

# VILLAGE OF HARRISON HOT SPRINGS

## NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA

### REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

**Date:** Monday, May 3, 2021  
**Time:** 7:00 p.m.  
**Location:** Council Chambers, Memorial Hall, 290 Esplanade  
 Avenue, Harrison Hot Springs, British Columbia

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<b>1. CALL TO ORDER</b>		
Meeting called to order by Mayor Facio. Acknowledgment of Sts'ailes traditional territory		
<b>2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS</b>		
<b>3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA</b>		
<b>4. ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES</b>		
(a) THAT the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of April 19, 2021 be adopted.		Item 4(a) Page 1
<b>5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES</b>		
<b>6. CONSENT AGENDA</b>		
i. Bylaws		
ii. Agreements		
iii. Committee/ Commission Minutes		
iv. Correspondence	(a) Letter dated April 1, 2021 from the Town of View Royal Re: Request for Authority and Training for Hospital Security Staff  (b) Letter dated April 23, 2021 from the Peace River Regional District Re: Lack of funding – Invasive Plant Management	Item 6.iv(a) Page 7  Item 6.iv(b) Page 9
<b>7. DELEGATIONS/PETITIONS</b>		
<b>CORRESPONDENCE</b>		
<b>9. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE</b>		

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

### Councillor Hooper

- Agassiz Harrison Historical Society
- Fraser Health
- Fraser Valley Regional Library Board (Alternate Municipal Director)

### Councillor Palmer

- Fraser Valley Regional Library Board (Municipal Director)
- Kent Harrison Joint Emergency Program Committee
- Public Art Committee

### Councillor Piper

- Corrections Canada Citizen's Advisory Committee
- Harrison Agassiz Chamber of Commerce
- Kent Harrison Joint Emergency Program Committee
- Tourism Harrison

### Councillor Vidal

- Agassiz Harrison Healthy Communities
- Fraser Valley Regional District Board (Alternate Municipal Director)
- Fraser Valley Regional District Hospital Board (Alternate Municipal Director)

## 11. REPORTS FROM MAYOR

## 12. REPORTS FROM STAFF

## 13. BYLAWS

- (a) Report of Financial Officer – April 26, 2021  
Re: Tax Rate Bylaw No. 1162, 2021

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Recommendation:

THAT Tax Rate Bylaw No. 1162, 2021 be adopted.

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

## 15. ADJOURNMENT



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

**DATE:** Monday, April 19, 2021

**TIME:** 7:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** Council Chambers, Memorial Hall  
290 Esplanade Avenue, Harrison Hot Springs, BC

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

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

**ABSENT:** None

*Recording Secretary: Jaclyn Bhatti*

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

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

**2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS**

None

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Moved by Councillor Piper  
Seconded by Councillor Vidal

THAT the agenda be approved.

**CARRIED  
UNANIMOUSLY**  
RC-2021-04-15

**4. ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES**

Moved by Councillor Piper  
Seconded by Councillor Palmer

Errors and Omissions

*On page 4 for the motion moved by Mayor Facio the seconder should read  
"Seconded by Councillor Piper"*

THAT the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of April 6, 2021 be adopted as amended.

**CARRIED  
UNANIMOUSLY**  
RC-2021-04-16

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

THAT the Record of Public Hearing of April 6, 2021 be adopted.

**CARRIED  
UNANIMOUSLY**  
RC-2021-04-17

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

THAT the Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2021 be adopted.

**CARRIED  
UNANIMOUSLY**  
RC-2021-04-18

**5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

None

**6. CONSENT AGENDA**

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

None

**7. DELEGATIONS/PETITIONS**

- (a) Sgt. Sargent – RCMP

Re: 2020 Village of Harrison Hot Springs Police Report

Sgt. Sargent provided a PowerPoint presentation on the 2020 Village of Harrison Hot Springs Police Report.

**8. CORRESPONDENCE**

- (a) Letter dated March 31, 2021 from the City of Victoria  
Re: Seeking support for laid off tourism and hospitality workers

- (b) Letter dated April 13, 2021 from the City of Penticton  
Re: B.C. Government's Use of Provincial Paramourncy to Undermine Local Government Bylaws

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

THAT the correspondence be received.

**CARRIED  
UNANIMOUSLY**  
RC-2021-04-19

**9. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE**

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

THAT a letter be sent to the City of Victoria and copied to the Provincial Government in support of the City of Victoria's letter regarding laid off tourism and hospitality workers.

**CARRIED  
UNANIMOUSLY**  
RC-2021-04-20

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

**Councillor Hooper**

- Agassiz Harrison Historical Society – attended the April 13, 2021 meeting
- Fraser Health
  - April 7, 14 & 16, 2021 attended online workshops & webinars with the Canadian National Institute for the Blind
  - April 8, 2021 attended a Foundry meeting regarding the ongoing opioid crisis
  - April 12, 2021 attended a BC Citizens Response Network meeting
  - April 15, 2021 attended a telephone call with Fraser Health regarding the Riverstone Home/Mobile Detox/Daytox Program
- Fraser Valley Regional Library Board – no report
- April 9, 2021 attended the Committee of the Whole Meeting

**Councillor Palmer**

- Fraser Valley Regional Library Board – no report
- Kent Harrison Joint Emergency Program Committee – no report
- Public Art Committee – no report

**Councillor Piper**

- Corrections Canada Citizens Advisory Committee – no report
- Harrison Agassiz Chamber of Commerce – attended the April 13, 2021 meeting
- Kent Harrison Joint Emergency Program Committee – no report
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**Councillor Vidal**

- Agassiz Harrison Healthy Communities – no report
- Fraser Valley Regional District Board – no report
- Fraser Valley Regional District Hospital Board – no report
- April 9, 2021 attended the Committee of the Whole Meeting
- April 12, 2021 attended a virtual discussion with Minister of State for Lands and Natural Resource Operations Nathan Cullen and the LMLGA Executive.
- Reported that this week is National Volunteer Week and thanked all volunteers in our community.

**11. MAYOR'S REPORT**

- Reported that RCMP Lower Mainland District has a new Superintendent, Ghalib Bhayani.
- Reported on National Volunteer Week.
- Attended a Zoom meeting with the Chilliwack Division of Family Practice. Their new Executive Director is Daphne McRae.
- Attended a teleconference on April 7, 2021 with Minister Josie Osborne and Dr. Lavoie, Deputy Provincial Health Officer regarding an overview of the Immunization Plan and Vaccine Roll Out.
- Attended the Fraser Valley Regional District Corporate Services Committee meeting on April 8, 2021.

**12. REPORTS FROM STAFF**

- (a) Report of Planning Consultant – April 14, 2021  
Re: To start the Development Variance Permit and Development Permit review process for 511 Lillooet Avenue

**Moved by Councillor Vidal**

**Seconded by Councillor Piper**

THAT staff be authorized to start work on applications 3090-20-DVP01/21 and 3060-20-DP01/21 for land legally described as:  
Lot A, Section 13, Township 4, Range 29, West of the 6<sup>th</sup> Meridian, New Westminster District Plan EPP108940

**CARRIED**  
**OPPOSED BY COUNCILLOR HOOPER**  
*RC-2021-04-21*

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- (b) Report of Planning Consultant – April 14, 2021  
Re: To start the Development Variance Process (470 & 480 Esplanade Avenue)

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

THAT application 3090-20-DVP03/21 for land legally described as:  
Lot 7, Block 4 Fractional Section 13, Township 4, Range 29, West of the 6<sup>th</sup>  
Meridian, New Westminster District Plan 251; and

THAT Application 3090-20-DVP04/21 for land legally described as: Parcel "345"  
Section 13, Township 4, Range 29, West of the 6<sup>th</sup> Meridian, New Westminster  
District Reference Plan 65327;

not be processed until a land consolidation or boundary realignment has been  
completed.

**CARRIED**  
**OPPOSED BY COUNCILLOR PALMER**  
RC-2021-04-22

**13. BYLAWS**

- (a) Report of Financial Officer – April 13, 2021  
Re: Tax Rate Bylaw No. 1162, 2021

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

THAT Tax Rate Bylaw No. 1162, 2021 be given first, second and third readings.

**CARRIED**  
**OPPOSED BY COUNCILLOR HOOPER**  
RC-2021-04-23

*Council Piper excused herself from the meeting at 8:16 p.m. due to a potential conflict  
of interest stating she is considering a property acquisition in Angus Estates.*

- (b) Report of Planning Consultant – April 15, 2021  
Re: Rezoning Amendment Bylaw 1163, 2021 – Public Hearing Comments for 835  
Angus Place

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

THAT Council not proceed with any further readings of Rezoning Amendment Bylaw  
1163, 2021.

**CARRIED**  
RC-2021-04-24

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*Councillor Piper returned to the meeting at 8:27 p.m.*

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

There were no questions from the public.

**15. ADJOURNMENT**

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

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

**CARRIED  
UNANIMOUSLY**  
RC-2021-04-25

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Leo Facio  
Mayor

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Debra Key  
Corporate Officer





## TOWN OF VIEW ROYAL

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April 1, 2021

Honourable John Horgan  
Premier of British Columbia  
PO Box 9041 Stn Prov Govt  
Victoria, BC V8W 9E1

VIA EMAIL: [premier@gov.bc.ca](mailto:premier@gov.bc.ca)

Dear Premier Horgan:

### **RE: Request for Authority and Training for Hospital Security Staff**

It has come to the attention of View Royal Council that there is an excessive use of police resources in hospital emergency waiting rooms as officers must remain with persons apprehended under section 28 of the *Mental Health Act* until the individual is transferred to the care of a physician. This requirement sees costly police resources tied up in emergency waiting rooms often for lengthy periods of time.

As such, we are requesting that hospital security staff be given the authority and necessary training to take custody of patients apprehended under the *Mental Health Act* on arrival at the hospital.

Allowing hospital security staff to assume this role from police officers would not only provide a less costly approach for taxpayers, but would also ease the burden on police resources, enabling them to provide timely services where they are needed in the community.

Thank you for consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

David Screech  
Mayor

cc. Hon. David Eby, Attorney General and Minister responsible for Housing  
Hon. Adrian Dix, Minister of Health  
Hon. Sheila Malcolmson, Minister of Mental Health and Addictions  
All UBCM Municipalities



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## PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT

April 23, 2021

File: 5280.31

The Honourable John Horgan Premier of BC PO Box 9041 Stn Prov Govt Victoria, BC V8W 9E1 Via email: <a href="mailto:Premier@gov.bc.ca">Premier@gov.bc.ca</a>	The Honourable Lana Popham Minister of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries PO Box 9409, Stn Prov Govt Victoria, BC V8W 9V1 Via email: <a href="mailto:AGR.Minister@gov.bc.ca">AGR.Minister@gov.bc.ca</a>
The Honourable Katrine Conroy Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development PO Box 9049, Stn Prov Govt Victoria, BC V8W 9W2 via email: <a href="mailto:FLNR.Minister@gov.bc.ca">FLNR.Minister@gov.bc.ca</a>	The Honourable George Heyman Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy PO Box 9360, Stn Prov Govt Victoria, BC V8W 9M2 via email: <a href="mailto:ENV.Minister@gov.bc.ca">ENV.Minister@gov.bc.ca</a>

Dear Mr. Premier, Minister Popham, Minister Conroy and Minister Heyman:

**RE: Lack of funding – Invasive Plant Management**

At its April 15, 2021 meeting, the Board of the Peace River Regional District (PRRD) discussed growing concerns that the Province is not recognizing the economic contribution agriculture makes to the province of BC.

It has come to the Board's attention that, due to an oversight in funding allocations, there are no funds available for treatment of invasive plants on public lands by the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operation and Resource Development (FLNRORD). These non-funded activities include the ongoing treatment work targeted towards known, existing, high priority areas in our region as well as the rest of the province. This dramatic oversight will result in the spread of invasive plants on FLNRORD lands going unchecked and affecting neighbouring agricultural lands.

The PRRD respectfully requests answers to the following questions from each Ministry's perspective:

1. How can \$12 million dollars be allocated from the office of the Premier, under FLNRORD, to assist with the detection and removal of invasive plants, without allocating funds to hire trained contractors to engage in treatment activities on Crown lands?
2. Given that the funding is meant for job creation and invasive plants are continually trying to invade Crown lands (which include much needed grazing areas that support the agriculture industry); why is funding not being directed towards reinstatement of those pre-existing jobs that would normally conduct the aforementioned treatment works through contract?

It is extremely concerning that the overarching Ministry which maintains the *Noxious Weeds Act* would neglectfully be unprepared to treat invasive plants found on Crown occupied lands. Without treatment, we would respectfully point out that invasive plants know no borders and, if unchecked, will encroach neighbouring lands containing vital agriculture.

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**PLEASE REPLY TO:**

☒ Box 810, 1981 Alaska Ave, Dawson Creek, BC V1G 4H8 Tel: (250) 784-3200 or (800) 670-7773 Fax: (250) 784-3201 Email: [prrd.dc@prrd.bc.ca](mailto:prrd.dc@prrd.bc.ca)  
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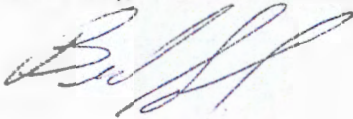
The Province should be aware that the PRRD not only has an Invasive Plant Bylaw that enforces the procession of invasive plants within the entire area of the BC Peace, it also employs staff and contractors which are designated under the *Noxious Weeds Act* to enforce on the Crown's behalf. Further, additional seasonal staff are hired annually to assist with the vast number of complaints that are received regarding invasive plant infestations on public and private lands.

This leads us to our final question: in good faith, how can a local government enforce such invasive plant removal when the Ministry housing the legislation is not even engaging in such activities?

In closing, the agricultural industry in the north provides economic benefits for the entire province. Lack of funding and cancellation of any invasive plant treatment strategy will be detrimental, resulting in increased costs of treatment work when funding does become available.

We look forward to receiving a favourable response to our concerns and questions.

Yours truly,



Brad Sperling  
Regional Board Chair

Yours truly,



Leonard Hiebert  
Invasive Plant Committee Chair

c: Mr. Mike Bernier, South Peace MLA, via email: [Mike.Bernier.MLA@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Mike.Bernier.MLA@leg.bc.ca)  
Mr. Dan Davies, North Peace MLA, via email: [Dan.Davies.MLA@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Dan.Davies.MLA@leg.bc.ca)  
Mr. Bob Zimmer, MP for Prince George-Peace River-Northern Rockies, via email: [Bob.Zimmer@parl.gc.ca](mailto:Bob.Zimmer@parl.gc.ca)  
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Enclosures: April 21, 2021 Letter of Support, District of Chetwynd





## District of Chetwynd

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April 21, 2021

Peace River Regional District  
P.O. Box 810  
Dawson Creek, BC V1G 4H8  
By email: [leonard.hiebert@prrd.bc.ca](mailto:leonard.hiebert@prrd.bc.ca)

**Attention: Director Leonard Hiebert – Electoral Area “D” Director**

Dear Mr. Hiebert:

Re: Invasive Weed Control on Crown Land

As you described during a recent Peace River Regional District Board meeting, invasive weeds are a serious threat to biodiversity because they can spread quickly, outcompete native species and destroy the habitat, dominate natural and managed areas, and in so doing harm biological communities.

As BC's environment, people and economy can be negatively impacted by the unchecked spread of invasive weeds, we support you in urging the Provincial government to continue to provide invasive weed control measures on crown land.

Yours Truly,

Allen Courtoreille  
Mayor

**VILLAGE OF HARRISON HOT SPRINGS****REPORT TO COUNCIL****TO: Mayor and Council****DATE: April 26, 2021****FROM: Tracey Jones  
Financial Officer****FILE: 1970-02****SUBJECT: Tax Rate Bylaw No. 1162, 2021**

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**ISSUE:** Adoption of Tax Rate Bylaw No. 1162, 2021**BACKGROUND:**

At the April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Regular Council meeting Tax Rate Bylaw No. 1162, 2021 received 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> reading. Accordingly, Tax Rate Bylaw 1162, 2021 is attached for Council's consideration.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT Tax Rate Bylaw No. 1162, 2021 be adopted.

Respectfully submitted:

REVIEWED BY:

Tracey JonesTracey Jones  
Financial OfficerMadeline McDonaldMadeline McDonald  
Chief Administrative Officer



**VILLAGE OF HARRISON HOT SPRINGS  
BYLAW NO. 1162**

**A Bylaw to establish tax rates for 2021**

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The Council of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs, in open meeting, lawfully assembled, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The following rates are hereby imposed and levied for the year 2021
  - (a) For all lawful general purposes of the municipality on the assessed value of land and improvements taxable for general municipal purposes, rates appearing in Schedule I attached hereto and forming a part of this bylaw.
  - (b) For Regional Hospital District purposes on the full assessed value of all land and assessed value of all improvements taxable for Regional Hospital District purposes, rates appearing in Column "A" of Schedule II attached hereto and forming a part of this bylaw.
  - (c) For Regional District purposes on the full assessed value of all land and assessed value of all improvements taxable for Regional Hospital District purposes, rates appearing in Column "B" of Schedule II attached hereto and forming a part of this bylaw.
2. The minimum amount of taxation upon a parcel of real property shall be one dollar (\$1.00).
3. This bylaw may be cited as "Tax Rate Bylaw No. 1162, 2021."

**REPEAL**

4. Bylaw No. 1154, 2020 Tax Rate Bylaw is hereby repealed.

**READINGS AND ADOPTION**

READ A FIRST TIME THIS 19<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2021

READ A SECOND TIME THIS 19<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2021

READ A THIRD TIME THIS 19<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2021

ADOPTED THIS      DAY OF MAY, 2021

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**Mayor**

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**Corporate Officer**



**BYLAW NO. 1162, 2021****SCHEDULE I****GENERAL MUNICIPAL PURPOSES**

<b>PROPERTY CLASS</b>	<b>TAX RATES (DOLLARS OF TAX PER \$1,000 TAXABLE VALUE)</b>
	<b>GENERAL MUNICIPAL</b>
1. Residential	2.54019
2. Utilities	8.89066
3. Supportive Housing	2.54019
4. Major Industry	8.63664
5. Light Industry	8.63664
6. Business/Other	8.07781
7. Managed Forest Land	7.62057
8. Recreation/Non Profit	10.59260
9. Farm	2.54019

**BYLAW NO. 1162, 2021****SCHEDULE II**

PROPERTY CLASS	TAX RATES		
	(DOLLARS OF TAX PER \$1,000 TAXABLE VALUE)		
	A	B	
	REGIONAL	REGIONAL	
	HOSPITAL	DISTRICT	TOTAL
1. Residential	0.12317	0.19798	0.32115
2. Utilities	0.43109	0.69293	1.12402
3. Supportive Housing	0.12317	0.19798	0.32115
4. Major Industry	0.41877	0.67314	1.09191
5. Light Industry	0.41877	0.67314	1.09191
6. Business/Other	0.30176	0.48505	0.78681
7. Managed Forest Land	0.36951	0.59394	0.96345
8. Recreation/Non Profit	0.12317	0.19798	0.32115
9. Farm	0.12317	0.19798	0.32115