

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

DATE: Monday, December 6, 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
Financial Officer, Tracey Jones-Piron
Community Services Manager, Rhonda Schell
Planning Consultant, Ken Cossey

ABSENT:

Recording Secretary: T. Kafi

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

- Urban Forest Master Plan Contract award – Verbal Report from In Camera meeting of December 6, 2021

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Piper
Seconded by Councillor Vidal

THAT the agenda be approved.

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RC-2021-12-01

4. ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Palmer
Seconded by Councillor Piper

THAT the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of November 1, 2021 be adopted as amended.

ERRORS AND OMISSIONS

On Page 3, under 11 Mayor's Report, bullet number 4, should read: "Reported that Dave Sidhu was elected to Council in a bi-election in Abbotsford".

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5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

6. CONSENT AGENDA

- i. Bylaws
- ii. Agreements
- iii. Committee/Commission Minutes
- iii. Correspondence

None

7. DELEGATIONS/PETITIONS

- (a) Attila Hertel & Janice Zhang, IBI Group
Re: Parking Master Plan

Mr. Hertel provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Parking Master Plan preliminary findings.

- (b) Gretchen Tardif & Elaine Horon, Upanup
Re: Village Website Redesign

Ms. Tardif provided a PowerPoint presentation and live demonstration of the new Village website

8. CORRESPONDENCE

- (a) Letter dated November 2, 2021 from Jennifer Todd
Re: Request for permanent washroom facility at Spring Park

Moved by Councillor Piper
Seconded by Councillor Vidal

THAT the letter dated November 2, 2021 from Jennifer Todd be received.

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9. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

Moved by Councillor Vidal
Seconded by Councillor Hooper

THAT the letter of request be referred back to staff to investigate costs, feasibility and location for an all-weather facility in Spring Park, including an option for the brand name "Portland Loo". This report to be brought back for consideration in the 2022 budget.

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

Councillor Hooper

- Agassiz Harrison Historical Society
 - Attended a meeting on November 9, 2021
- Fraser Health
 - Attended a zoom meeting with Fraser Health on November 19, 2021
 - Attended a webinar by the Alzheimer Society of BC on November 3 and 10, 2021
 - Attended meetings with the Tamarack Institute on November 10 and 17, 2021
 - Attended a meeting with the BC Lung Foundation
 - Attended meetings with CNIB on November 3, 10, 12, 17 and December 1, 2021
 - Attended a zoom meeting with CRN on the Christmas holiday increase of abuse
- Fraser Valley Regional Library Board (Alternate Municipal Director) – no report
- Visited flooded or nearly flooded homes in the Village on the week of November 29, 2021

Councillor Palmer

- Fraser Valley Regional Library Board (Municipal Director)
 - Attended the November meeting of the FVRL Board
- Kent Harrison Joint Emergency Program Committee – no report
- Public Art Committee – no report

Councillor Piper

- Corrections Canada Citizens Advisory Committee
 - Attended a webinar on victims of Canadian Federal Offenders on November 2, 2021
- Harrison Agassiz Chamber of Commerce
 - Attended a virtual meeting on November 9, 2021
 - Attended the AGM and regular meeting on November 18, 2021
- Kent Harrison Joint Emergency Program Committee – no report
- Tourism Harrison – no report
- Met with Recovery Advisor Derek Hansen of Sto:lo Community Futures and Community Futures North Fraser on November 5, 2021
- Attended the LMLGA Civx Forum on November 15 - 17, 2021

Councillor Vidal

- Agassiz Harrison Healthy Communities
 - Attended a meeting on November 18, 2021
- Fraser Valley Regional District Board (Alternate Municipal Director) – no report
- Fraser Valley Regional District Hospital Board (Alternate Municipal Director) – no report
- Attended the LMLGA Civx Forum on November 15- 17, 2021
- Attended the Lower Mainland Executive Board meeting on November 18, 2021

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11. MAYOR'S REPORT

- Extended his support and best wishes to all communities in the Fraser Valley affected by the November floods and complemented the Chair and CAO of the FVRD for their outstanding work during the emergency
- Confirmed that the Miami River flood gates and pumps were operating properly throughout the recent high water emergency event and that the Village crew kept all utility systems operational under extraordinarily challenging circumstances. Thanked all Village staff for their work during the emergency event.
- Reported on a November 24, 2021 letter sent to the Honorable Ravi Kahlon, Minister of Jobs, Economic Recovery and Innovation advocating financial assistance for the business community and reminded anyone who was affected by the floods to apply for Disaster Financial Assistance through the Province.
- Reported on the ongoing conversation with Fraser Health regarding Rural Cooling Centers
- Reported on the November 12, 2021 Fraser Valley Regional and Corporate Services Committee meeting and the November 25, 2021 Fraser Valley Board of Directors and Hospital Board Meeting
- Recognized Agassiz Ready-Mix for their recent donation of gravel for sandbags
- Attended a meeting with Minister of Municipal Affairs, Josie Osbourne, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure, Rob Fleming, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, Mike Farnsworth and FVRD Chair Jason Lum, on roads in the area east of Agassiz to Hope on November 18, 2021

12. REPORTS FROM STAFF

- (a) Report of Planning Consultant – November 25, 2021
Re: Official Community Plan Review Consultation Strategy

Moved by Councillor Hooper
Seconded by Councillor Vidal

THAT Council adopt the above referenced OCP consultation plan, and

THAT Council authorize the release of the Building Awareness Report.

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- (b) Report of Financial Officer – November 30, 2021
Re: 2021 Audit Plan

Report received and filed.

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- (c) Report of Chief Administrative Officer – December 6, 2021 (Verbal)
Re: Urban Forest Master Plan Contract Award

The Chief Administrative Officer reported out that at the Regular In Camera Council Meeting of December 6, 2021, Council approved the following motion and that the motion be reported out at the Regular Council Meeting of December 6, 2021.

"THAT B.A. Blackwell & Associates Ltd. be awarded the contract to develop an Urban Forest Master Plan at a cost of up to \$75,000 plus GST"

13. BYLAWS

- (b) Report of Deputy Chief Administrative Officer/CO – October 26, 2021
Re: Amendments to Council Procedure Bylaw No. 1164, 2021

Moved by Councillor Hooper
Seconded by Councillor Vidal

THAT Council Procedure Bylaw No. 1173, 2021 be given first, second and third readings.

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14. NEW BUSINESS

None

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


Questions from the public were entertained.

16. ADJOURNMENT


Moved by Councillor Palmer
Seconded by Councillor Vidal

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

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Leo Facio
Mayor



Debra Key
Corporate Officer