

**VILLAGE OF PEMBERTON
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MEETING MINUTES**

Minutes for the **Committee of the Whole** of Council of the Village of Pemberton, held Tuesday, December 12, 2017, at 1:00 p.m., at Council Chambers, 7400 Prospect Street. This is meeting No. 169.

ATTENDING: Mayor Mike Richman
Councillor James Linklater
Councillor Karen Ross

ABSENT: Councillor Jennie Helmer
Councillor Ted Craddock

STAFF: Nikki Gilmore, Chief Administrative Officer
Sheena Fraser, Manager of Corporate & Legislative Services
Lisa Pedrini, Senior Planner
Elysia Harvey, Legislative Assistant

PUBLIC: 0

1. CALL TO ORDER

At 1:08 p.m. Mayor Richman called the meeting to order.

In honour of the Lil'wat7ul, the Village of Pemberton acknowledges that we are meeting within the unceded territory of the Lil'wat Nation.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved/Seconded

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

a) Committee of the Whole No. 168 – Tuesday, November 21, 2017

Moved/Seconded

THAT the minutes of Committee of the Whole Meeting No. 168, held Tuesday, November 21, 2017, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

4. HEALTH CANADA CANNABIS CONSULTATION – DISCUSSION

Discussion took place surrounding the recently released Health Canada Online Questionnaire on the *Proposed Approach to the Regulation of Cannabis*, which addresses Health Canada's proposed system of licences, permits, and

authorizations. Health Canada is seeking feedback through either their online questionnaire or written submissions by January 20, 2018.

A review of the questionnaire indicated areas that should be focused on from a local government perspective include zoning, consumption, and cultivation. In particular, zoning of medical vs. non-medical dispensaries, regulating consumption in public spaces, and controlling limits on cultivation quantities was discussed.

A decision was made that a response to the Online Questionnaire from the Village of Pemberton should be submitted in the form of a letter, addressing the survey questions that are topics of concern at a municipal level.

Moved/Seconded

THAT Staff review responses to the Health Canada Questionnaire from other communities and neighbouring municipalities, and bring back to the Committee of the Whole for further discussion at the January 16th, 2018, meeting date.

CARRIED

5. SOCIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY

Sheena Fraser, Manager of Corporate & Legislative Services, reported on research surrounding social procurement policies and provided examples of other procurement policies currently implemented in the Village of Cumberland and Town of Qualicum Beach. Discussion took place around what a social procurement policy might look like for the Village of Pemberton, and what the scope of it might be. A social procurement “framework” or list of “guiding principles” was identified as a possible preliminary approach.

Further research is required to ascertain the length of time involved in establishing a social procurement policy, the costs involved, the impacts social procurement policies have had on the ability for procurement, and whether other communities would address anything differently in their social procurement policies/framework in retrospect.

Moved/Seconded

THAT Staff undertake further research respecting the process to develop a social procurement policy, including reaching out to the Village of Cumberland and Town of Qualicum Beach;

AND THAT Staff seek a quote from the Consultant responsible for assisting the Village of Cumberland and Town of Qualicum Beach with developing their social procurement framework and policies.

CARRIED

6. ADJOURNMENT

The Committee of the Whole Meeting was adjourned at 2:06 p.m.



Mike Richman
Mayor



Sheena Fraser
Corporate Officer