

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

DATE: Monday, January 13, 2025
TIME: 7:00 p.m.
PLACE: Council Chambers, Memorial Hall
290 Esplanade Avenue, Harrison Hot Springs, BC

IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor Fred Talen
Councillor Leo Facio
Councillor Allan Jackson
Councillor Mark Schweinbenz
Councillor Michie Vidal

Chief Administrative Officer, Tyson Koch
Corporate Officer, Amanda Graham
Chief Financial Officer, Scott Schultz
Fire Chief, Curtis Genest
Planning Consultant, Ken Cossey

ABSENT:

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Talen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Talen acknowledged the traditional territory of Sts'ailes.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

None

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Facio
Seconded by Councillor Schweinbenz

THAT the agenda be approved.

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UNANIMOUSLY**
RC-2025-01-01

4. ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Vidal
Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of December 18, 2024 be adopted.

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RC-2025-01-02

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

None.

7. DELEGATIONS/PETITIONS

- (a) Stacey Gould, Manuel Medeiros & Christi Howes – BC Timber Sales
Re: Operations Plan #643-9

Ms. Gould provided a presentation on BC Timber Sales' mandate and forestry stewardship.

- (b) John Allen
Re: Proposed Advisory Planning Commission Bylaw

Mr. Allen provided his comments on Advisory Planning Commission Bylaws.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

- (a) Letter dated December 19, 2024 from Gary Webster
Re: Amending/Bypassing Official Community Plan for New Developments
- (b) Letter dated January 7, 2025 from Independent Contractors and Business Association
Re: BC Local Governments Construction Procurement

Moved by Councillor Schweinbenz
Seconded by Councillor Facio

THAT the letter dated December 19, 2024 from Gary Webster and the letter dated January 7, 2025 from the Independent Contractors and Business Association be received.

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9. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

None.

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

Councillor Vidal

- Corrections Canada Citizen's Advisory Committee
 - No Report
- Agassiz-Harrison Healthy Communities
 - No Report
- Kent Harrison Joint Emergency Program Committee
 - No Report
- Attended the opening of the new accessible playground on the beachfront on December 20, 2024
- Attended a Lets'emot C2C meeting on January 5, 2025

Councillor Facio

- Fraser Valley Regional District Board (Municipal Director)
 - No Report
- 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 Schweinbenz

- Agassiz-Harrison Historical Society
 - No Report
- Community Futures North Fraser Board of Directors
 - No Report
- Attended the opening of the new accessible playground on the beachfront on December 20, 2024
- Attended the Lets'emot C2C meeting on January 5, 2025

11. MAYOR'S REPORT

- Attended the CP Holiday Train event in Agassiz on December 19, 2024
- Attended the opening of the new accessible playground on the beachfront on December 20, 2024

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12. REPORTS FROM STAFF

- (a) Report of Fire Chief dated January 13, 2025
Re: Fire Department Annual Report

Moved by Councillor Facio
Seconded by Councillor Vidal

THAT the Fire Chief's 2024 Annual Report dated January 13, 2024 be received for information

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- (b) Report of Corporate Officer dated January 13, 2025
Re: Boat Launch Operation

Moved by Councillor Facio
Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT staff be directed to issue a Request for Proposals for the operation of the boat launch.

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13. BYLAWS

- (a) Report of Corporate Officer dated January 13, 2025
Re: Indemnification Amendment Bylaw No. 1215, 2024

Moved by Councillor Facio
Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT Indemnification Amendment Bylaw No. 1215, 2024 be reconsidered and given third reading.

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- (b) Report of Corporate Officer dated January 13, 2025
Re: Littering, Dumping and Snow Bylaw Repeal No. 1217, 2025

Moved by Councillor Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Schweinbenz

THAT Littering, Dumping and Snow Bylaw Repeal No. 1217, 2025 be introduced and given first reading; and

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THAT Littering, Dumping and Snow Bylaw Repeal No. 1217, 2025 be given second and third readings.

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- (c) Report of Corporate Officer dated January 13, 2025
Re: Noise Bylaw No. 1218, 2025

Moved by Councillor Vidal
Seconded by Councillor Schweinbenz

THAT Noise Bylaw No.1218, 2025 be introduced and given first reading; and

THAT Noise Bylaw No.1218, 2025 be given second and third readings.

Amendment moved by Councillor Jackson
Seconded by Councillor Facio

THAT section 4(a) of Noise Bylaw No. 1218, 2025 be replaced with the wording in section 4(a) of Abatement and Control of Noise Bylaw No. 474, 1987.

MOTION WITHDRAWN

Amendment moved by Councillor Vidal
Seconded by Councillor Facio

THAT section 4(a) of Noise Bylaw No. 1218, 2025 be amended by removing the words "before 8:00 a.m. or after 10:00 p.m."

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Amendment moved by Mayor Talen
Seconded by Councillor Schweinbenz

THAT sections 4(c) and 4(i) of Noise Bylaw No. 1218, 2025 be amended by replacing the words "before 8:00 a.m. or after 10:00 p.m." with "between 10:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. the following day".

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Councill voted on the original motion as amended.

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14. NEW BUSINESS

None.

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

Questions from the public were entertained.

Moved by Councillor Facio
Seconded by Councillor Jackson

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 9:14 p.m.

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Fred Talen
Mayor



Amanda Graham
Corporate Officer