

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

**DATE:** Tuesday, October 1, 2019  
**TIME:** 7:00 p.m.  
**PLACE:** Council Chambers  
495 Hot Springs Road, Harrison Hot Springs, BC

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mayor Leo Facio  
Councillor Samantha Piper  
Councillor Ray Hooper  
Councillor Gerry Palmer  
Councillor Michie Vidal (*attended by telephone*)

Chief Administrative Officer, Madeline McDonald  
Deputy Chief Administrative Officer/CO, Debra Key  
Community Services Coordinator, Rhonda Schell  
Infrastructure Manager, Troy Davis  
Planning Consultant, Ken Cossey

**ABSENT:** None

*Recording Secretary: Pat Perna*

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

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

**Moved by Councillor Piper**  
**Seconded by Councillor Palmer**

THAT Councillor Vidal be permitted to participate in the meeting via telephone.

**CARRIED  
UNANIMOUSLY**  
*RC-2019-10-01*

**2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS**

None

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Moved by Councillor Piper**  
**Seconded by Councillor Vidal**

THAT the agenda be approved.

**CARRIED  
UNANIMOUSLY**  
*RC-2019-10-02*

**4. ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES**

**Moved by Councillor Piper**  
**Seconded by Councillor Hooper**

THAT the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of September 9, 2019 be adopted.

**CARRIED  
UNANIMOUSLY**  
*RC-2019-10-03*

**5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

None

**6. CONSENT AGENDA**

i. Bylaws

(a) Intermunicipal Business Licence Bylaw No. 1144, 2019

ii. Committee/Commission Minutes

(a) Age Friendly Committee Meeting Minutes of July 18, 2019

**Moved by Councillor Piper**  
**Seconded by Councillor Palmer**

THAT the Intermunicipal Business Licence Bylaw No. 1144, 2019 be adopted; and

THAT the Age Friendly Committee Meeting Minutes of July 18, 2019 be received.

**CARRIED  
UNANIMOUSLY**  
*RC-2019-10-04*

**7. DELEGATIONS/PETITIONS**

(a) Royal Canadian Legion Branch No. 32, Linda Pickell and Ed Arndt  
Re: Liberation of Holland

Linda Pickell spoke to the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Liberation of Holland and the red tulip sales fundraiser and declaration of May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020.

The Chief Administrative Officer advised that over 100 bulbs have been purchased by the Village of Harrison Hot Springs and another 50 bulbs were purchased and donated by Councillor Piper.

(b) Ed Wood

Re: Petition to Stop the Proposed Development of a New Civic and Cultural Hub Facility

Ed Wood spoke against the proposed development of a new civic and cultural hub facility.

The petition was received as correspondence.

Mayor Facio provided an overview of the development process and meetings held from the beginning of the proposed development to the present date.

**8. CORRESPONDENCE**

None

## **9. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE**

None

## **10. REPORTS OF COUNCILLORS, COMMITTEES, COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AND COMMISSIONS**

### **Councillor Piper**

- Attended the Citizen's Advisory Committee meeting on September 16, 2019
- Attended the Community to Community meeting on September 17, 2019
- Attended the Joint Kent/Harrison Emergency Program meeting on September 18, 2019 and provided an overview of the reports from the Emergency Program Coordinator and the Emergency Support Services Coordinator
- Attended the Harrison Tourism Society Board of Directors meeting on September 18, 2019
- Lights by the Lake is moving forward as planned and congratulated Stephanie from Tourism for submitting a successful grant application for marketing support dedicated to Lights by the Lake
- Reported that Tara Ryder has stepped down as Chair of Tourism Harrison and the new Chair is Eric Towne
- Reported that the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Bands on the Beach was a very successful event with an estimated 500 people attending each day of the event
- Reported on other upcoming events: the Harrison Beer Festival October 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, Lights by the Lake launching November 23<sup>rd</sup> and running through January 12<sup>th</sup>, and the Christmas Tree Trail running November 23<sup>rd</sup> to January 1<sup>st</sup>
- Attended the UBCM Annual General Meeting and Convention September 23 to 27, 2019 and reported that the two resolutions submitted to the UBCM made it to the floor and received support from the Board and will be forwarded to the Province for consideration
- Reported that October 1, 2019 marks the launch of Purple Light Nights: an event raising the awareness of preventing domestic violence, which is running from October 1 through October 31, 2019

### **Councillor Vidal**

- Attended the Truth and Reconciliation Planning Committee meeting on September 12, 2019 for the event taking place on October 30, 2019 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm
- Attended the Four Seasons Summer Gathering at Seabird Island on September 13, 2019
- Attended the Annual Agassiz Fall Fair and participated in the Celebrity Goat Milking competition on September 14, 2019
- Participated in the Annual Terry Fox Run September 15, 2019
- Attended the Community to Community meeting on September 17, 2019
- Attended the BC Gaming Grant Workshop in Chilliwack on September 18, 2019
- Attended the Agassiz Harrison Healthy Communities meeting on September 19, 2019
- Reported that the Agassiz Recreation Centre is now offering two free work out activities for seniors over the age of 75
- Reported that the Flu Clinic is at the Memorial Hall on Oct 30<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 am until noon
- Attended the UBCM Annual General Meeting and Convention September 23 to 27, 2019 and attended numerous forums including:

- Prioritizing Emergency Management, which introduced the new generation of 911 going into effect next June;
- Towards Parity and Breaking Down Barriers, which highlight a national action through FCM to support more women to run in local government election;
- Small Talk, which highlighted innovative projects being undertaken by small communities in British Columbia;
- The Municipal Insurance Association of British Columbia's Annual General Meeting;
- The Community Excellence Awards Ceremony, where the Village of Harrison Hot Springs was presented with an honourable mention award for excellence in sustainability;
- The Village of Harrison Hot Springs Council along with the District of Kent Council met with Minister Farnworth to lobby for additional RCMP resources;
- A Provincial Cabinet Townhall meeting on Reconciliation and Moving Forward Together
- Thanked Councillor Piper for speaking on behalf of the Village on the two resolution that were presented

#### **Councillor Hooper**

- Attended the Agassiz Harrison Historical Society meeting at Agassiz Museum on September 11, 2019
- Attended the Seabird Island 2-day open event on September 13, 2019
- Attended the Community to Community meeting on September 17, 2019
- Attended the UBCM Annual General Meeting and Convention September 23 to 26, 2019
- Participated in a webinar on lost voters (permanent residents) with the British Columbia Civil Liberties Association on September 20, 2019
- Participated in a series of webinars with the Tamarack Institute on Engaging Underrepresented Youth:
  - Series #1: Scoping a Common Agenda on September 12, 2019
  - Series #2: Building Towards Success Through Sheared Measurement on September 18, 2019
  - Series #3: Engaging Partners Through Mutually Reinforcing Activities on September 21, 2019
  - Series #4: Getting the Work Done on September 30, 2019

(a) Report from Councillor Hooper, Chair, Age Friendly Committee – September 25, 2019

Re: Motions of the Age Friendly Committee

The Community Services Coordinator presented a report on behalf of the Age Friendly Committee.

**Moved by Councillor Piper**

**Seconded by Councillor Hooper**

That the recommendations in the report from Councillor Hooper dated September 25, 2019 from the Age-Friendly Committee be referred to the next Committee of the Whole meeting in November, 2019.

**CARRIED  
UNANIMOUSLY**

*RC-2019-10-05*

### **Councillor Palmer**

- Attended the Library Board meeting on September 18, 2019

### **11. MAYOR'S REPORT**

- Attended the UBCM Annual General Meeting and Convention September 23 to 27, 2019 and reported on the following:
  - Attended the Community Excellence Awards Ceremony where the Village of Harrison Hot Springs received the honourable mention award for the Village's LED lighting
  - Attended the Collaborative Mayors' meeting for the 14 resort communities to discuss ongoing decisions to be made in regards to the program eligibility of the hotel tax (RMI Program)
  - Attended a presentation made by former CBC newscaster Peter Mansbridge
  - The Climate Awareness demonstration held with over 100,000 attending from all parts of the world
  - The protest demonstration of approximately 250 loggers of British Columbia to lobby against the closing of 89 mills since January 2019
  - The Rural Dividend Fund being put on hold to instead help out the mills that are closing down
  - Thanked Councillor Piper for her excellent presentation on the wildfire smoke, which resulted in the success of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs resolutions
  - Maja Tait, Mayor, Sooke, announced as the new UBCM President
  - An overview of the resolutions passed
  - The Royal Air Force Red Arrows aerial display over the harbour
  - The ministry announcement of 22,000 new homes in 90 communities to be started and completed
  - The meeting with Minister Farnworth to increase policing
  - Small Talk Forum special presentations
  - Thanked all the councillors for participating in the sessions over the five days
  - The meetings with the Minister of Health, Minister of Highways, and Ministry of Education and advised them of the excellent treatment in the hospital
- Reported on fake news situations and social media and requested the public speak with staff for clarification on items in the community
- Reported on the upcoming "Let's Talk Housing in Harrison" on October 18, 2019

### **12. REPORTS FROM STAFF**

- (a) Report of the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer/CO – September 17, 2019  
Re: Results of the Alternative Approval Process – Medical Clinic

**Moved by Councillor Hooper**  
**Seconded by Councillor Piper**

THAT a written response be forwarded to Fraser Health advising of the decision of Council of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs not to provide financial contribution towards the costs of a medical clinic facility.

**CARRIED**  
**UNANIMOUSLY**  
RC-2019-10-06

- (b) Report of Planning Consultant – September 24, 2019  
Re: Referral and to Set Up a Public Notification Meeting – 410 Echo Avenue

**Moved by Councillor Piper**  
**Seconded by Councillor Hooper**

That staff be authorized to refer the attached draft Zoning Amendment bylaw to the APC, and

THAT staff be directed to request that the applicant set up a public notification meeting, as per s 11.0 of the Village’s Development Procedures Bylaw 1090, 2016.

**CARRIED**  
**UNANIMOUSLY**  
*RC-2019-10-07*

**Moved by Councillor Palmer**  
**Seconded by Councillor Piper**

THAT the public notification requirements under the Development Procedures Bylaw be increased from 30 meters to 100 meters.

**CARRIED**  
**UNANIMOUSLY**  
*RC-2019-10-08*

- (c) Report of the Planning Consultant – September 24, 2019  
Re: Seeking Input from the Advisory Planning Commission (APC) – 622 Hot Springs Road

**Moved by Councillor Piper**  
**Seconded by Councillor Palmer**

THAT staff be authorized to refer the attached draft Zoning Amendment bylaw to the Advisory Planning Commission (APC).

**CARRIED**  
**UNANIMOUSLY**  
*RC-2019-10-09*

- (d) Report of the Community Services Coordinator – September 25, 2019  
Re: Synthetic Outdoor Rink Name

Discussion ensued on the following:

- Implementing the name Sasquatch into the name
- Seeking public input for suggestions via a name the rink contest
- Requesting Tourism Harrison to work with staff to promote the rink naming contest
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**Moved by Councillor Palmer**  
**Seconded by Councillor Piper**

THAT the Synthetic Outdoor Rink Name report be referred back to staff to prepare a public consultation process for the naming of the rink.

**CARRIED**  
**UNANIMOUSLY**  
*RC-2019-10-10*



- (e) Report of Community Services Coordinator – September 25, 2019  
Re: Housing Needs Update

**Moved by Councillor Palmer**  
**Seconded by Councillor Piper**

THAT staff be directed to assist the non-profit organization for an extreme weather shelter by providing funds to pay for a land use development application fee, in the event an application is received.

**CARRIED  
UNANIMOUSLY**  
*RC-2019-10-11*

**13. BYLAWS**

- (a) Report of the Planning Consultant – September 24, 2019  
Re: Text Changes to Zoning Bylaw No. 1115, 2017

**Moved by Councillor Vidal**  
**Seconded by Councillor Piper**

THAT Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1145, 2019 be given first and second reading;  
and

THAT staff be authorized to set up a Public Hearing.

**CARRIED  
UNANIMOUSLY**  
*RC-2019-10-12*

**14. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC (pertaining to agenda items only)**

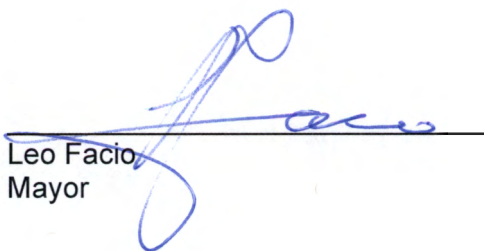
Questions from the public were entertained.

**15. ADJOURNMENT**

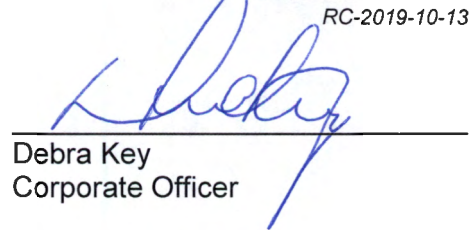
**Moved by Councillor Palmer**  
**Seconded by Councillor Piper**

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 9:37 p.m.

**CARRIED  
UNANIMOUSLY**  
*RC-2019-10-13*



Leo Facio  
Mayor



Debra Key  
Corporate Officer