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

DATE:

June 15, 2009

TIME: PLACE:

7:00 p.m.

Council Chambers

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Ken Becotte Councillor Allan Jackson Councillor Bob Perry

Councillor Dave Kenyon Councillor Dave Harris

Chief Administrative Officer, Larry Burk

ABSENT:

Recording Secretary, Debra Key

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

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

3. <u>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</u>

Moved by Councillor Kenyon Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT the agenda be approved.

CARRIED

4. <u>ADOPTION AND RECEIPT OF MINUTES</u>

☐ Regular Council Meeting Minutes of June 1, 2009 Moved by Councillor Kenyon Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of June 1, 2009 be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

Errors & Omissions

In Councillor Kenyon's report it should read "thank you to John Allen for his "historical" comments, not "hysterical" comments.

Councillor Bob Perry was not present on June 1, 2009.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

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

None

7. <u>DELEGATIONS</u>

None

8. <u>CORRESPONDENCE</u>

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT the correspondence be received.

CARRIED

☐ Letter dated May 29, 2009 from Canadian Heritage re Canada Day grant

□ Letter dated June 12, 2009 from Tourism Harrison re Plaza entertainment

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

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT Council approve a grant or donation of \$500.00 towards a contribution for partnership with the Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Harrison to host a Plaza Entertainment Series coordinated by Harrison Tourism

CARRIED

10. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AND COMMISSION

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

THAT the minutes of the Communities in Bloom Committee Meeting of May 13, 2009 be received.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Harris Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT Council table the Communities in Bloom recommendation regarding "Sasquatch" signs due to minimal support from Chehalis and StoLo First Nations.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Jackson Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT the minutes of the Canada Day Committee Meeting of May 15, 2009 be received.

CARRIED

11. Mayor's Report

REPORTS FROM MAYOR

Will be attending the Council of Council meeting at FVRD Abbotsford campus.

Canada Day events are being scheduled. Grant was received from Heritage Canada.

Will be participating in RCMP OIC interviews on July 13, 2009 for the Region.

Moved by Councillor Harris Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT the Mayor's report be received.

CARRIED

REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

Councillor Harris

June 3, 2009 attended Show Kids You Care meeting at the Library in Agassiz. This will be the last meeting for the summer with the next meeting being held in September.

June 5, 2009 attended Canada Day Committee meeting. Currently working on the preparation for the parade.

June 10, 2009 attended PEP meeting in Council Chambers.

June 10, 2009 attended CIB meeting. The Committee is currently working on preparations for the conference. The Judges will be arriving on July 19, 2009.

Attended awards and recognition event at Mountain Institution with Citizens Advisory Committee. Next meeting will be in September.

June 27, 2009 Jim Allenby is arranging a Memorial Golf Tournament for Gary Wood. Proceeds will be going to his family. Further notice will be going out in due course.

Councillor Kenyon

The Deputy Chair of EDC will be attending Council of Council Meeting.

Received correspondence from the BC Coalition re people with disabilities which reported on a recommendation from the Mayors' Advisory Committee to strongly endorse the resolution to ban the use of hand held communication devices while operating a motor vehicle with exception of fire, police and other emergency personnel.

Moved by Councillor Kenyon Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT Council endorse the recommendation by the Mayors' Advisory Committee to ban hand held telecommunication devices while in a moving vehicle with exception of fire, police and other emergency personnel.

CARRIED

Will be attending a DARE graduation at Harrison Elementary School for the senior classes.

Councillor Jackson

June 2, 2009 attended an Air Quality meeting with discussions about noxious weeds in the Valley and the economic impact they are having on farming and threat to recreational fishing as the weeds are taking control. FVRD needs to develop a management work plan on this matter.

There will be an air quality monitoring station going in at Mission. Equipment is available for Agassiz but the government will not provide funding to operate it.

Will be a metro Vancouver Waste Energy meeting coming up in late June.

Attended FCM Conference in Whistler.

In discussions with Sports Canada, the Village should look at developing baseball or playing fields in Harrison to have organized sports.

Councillor Jackson asked if letters of thanks went out to the Ministry of Environment and Ministry of Transportation for funding of the Hot Springs Bridge, Plaza, Marine-Sani Station and Walnut Bridge projects.

Councillor Jackson asked if an invitation to the Communities in Bloom Convention could go out to the Steven Point, the Honourable Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia.

Councillor Perry

May 27, 2009 attended open house in Council Chambers for the Village's 60th Anniversary.

May 28, 2009 and four former members of the Miami River Committee joined Mike Pearson and the Fraser Valley Watershed Coalition to discuss issues of concern.

May 30, 2009 attended the ribbon cutting, bridge, plaza and sanistation festivities.

June 4, 2009 attended FCM in Whistler with Councillor Jackson. Attended the AGM where there were 2,000 delegates in attendance and over 1700 municipalities represented. We had a tour of the Whistler Public Library.

The Mayor asked Councillors Perry and Jackson to compile information obtained from FCM and submit a report for Council.

Moved by Councillor Harris Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT the Councillors' reports be received.

CARRIED

REPORTS FROM STAFF

□ 2008 Statement of Financial Information – June 2, 2009 Moved by Councillor Perry
Seconded by Councillor Harris

Report of Director of Finance – June 2, 2008 Re: 2008 Statement of Financial Information

THAT Council approves the 2008 Statement of Financial Information.

CARRIED

☐ Fire Department Monthly Report for May 2009 – June 9, 2009

Moved by Councillor Perry Seconded by Councillor Harris

Report of Fire Chief Chris Wilson – June 9, 2009 Re: Fire Department Monthly Report for May 2009

THAT Mayor and Council receive this report for information.

CARRIED

Councillor Jackson advised that after discussion with a member of the Fire Department, a defibrillator machine has not yet been purchased. Council supports the purchase of a defibrillator machine as soon as possible.

☐ Liquor Control and Licencing Branch (LCLB) Application by Executive Hotel – June 12, 2009

Moved by Councillor Kenyon Seconded by Councillor Harris

Report of Chief Administrative Officer - June 12, 2009

Re: Liquor Control and Licensing Branch (LCLB) application for Patron Participation by the Executive Hotel

THAT Council support the application by the Executive Hotel to add the Patron Participation endorsement to their current LCLB licence.

CARRIED

12.

BYLAWS

☐ Bylaw No. 915 Park Regulation-June 15, 2009

Moved by Councillor Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT Park Regulation Bylaw No. 915, 2009 receive third reading.

CARRIED

□ Bylaw No. 918 Bylaw Notice Enforcement Amendment - June 15, 2009 Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT Bylaw No. 918 Bylaw Notice Enforcement Amendment be adopted.

CARRIED

13. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

A member of the public asked if Council could take the invasive species issues, such as scotch broom and Himalayan blackberries, seriously and look after Village and public property. Council needs to lead by example and remove noxious weeds and invasive species.

A member of the public asked what the Bylaw Enforcement Officer's hours of work are and whether there are any plan changes for his hours. The Mayor advised he has a contracted work schedule as available and provides additional hours when needed. There was a question to how many infractions have occurred. The Mayor stated that the Bylaw Enforcement Officer provides the CAO and Council with Shift Reports.

A member of the public asked about whether the Park Regulation Bylaw changes will be made public. The Mayor reported that it will go on the website and perhaps on the Village quarter page in the Observer.

A member of the public asked whether 685 Hot Springs Road was rezoned and why no Public Hearing. The CAO stated it was a subdivision application and not a rezoning application therefore does not require a public hearing.

A member of the public asked about the Tourism Harrison request for funding for plaza entertainment. Tourism Harrison has already received \$559,879.13 through the Village through the room tax and why do they need another \$500.00 of my money for the tourists?

The Mayor stated it is not part of Tourism Harrison mandate and is something that several groups have proposed and Tourism Harrison will be coordinating it.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Jackson Seconded by Councillor Perry

That the meeting be adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

CARRIED

Certified a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held June 15, 2009 in the Council Chambers, Village of Harrison Hot Springs,

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Ken Becotte

Mayor

Larry Burk

Chief Administrative Officer

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