VILLAGE OF HARRISON HOT SPRINGS MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING OF OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 937, 2010

DATE:	May 3, 2010
TIME:	7:00 p.m.
PLACE:	Council Chambers

IN ATTENDANCE: 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 Michael Rosen, Planning Consultant Andre Isakov, Community and Economic Development Officer Debra Key, Corporate Officer (Recorder)

ABSENT:

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

Order

Mayor Becotte called the public hearing to order at 7:00 p.m.

(2) PROCEDURE FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Becotte read the opening statement and procedure for conducting this public hearing convened pursuant to Sec 890 and 892 of the *Local Government Act*.

The Mayor read out the proposed amendment to the Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 937, 2010 for consideration.

The Mayor reported that no submissions were received.

Mayor Becotte provided the applicant an opportunity to make a brief presentation.

Michael Rosen

Michael Rosen provided a brief outline of the Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction Targets, Policies and Actions. He reported that the Provincial Government has mandated all municipalities in the Province to include in its Official Community Plan a bylaw for Greenouse Gas Emission Reductions by May of 2010 to set targets, policies and actions. This municipality engaged HBLanarc to help them work through the exercise of achieving a reduction in emissions. The bylaw has a goal to target the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions from the baseline of 2007 to the year 2020 of a reduction of 16%. The second part

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of the bylaw deals with actions Council could take over the years to work toward achieving the reduction. Land use, transportation, waste management and strategic matters are all issues in the bylaw and will deal on how we move around in the community and how we deal with heating and cooling buildings. This bylaw will create the opportunity to amend zoning and building bylaws. Council had requested that this bylaw be referred to the Fraser Valley Regional District. Discussions have taken place with them and they have advised that they have no issues with respect to the contents of the bylaw.

(3) <u>PUBLIC INPUT</u>

Mayor Becotte invited the public an opportunity to speak and provide comments and to speak once until all have had opportunity to be heard. Each speaker will have ample time for comment. Please stand and give your name and address.

Lillian Martin, 7200 Rockwell Drive

Unless we, as a society, get our greenhouse gas emissions under control, serious actions will occur and we will be immediately affected by such things as increased forest pest infestations. In the interior in the Province, the pine beetle has seriously affected property values. In the local area Hemlock looper is killing hemlock trees. In the forested areas we already have higher temperatures and lower rainfalls every summer.

We will have sometime a fire which will seriously affect property values. Asked Council to take action to seriously implement GHG emissions by all means possible in order to deal with all property values. One of the ways we can protect GHG is to protect our forested areas, eg. the east sector. With plans to have more people move into the area, this will increase our greenhouse gas emissions from transportation. Plea is to take the matter very seriously. The planet is in deep trouble, our Province is in deep trouble and our area is in deep trouble.

Mayor Becotte called for a second time for further submissions to Council.

Mayor Becotte asked a third time and final time if there was anyone else who would like to provide a comment or submission to Council regarding Bylaw No 937, 2010.

The public hearing concluded at 7:10 p.m.

Certified a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 937, 2010 in the Council Chambers, Village of Harrison Hot Springs, BC

Corporate Officer