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

DATE: Monday, May 3, 2021

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

PLACE: Council Chambers, Memorial Hall

290 Esplanade Avenue, Harrison Hot Springs, BC

IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor Leo Facio

Councillor Samantha Piper Councillor Ray Hooper Councillor Gerry Palmer Councillor Michie Vidal

Chief Administrative Officer, Madeline McDonald Community Services Manager, Rhonda Schell

Financial Officer, Tracey Jones

**ABSENT: None** 

Recording Secretary: Jaclyn Bhatti

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Facio called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Facio acknowledged the traditional territory of Sts'ailes.

### 2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

Rise and Report from May 3, 2021 Closed Council Meeting

#### 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Piper
Seconded by Councillor Vidal

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RC-2021-05-01

#### 4. ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Palmer Seconded by Councillor Piper

THAT the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of April 19, 2021 be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RC-2021-05-02

#### 5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

### 6. CONSENT AGENDA

- i. Bylaws
- ii. Agreements
- iii. Committee/Commission Minutes
- iii. Correspondence
  - (a) Letter dated April 1, 2021 from the Town of View Royal
    Re: Request for Authority and Training for Hospital Security Staff
  - (b) Letter dated April 23, 2021 from the Peace River Regional District Re: Lack of funding Invasive Plant Management

## Moved by Councillor Piper Seconded by Councillor Vidal

THAT the correspondence be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RC-2021-05-03

## 7. DELEGATIONS/PETITIONS

None

## 8. CORRESPONDENCE

None

## 9. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

None

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

#### **Councillor Hooper**

- Agassiz Harrison Historical Society no report
- Fraser Health
  - April 20, 2021 attended a BC Citizens Response Network Zoom meeting on the End of Life
  - April 21, 28, & 30, 2021 attended Zoom meetings and training with the Canadian National Institute for the Blind
  - April 23, 2021 attended a Zoom meeting with Fraser Health regarding pandemic updates
  - April 27, 2021 attended a Zoom meeting with the Tamarack Institute
  - April 28, 2021 attended a Zoom meeting with the Tamarack Institute on Equity and Racism

- May 3, 2021 attended the pre-training session for the End of Poverty Conference with the Tamarack Institute
- Fraser Valley Regional Library Board no report

#### **Councillor Palmer**

- Fraser Valley Regional Library Board attended the April 28, 2021 meeting
- Kent Harrison Joint Emergency Program Committee attended the April 28, 2021 meeting
- Public Art Committee no report

#### **Councillor Piper**

- Corrections Canada Citizens Advisory Committee attended the April 27, 2021 online meeting
- Harrison Agassiz Chamber of Commerce no report
- Kent Harrison Joint Emergency Program Committee attended the April 28, 2021
   Zoom meeting
- Tourism Harrison no report
- Attended the April 26, 2021 Canada Day Planning Meeting

#### **Councillor Vidal**

- Agassiz Harrison Healthy Communities no report
- Fraser Valley Regional District Board no report
- Fraser Valley Regional District Hospital Board no report
- Attended the April 23, 2021 Lower Mainland Local Government Association Executive Board Meeting

#### 11. MAYOR'S REPORT

- Reported that Todd Richard has released "Green and Blue" a tribute to the front-line healthcare workers.
- Reported that Tourism Harrison has rebranded as the Harrison River Valley to incorporate other local communities and new tourism partners.
- Reported that April 28, 2021 was the National Day of Mourning.
- Reported that May 4, 2021 is International Firefighters Day.
- Attended the RCMP Mayors' Forum on April, 21, 2021.
- Attended the Fraser Health Stakeholders Meeting.
- Attended a meeting with RMI Mayors
- Attended a meeting Public Safety Minister Mike Farnworth and Municipal Affairs Minister Josie Osborne on April 27, 2021 regarding the new travel restriction.
- Attended the April 26, 2021 Canada Day Planning meeting, this year will be another virtual event.
- Interviewed graduating students from Agassiz Elementary Secondary School for their Career Life Connections Capstone Project.
- Attended the April 28 2021 Kent Harrison Emergency Program Committee Meeting.
- Reported on the Fraser Valley Regional District Quarterly Update.

## 12. REPORTS FROM STAFF

(a) Report of the Chief Administrative Officer – May 3, 2021 (verbal) Re: Fire Truck Purchase

The Chief Administrative Officer reported that a resolution made at an In Camera meeting held on May 3, 2021 was approved for release to the public as follows:

"1. THAT the Village purchase a 2022 Spartan Metro Star Pumper Truck from Fort Garry Fire Trucks at a cost of \$629,592.00 plus taxes, for a net cost not to exceed \$675,000 FOB Harrison Hot Springs; and

THAT a down payment in the amount of \$302,000 be approved for payment within the 2021 budget cycle; and

THAT an additional \$340,810 be paid upon arrival of the truck chassis at Fort Garry Fire Trucks in Winnipeg, which is anticipated to be in 2021; and

THAT funding for the Pumper Truck be supplemented from surplus in the amount of \$200,000 and the balance from Fire Department Reserves;

2. THAT an additional \$10,000 in spending, from Fire Department Reserves, be approved to complete modifications to the vehicle post-delivery."

#### 13. BYLAWS

(a) Report of Financial Officer – April 26, 2021Re: Tax Rate Bylaw No. 1162, 2021

Moved by Councillor Piper
Seconded by Councillor Palmer

THAT Tax Rate Bylaw No. 1162, 2021 be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY RC-2021-05-04

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

There were no questions from the public.

## 15. ADJOURNMENT

# Moved by Councillor Piper Seconded by Councillor Palmer

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RC-2021-05-05

- Leo Facio

Mayor

Debra Key

Corporate Officer