

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

**DATE:** May 1, 2013  
**TIME:** 7:00 p.m.  
**PLACE:** Memorial Hall, 290 Esplanade Road, Harrison  
Hot Springs, BC

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Mayor Leo Facio  
Councillor John Buckley  
Councillor Zoltan Kiss

Ted Tisdale, Chief Administrative Officer  
Debra Key, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer/CO  
Dale Courtice, Director of Finance  
Ian Gardner, Operations Manager

**ABSENT:** Councillor Allan Jackson  
Councillor Sonja Reyerse

Recorder: Debra Key

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

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

**2. LATE ITEMS**

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Moved by Councillor Buckley**  
**Seconded by Mayor Facio**

THAT the Special Council Meeting agenda be approved.

**CARRIED  
UNANIMOUSLY**

**4. DELEGATIONS**

**5. REPORTS OF STAFF**

2013 Budget

The Director of Finance provided a Power Point Presentation of the 2013 Financial Budget outlining a summary of the Financial Plan for the years 2013 – 2022 and some key points on:

- Community Charter requirements
- Budget highlights for 2013

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- Assessment information
- Tax rate information and comparisons
- Expenditure information
- Revenue information

6.

**BYLAWS**

Bylaw 1037 for Introduction and Three Readings

**Moved by Councillor Buckley**

**Seconded by Councillor Kiss**

That the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Financial Plan Bylaw No. 1037, 2013 be given first, second and third readings.

**CARRIED  
UNANIMOUSLY**

Bylaw 1038 for Introduction and Three Readings

**Moved by Councillor Buckley**

**Seconded by Councillor Kiss**

That the Village of Harrison Hot Springs Tax Rate Bylaw No. 1038, 2013 be given first, second and third readings.

**CARRIED  
UNANIMOUSLY**

7.

**QUESTION PERIOD**

8.

Q. There is no point asking questions as the public was not allowed to ask questions after the presentation.

A. The public was present at earlier public meetings and had opportunity to ask questions at that time.

Q. What about the process – stakeholders should have had opportunity. There was no opportunity to ask questions. Stated he is frustrated that I can't get answers at Village Office.

A. Any member of public has opportunity to attend the Village Office to ask questions.

Q. The Director of Finance is not accountable to me, the Mayor is.

A. The Director of Finance is a Certified General Accountant and has presented a balanced budget.

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Q. What is Own Sources?

A. This includes things like user fees, utility service fees.

Q. Will there be an increase in utility user fees this year?

A. Sewer user fees were increased due to the construction upgrade to the Waste Water Treatment Plant. The new Water Treatment Plant may incur increases in approximately 6 months.

Q. Where do I get more in depth information on the RMI?

A. CHPA presented a beachfront plan but the scope has been changed. Council has now approved Block 1 Esplanade for streetscape improvements.

Q. Glad to see Event Coordination

A. This has been beneficial to the Village – last year there were 10 events and new ones are coming, hopefully this will be a boost to businesses.

Q. A member of the public stated he didn't see the impact of the 2012 budget and surplus. The surplus from 2012 should be passed on to the residents.

A. Some years the surplus is brought into revenue, but a decision was made to reserve for emergencies in the event of an unexpected situation.

Q. Shouldn't it be shown in the budget?

A. This information will be included in the Financial Statements.

Q. Once this budget is adopted, does any deviation require Council motion?

A. Yes

Q. There is no revenue showing for the boat launch. There is no contract language for any more revenue. You are denying people of Harrison jobs. There has been no allocation for elections. You should be putting in \$20,000 each year.

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A. There is no line item for elections – it is grouped under General Administration expenses.

Q. There has been no public consultation for Block 1.

A. The OCP states that Council will work toward establishing an attractive and appealing streetscape.


**ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved by Councillor Buckley**  
**Seconded by Councillor Kiss**

**THAT** the meeting be adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

**CARRIED  
UNANIMOUSLY**

  
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Leo Facio  
Mayor

  
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Debra Key  
Corporate Officer