### VILLAGE OF HARRISON HOT SPRINGS MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

DATE:	April 20, 2010
TIME:	9:30 a.m.
PLACE:	Council Chambers

#### IN ATTENDANCE: Mayo Coun

Mayor Ken Becotte Councillor Dave Harris Councillor Bob Perry Councillor Allan Jackson Councillor Dave Kenyon

Ted Tisdale, Interim Chief Administrative Officer Dale Courtice, Director of Finance Andre Isakov, Community and Economic Development Officer Shawn Keim, Accounts Clerk (Recorder) Chris Wilson, Fire Chief

# (1) Call to <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>

Mayor Becotte called the meeting to order at 09:34 a.m.

### (2) <u>ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION</u>

#### 2010 Budget <u>2010 Budget</u>

Order

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Information provided by the Fire Chief regarding the flushing of sewer lines and the requirement to have MarTech complete the work which will require an additional contribution of \$3,000.00 over and above what has already been budgeted for the project.

Water User fees were discussed with a view to increasing commercial user rates in addition to the 50% increase in residential user rates.

Water & Sewer Funds are now balanced without an increase to Commercial Users. Staff to investigate water user fees in other areas.

Director of Finance gave an overview of changes to the budget following the last meeting.

An amount of \$10,000.00 was identified as being required to fund a Joint Project with the District of Kent. A JEPP Grant was applied for in the amount of \$20,000.00 and the Villages contribution to the project is \$10,000.00. The District of Kent and the Agassiz Fire Department will each be contributing \$5,000.00. Council agreed that a commitment had been made and the funds would be included in the budget.

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A further \$10,000.00 was identified as being required to provide seed funding for expenses related to the newly established Events Coordinator's position.

A recess was taken at 10:50 a.m.; the meeting reconvened at 11:05 a.m.

### Moved by Councillor Jackson Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT a tax rate be set with a 10% rate increase for residential properties;

**AND FURTHER THAT** the tax ratio from business to residential be increased from a 3.1 to a 3.5 ratio.

#### CARRIED OPPOSED BY COUNCILLOR KENYON

Funding options for Memorial Hall were discussed; further funding sources are being investigated.

An increase in the Sewer Frontage and Water User rates was recommended.

The next meeting will be held on Friday, April 23, 2010 at 9:30 a.m.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

(3)

### <u>Moved by Councillor Perry</u> <u>Seconded by Councillor Harris</u>

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 11:52 a.m.

Ken Becotte Mayor

Ted Tisdale

CARRIED

Interim Chief Administrative Officer

Certified a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Special Council Meeting held April 20, 2010 in the Council Chambers, Village of Harrison Hot Springs, BC

Corporate Officer