

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

DATE: January 17, 2011
TIME: 7:00 p.m.
PLACE: Council Chambers

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

Ted Tisdale, Chief Administrative Officer
Andre Isakov, Community and Economic
Development Officer
Dale Courtice, Director of Finance
Michael Rosen, Planning Consultant
Debra Key, Corporate Officer (Recorder)

ABSENT: Councillor Allan Jackson

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT the agenda be approved.

**CARRIED ~
UNANIMOUSLY**

4. ADOPTION AND RECEIPT OF MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Harris

☐ Regular Council Meeting
Minutes – December 6, 2010

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of December 6,
2010 be adopted.

**CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY**

Moved by Councillor Perry
Seconded by Councillor Harris

☐ Special Council Meeting
Minutes – December 14, 2010

THAT the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of December 14,
2010 be adopted.

**CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY**

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❑ Special Council Meeting
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Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

THAT the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of January 6, 2011 be adopted.

**CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY**

❑ Public Hearing Record –
December 6, 2010

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Perry

THAT the record of the Public Hearing of Official Community Plan Bylaw Amendment Bylaw No. 955, 2010, Zoning Bylaw Amendment Bylaw No. 956, 2010 and Official Community Plan Bylaw Amendment Bylaw No. 957, 2010 of December 6, 2010 be adopted.

**CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY**

❑ Communities in Bloom
Committee Meeting Minutes
– September 16, 2010

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

THAT the minutes of the Communities in Bloom Committee Meeting of September 16, 2010 be received.

**CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY**

❑ Harrison Lake Harbour
Commission Meeting
Minutes – November 4, 2010

Moved by Councillor Perry
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT the minutes of the Harrison Lake Harbour Commission Meeting of November 4, 2010 be received.

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5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

6. PUBLIC AND STATUTORY HEARINGS

None

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7.

DELEGATIONS and PETITIONS

□ BC Assessment

Raj Sandhu, BC Assessment re 2011 Assessment Roll information

Raj Sandhu from BC Assessment provided brief highlights of 2011 Assessment Roll and how it will affect the citizens of Harrison Hot Springs. Factors that are considered – typical increases and decreases by property class, roll totals by property class and resources that are available to property owners.

Majority of assessments are based on market value. July 1 is evaluation date. The assessments that the property owners receive in January are six months old by the time you get them. October 31 is the permitted use or physical condition of house.

Factors that are considered are location of property, age, style, condition, land size, selling price and improvements, any other circumstances of value. Residential stratas, condos saw a 0%-10% increase, single family went up 5%, commercial properties -5% - 5%. These numbers were based on an overview of the market.

Most hotels experienced a little bit of a drop. Total assessment roll increased by about 5%. The 2011 non market roll change around \$600,000.

Resources available to property owners and public offered on the www.bcassessment.ca website. EValue BC is a new topic on website. Also available to owners is an online appeal form. Appeal deadline is January 31, 2011.

The Mayor thanked R. Sandhu for his presentation.

□ S. Key, Tourism Harrison

Stephanie Key, Tourism Harrison re Update

Stephanie Key provided a brief overview and powerpoint presentation of Tourism Harrison. They are primarily funded by the 2% Hotel Tax. Funds are used to market Harrison Hot Spring's initiatives and to raise awareness. Tourism Harrison directs marketing efforts through online, social media, newspaper, trade and consumer show efforts, etc. Tourism also has the fee for operator service agreement with the Village. Stats from Visitor Centre. Total # of visitors from 2009 – 2010 down 8.4% however emails inquiries up 13.5%. The website for Tourism Harrison has been updated to provide valuable information regarding multiple topics for the many visitors to the site. Traffic and virtual viewing format increases were discussed. This information is important to secure government funding.

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Challenges facing the tourism industry were noted. 2009 2% revenue was down from 2008 and 2010 expects to be down a bit further.

Ian Maw, HHS Resort and Spa discussed some of the Tourism issues affecting the Resort at this time.

Mayor Becotte thanked S. Key and I. Maw for their input.

Councillor Kenyon commended S. Key and I. Maw for their excellent efforts in promoting the Village.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

☐ Email from Fisheries and Oceans Canada re Draft Recovery Strategy and Proposed Critical Habitat for Salish Sucker

☐ Email from UBCM re Proposed Water Sustainability Act

9. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF CORRESPONDENCE

☐ Email from UBCM re Proposed Water Sustainability Act

Staff to review and report back to Council regarding any possible implications for Harrison.

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

None

10. REPORTS FROM MAYOR

There is still room in the Focus Group Session for the Village Rebranding. Reported that the in line survey is on the Village website.

- Attended Film Tour Group
- FVRD – held elections for Chair for FVRD, Director Patricia Ross, Chuck Stam as Vice Chair
- FVRD Hospital District Board Director Sharon Gaetz, Chair, John Smith as Acting Chair.
- Experience the Fraser – have been invited to take part in planning exercise end of January
- Business Excellence Awards February 24, 2011 – planning well underway
- National Non Smoking Week – this week “Weedless Wednesday”
- There will be a Community to Community Forum – March 1, 2011 in North Vancouver

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- Local Government Leadership Academy – Mayor and Councillor Perry will be attending February 16-18, 2011
- Federation of Canadian Municipalities – FCM Conference – Councillor Jackson, A. Isakov and Mayor will be attending
- Received letter from BC Timber Sales – additional information for timber sales. February 18, 2011.
- Memorial Hall is now completed – Grand re-opening Open House on February 3, 2011, 1:00 pm – 5:30 pm. There will be ribbon cutting and ceremony, refreshments and cake. Harrison Tourism and Chamber of Commerce will be co-hosting an Open House focused on the business community and business partners from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT all Regular Council meetings will be held in the Memorial Hall commencing February 14, 2011.

**CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY**

11. REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

Councillor Harris

- Attended Film Tour group dinner
- CIB meeting on January 20th at 7 pm

Councillor Kenyon

- Attended Film Tour

Councillor Jackson On Vacation

Councillor Perry

- Greeted Agassiz Library CEO and his assistant in December
- January 6, 2011 attended the Film Tour dinner
- Attended C2C Forum at Seabird Island

REPORTS FROM STAFF

□ Interim Audit Report –
December 9, 2010

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Perry

Report of Director of Finance – December 9, 2010
Re: Interim Audit Report

THAT Council receives the 2010 Interim Audit Report from McConnell, Voelkel dated December 3, 2010

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☐ Hemlock Resort Master Plan and Proposed Resort Expansion – January 11, 2011

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Harris

Report of Community and Economic Development Officer – January 11, 2011

Re: Hemlock Resort Master Plan and Proposed Resort Expansion

THAT Council endorses comments in this report, to be conveyed in a formal letter as a response to the Draft Hemlock Resort Master Plan from the Village of Harrison Hot Springs.

**CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY**

☐ Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) Program – January 11, 2011

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Harris

Report of Community and Economic Development Officer – January 11, 2011

Re: Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) Program

THAT Council support the attached resolution for the Village of Harrison Hot Springs to join the FCM-ICLEI (Local Governments for Sustainability) Partners for Climate Protection Program.

**CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY**

13.

BYLAWS

☐ Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 912, 2009 – January 10, 2011

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Harris

Report of Michael Rosen, Planning Consultant – January 10, 2011

Re: Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 912, 2009 (Tugboat Junction)

THAT Village of Harrison Hot Springs Zoning Bylaw Amendment Bylaw No. 912, 2009 be read a third time; and

THAT subject to the execution of the covenant, staff clarify access to the drainage ditch on the property.

**CARRIED
OPPOSED BY COUNCILLOR PERRY**

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☐ Business Licencing and
Regulation Bylaw No. 945, 2010

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT Business Licencing and Regulation Bylaw No. 945, 2010 be received for third reading.

**CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY**

☐ Council Procedure Bylaw No.
958, 2011

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

THAT Council Procedure Bylaw No. 958, 2011 be received for first reading as amended.

**CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY**

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT Council Procedure Bylaw No. 958, 2011 be received for second reading as amended.

**CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY**

Moved by Councillor Perry
Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

THAT Council Procedure Bylaw No. 958, 2011 be received for third reading as amended.

**CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY**

☐ Neighbourhood Planning Area
2 – Official Community Plan
Amendment Bylaw No. 962, 2011

Moved by Councillor Harris
Seconded by Councillor Kenyon

Report of Michael Rosen, Planning Consultant – January 10, 2011
Re: Neighbourhood Planning Area 2 – Official Community Plan Bylaw
Amendment No. 961, 2011

THAT Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 961, 2011 be read a first time;

THAT pursuant to Section 879 of the *Local Government Act*, the comments previously received by the Advisory Planning Commission, the Fraser Valley Regional District, the Economic Development Commission, and the Neighbourhood Planning Area Working Group, be considered sufficient for consultation purposes; and

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THAT staff be authorized to schedule a public information meeting regarding Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 961, 2011 prior to the holding of a public hearing.

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14.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

A member of the public asked when the next Special Budget meeting will be held. The Director of Finance reported that it should be early February.

A member of the public asked if all other issues were settled regarding Tugboat Junction.

A member of the public commented on past films that have occurred in Harrison Hot Springs.

A member of the public asked what the time frame will be for the Public Information meeting regarding the Neighbourhood Planning Area.


ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Kenyon
Seconded by Councillor Harris

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

**CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY**


Ken Becotte
Mayor


Debra Key
Corporate Officer