

**VILLAGE OF HARRISON HOT SPRINGS
MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING**

DATE: May 15, 2012
TIME: 10:00 a.m.
PLACE: Council Chambers

IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor Leo Facio
Councillor Sonja Reyerse
Councillor Zoltan Kiss
Councillor Allan Jackson

CAO, Ted Tisdale
Manager of Revenue Services, Peggy Parbery
Operations Manager, Ian Gardner
Community Economic Development Officer, Andre Isakov
Director of Finance, Dale Courtice

ABSENT:

Recording Secretary, Krystal Sobie

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Facio called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

**Smoke Free Outdoor
Places**

Councillor Jackson is in favour of smoke free outdoor places but questions the logistics on policing this matter. Research should be done on other municipalities on how they patrol their beaches before anything is implemented.

Councillor Kiss raised a point of order with regards to adoption of the Agenda. Mayor Facio explained that the COW is a “Committee Meeting” and all items for action must be referred to a regular meeting of Council

Councillor Reyerse is in favour but agrees with the difficulty of patrolling this item.

Councillor Kiss left the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

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**Business Licensing and
Regulation Bylaw re: Busking**

Councillor Jackson is in favour of allowing all members of the community the opportunity to obtain a busking permit if desired.

Councillor Reyerse does not believe that there should be a restriction on the number of permits issued as they are not currently being charged for this permit.

Moved by Councillor Jackson

THAT Bylaw No. 945 Business Licensing Regulation Bylaw be referred to Council with the intent to amend the Bylaw by deleting 21 (b) (vii).

CARRIED

UNANIMOUSLY

**Economic Development
Plan Update**

Community Economic and Development Officer, Andre Isakov provided Council with a power point presentation with an overview of the economic development plan progress to date.

Councillor Reyerse inquired if there was a time line for the action items. Andre Isakov noted that each item has different time lines as they all have their own struggles associated with them.

It was discussed to work with Harrison Tourism to get Harrison's name out to the general public to attract more development and visitors.

Moved by Councillor Jackson

THAT staff research as to where a piece of land can be purchased that would be suitable for a parking facility in the future and report back to Council.

CARRIED

UNANIMOUSLY

**Infrastructure/Water
Treatment and Looping
Update**

Operations Manager, Ian Gardner provided Council with an update. The Village's engineering firm, CTQ has almost completed the grant application.

Dog Park

Ian Gardner, Operations Manager informed Council that there has been two areas identified for the dog park; east end of Randall Park or Canoe Cove.

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Tree Protection Bylaw

Chief Administrative Officer, Ted Tisdale noted that with the existing Tree Protection Bylaw there is no flexibility and as an example no authorization for owners to take down a tree that is causing structural or foundation damage.

Beach Swim Rope

Councillor Jackson noted that people should not have to receive a tree cutting permit to prune trees on their own property, or remove trees that cause or could cause structural damage to buildings.

Sewer Sanitary Repair (I&I) Update

Councillor Jackson suggested that the swim rope be extended to the end of Rendall park to discourage boats coming in and tying up to the beach and interfering with the swimmers. The Operations Manager will look into costing and report back to Council.

Realty Signs

Operations Manager, Ian Gardner informed Council that the I & I project has been completed and came in under budget.

Councillor Reyerse suggested that the Sign Bylaw be looked at for clarification and amended if necessary to discourage signs in front of the Village office, front entrance to Harrison and the corner of Hot Springs Road and Walnut.

3. REPORTS FROM MAYOR, REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

The Committee of the Whole is a meeting for discussion of items. If the Committee of the Whole agenda needed to be approved the appropriate apologies will be made and will be fixed for the next Committee of the Whole meeting

4. DELEGATIONS

5. STAFF REPORTS

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PUBLIC QUESTIONS

Q. If fencing is necessary in the Village will Council consider purchasing black chain link fencing to keep with the OCP design guidelines?

Q. Is there a cost to a busking permit?

A. No

Q. Could some of the RMI funds be used to attract qualified buskers from Vancouver?

A. Last year Harrison sponsored their fuel costs.

Q. When will Harrison secure a lease for the foreshore?

A. This discussion is under way with the Province.

Q. Can you provide clarification on Whippoorwill point?

7.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Jackson

Seconded by Councillor Reyerse

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 11:06 a.m.



Leo Facio
Mayor

CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY


Debra Key
Corporate Officer