

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

DATE: September 21, 2009
TIME: 7:00 p.m.
PLACE: Council Chambers

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

Chief Administrative Officer, Larry Burk

ABSENT: Councillor Allan Jackson

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**

3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT the agenda be approved.

CARRIED

4. **ADOPTION AND RECEIPT OF MINUTES**

☐ Regular Council Meeting
Minutes – August 10, 2009

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of August 10, 2009 be adopted.

CARRIED

☐ Special Council Meeting
Minutes – August 17, 2009

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of August 17, 2009 be adopted.

CARRIED

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☐ Special Council Meeting
Minutes – September 16,
2009

Moved by Councillor Perry
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of September 16, 2009 be adopted.

CARRIED

☐ Special Council Meeting
Minutes – September 18,
2009

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of September 18, 2009 be adopted.

CARRIED

5.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

The Mayor reported at the August 10, 2009 meeting of Council, Council officially referred the Neighbourhood Planning Area Draft 1 & 2 to the APC and the EDC for further consideration, potential public consultation and recommendations. A report from the planner and CAO will be coming forward at the APC on September 22, 2009.

The Special Council minutes of August 17, 2009 indicated that the road closure on McCombs was delayed due to rain, but the CAO reported that they should start soon and will be providing a minimum of 48 hours notice.

6.

PUBLIC AND STATUTORY HEARINGS

None

7.

DELEGATIONS

None

8. **CORRESPONDENCE**

☐ Letter dated August 5, 2009 from the Harrison Hot Springs Preschool

☐ Letter dated August 10, 2009 from True Sport

☐ Email dated August 13, 2009 from Station 89.5 The Hawk re Harrison Boat Show

☐ Letter dated August 19, 2009 from the Lifesaving Society

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- ☐ Letter dated August 20, 2009 from UBCM re Community to Community Forum
- ☐ Letter dated August 21, 2009 from Fraser Valley Regional District re Animal Control Service
- ☐ News Release dated August 22, 2009 from Interior Health re West Nile Virus
- ☐ Letter dated August 25, 2009 from Honours and Awards Secretariat re Order of British Columbia
- ☐ Letter dated August 26, 2009 from the District of Kent re Movie In the Park
- ☐ Letter dated September 2, 2009 from KPMG re Climate Charter
- ☐ Letter dated September 3, 2009 from the City of Burnaby re Industrial property taxes
- ☐ Letter dated September 7, 2009 from Youth Parliament of British Columbia
- ☐ Email dated September 10, 2009 from FVRD re West Nile Virus Report
- ☐ Email dated September 14, 2009 from FVRD re West Nile Virus Report

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT the correspondence be received.

CARRIED

9. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF CORRESPONDENCE

- ☐ Letter dated August 21, 2009 from Fraser Valley Regional District re Animal Control Service

The CAO reported that FVRD has requested Council's consideration for the proposal of a regional service for animal control. Councillor Perry asked if there is a problem with our animal control process right now. CAO stated Dr. Bate will be retiring soon so may not have a resource to use.

Moved by Councillor Perry
Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

THAT Council consider inclusion in service modeling for a Regional Animal Control Service.

CARRIED

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Order of BC – the Mayor reported that Ms. Stenson was nominated out of 192 nominations received, but was not selected for the Order. The Mayor asked if Council would consider carrying over the nomination for 2010.

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT the nomination for Phyllis Stenson be carried over to 2010.

CARRIED

The Mayor reported on the City of Burnaby's letter re industrial property taxes. The industrial companies have challenged the municipality. This issue will be coming up a UBCM. Supports the idea of dealing with non payment of taxes of property owners.

10.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, COMMITTEE OF THE
WHOLE AND COMMISSIONS**

□ Administration and
Finance Committee Meeting
Minutes of March 13, 2009

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT the minutes of the Administration and Finance Committee Meeting of March 13, 2009 be received.

CARRIED

□ Communities in Bloom
Committee Meeting Minutes
of July 8, 2009

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT the minutes of the Communities in Bloom Meeting of July 8, 2009 be received.

CARRIED

□ Economic Development
Commission Meeting of July
22, 2009

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT the minutes of the Economic Development Commission Meeting of July 22, 2009 be received.

CARRIED

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11.

REPORTS FROM MAYOR

On Wednesday September 23, 2009 at 10:07 a.m. the Olympic Torch Relay Run test will start with a run through Hope, Agassiz, HHS, Chilliwack & Abbotsford. Could be up to 70 vehicles in the group. The Olympic group had asked for volunteers for runners, but the request was very vague whether you would actually run in Harrison. This training event is to see how time schedules works out.

The Mayor reported that as an outcome of the Neighbourhood Planning area meeting, it was realized that the Village doesn't actually have any demographics on Harrison Hot Springs. He recommended that this go to the EDC and APC to look at instituting a community needs process to develop specific demographics for 2010. Councillor Perry advised that Fraser Health has some demographics on Harrison that we could possibly obtain as well as the Kent-Harrison Cultural Scan that was done in 2008.

At the recent CIB Conference, the City of Kamloops had developed an informational business/community package of why people would want to live there. Would like EDC to look at developing something similar for Harrison Hot Springs for 2010.

There was a suggestion that the former members of Parks, Beach and Trails Committee get together with current Parks and Recreation Commission to look at long term plans for the beachfront.

Of historical note, the Mayor advised that a 1988 Report to Council regarding the boat launch development concept plan was brought to his attention. This concept plan was endorsed by Council in January of 1988. Doesn't believe it went anywhere as far as development goes, but the Parks and Recreation Commission may want to look at this.

Thanked CIB for invitation to speak at the opening of the conference. It was very well done. Acknowledged a gift of a print of Hobie Cats on beach.

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT the Mayor's report be received.

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12.

REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

Councillor Harris

Attended Mountain Institution Citizens Advisory Committee. Corrections Canada is looking to increase opportunities for work release inmates. District of Kent had 3 weeks work completed by inmates to repair the arena, cemetery and fencing. Perhaps the Village should be looking at securing some work opportunities through the Parks and Recreation Commission for trail building or perhaps removal of invasive species. Will be facilitating a tour for Mtn. Institution.

CIB Conference was held at the HHS Resort and was very successful. There was a good turnout with numerous compliments on quality of speakers. Thanked the CIB Committee for all their help. Special thanks to previous members Mary Dams, Mamie Lees and Lis Scotson. Received 5 blooms, 855 points out of 1,000. Special mention for Harrison Hot Springs also went to the Festival of the Arts. A boat trip was enjoyed by all. Community showcase was the Harrison Lake Plaza.

Councillor Kenyon

Congratulations to Councillors Harris and Perry and Committee for a marvelous job on the CIB Conference.

Attended the Chamber of Commerce meeting of August – a committee is being struck for the Festival of Lights.

New legislation now requires that all operators of powered boats obtain a Pleasure Craft Operator Licence. Would like staff to inquire whether it is possible to have persons show their licence to the boat launch attendant prior to launching boats in the lake. This would promote safety awareness in the Village.

Reported that the Fraser Valley Bald Eagle Festival is on November 21 & 22, 2009 and suggested people attend and promote the Village.

Councillor Jackson

Absent

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Councillor Perry

August 19, 2009 attended at the Memorial Hall for proposed trail development public information meeting.

September 9, 2009 attended Fraser Health Municipal Government Advisory Council meeting. Discussion was health funding.

September 9, 2009 attended a CIB planning meeting.

September 16, 2009 attended Special Council meeting.

September 18, 2009 attended the kick off to the CIB conference at the HHS Resort.

September 19, 2009 attended at HHS Resort & Spa, then to District of Kent for Agassiz Fall Fair and Corn Festival. Mayor Fisher, Minister Penner and Mayor Sharon Getz were in attendance. Participated in the Celebrity Goat Milking contest – came in 4th.

Met with Sgt. McCarthy and had a discussion regarding safety in Village.

Attended dinner and awards presentation at the HHS Resort.

There was a request from audience to have boat free traffic on Esplanade. Asked staff if the boat traffic issue on Esplanade can be researched to have Esplanade declared “boat free”.

Councillor Perry asked if blacktop could be placed between Maple and Hot Springs Road.

The Provincial Government has pulled all funding for Healthy Communities. There is \$4,800 left in the Grants to Groups budget. Asked if this proposal can submitted to the Administration and Finance Committee to have that money earmarked for Healthy Communities.

The Mayor asked whether Dr. Campbell is still coming to Harrison. Councillor Perry reported that the Provincial Government and Fraser Health turned down funding. Met with Dr. Campbell who advised he wasn't proceeding any further asking for charity and was going to commence improvements from his own cash flow. The Mayor asked whether there was an option to recoup the Village's investment. Councillor Perry said there was had been no contribution from the Village for clinic improvements.

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Moved by Councillor Perry
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT the Councillors' reports be received.

CARRIED

REPORTS FROM STAFF

**☐ Resort Collaborative
Report – September 21, 2009**

Moved by Councillor Perry
Seconded by Councillor Harris

Report of Chief Administrative Officer – September 21, 2009
Re: Resort Collaborative (Verbal)

The CAO gave a brief verbal report on the resort collaborative recently attended to at Whistler. The focus was promotion of tourism within communities.

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

CARRIED

**☐ Christmas Closure
Schedule – 2009 – September
1, 2009**

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

Report of Director of Finance – September 1, 2009
Re: Christmas Closure Schedule – 2009

THAT the Village Office be closed at 12:00 noon, December 24, 2009 and be closed December 29, 30 & 31, 2009, reopening January 4, 2010.

CARRIED

**☐ Development Variance
Permit – September 1, 2009**

Moved by Councillor Perry
Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

Report of Chief Administrative Officer – September 1, 2009
Re: Development Variance Permit – 380 Eagle Street

THAT Council receives this report.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT Council denies the Development Variance Permit.

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Moved by Councillor Perry
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT the property owner be instructed to remove the existing structure within 30 days.

CARRIED

**□ Council Remuneration –
September 17, 2009**

Moved by Councillor Perry
Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

Report of Chief Administrative Officer – September 17, 2009

Re: Council Remuneration – per diem clarification – Amendment to Policy 1.19

THAT Council receives this report; and

THAT Council approves the amendment to Part 3 c Per Diem Allowance, by replacing it with 3 c Meals and 3 d Per Diem Allowance, Section 1 and Section 2 and e Miscellaneous.

CARRIED

**□ Fire Department Monthly
Reports for June, July and
August 2009– July 8, 2009,
August 3 and September 3,
2009**

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Harris

Report of Fire Chief – July 8, August 3 and September 3, 2009

Re: Fire Department Monthly Report for June, July and August 2009

THAT the Fire Chief's monthly reports for June, July and August 2009 be received.

CARRIED

**□ Monthly Status Report –
September 18, 2009**

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
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Report of Chief Administrative Officer – September 18, 2009

Re: Monthly status report

THAT the monthly status report be received.

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BYLAWS

☐ Bylaw No. 914 Council
Procedure Bylaw

Moved by Councillor Perry
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT Bylaw No. 914 Council Procedure Bylaw be adopted.

CARRIED

☐ Bylaw No. 924 Fee
Schedule Amendment Bylaw

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT Bylaw No. 924 Fee Schedule Amendment Bylaw be received
for first, second and third readings.

CARRIED

☐ Bylaw No. 925 Advisory
Planning Commission Repeal
Bylaw – August 21, 2009

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Perry

Report of Chief Administrative Officer – August 21, 2009
Re: APC Terms of Reference and repealing of Bylaw 643

THAT Council acknowledges the Terms of Reference of the
Advisory Planning Commission; and

THAT Council approves three readings of Bylaw 925, a bylaw to
repeal Bylaw 643 and amendments thereto in their entirety.

CARRIED

☐ Bylaw No. 926 Recreation
Commission Repeal Bylaw –
August 21, 2009

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Harris

Report of Chief Administrative Officer – August 21, 2009
Re: Parks and Recreation Commission Terms of Reference and
repealing of Bylaws 170 and 266 in their entirety

THAT Council approves three readings of Bylaw 926 to repeal
bylaws 170 and 266 in their entirety.

CARRIED

☐ Bylaw No. 927 Financial
Plan Amendment –
September 18, 2009

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

THAT Bylaw No. 927 Financial Plan Amendment Bylaw be adopted.

CARRIED

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13.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

A member of the public asked if Healthy Communities includes both Agassiz and Harrison. The Mayor responded that Agassiz and Harrison are included in Healthy Communities which had received funding from Hope, Kent and Harrison to share a \$20,000 grant which would be renewable on the assumption that it would continue as a grant process. Will now be relying on commercial entities to provide funding.

A member of the public asked if fencing is going ahead for the 300 and 400 block? CAO explained that he has researched a Riparian Area friendly fence which is made from recycled plastic; requires no maintenance and separates the trail from the riparian area with signage describing riparian area.

The Mayor asked Jan Perrin of the Chilliwack Field Naturalists to report on the TD Great Canadian Shore Cleanup. Ms. Perrin reported that the shore clean up will begin by meeting at 10:00 a.m. at Spirit Square on September 26, 2009. The cleanup will encompass Rendall Park to sewage plant along the shore. She will supply gloves and bags. Anyone who would like to participate to please let her know.

Ms. Perrin also reported that in Juneau, Alaska they have cigarette butt disposal units available on the beach.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Perry

Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

That the meeting be adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

CARRIED

Certified a true and correct copy of the minutes of the
Regular Meeting of Council held September 21, 2009
in the Council Chambers, Village of Harrison Hot
Springs, BC


Ken Becotte
Mayor


Larry Burk
Chief Administrative Officer

