

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

DATE: Monday, March 6, 2023

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

PLACE: Council Chambers, Memorial Hall
290 Esplanade Avenue, Harrison Hot Springs, BC

IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor Ed Wood
Councillor John Buckley
Councillor Leo Facio
Councillor Allan Jackson
Councillor Michie Vidal

Interim Chief Administrative Officer/ Acting CO, Kelly Ridley
Finance Manager, Scott Schultz
Operations Manager, Tyson Koch
Planning Consultant, Ken Cossey

ABSENT:

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

- Mayor Wood introduced Interim Chief Administrative Officer/Acting Corporate Officer, Kelly Ridley
- Mayor Wood reported that The Operations Manager, Tyson Koch, is now Acting Deputy Corporate Officer
- Councillor Vidal requested an additional item be added to New Business under 14(a) regarding a resolution to be forwarded to LMLGA regarding the formation of a Working Committee for Flood Disasters
- Items 13(d) and 13(e) be placed in section 12 of the agenda as 12(b) and 12(c)

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Facio
Seconded by Councillor Vidal

THAT the agenda dated March 6, 2023 be amended by adding a new item under 14(a) regarding a resolution to be forwarded to LMLGA regarding the formation of a Working Committee for Flood Disasters and Items 13(d) and 13(e) be placed in section 12 of the agenda as 12(b) and 12(c); and

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

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4. ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Vidal

Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of February 21, 2023 be adopted.

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UNANIMOUSLY**
RC-2023-03-02

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

6. CONSENT AGENDA

None

7. DELEGATIONS/PETITIONS

None

8. CORRESPONDENCE

- (a) Letter dated January 9, 2023 from the RCMP
Re: UBCM meeting with the BC RCMP
- (b) Letter dated February 16, 2023 from BC Communities in Bloom
Re: BC Communities in Bloom Invitation
- (c) Letter dated February 19, 2023 from The Chilliwack Plowing Society
Re: Invitation to Attend the Annual Plowing Match
- (d) Letter from Bob Flitton, Richard Fife and Jenny Peters
Re: Concerns Regarding Pay Parking Increase
- (e) Letter dated March 1, 2023 from Cathy Christiansen
Re: Council Meeting Location Change
- (f) Letter dated March 1, 2023 from John Allen
Re: Council Meeting Location Change
- (g) Letter dated February 24, 2023 from Gabriele Thornton
Re: Council Meeting Location Change
- (h) Letter dated February 25, 2023 from Wolfgang Thornton
Re: Council Meeting Location Change
- (i) Letter dated February 24, 2023 from Martin Elsasser
Re: Council Meeting Location Change

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- (j) Letter dated February 27, 2023 from Karen Lennerton
Re: Council Meeting Location Change
- (k) Letter dated February 27, 2023 from Cam Lennerton
Re: Council Meeting Location Change
- (l) Letter dated February 27, 2023 from Megan Heart
Re: Council Meeting Location Change
- (m) Letter dated March 1, 2023 from Deanna Jones
Re: Council Meeting Location Change
- (n) Letter dated February 22, 2023 from Rob Macken
Re: Council Meeting Location Change
- (o) Letter dated March 2, 2023 from the Emergency Planning Secretariat
Re: Support for Regional Geohazard Assessment Application

Moved by Mayor Wood
Seconded by Councillor Vidal

THAT the letter dated January 9, 2023 from the RCMP, letter dated February 16, 2023 from BC Communities in Bloom, letter dated February 19, 2023 from The Chilliwack Plowing Society, letter from Bob Flitton, Richard Fife and Jenny Peters, letter dated March 1, 2023 from Cathy Christiansen, letter dated March 1, 2023 from John Allen, letter dated February 24, 2023 from Gabriele Thornton, letter dated February 25, 2023 from Wolfgang Thornton, letter dated February 25, 2023 from Wolfgang Thornton, letter dated February 24, 2023 from Martin Elsasser, letter dated February 27, 2023 from Karen Lennerton, letter dated February 27, 2023 from Cam Lennerton, letter dated February 27, 2023 from Megan Heart, letter dated March 1, 2023 from Deanna Jones, letter dated February 22, 2023 from Rob Macken, and letter dated March 2, 2023 from the Emergency Planning Secretariat be received.

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9. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

Moved by Councillor Buckley
Seconded by Councillor Vidal

THAT a meeting be set up with Richard Fife, Jenny Peters and Bob Flitton to discuss the issues regarding parking attendants and parking spaces.

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Moved by Mayor Wood
Seconded by Councillor Jackson

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THAT Council meetings be held at the Memorial Hall permanently and the audio equipment be upgraded.

MOTION DEFEATED
OPPOSED BY COUNCILLORS FACIO, JACKSON, VIDAL AND BUCKLEY

Moved by Councillor Jackson
Seconded by

THAT the matter of Council meetings being held at Memorial Hall be tabled.

MOTION FAILED
LACK OF SECONDER

Moved by Councillor Facio
Seconded by Councillor Buckley

THAT Council of the Village of Harrison Hot Springs support participating in the regional geohazard risk assessment, with grant funding from UBCM's Disaster Risk Reduction-Climate Adaption program.

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

Councillor Buckley

- Agassiz Harrison Healthy Communities – No Report
- Fraser Valley Regional District Board (Alternate Municipal Director) – No Report
- Harrison Agassiz Chamber of Commerce – No Report

Councillor Facio

- Fraser Health – No Report
- Fraser Valley Regional District Board (Municipal Director)
 - Attended the Board of Directors meeting on February 23, 2023
- Fraser Valley Regional Library Board (Alternate Municipal Director) – No Report

Councillor Jackson

- Fraser Valley Regional Library Board (Municipal Director) – No Report
- Tourism Harrison – No Report

Councillor Vidal

- Community Futures North Fraser Board of Directors
 - Attended a meeting on February 28, 2023

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- Corrections Canada Citizen's Advisory Committee
 - Attended a meeting on March 1, 2023
- Kent Harrison Joint Emergency Program Committee – No Report
- Attended a Lets'emot C2C subcommittee meeting on March 1, 2023
- Attended a planning and training meeting for the Fraser Valley Regional District Homeless Count on March 1, 2023
- Attended an Earthwise Community Conversation group meeting on March 3, 2023

11. MAYOR'S REPORT

- Attended a meeting with Sgt. Mike Sargent and Insp. Darren Pankratz and was given an orientation on how the RCMP works between the local municipalities and Indigenous communities, and discussed the new recreational drug laws and how it will affect the Village.
- Phone conversation with MLA Kelli Paddon. The Province of BC is changing how grant application are awarded to be based mostly on population size. They are offering a grant of \$1,256,000 to be used at Council's discretion.
- A Committee of the Whole Workshop will take place on March 14 and 15, 2023 at 10:00 am to discuss the draft OCP.
- Received an enormous amount of correspondence recently. Gave thanks to everyone who has reached out and everyone attending the meeting for their continued support.

12. REPORTS FROM STAFF

- (a) Report of Planning Consultant – January 30, 2023
Re: Consideration on the issuance of the requested DVP

Moved by Councillor Buckley
Seconded by Councillor Facio

THAT Development Variance Permit 04/22 not be issued to Hayden and Richard Simon for the property located at 470 Emerald Ave, Harrison Hot Springs for the land legally described as:

Lot 30, Sec 12, Twp 4, Rg 29 W6M, New Westminster District Plan 35160.

CARRIED
OPPOSED BY COUNCILLORS FACIO AND JACKSON
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- (b) Report of Planning Consultant – February 27, 2023
Re: Proposed Townhouse Development (395 Pine)

Moved by Councillor Facio

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Seconded by Councillor Buckley

THAT OCP application file number 6520-20-OCP02/23 for the property located at 395 Pine Street and legally described as Parcel "A", (explanatory Plan 338823) Lot C, Sec 12, Twp 4 Rge 29 W6M New Westminster District Plan 10239 be denied.

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- (c) Report of Planning Consultant – February 27, 2023
Re: Proposed Townhouse Development (435 Pine)

Moved by Councillor Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Buckley

THAT OCP application file number 6520-20-OCP01/23 for the property located at 435 Pine Street and legally described as Lot D, Sec 12, Twp 4 Rge 29 W6M New Westminster District Plan 10239 be denied.

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RC-2023-03-08

13. BYLAWS

- (a) Highway and Traffic Amendment Bylaw No. 1185, 2023

Moved by Councillor Facio
Seconded by Councillor Vidal

THAT Highway and Traffic Amendment Bylaw No. 1185, 2023 be given final reading.

CARRIED
OPPOSED BY MAYOR WOOD AND COUNCILLOR BUCKLEY
RC-2023-03-09

- (b) Boat Launch Facility and Parking Lot Regulation Amendment Bylaw No. 1186, 2023

Moved by Councillor Vidal
Seconded by Councillor Buckley

THAT Boat Launch Facility and Parking Lot Regulation Amendment Bylaw No. 1186, 2023 be given final reading.

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- (c) Report of Finance Manager – February 28, 2023
Re: 2023-2027 Financial Plan Bylaw No. 1187, 2023

Moved by Councillor Facio
Seconded by Councillor Buckley

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THAT the 2023-2027 Financial Plan Bylaw No. 1187, 2023 be introduced and given first and second readings; and

THAT the 2023-2027 Financial Plan be forwarded for public consultation at an Open House to be held on March 20, 2023.

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14. NEW BUSINESS

(a) Request for Resolution regarding a Working Committee for Flood Disasters

Moved by Councillor Vidal
Seconded by Councillor Facio

THAT the Village of Harrison Hot Springs support the resolution "Working Committee for Flood Disasters" as developed by the Lets'emot C2C forum and it be forwarded to the LMLGA for their consideration at the LMLGA conference in May.

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

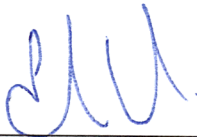
Questions from the public were entertained.

16. ADJOURNMENT

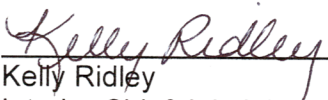
Moved by Councillor Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Facio

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

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Ed Wood
Mayor



Kelly Ridley
Interim Chief Administrative Officer/
Acting Corporate Officer