

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

**DATE:** August 10, 2009  
**TIME:** 7:02 p.m.  
**PLACE:** Council Chambers

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

Chief Administrative Officer, Larry Burk  
Michael Rosen, Village Planner

**ABSENT:**  
Recording Secretary, Debra Key

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

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

2. **INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS**

Rendall Park and McCombs Drive Speedbumps

Letter from J.D. Partin re Fire Hydrants

3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Moved by Councillor Perry**  
**Seconded by Councillor Harris**

**THAT** the agenda be approved as amended.

**CARRIED**

4. **ADOPTION AND RECEIPT OF MINUTES**

☐ Regular Council Meeting  
Minutes of July 13, 2009

**Moved by Councillor Jackson**  
**Seconded by Councillor Kenyon**

**THAT** the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of July 13, 2009  
be adopted.

**CARRIED**

5. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

None

6. **PUBLIC AND STATUTORY HEARINGS**

None

7. **DELEGATIONS**

**Donna McGeachie and Melissa Holland, BC Transmission Corporation**

Melissa Holland gave a brief overview of the BC Transmission Corporation project. She identified the Interior Mainland Project which is a proposed new transmission line from Merritt that would pass through the area and carry down through the lower mainland. This line would supply additional transmission capacity for growth in the lower mainland and Fraser Valley. The Corporation has been looking for projects that would leave a benefit to the community and through discussions with the Village identified the McCombs Road Upgrade. This upgrade has been identified as a project that fit the philosophy of safety and emergency preparedness. Ms. Holland presented the Village of Harrison Hot Springs a cheque in the amount of \$85,000 for their contribution towards the McCombs Road Upgrade project.

The Mayor asked if BC Transmission had a target completion date for the project. The Corporation advised it is hoping to complete its project by early 2010. The Mayor thanked the delegates for attending.

**Ruth Hache, Child Heroes Global Entertainment Group**

Ruth Hache gave a brief outline of the Group's objective which was to provide inspiration for empowering children to showcase their talents through sandsculpting. She also stated that the group wanted to provide public education on the rights of children. Ms. Hache asked for financial support from Council. The Mayor advised that she would need to set up a meeting with staff to obtain the necessary information and special event permit.

**Moved by Councillor Perry**  
**Seconded by Councillor Harris**

**THAT** the delegates be received.

CARRIED

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**8. CORRESPONDENCE**

- ☐ Letter dated July 23, 2009 to Mr. & Mrs. Schildpatt re Village Front Entrance Flags
- ☐ Memo from Executive Assistant to Mayor & Council, Staff re New Community Safety and Information Office
- ☐ Letter dated July 29, 2009 to Mr. John Hoogendoorn re Appt to Kent-Harrison Joint Emergency Program Committee

**Moved by Councillor Kenyon**  
**Seconded by Councillor Harris**

**THAT** the correspondence be received.

**CARRIED**

Councillor Harris thanked the Schildpatts for their donation of flags at the front entrance.

The Mayor read out a thank you letter from the Communities in Bloom Judges.

**9. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF CORRESPONDENCE**

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

- ☐ Minutes of APC Meeting of  
May 26, 2009

**Moved by Councillor Jackson**  
**Seconded by Councillor Perry**

**THAT** the minutes of the Advisory Planning Commission Meeting of May 26, 2009 be received.

**CARRIED**

- ☐ Minutes of the  
Communities in Bloom  
Committee Meeting of June  
10, 2009

**Moved by Councillor Harris**  
**Seconded by Councillor Perry**

**THAT** the minutes of the Communities in Bloom Meeting of June 10, 2009 be received.

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□ Minutes of the Economic  
Development Commission  
Committee Meeting of June  
24, 2009

**Moved by Councillor Kenyon**  
**Seconded by Councillor Jackson**

**THAT** the minutes of the Economic Development Commission Meeting of June 24, 2009 be received.

**CARRIED**

□ Minutes of the Canada  
Day Committee Meeting of  
June 26, 2009

**Moved by Councillor Harris**  
**Seconded by Councillor Kenyon**

**THAT** the minutes of the Canada Day Committee Meeting of June 26, 2009 be received.

**CARRIED**

**11.**

**REPORTS FROM MAYOR**

Participated in Dragon Boat Festival. The event brought approximately 4,000 people into town, 1600 paddlers plus families and spectators. The Mayor kicked off the event and performed a ceremony called "dotting the eye of the dragon". The event was very well organized and proved to be successful. The Festival also connected with another group of ladies raising money for Breast Cancer.

Attended an invitation from the Chehalis Indian Band to open a new health department which will employ 27 staff members. A celebration followed by luncheon in the school gym. Witnessed signing of the agreement.

The Village has opened a new Community Safety and Information Office on Esplanade. This office will be utilized by the Bylaw Enforcement Officer and RCMP. Copies of policing material, Village bylaws and community information will be available. The Mayor invited anyone with experience to provide their name as a volunteer.

Has been involved in interviews for Officer In Charge for the Regional RCMP Detachment. Selection has not yet been made public.

Passed tax deadline on July 31, 2009.

A Province wide fire ban is still in effect.

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The Mayor reported a fire in the poolhouse room at Harrison Holiday Park but the Fire Department was able to contain the fire. The Mayor thanked the Fire Department.

The Mayor reported that recently there was a tragic drowning in the lagoon. Not long after that there was a near drowning. A resident of Agassiz, Tanya Pranger, was able to assist the victim.

**Moved by Mayor Becotte**  
**Seconded by Councillor Harris**

**THAT** a letter be sent to the BC Lifesaving Society recognizing the heroic efforts of Tanya Pranger.

**Moved by Councillor Jackson**  
**Seconded by Councillor Perry**

**THAT** the Mayor's report be received.

**CARRIED**

**12.**

**REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS**

**Councillor Harris**

Visit from the CIB judges on July 20, 2009. Don Alberg, who is a former Public Works superintendent, requested a tour of sewage plant and new water reservoir. Thank you to foreman, Chris Wilson for assisting in the tour. Judges were impressed with Community Garden.

July 22, 2009 the Community Gardeners held an appreciation dinner and invited Council and CIB Committee to have a meal of homegrown food.

Show Kids you Care Committee will sponsor Story Time in the Park August 12, 2009.

Traffic counts are averaging between 22-25,000 vehicles per week in Harrison Hot Springs.

Thanked Rob Powers of CHPA for explanation of the plaza development design. Thank you to Teresa Baxter, Village gardener for giving explanation to CIB judges.

**Councillor Kenyon**

Attended festivities in the Village.

Asked the CAO for an update on recycling.

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The CAO stated upcoming meetings will be scheduled very shortly. Solid Waste Management Plan – still maintaining the best we can on recycling process.

Speedbumps are a great idea, but would like a gentler slope. Need to create a barrier on the east side of speedbumps. Has staff considered a speedbump on Echo?

**Councillor Jackson** Attended Air Quality on July 24, 2009 re Vancouver Waste Energy. Recommendation for scientist to do a review of the ACOM Waste Energy Project.

Attended Council Retreat on July 29, 2009.

Attended the first Bylaw and Policy Review Committee and Sustainability and Infrastructure Committee meetings.

Received a letter from Mr. & Mrs. Partin requesting fire hydrants at south end of Harrison. Asked that Council look at the proposal and be placed back on the agenda for the September meeting.

**Councillor Perry** July 16, 2009 attended cleanup on Hot Springs Road in preparation of the CIB Judges. Thanks went out to Gail Guimont, Leo Facio, Ray Hooper and other members of the community.

Dinner with CIB Judges at Raven's Restaurant.

July 20, 2009 met with Judges for Village Tour.

July 22, 2009 attended FVRL Board – accepted resignation of CEO, Maureen Wood and appointed Rob O'Brennan.

Letter writing campaign was started to Premier Campbell regarding grant funding FVRL projects.

July 29, 2009 attended Council Retreat with Council, Village Planner, Michael Rosen, Ted Tisdale, APC and EDC.

Sometime ago, a letter campaign was started to ask Canada Post to switch from post office boxes to community boxes, however, Canada Post have advised that due to economic restraints, they could not proceed with this request.

Attended with Councillor Jackson at an FCM Convention at Whistler.

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Asked that more friendly type speed bumps be installed on McCombs Road.

Asked if Rendall Park is designated as a BBQ area. The Mayor stated that the ban of BBQs was strictly to ban BBQs from the beach area.

The CAO stated that it is extremely difficult to police barbequing. The Bylaw Enforcement Officer is currently handing out pamphlets and educating people on the new bylaw.

There was discussion surrounding issues with barbequing and the lack of disposal receptacles.

The Mayor advised that he had a meeting with CAO, Ken Fleckenstein and Jackie Meisner regarding speed bumps. Plans are coming forward regarding traffic calming devices. CAO looking for options for speedbumps – waiting for costs and roundabouts.

Councillor Jackson stated Chief Charlie of Chehalis had been invited to the Communities In Bloom Conference and asked that a formal letter of invitation be sent.

**Moved by Councillor Perry**

**Seconded by Councillor Harris**

**THAT** the Councillors' reports be received.

**CARRIED**

13.

**REPORTS FROM STAFF**

**□ Terms of Reference for  
EDC – August 5, 2009**

**Moved by Councillor Kenyon**

**Seconded by Councillor Jackson**

**Report of Chief Administrative Officer – August 5, 2009**

**Re: Terms of Reference for EDC**

**THAT** Council acknowledges the Vision, Mission and High Levels Goals of the Economic Development Commission as developed from their Terms of Reference.

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□ Neighbourhood Planning  
Area 1 & 2 initial draft  
report – August 7, 2009

**Moved by Councillor Jackson**  
**Seconded by Councillor Kenyon**

**Report of Chief Administrative Officer /Village Planner – August 7, 2009**

Re: Neighbourhood Planning Area 1 & 2 initial draft report

**THAT** Council officially refer this to the APC and the EDC for further consideration, potential public consultation and recommendations.

**CARRIED**

□ Cost of attendance at FCM  
conference in Toronto –  
August 6, 2009

**Moved by Councillor Perry**  
**Seconded by Councillor Jackson**

**Report of Chief Administrative Officer – August 6, 2009**

Re: Cost of attendance at FCM conference in Toronto

**THAT** this cost analysis be referred to the 2010 budget.

**CARRIED**

□ Additional Grants to  
Groups – July 31, 2009

**Moved by Councillor Kenyon**  
**Seconded by Councillor Perry**

**Report of Director of Finance – July 31, 2009**

Re: Request for Additional Grants to Groups

**THAT** Council receives the Director of Finance's report on an additional request for a Grants to Group and that the Director of Finance respond to the request.

**CARRIED**

**14.**

**BYLAWS**

□ Community Amenities  
Reserve Expenditure Bylaw –  
August 7, 2009

**Moved by Councillor Kenyon**  
**Seconded by Councillor Perry**

**Report of Director of Finance – August 7, 2009**

Re: Community Amenities Reserve Expenditure Bylaw

**THAT** Council rescinds third reading of Bylaw No. 922 Community Amenities Reserve Expenditure.



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**Moved by Councillor Harris**  
**Seconded by Councillor Kenyon**

THAT Bylaw No. 922 Community Amenities Reserve Expenditure be given third reading as amended.

**CARRIED**

**□ Bylaw No. 914 Council  
Procedure Bylaw**

**Moved by Councillor Kenyon**  
**Seconded by Councillor Jackson**

THAT Council Procedure Bylaw No. 914, 2009 be received for third reading.

**CARRIED**

**□ Bylaw No. 920 OCP  
Amendment**

**Moved by Councillor Jackson**  
**Seconded by Councillor Kenyon**

THAT OCP Amendment Bylaw No. 920 be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**□ Bylaw No. 921 Zoning  
Amendment Bylaw**

**Moved by Councillor Jackson**  
**Seconded by Councillor Harris**

THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 921 be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**13.**

**QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

A member of the public asked why he is being charged \$20.00 fee for statutory declaration. The CAO stated it was a misinterpretation and he will be refunded.

A member of the public asked if a fee schedule has been drawn up for the O'Shea property agreement. The CAO advised that the agreement is currently being drawn up. Is there private mooring at Rendall Park? The Mayor stated the Village has no water licence in that area therefore has no jurisdiction on the water.

A member of the public stated that swimming is dangerous on the west side of the lagoon due to the amount of boats coming into this area. She suggested using buoys or roped off areas for swimming. The Mayor said the Harbour Commission will be meeting to discuss these issues.

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A member of the public asked when the trail development meeting is scheduled. The Mayor advised that the meeting is August 19, 2009.

A member of the public asked about the new Bylaw 914 and why the council meeting held on July 29, 2009 at the Harrison Hot Springs Resort wasn't posted and whether the minutes will be available for the public.

A member of the public asked why the trail development meeting wasn't advertised. The CAO explained that only the property owners affected were notified.

A member asked if photo radar cameras could be installed on McCombs Drive for traffic calming measures.

A member asked if a cigarette receptacle could be installed on the beaches.

A member stated she was happy to see the speedbumps back in and neighbours have advised her that it has helped.

A member suggested that between Hot Springs Road and Esplanade Avenue be a boat free road.

A member asked when Torch Relay was coming through town. The Mayor said the date of the Torch Relay is February 7, 2010.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved by Councillor Perry**

**Seconded by Councillor Kenyon**

That the meeting be adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

**CARRIED**

Certified a true and correct copy of the minutes of the  
Regular Meeting of Council held August 10, 2009 in  
the Council Chambers, Village of Harrison Hot  
Springs, BC

  
**Ken Becotte**  
Mayor

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**Larry Burk**  
Chief Administrative Officer