# VILLAGE OF HARRISON HOT SPRINGS MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL (PRE-CLOSED) MEETING OF COUNCIL

Tuesday, January 30, 2024 1:00 p.m. Council Chambers, Memorial Hall 290 Esplanade Avenue, Harrison Hot Springs, BC

**COUNCIL PRESENT:** 

Mayor Ed Wood

Councillor John Allen Councillor Leo Facio Councillor Allan Jackson Councillor Michie Vidal

**COUNCIL ABSENT:** 

STAFF PRESENT:

Tyson Koch, Chief Administrative Officer

Scott Schultz, Chief Financial Officer/Deputy CAO

Amanda Graham, Corporate Officer

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Wood called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Mayor Wood acknowledged the traditional territory of Sts'ailes.

# Moved by Councillor Facio Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT pursuant to Sections 90 and 92 of the *Community Charter*, this Special Meeting of Council be closed to the public as the subject matter being considered relates to the following:

- Section 90(1)(a) of the Community Charter personal information about an
  identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer,
  employee or agent of the municipality or another position appointed by the
  municipality.
- Section 90(1)(e) the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality;
- Section 90(2)(b) the consideration of information received and held in confidence relating to negotiations between the municipality and a provincial government or the federal government or both, or between a provincial government or the federal government or both and a third party.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY SC-2024-01-04

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#### 2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

Mayor Wood introduced a request from Councillor Facio to discuss the location of Closed Meetings.

Councillor Vidal raised a point of order that Council has not adjourned from the Pre-Closed to the Closed Meeting and that any late items should be added once the meeting is closed.

Mayor Wood overruled the point of order.

#### Moved by Councillor Facio Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT "Location of Closed Meetings" be added to the agenda as New Business.

### CARRIED OPPOSED BY MAYOR WOOD AND COUNCILLOR ALLEN

SC-2024-01-05

Councillor Allen raised a point of order that there is no New Business.

Mayor Wood clarified that this is a motion to add New Business to the agenda.

Mayor Wood introduced a request from Councillor Facio to discuss an allegation of breach of Social Media Policy and bullying against Councillor Allen.

#### Moved by Councillor Facio Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT "Allegation Against Councillor Allen of Breach of Social Media Policy and Bullying" be added to the agenda as New Business.

#### CARRIED OPPOSED BY MAYOR WOOD AND COUNCILLOR ALLEN SC-2024-01-06

Councillor Allen raised a point of order seeking clarification as to whether the above two late items had been added to the Special Pre-Closed or the Special Closed Council Meetina.

Mayor Wood clarified that the items had been added to the Special Pre-Closed Meeting agenda.

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#### 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

## Moved by Councillor Vidal Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT the agenda for the Special Pre-Closed Meeting of January 30, 2024 be approved as amended.

OPPOSED BY MAYOR WOOD AND COUNCILLOR ALLEN
SC-2024-01-07

#### 4. NEW BUSINESS

(a) Location of Closed Meetings

#### Moved by Councillor Facio

THAT all future Closed Meetings be held at the Village Office Council Chambers.

Mayor Wood ruled the motion out of order stating that under the Community Charter, it is the Mayor's privilege to call special meetings.

#### MOTION NOT VOTED ON

(b) Allegation Against Councillor Allen of Breach of Social Media Policy and Bullying

Mayor Wood ruled this item out of order stating that no motion was made before discussion took place and that the correct process for making a complaint had not been followed.

#### 5. ADJOURN TO SPECIAL CLOSED COUNCIL MEETING

Moved by Councillor Vidal
Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT the January 30, 2024 Special (Pre-Closed) Council Meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED OPPOSED BY MAYOR WOOD SC-2024-01-08

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The meeting was adjourned at 1:22 p.m.

Ed Wood Mayor Amanda Graham Corporate Officer