c) retain all records pertaining to the safety aspects of the entire project and its impact on neighbourhood properties, including the vibration records, blasting plans, and delay patterns for review and acceptance by the Professional Engineer;

- (d) not carry out blasting in proximity to any person, building or property, or the works of any underground public utility likely to suffer damage from blasting, unless the utmost precautions have been undertaken to prevent injury or damage to any person, building, property, or utility, and the work is approved by the certifying Professional Engineer;
- (e) not discharge explosives unless the material to be blasted is fully covered with approved and properly secured blasting mats, or some material or device sufficient to control fly rock, and every precaution is taken for adequately safeguarding life and property;
- (f) not carry out blasting within a radius of 100 m of any occupied dwelling without first giving the occupants written notice of the date and time and the anticipated duration of the blasting. The written notification must explain what blasting signals will be used and the meaning of these signals. Where blasting could affect Village property, approval must first be obtained from the Building Inspector.

3. SAFETY REPORT

The Professional Engineer and contractor must report any unacceptable blast monitoring results or unsafe practices to the Building Inspector.

4. PERMIT SUSPENSION OR CANCELLATION

The Building Inspector is authorized to suspend or cancel a permit at any time if the blasting operations are carried out in an incompetent, dangerous, or unsafe manner. The notice of suspension or cancellation may be given verbally or in written form to the holder of such permit. The holder shall immediately return the permit to the Building Inspector, and any person whose permit has been suspended or cancelled shall not engage in or carry out blasting in the Village.

APPROVED BY:	DATE:



LARGE BLAST PERMIT

1.	I,	y make application for a permit to carr	ry out large blast operations on the following described property:		
		Civic Address: Legal Description:			
	in the	in the Village of Harrison Hot Springs, BC.			
2.	(a)	(a) I hereby certify that I am the holder of a valid and subsisting Blaster's Certificate of Competency issued the Worker's Compensation Board of British Columbia.			
OR	(b)	I hereby certify that the person operations is the holder of a valid Compensation Board of British Co	n employed by me to have direct charge and control of such blasting and subsisting Blaster's Certificate of Competency issued by the Worker's dumbia.		
Blaste	r's Name	е	Certificate of Competency and Expiry Date		
Blaste	r's Addr	ess	Telephone		
Expiry 4.	(\$2,00 and/or and li pursual date of I shall the Vi	20,000.00) against any and all claims reproperty damage, and duly endorsed lability may be involved as a result ant to this permit. Insurance policy:	me in the total sum of not less than TWO MILLION DOLLARS which may be made against me, for public liability, personal injury, death to cover the Village and the Professional Engineer insofar as its interests of any and all blasting operations carried out by me within the Village lage from legal actions or claims of any kind or description brought against or damage to person or property received or sustained on account of work		
	7-1	Applicant's Signature	Office Phone		
		Applicant's Address	Cell Phone		
PERM	IISSION	IS HEREBY GRANTED TO:	of		
			to carry out large blast operations on the		
proper	ty hereir	nbefore described, commencing on			
Expiry	Date: _				
Buildi		ctor			



SMALL BLAST PERMIT

1.	I,		, of	
	hereby blastin		Blast Permit to discharge three pounds or less of explosives for ot Springs, BC, which shall be valid for 90 calendar days from	
2.	(a)	(a) I hereby certify that 1 am the holder of a valid and subsisting Blaster's Certificate of Competency issued by the Worker's Compensation Board of British Columbia. OR		
	(b)		yed by me to have direct charge and control of such blasting subsisting Blaster's Certificate of Competency issued by the	
Blaste	er's Name		Certificate of Competency and Expiry Date	
Blaste	er's Addre	ess	Telephone	
3.	to do b (\$2,00 and/or and lia	ousiness in British Columbia, insuring me 0,000.00) against any and all claims which property damage, and duly endorsed to compare to compare the control of	policy of insurance issued by an insurance company licenced in the total sum of not less than TWO MILLION DOLLARS on may be made against me for public liability, personal injury, deal cover the Village and the Professional Engineer insofar as its interest and all blasting operations carried out by me within the Village	
Expir	y date of i	nsurance policy:		
4.	agains	indemnify and save harmless the Village t the Village for, or on account of, any inj k done under the permit.	from legal actions or claims of any kind or description brought jury or damage to person or property received or sustained on account	
· 		Applicant's Signature	Office Phone	
		Applicant's Address	Cell Phone	
PERN	MISSION :	IS HEREBY GRANTED TO:	of	
			to carry out blasting operations for small	
blasts	of up to the	hree pounds per blast for 90 calendar day	s commencing, 200	
Expir	y Date:			
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VILLAGE OF HARRISON HOT SPRINGS

REPORT TO COUNCIL

TO:

Mayor and Council

DATE:

April 2, 2009

FROM:

Larry Burk,

FILE:

0110

PREPARED BY: Debra Key,

Executive Assistant

Chief Administrative Officer

SUBJECT:

Village of Harrison Hot Springs new Letterhead & Logo - 60th

Anniversary

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council approves the design for new letterhead and logo commemorating the 60th anniversary of incorporation of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs.

BACKGROUND:

The Village of Harrison Hot Springs was incorporated on May 27, 1949 making this year its 60th anniversary since inception. Staff has been working on the creation of new letterhead to commemorate the Village's 60th anniversary and has incorporated a fresh new design to reflect its celebration. Staff has also ordered Village pins with the new logo which will be delivered by month end and is working on the creation of new celebratory banners for the Village.

Respectfully submitted for your consideration;

Chief Administrative Officer

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Incorporated May 27, 1949

Village of Harrison Hot Springs

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File:



VILLAGE OF HARRISON HOT SPRINGS

REPORT TO COUNCIL

TO:

Mayor and Council

DATE:

April 2, 2009

FROM:

Larry Burk, Chief Admin. Officer

FILE:

3900

SUBJECT:

Tree bylaw

RECOMMENDATION:

That this report be received; and

THAT Council direct staff to prepare a report and possible bylaw for presentation to the public and eventual consideration.

BACKGROUND:

Recent evidence of tree cutting and pruning in the Village have given rise to comments and criticism of Village staff and other contractors employed for these services in and around the Village.

Ms. Janne Perrin has provided some information on proposed tree bylaws, in particular in the District of Kent. This bylaw has not gone forward for review or readings at council as of date of this report. It is provided here mainly as perhaps a premise to creating a similar document/bylaw here in the Village.

There are many other communities with tree bylaws of varying degrees and considerations. They range from very limited controls right up to some very stringent and bureaucratic documents.

DISCUSSION:

There is the need to maintain vigilance to danger tree issues with respect to liability and the safeguards to public health and safety. Up until now the danger aspect has perhaps taken precedent over fostering the ethic imbued by Ms. Perrin in her letters.

Ms. Perrin notes also there are strategic differences between "naturescaping vs landscaping". It is important that we ensure a concurrent logic and consideration for both aspects when it comes to pruning and tree removal and replacement.

BUDGETARY CONSIDERATIONS:

At the moment there is typically no budgetary impact to preparing a bylaw other than staff time for advertising, research and document preparation.

Depending on the level of care and enforcement practicable to determine just what the Village may require, a significant amount of time and consultation may have to be undertaken.

Staff can research other communities to review bylaws already in place and can prepare a draft for Council's consideration. At that time more or less consideration to the levels of enforcement or retention can be discussed.

POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:

Council has called for a Bylaw Review Committee to be struck. The premise and terms of reference for this committee were not necessarily to create new bylaws. The original intent was to have a committee review, purge and consolidate existing bylaws, at least in the interim.

We have an existing Tree Cutting Bylaw No. 695 adopted in 1998. It may be relevant for this committee to review this bylaw as soon as possible to consider relevance to today's issues and opinions.

An issue with the current bylaw, it seems is that not many residents or businesses are aware or familiar with this bylaw and issues relating to tree cutting seem to fall to consequences after the fact. A new look at the bylaw may be relevant and might in fact provide more details that we deem now to be more important factors with respect to the environment, global climate changes and sustainability.

Certainly the Village and residents need to be more aware that there are consequences to cutting trees without due regard to legislation, rules regulations and bylaws.

ALTERNATIVES/OPTIONS:

Policies for control of tree planting, cutting and pruning can be implemented. These are limited in their scope of consequence should the policy not be followed.

Certainly an approved policy would be followed by staff in any work undertaken by staff or the Village as a whole. Setting an example may in itself be enough to caution private residents to follow suit. Policy requirements can also be applied to approvals of subdivision, rezoning, development and building permit applications.

However a bylaw includes powers of legislation with respect to enforcement, including assessment of fines or other consequences of not following a bylaw. Changes to a bylaw require public involvement process per Community Charter and LGA.

A policy can be amended, rescinded and/or set aside under specific circumstances through reports to and resolutions of Council.

Respectfully submitted for your consideration;

Larry Burk/
Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

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BYLAW NO. 906

Being a Bylaw to establish fees

WHEREAS:

Bylaw 906 has been enacted to establish fees in respect of all or

part of a service of the municipality and the use of municipal

property;

AND WHEREAS:

it is deemed desirable to revise the fees;

NOW THEREFORE:

the Council of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs, in

open meeting assembled; HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. TITLE

This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as the "Village of Harrison Hot Springs Fee Schedule Bylaw No. 906, 2009"

2. FEES AND CHARGES

Schedule "A" as per attached.

3. REPEAL

- 3.1 Bylaw No. 884 Fee Schedule Amendment and Bylaw No. 786 Miscellaneous Fees, 2002 are hereby repealed; and
- 3.2 Every reference to a fee or charge in the following bylaws be repealed:
 - a. The Corporation of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Dog Licence Control and Impounding Amendment Bylaw No. 653, 1995
 - b. The Corporation of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Dog Licence Control and Impounding Amendment Bylaw 735, 1999
 - Village of Harrison Hot Springs Dog Licence Control and Impounding Amendment Bylaw No. 881
 - d. Village of Harrison Hot Springs Building Regulation Bylaw No. 581, 1994
 - e. The Corporation of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Water Connection Charge and Regulation Bylaw No. 730, 1999
 - f. The Corporation of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Water Connection Charge and Regulation Amendment Bylaw No. 734, 1999
 - g. Village of Harrison Hot Springs Water Frontage Tax Amendment Bylaw No. 889, 2008
 - h. The Corporation of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Sewer User Rates Bylaw No. 242

- i. The Corporation of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Sewer Connection and Regulation Amendment Bylaw No. 805, 2004
- j. Village of Harrison Hot Springs Sewer Frontage Tax Amendment Bylaw No. 891, 2008
- k. The Corporation of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Tree Protection Bylaw No. 695, 1998
- 1. The Corporation of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Sign Bylaw No. 479, 1988
- m. Village of Harrison Hot Springs Subdivision and Development Servicing Bylaw No. 578, Schedule "C", 1993
- n. The Corporation of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Board of Variance Application Fee Bylaw No. 715, 1998
- o. The Corporation of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Official Community Plan and Zoning Amendment Fee Amendment Bylaw No. 571, 1992
- p. The Corporation of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Development Permit and Development Variance Permit Application Fee Amendment Bylaw No. 572, 1992
- q. The Corporation of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Outdoor Campfire Regulation Bylaw No. 816, 2004
- r. Village of Harrison Hot Springs Nuisance, Noxious or Offensive Trades, Health and Safety Bylaw No. 829, 2004
- s. Village of Harrison Hot Springs Fire Alarm System Regulation Bylaw No. 832, 2005

4. READINGS AND ADOPTION:

READ FOR A FIRST	TIME THIS 16 th DAY	OF MARCH, 2009.	
READ FOR A SECON	ND TIME THIS 16 TH I	DAY OF MARCH, 2009.	
READ FOR A THIRD	TIME THIS 16 TH DA	Y OF MARCH, 2009.	
ADOPTED THIS	DAY OF	2009.	
Ken Becotte		Larry Burk	***************************************
Mayor		Corporate Officer	

SCHEDULE "A" FEES AND CHARGES

Business Licenses – Bylaw No. 908

Nature of Business		Particulars	Fee Payable
1.		Transfer Fee	\$ 25.00
2.	AMUSEMENT/ RECREATION	 Automatic Vending Amusement Park Campground Rentals Spa Swimming Pool 	\$ 100.00
3.	AUTOMOBILE SERVICE	Service Station	\$ 100.00
4.	CONTRACTORS	Any kind of Contractor	\$ 100.00
5.	DOOR TO DOOR or DIRECT SALES	Solicitation of orders of any kind of product or service	\$ 100.00
6.	LODGING	Hotels/motelsBed and Breakfast	\$ 100.00
7.	MARINE	 Watercraft rentals and sales Marine charters, cruises Watercraft Service Repairs Marina/ Moorage 	\$ 100.00
8.	PUBLIC SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS	For any person or business as follows: Pub/Lounge Beer and Wine Store Barber/ Beauty Salon Home-based Business Insurance Agent	\$ 100.00

 Janitor/ Cleaning Service Laundromat Photography Studio Restaurant Retail Vending Carts Take Out/Food Sales 	
• Take Out/Food Sales	

Animal Licensing & Control – Bylaw No. 653, 735, 881

Yeard	DOG LICENCE FEES	 For each dog For each spayed/neutered dog For each replacement licence Assistance Dog 	\$ 30.00 \$ 10.00 \$ 2.00 No Fee
2.	IMPOUNDMENT FEES	 For a dog licenced for the current year For each subsequent impoundment For an unlicenced dog 	\$ 30.00 \$ 50.00 \$ 50.00 plus licence fee
		Boarding fee for each day or part day of detention	\$ 15.00
		Vicious Dog	\$ 500.00
3.	EUTHANASIA AND DISPOSAL	 Euthanasia of a dog by the Pound Keeper Disposal of a dog by the Pound Keeper 	\$ 75.00 \$ 75.00

Building Permit Fees - Bylaw No. 581

1. BUILDING PERMIT FEES	 Application fee (applied to Building Permit) Minimum fee for any building permit Damage Deposit Landscape Deposit For recall fee (when inspector is called to site prematurely 	\$ 150.00 \$ 150.00 \$ 500.00 \$ 100.00 \$ 50.00
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		BUILDING TYPE	Cost per m ²
2.	VALUATION (PER m²)	 Single story residence on a crawl space or concrete slab Split level residence (total all floors) Two Story Home First Floor Second Floor Detached garage or accessory building Attached garage Attached carport or deck with roof All multi-family dwellings and all other non-residential buildings and structures 	\$ 753.00 \$ 700.00 \$ 753.00 \$ 430.00 \$ 270.00 \$ 235.00 \$ 215.00 \$ 430.00 or as determined by a verified contract price, whichever is the lesser
3.	PERMIT FEES VALUATION	\$0-\$10,000	\$ 150.00 minimum
		\$10,001-\$200,000	\$ 150.00 plus .75% of valuation
		\$200,000 and up	\$1,600 plus .5% of valuation
4.	MOVING BUILDINGS	Moving a building	\$ 150.00
5.	RE-APPLICATIONS	 Where no changes are proposed in design or sitting, for a re-application for a building permit which has lapsed 	\$ 75.00
6.	SPECIALIZED KNOWLEDGE	Building requiring specialized technical knowledge (includes Commercial, Industrial, Institutional and Multiple Family Dwelling)	All applicable fees listed in this Schedule and in addition all consultants' professional fees incurred by the Village

7.	PLUMBING PERMIT	 For a permit to install Plumbing: For any number of fixtures up to 10 For each additional fixture in excess of 10 	\$ 150.00 \$ 7.00
8.	CHIMNEY PERMIT	For a permit to install a chimney to serve a solid fuel or oil burning appliance	\$ 150.00 per unit \$ 100.00 per unit with building permit
9.	FIREPLACE PERMIT	For permit to install a fireplace (masonry or factory-built chimney)	\$ 150.00
10.	OTHER PERMITS	 For permit to situate a factory-built or modular home For permit to erect fencing around a swimming pool For permit to install swimming pool with fence Demolish a structure 	\$ 150.00 \$ 75.00 \$ 150.00 \$ 50.00

WA	Water Connection Charges and Regulations – Bylaw No. 730, No. 734, & No. 742 WATER				
1.	USER FEES	Flat Rate User Fee: Residential – per dwelling unit per year Residential swimming pool Metered Rate User Fee per cubic meter	\$ 207.00 \$ 207.00 \$ 0.51		

3	CONNECTION	Commention	#1.50.00
2.	CONNECTION	Connection Fees:	\$150.00 Actual Cost
			minimum
			\$ 800.00
		Water Turn on/off	deposit \$ 45.00
			each visit
	INSPECTION	Inspection Fee	\$ 50.00 each visit
	DISCONNECTION	Disconnection Fee	\$ 150.00
*** 1 1	W	ater Frontage Charges Bylaw No. 889	

	1.	FRONTAGE CHARGES	6	Per metre	\$ 7.64	
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Sewer Connection Charges and Regulations - Bylaw No. 242, No. 743, & No. 805

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1.	USER FEES	Flat Rate User Fees: Dwelling (per dwelling unit) Hotel (per room) Motel (per room) Campground, R.V. Park 1-10 sewered spaces (each) 11-20 sewered spaces (each) 21 or more sewered spaces (each Sewered campsite sani-dumps (each)	\$ 150.00 \$ 86.00 \$ 86.00 \$ 59.70 \$ 43.00 \$ 21.80 \$ 59.70
		 Church Barbershop, Beauty Salon Laundry Coin Laundry (per machine) Commercial Pool Spa Licensed Establishment (per seat) Restaurant, Café (per seat) School (per classroom) Retail Establishment Service Station 	\$ 140.00 \$ 354.30 \$5,369.00 \$ 37.60 \$2,193.80 \$ 880.50 \$ 14.40 \$ 172.00 \$ 140.00 \$ 280.80

		 Office Holiday Park (per space) Repair Shop Storage/maintenance shop Swimming Pools and/or Spa Pools that discharge water on a constant basis and are metered 	\$ 140.00 \$ 75.30 \$ 140.00 \$ 100.00 \$.41/m ²
2.	CONNECTION	Connection Fees:	Actual cost minimum \$ 800.00 deposit
	INSPECTION	Inspection Fee	\$ 50.00 each visit
	DISCONNECTION	Disconnection Fee	\$ 150.00

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1.	FRONTAGE CHARGES	Per metre	\$.86
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	T	ree Cutting Permit – Bylaw No. 695		
1.	TREE CUTTING	 Tree cutting permit application fee 	\$	40.00
	PERMIT			
		Sign Permits – Bylaw No. 479		
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1.	SIGN PERMITS	Sign fee	\$	75.00
		 Awning Permit 	\$	75.00
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Subdivision Applications – Bylaw No. 578

1.	SUBDIVISION APPLICATIONS	€]	3 lots or less Each additional lot Administration/inspection fee	\$ 750.00 \$ 50.00 4% on first \$300,000 and 2% on remainder
		8]	Minimum administration inspection	\$ 500.00

Variance Application - Bylaw No. 715

1	BOARD OF VARIANCE APPLICATION		Board of Variance Application	\$ 500.00
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Miscellaneous Fees

1.	COPIES	 Photocopies Colored copies Official Community Plan Zoning Bylaw Subdivision Bylaw Building Regulation Bylaw Design Guidelines Offsite legal plans/blueprints 	\$ 0.30 \$ 1.00 \$ 75.00 \$ 50.00 \$ 50.00 \$ 50.00 \$ 25.00 Actual cost plus 15% + GST
2.	TAX CERTIFICATES	 Tax certificates – each 	\$ 25.00
3.	OTHER	 NSF Cheque Charge Oaths, Affidavits & Stat Declarations 	\$ 25.00 \$ 20.00
		 For obtaining property title search from Land Title Office (per title) For obtaining and/or providing a copy of an instrument registered on the property title 	\$ 10.00 Actual Cost

 For registration of <u>Land Title Act</u> Section 215 Covenant or other charge (per 	\$ 90.00
covenant or charge) For discharge or Land Title Act, Section215 Covenant or other charge (per covenant or	\$ 35.00
charge) For registration on title or priority agreements (per priority agreement)	\$ 60.00
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OCP, Rezoning & Land Use Applications - Bylaw No. 571

1.	APPLICATION FEES	 Zoning/Plan amendment Zoning Text Amendment Official Community Plan amendment OCP Text Amendment 	\$ 1,500.00 \$ 1,000.00 \$ 1,000.00 \$ 750.00
		If Public Hearing waived	\$ 350.00

Development & Development Variance Permits - Bylaw No. 572

 With variance \$ 1,250. Development Variance Permit application fee Development Permit amendment \$ 350.
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Campfire Permits - Bylaw No. 816

1.	APPLICATION FEES	 Campground campfire permit – per year Residential campfire permit – per year 	\$	100.00 10.00	
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	Boat La	unch & Parking Lot Regulation-Bylaw No. 898		
****	FEES	 Launch Fee Parking per day Season's pass, includes parking Replacement pass 	\$ \$ \$ &	15.00 5.00 100.00 5.00 GST
		Highways Use Permit Bylaw No. XXX		
1.	HIGHWAY USE PERMI	Т Highway Use Permit	\$	75.00
	Nuisance, Noxious o	r Offensive Trades, Health and Safety Fees – bylav	v No. 8	29
1.	FEES	Initial property inspectionEach additional inspection	\$	200.00 200.00
2.	PERMITS	Re-occupancy permit	\$	250.00
	Ţ.	e Alarm False Alarm Fees – Bylaw No. 832		
1.	FEES	 First false alarm Second false alarm Third false alarm Fourth or subsequent false alarm – for each occurrence 	\$ \$ \$	75.00 100.00 300.00 1,000.00
	Fees for Use of Put	olic Property or Facility for Events, Functions or A	ctivitie	e s
1.	APPLICATION FEE	Non-refundable application fee per event - Up to 100 people - More than 100 people	\$ \$ \$	500.00 100.00 500.00
2.	DAMAGE DEPOSIT	- Up to 100 people - more than 100 up to 500 - greater than 500	\$ \$ \$	500.00 2,500.00 5,000.00

3.	LIABILITY	- up to 100 people	\$2,000,000.00
	INSURANCE	- more than 100	\$5,000,000,00
	POLICY		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,

- News		Memorial Hall Damage Deposit & User Fee	
1.	USER FEES	 Any organization or individual Community Groups registered through Parks and Recreation Commission (exempt from Damage Deposit) 	\$ 350.00/day \$ 25.00/mo
		Festival of the ArtsSand Sculpture SocietyOther	\$ 1,000.00/yr \$ 100.00/day \$ 100.00/day + GST
2.	DAMAGE DEPOSIT	Damage deposit	\$ 500.00

		Public Works Services & Fees	
1.	LABOUR	Labourer 1Labourer 2Labourer 3	\$ 42.79/hour \$ 44.12/hour \$ 45.11/hour
2.	EQUIPMENT	 Backhoe John Deere Pick-up Truck Dump Truck Kubota 	\$ 45.00/hour \$ 22.00/hour \$ 9.00/hour \$ 35.00/hour \$ 17.00/hour

BYLAW NO. 908

A Bylaw to Govern the Licencing and Regulation of Businesses in the Village

WHEREAS pursuant to Section 8(6) and 60 of the *Community Charter* the Village is empowered to enact a Bylaw to require an owner or operator of a business to hold a valid and subsisting licence, and to fix and impose fees for licencing within the Village of Harrison Hot Springs,

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs, in open meeting assembled, enacts the following:

1. CITATION

This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as the "Village of Harrison Hot Springs Business Licence Bylaw No. 908."

2. REPEAL

a) The "Village of Harrison Hot Springs Business Licence Bylaw No. 867, 2006" is hereby repealed.

3. **DEFINITIONS**

3.1 For the purposes of this Bylaw, the following definitions shall apply:

"Business" means:

- a) carrying on a commercial or industrial undertaking of any kind from within the boundaries of the Village, or
- b) providing professional, personal, or other services from within the boundaries of the Village for the purpose of gain or profit, but does not include an activity carried on by the Provincial Government, its agencies or corporations owned by the Provincial Government.

"Bylaw Enforcement Officer" means any person appointed from time to time by Village Council

"Council" means the Council of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs.

"Licence Inspector" means the Licence Inspector appointed under Section 6.1.

"Home Based Business" means a business carried on in a residential dwelling and only by a resident of that dwelling.

"Village" means the Village of Harrison Hot Springs.

"Watercraft" means a vehicle, vessel or craft designed to move across (or through) water for pleasure, recreation, physical exercise, commerce and transport.

4. <u>APPLICATION OF BYLAW</u>

No person shall carry on, within the Village, any business unless they are the holder of a valid and subsisting business licence issued to them by the Licence Inspector pursuant to this Bylaw, and shall pay to the Licence Inspector, the fees specified in the Fees and Charges Bylaw. It shall be incumbent upon each person to renew such business licence prior to the beginning of each licence period as long as such business is being carried on.

5. <u>GENERAL PROVISIONS</u>

5.1 The *Licence Inspector* shall have the power to grant, suspend, revoke, or transfer business licences and permits as hereinafter provided, subject to the provisions in the *Community Charter* and as outlined in Section 6.

5.2 Licence Application

The application for a business licence including appropriate fees shall be submitted in the form or forms prescribed from time to time by Council. The application shall be signed by the owner of the business or their duly authorized agent. In the case of partnerships or multiple owners, any one of such owners or partners may apply and such owner or partner applying shall be deemed to be the duly authorized agent of all the owners and partners.

- 5.3 A satisfactory inspection for fire safety completed by the *Fire Inspector* is required as a condition of the issuance of any licence to carry on a business that will occupy real property in the Village.
- 5.4 Where applicable every licence application shall be accompanied by approvals from other regulatory agencies that provide approvals for the business, such as the Health Inspector or the Liquor Licencing Board.
- 5.5 Every licence application for a *Home Based Business* where the public must access the property to obtain the service, shall obtain a fire safety inspection report, completed by the *Fire Inspector*.

- 5.6 No person shall carry on a *business* at two or more premises at the same time, under one Business Licence.
- 5.7 Where a *business*, which holds a valid and subsisting business licence, changes the ownership or changes the location of its business premises a new Business Licence per section 5.2 is required.
- 5.8 Where a non resident contractor, business or party is doing business in the village on a part time, single project or short duration basis the non-resident contractor, business or party shall provide proof of holding a valid, subsisting Business Licence within their respective home or office jurisdiction.
- 5.9 A Business Licence must be posted in a conspicuous place in the premises of the business for which it was issued.
- 5.10 A Non-Resident Business Licence holder must have a copy of the licence referred to in 5.8 with him at all times when conducting business in the Village.

6. <u>LICENCE INSPECTOR'S AUTHORITY</u>

- 6.1 Council shall duly appoint a *Licence Inspector*, or a person who may lawfully act in that capacity.
- 6.2 Every business licence holder under this Bylaw shall permit reasonable access to the Licence Inspector at which the licenced business is being carried on, for the purpose of ensuring that the requirements of this Bylaw and the *Community Charter* are being fulfilled.
- 6.3 Before issuing a business licence in respect of any premises, the Licence Inspector may, at his discretion, require that the premises be approved by the Medical Health Officer, Local Assistant to the Fire Commissioner or the Municipal Building Inspector.
- 6.4 The Licence Inspector may refuse an application for a business licence in any specific case. However, an application shall not be unreasonably refused and the Licence Inspector must provide reasons for any refusal.
- 6.5 The Licence Inspector shall have the power to suspend or cancel business licences subject to the provisions of Section 60 of the Community Charter.
- 6.6 If the Licence Inspector refuses, suspends or cancels a business licence he must notify the applicant or holder of the right to a re-consideration by Council.

7. LICENCE FEES

- 7.1 All Licence fees are outlined in the Fees and Charges Bylaw.
- 7.2 All fees collected by the Licence Inspector under this Bylaw shall be paid forthwith to the Director of Finance of the Village, who shall deal with the said fees in the manner provided in the *Community Charter*.
- 7.3 Business licences shall be issued so as to terminate on the 31st day of December in each calendar year. A 50% reduction shall be made if the person commences operation of a new business after July 31st in any calendar year.
- 7.4 Section 7.3 does not apply to business licences issued for special events, or 5.10.

8. PENALTY AND ENACTMENT

Except where the penalty is otherwise provided for in the *Community Charter*, every person who offends against any of the provisions of this Bylaw, or who suffers or permits any act or thing to be done in contravention or violation of the provisions of this Bylaw, or neglects to do or refrains from doing anything required to be done by this Bylaw, shall be deemed to have committed an offence under this Bylaw and shall be liable, to fines specified under the BNEB Bylaw No. ____.

9. SEVERABILITY

If any section or lesser portion of this Bylaw is held invalid by a Court of Law, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining portions of the Bylaw.

10. READINGS AND ADOPTION

Ken Becotte Mayor	Larry Burk Corporate Officer		
ADOPTED THIS DAY OF APRII	L, 2009.		
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MEMORANDUM

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April 6, 2009

To:

Mayor and Council

From:

Larry Burk, CAO

Re:

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March 24, 2009

Village of Harrison Hotsprings, Mayor and Council, Re: Canada Day Committee.

My partner Fred Dellezay and myself would like to volunteer to be on the Canada Day Committee. Fred and I volunteered in 2004/2005/2006 our duties were, Plaza Entertainment. We would now like to volunteer under, entertainment for 2009.

I bring to the Committee the following knowledge and experience.

2004/2005/2006 Canada Days - Plaza entertainment

Booking agent/sound tech/ stage manager

It was our previous position to book all the bands and solo acts. We also managed all sound equipment and rentals. Entertainment started directly after the pancake breakfast and went straight up to fireworks; we had a break during the parade. Reference, Ron McGowan

BCIT - Broadcasting/ Music Recording Techniques (Audio Tools)

Long and McQuade- Production Audio, High-Tech sales

I presently own and operate Korbitron Studio of Performing Arts (KSPA) with several students ready to perform.

Previous performances: Harrison Festival of Lights
Korbitron Winter Festival

Up and coming performances: April 9 Dry Grad fundraiser Agassiz.

I look forward to your reply,

Janice Gilbert and Fred Dellezay

604 796-1015

Box 186 Harrison Hotsprings

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Posted on the KSPA bulletin board.

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and public consultation process to be able to go to first 3 readings on a special meeting of Council on the 30th if possible.

7. Walnut Bridge

Now in place and open to the public although only rough graded at both ends. Brush and final tree removal/work to be concluded by the end of the week with PW crews beginning the landscaping and clean up then also.

8. Large pile of logs and debris adjacent to Village office To be chipped by the end of the month at the latest. We plan on using chips on our trail networks etc. If any chips are left over we might be able to offer to the public if practicable.

9. Large piles of "dirt" north of the Village office

Also to be removed or leveled. Some of this dirt contains Japanese Knotwort. This is a very invasive weed which should not be re-introduced to the land if possible. One of the only ways of dealing with it is to spread the dirt a very shallow depth and treat with herbicide. The other is to truck to a landfill site. Spreading and treating would be minimally expensive. The only available land fill site is about a 2 hour truck turnaround and might be more expensive in the long run. But it would be nice to move it before the CIB convention this year.

10. Boat launch sani-station

Complete. Opening ceremonies and ribbon cutting with the Provincial Politicians is expected to be on the 27th of May which conveniently coincides with our 60th anniversary date. We may be able to perform opening ceremonies for the Walnut Bridge at the same time.

11. 60th anniversary

Staff has re-designed a letter head for this anniversary year which we hope will receive Council approval today. Along with the new letter head we have gone ahead with a design for new commemorative pins which we should receive on or before the middle of May for Council to begin handing out. Internally staff hope to be attired in VHHS logoed golf shirts and tops by the anniversary date to help celebrate this occasion.

12. Towns for Tomorrow grant for Memorial Hall improvements

You may have heard the announcement that we were successful in the grant application for funding in the amount of \$400,000 to do some renovations at the Memorial Hall. Staff is working on details with respect to a consultation process and possibly a working group or committee to begin the process. General ideas are already on the table which were required in order to establish a preliminary budget and complete the funding application. Coordination with the Festival Society and Parks and Rec Commission will be prime considerations into what we can do, what we need to do and when we can do it.

13. Canada Day celebrations

Underway but we are sorely lacking in volunteers to assist with things like parade/float organizing etc. Anyone who can spare some time would be greatly appreciated. Please call Deb Klassen or phone the Mayor if you can help.

14. Olympic torch run

We are in the early stages of preparing for this event. Meetings with various stake holders and security people are being organized as date and time of this report.

15. The Kent Harrison sewer project

On hold until we hear back from the District of Kent as to the ultimate costs which the Village might be subject to. We are getting close to beginning the preliminary design studies etc. and we at the Village are interested in understanding the ultimate costs we

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VILLAGE OF HARRISON HOT SPRINGS MEMORANDUM

would be facing with respect to annual user fees and connection costs. Up until now we have been dealing with environmental aspects, participating agencies and preliminary assessments as to the choices available. What ever the case, we do have to realize further funding from Provincial and Federal sources in order for this project to actually get started. At our last joint Council meeting we discussed these parameters and alternatives with the resultant that both Mayors and Councils would seek support for more funding at their earliest opportunities.

16. Flood Management Bylaw

In the initial stages of presenting minor changes to the which I hope to have before Council on the 20th. This will provide better understanding of the limitations and filling options open to the new home builder and developer.

17. The RCMP presence this summer

Have added extra members for beefing up patrols of the Village area this summer. Staff is reviewing options to assist with their higher presence and it may result in the opening of a community policing type office or booth. This booth might be able to be open for certain times of the day subject to finding volunteers to man the booth. Staff is also looking into ways to legally close the beach or certain areas of the beach during wee hours of the day/night. There are many limiting legal issues and the day of the simple curfew is long gone.

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