

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

DATE: Wednesday, November 8, 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 Allen
Councillor Leo Facio
Councillor Allan Jackson
Councillor Michie Vidal

Chief Administrative Officer, Tyson Koch
Chief Financial Officer/Deputy CAO, Scott Schultz
Corporate Officer, Amanda Graham
Community Services Manager, Christy Ovens
Operations Manager, Jace Hodgson (Via Zoom)
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 requested that a verbal report from the Chief Administrative Officer regarding the release of resolutions from a Closed Meeting be added as item 12(i) on the agenda.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Facio
Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT the agenda be approved as amended by adding a verbal report from the Chief Administrative Officer as item 12(i).

**CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY**
RC-2023-11-01

4. ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Allen
Seconded by Councillor Jackson

Errors and Omissions

On page 5 of the minutes the third line from the top should read "Discussion ensued surrounding public input at Advisory Planning Commission meetings."

THAT the Special Council Meeting minutes of October 12, 2023 be adopted as amended.

CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY
RC-2023-11-02

Moved by Councillor Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Vidal

THAT the Regular Council Meeting minutes of October 16 & 18, 2023 be adopted.

CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY
RC-2023-11-03

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Mayor Wood recalled the motion from item 14(c) at the October 16 & 18, 2023 Special Council meeting to be voted on again.

THAT staff be instructed to take no further action concerning these four oak trees until Council has had an opportunity to review the arborist report and explore preservation options for them.

CARRIED
OPPOSED BY COUNCILLORS FACIO AND VIDAL
RC-2023-11-04

Moved by Mayor Wood
Seconded by Councillor Allen

THAT the arborist report on the four oak trees on Lillooet Avenue West be received so that it can be released to the public.

CARRIED
OPPOSED BY COUNCILLORS FACIO AND VIDAL
RC-2023-11-05

6. CONSENT AGENDA

- iv. (a) Letter dated October 12, 2023 from the Deputy Commissioner, BC RCMP
Re: Recruiting
- (b) Letter dated October 15, 2023 from Megan Hart
Re: Proposed Bike Lanes
- (c) Letter dated October 15, 2023 from Dana Britton
Re: Proposed Bike Lanes
- (d) Email dated October 17, 2023 from BC Rural Health
Re: Support for Funding – REDIP Grant
- (e) Letter dated October 23, 2023 from MP Brad Vis
Re: Cannabis Act Review
- (f) Letter dated October 26, 2023 from Crystal Tremblay
Re: Proposed Bike Lanes
- (g) Letter dates October 26, 2023 from Jayne Fleming
Re: Proposed Bike Lanes and Speed Bump Request
- (h) Letter dated October 27, 2023 from to Inspector Donaldson from Paul Horn, FVRD Chair
Re: BC Highway Patrol
- (i) Email dated October 31, 2023 from the Minister of Children and Family Development
Re: Adoption Awareness Month

Moved by Councillor Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Vidal

THAT the Consent Agenda be received.

CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY
RC-2023-11-06

7. DELEGATIONS/PETITIONS

- (a) Robin Beukens, FVRD Planner
Re: Fraser Valley Future 2050 Regional Growth Strategy

Mr. Beukens provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Fraser Valley Future 2050 Regional Growth Strategy.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

None

9. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

None

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

Councillor Facio

- Fraser Health – No Report
- Fraser Valley Regional District Board (Municipal Director)
 - Attended a meeting on October 26, 2023
- Fraser Valley Regional Library Board (Alternate Municipal Director) – No Report

Councillor Vidal

- Community Futures North Fraser Board of Directors – No Report
- Corrections Canada Citizen's Advisory Committee – No Report
- Kent Harrison Joint Emergency Program Committee – No Report
- Attended a Chamber of Commerce event on November 2, 2023
- Attended a Special Council Meeting relating to the State of Local Emergency on November 1, 2023
- Attended a Committee of the Whole Meeting on November 7, 2023

Councillor Jackson

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

Councillor Allen

- No Report

11. MAYOR'S REPORT

- Reported on the State of Local Emergency that was called on November 1, 2023 and rescinded on November 3, 2023. Mayor Wood thanked all persons and businesses who offered help during the emergency and thanked staff for their hard work.

12. REPORTS FROM STAFF

- (a) Report of Municipal Advisor dated November 6, 2023
Re: Municipal Advisor's Final Report

Mr. Ron Poole attended via Zoom to present this report.

Moved by Councillor Vidal
Seconded by Councillor Facio

THAT Council receive the Municipal Advisor's Final report dated November 6, 2023,
and;

THAT Council approve and adopt all of the recommendations contained in the report as follows:

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1. THAT Council establish a professional education budget to recognize on-going elected official training.
2. THAT Council revise the current Procedure Bylaw.
3. THAT Council finalize the adoption of the Official Community Plan.
4. THAT Mayor and Council review and understand the existing Social Media Communications Policy (1.32).
5. THAT the CAO and Mayor continue with the regularly scheduled council agenda briefing meetings.
6. THAT Council establish a Council-CAO Covenant in order to ensure clarity of roles and to establish a respectful relationship.
7. THAT Council finalize and adopt a Code of Conduct.

and;

THAT staff develop a timeline for implementation of the recommendations and report back to Council on the timeline as soon as possible.

CARRIED
OPPOSED BY MAYOR WOOD AND COUNCILLOR ALLEN
RC-2023-11-07

- (b) Report of Planning Consultant dated November 6, 2023
Re: Rezoning Amendment Bylaw

Mayor Wood called item 12(b) out of order due to procedural fairness as per Section 9.0.1 of Development Procedures Bylaw No. 1090, 2016.

Councillor Vidal raised a point of order stating that the agenda has already been approved with item 12(b) and cannot be removed.

Moved by Mayor Wood
Seconded by Councillor Allen

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

CARRIED
OPPOSED BY COUNCILLORS FACIO AND VIDAL
RC-2023-11-08



Ed Wood
Mayor



Amanda Graham
Corporate Officer

