

**VILLAGE OF HARRISON HOT SPRINGS
MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

DATE: Wednesday, April 10, 2024
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
PLACE: Council Chambers, Village Office
495 Hot Springs Road, Harrison Hot Springs, BC

IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor Ed Wood
Susan Galvao
Cheri Norris
Mark Schweinbenz
Gary Webster

Amanda Graham, Corporate Officer
Christy Ovens, Community Services Manager

ABSENT:

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Wood called the meeting to order at 9:03 am.
Mayor Wood acknowledged the traditional territory of Sts'ailes.

The Committee members introduced themselves.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

Request from Susan Galvao to add Environmental Advisory Committee Table at the Health and Wellness Fair under Items for Discussion as item 5(d).

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Mark Schweinbenz
Seconded by Susan Galvao

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

**CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY**
EAC-2024-04-01

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved by Gary Webster
Seconded by Susan Galvao

THAT the Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting minutes of March 21, 2024 be adopted.

Amendment moved by Cheri Norris
Amendment seconded by Mark Schweinbenz

THAT the Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting minutes of March 21, 2024 be adopted as amended to change the signature block from "Mayor" to "Chair of the Environmental Advisory Committee" and by adding "including but not limited to"

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between the words “to” and “land” in motion EAC-2024-03-05 on the bottom of page 2 with the final wording being:

THAT the Terms of Reference be amended by adding a section 3 d) “Environmental Impact” referring to, including but not limited to, land, water and air, and that meetings can be called at any time by the Chair.

**CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY**
EAC-2024-04-02

5. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

(a) Terms of Reference

Moved by Gary Webster
Seconded by Mark Schweinbenz

THAT the Terms of Reference be adopted.

Amendment moved by Susan Galvao
Seconded by Mark Schweinbenz

THAT the Terms of Reference be adopted as amended by adding “including but not limited to” between the words “to” and “land” in section 3(d) with the final wording being:

Environmental impacts referring to, including but not limited to, land, water and air.

**CARRIED
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EAC-2024-04-03

(b) Update from April 3, 2024 Regular Council Meeting

The Corporate Officer advised that Council unanimously approved the recommendations of the Environmental Advisory Committee regarding the development of a reporting policy, allocation of \$5,000 in the budget to the Committee and putting out an additional call for Committee members.

(c) Local Government Climate Action Program

The Committee discussed the Local Government Climate Action Program, the Village's Master Plans and Council's 2023 Strategic Plan.

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Moved by Mayor Wood
Seconded by Cheri Norris

THAT staff approach Miami River Streamkeepers Society to appear as a delegate at a future meeting.

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EAC-2024-04-04

(d) Environmental Advisory Committee Table at the Health and Wellness Fair

Mark Schweinbenz volunteered to attend part of the Health and Wellness Fair on behalf of the Environmental Advisory Committee. The Community Services Manager advised that the Committee will have a table with some information and application forms. The Committee discussed highlighting that meetings are open to the public and adding a suggestion box to the table.

Councillor Allen was in attendance in the gallery and was invited to speak. He advised that 5,000 Chum Fry are being released into the Miami River at Maple Street behind Memorial Hall at 10:30 am on April 11, 2024 if anyone would like to attend.

6. **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Susan Galvao
Seconded by Cheri Norris

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 10:04 a.m.

CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY
EAC-2024-04-05



Ed Wood, Chair
Environmental Advisory Committee



Amanda Graham
Corporate Officer

