

**VILLAGE OF PEMBERTON
-REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES-**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council of the Village of Pemberton held on Tuesday, January 14, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. in Council Chambers, 7400 Prospect Street. This is Meeting No. 1506.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor Mike Richman
Councillor Ted Craddock
Councillor Leah Noble
Councillor Amica Antonelli

ABSENT Councillor Ryan Zant

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE: Nikki Gilmore, Chief Administrative Officer
Sheena Fraser, Manager of Corporate & Legislative Services
Jill Brooksbank, Communications & Grant Coordinator
Elysia Harvey, Legislative Assistant

Public: 7

Media: 1

1. CALL TO ORDER

At 5:30 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 circulated.

CARRIED

3. RISE WITH REPORT FROM IN CAMERA (CLOSED)

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

a) Regular Council Meeting No. 1504, Tuesday, December 10, 2019

Moved/Seconded

THAT the minutes of Regular Council Meeting No. 1504, held Tuesday December 10, 2019, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

b) Special Council Meeting No. 1505, Tuesday, January 7, 2019

Moved/Seconded

THAT the minutes of Special Council Meeting No. 1505, held Tuesday, January 7, 2020, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

There was no business arising.

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

There was no business arising from the Committee of the Whole.

7. COMMITTEE MINUTES – FOR INFORMATION

There were no Committee Minutes for information.

8. DELEGATIONS

There were no delegation presentations.

9. REPORTS

a) Office of the Chief Administrative Officer

i. PORCA Mountain Bike Skills Park Background

Moved/Seconded

THAT the concept of establishing a bike skills park at the recreation site and/or on the Village owned lot on Frontier Street (north of The Downtown Barn), be supported in principle;

AND THAT Staff be directed to explore options and bring back a report at a future meeting.

CARRIED

ii. IAP2 Decision Makers Training – Verbal Report for Information

Jill Brooksbank, Senior Communications & Grant Coordinator, presented Council with some background information on the International Association for Public Participation (IAP2) framework, which is a standard for community engagement utilized by decision makers. IAP2 offers a *Public Participation for Decision Makers* seminar for elected officials; Ms. Brooksbank sought Council's direction on whether they would like to participate in a seminar.

Moved/Seconded

THAT Staff proceed with the next steps in arranging the *Public Participation for Decision Makers* training seminar and explore cost sharing options with the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District.

CARRIED

iii. Meager Creek & Keyhole Hotsprings Visitor Use Management Strategy – Input Request

Moved/Seconded

THAT Council supports the re-opening of Keyhole Hotsprings on the condition that a management plan be executed to address access, facilities, human-wildlife conflict, and environmental impacts, and assurance that the area will be closely monitored including an onsite presence by Ministry personnel;

AND THAT Meager Creek Hotsprings remains closed.

CARRIED

iv. Request for Letter of Support: Lillooet River Sediment Removal Business Case

Moved/Seconded

THAT the correspondence from Sarah Morgan, SLRD Emergency Program Coordinator be received;

AND THAT Council support the request to provide 25% (up to \$625) of non-grant funding to support the SLRD application to the Provincial Infrastructure Planning Grant Program to fund a feasibility study to examine the potential viability of developing a business case for the sale of sediment removed from the Lillooet River.

CARRIED

d) MAYOR'S Report

Mayor Richman passed on condolences to some long-time local families of the community:

- Condolences on to the Hellevang Family for the loss of Elmer and Chris who both passed away in December. The Hellevang Family are long time Pemberton residents that have deep roots in the Valley;
- Condolences to the McEwan and Ross Families for the loss of Derry, who passed away at age 91 in December. Derry's first job with the Village was to keep the water lines that ran from Pemberton Creek into the old reservoir running in the winter. He served on Council from 1960 – 1963 and again from

1987 to 1992. Derry also served as the Village's Emergency Program Coordinator from 2002 – 2004;

- Condolences to the Ross family for the loss of Rich Ross, husband to Karen Ross who served on Council from 2014 – 2018. Rich together with Karen owned the Esso Station in town and was a member of the Legion.

Mayor Richman reported on the following meetings:

- Attended the Pemberton Valley Emergency Management Committee Meeting on December 15th;
- Attended the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District (SLRD) Board & Committee of the Whole meetings on December 18th and 19th. Items on the agenda included:
 - Transit discussion
 - Grant applications for the Sea to Sky Trail, Infrastructure Planning Grant for Lillooet River Sediment, electric vehicle charging station for the SLRD building, and water main replacement for the Pemberton North Improvement District;
 - Furry Creek development proposal;
- Attended the Sea to Sky Hospital District Board Meeting on December 19th. The Board discussed budget and the alignment of priorities set by Vancouver Coastal Health and the Board.

Mayor Richman highlighted some individuals and initiatives within the community:

- The Village is beginning to develop its Economic Development Strategy and Action Plan; one of the first tasks is to undertake a Business Retention and Expansion Study. The Village will circulate a survey to the Village's businesses to help inform the overall Study;
- Congratulations to Wanosts'a7 Lorna Williams from Lil'wat Nation for her important work in preserving Indigenous language and culture;
- Thank you to Danny Schranz who has been plowing snow along the Friendship Trail and around One Mile Lake;
- Thank you to the Winterfest Committee for putting on another memorable Winterfest Program on New Years Eve;
- The Public Works crew has been doing a great job keeping up with snow clearing;
- Voting for the Village of Pemberton School Board Trustee will be on Saturday, January 18th at Signal Hill Elementary between 8am and 8pm. Information can be found on the School Board District #48 website;
- A by-election for SLRD Electoral Area A Director will be held on Saturday February 15, 2020;

e) COUNCILLORS' Reports

Councillor Craddock

Councillor Craddock commented that the cross-country ski tracks around the Village were well maintained and noted displeasure in gas prices currently being higher in the Village than in Vancouver.

Councillor Noble did not report.

Councillor Antonelli did not report.

Councillor Zant was absent.

10. BYLAWS

There were no bylaws for reading or adoption.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

a) For Action

i. Mark Mendonca, President, Tourism Pemberton, dated December 11, 2019, regarding Recreational Vehicle stays in Pemberton

Moved/Seconded

THAT the correspondence be referred to Staff to provide a response to Mr. Mendonca noting that Recreational Vehicles stays are already permitted within the Agricultural Land Reserve and that Council feels this opportunity is best explored as part of the Economic Development Strategy and Action Plan process currently underway.

CARRIED

ii. Andrew Elliott, Coast Mountain Cannabis, dated December 19, 2019, requesting reconsideration of the Business Licence Fees for cannabis related businesses in the Village of Pemberton.

Moved/Seconded

THAT the correspondence be referred to Staff for response and include prior reports to Council in which information and a rationale were provided for business licence fees for cannabis related businesses.

CARRIED

- iii. Jack Crompton, Lower Mainland Local Government Association President, dated January 6, 2020, calling for 2020 resolutions for the Annual General Meeting.**

Moved/Seconded

THAT 2020 resolutions be added to the agenda for discussion at the upcoming January 28th Committee of the Whole Meeting in preparation for submission to the Lower Mainland Local Government Association.

CARRIED

- iv. Jason Lum, Lower Mainland Local Government Association (LGA) Past President, dated January 6, 2020, calling for nominations for Lower Mainland LGA Executive positions.**

Moved/Seconded

THAT the correspondence regarding nominations for Lower Mainland LGA Executive positions be received for information.

CARRIED

- v. Suzanne Robert, Mount Currie, dated January 4, 2020, regarding Village sidewalks and accessibility for pedestrians.**

Moved/Seconded

THAT Staff prepare cost estimates on the following:

- a sidewalk from the Tiyata development to the Signal Hill Elementary/Flint Street crosswalk;
- a path or a sidewalk along the north side Portage Road by the Vancouver Coastal Health (VCH) lands (medical centre).

AND THAT Staff investigate whether a right-of-way exists between Vancouver Coastal Health lands (medical centre) and BC Hydro substation.

THAT Staff provide a response to Ms. Robert advising that the Village is investigating options for the possibility of establishing safe pedestrian access along Portage Road and will approach Vancouver Coastal Health and the Chelsea Place Strata to discuss if there is interest in developing a pathway that connects the Seniors Villa to Flint Street sidewalks, understanding that these lands are private.

CARRIED

- b) For Information**

- i. **Dan Jepson, Director & Co-Founder, C3 Alliance Corp, dated December 6, 2019, advising on the upcoming BC Natural Resources Forum to be held January 28th and 30th in Prince George.**
- ii. **John Jack, Chair, Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District, dated December 18, 2019, requesting the Provincial Government to expedite the implementation of the \$10 a Day Child Care Plan.**
- iii. **Sabrina Locicero, BC Hydro Stakeholder Engagement Advisor, dated December 23, 2019, providing the 2019 Community Relations Annual Report for the Lower Mainland.**
- iv. **Martin von Holst, RCMP Day – Vernon Committee Chair, dated December 30, 2019, regarding an Official Proclamation for RCMP Appreciation Day on February 1st, 2020, in commemoration of the RCMP's 100th Anniversary.**
- v. **Mark Mendonca, President, Tourism Pemberton, dated December 24, 2019, response sent to BC Parks and the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations & Rural Development regarding local Provincial assets.**

Moved/Seconded

THAT the above correspondence be received for information.

CARRIED

12. DECISION ON LATE BUSINESS

13. LATE BUSINESS

There was no late business for consideration.

14. NOTICE OF MOTION

- a) **Councillor Craddock – Notice of Motion – Exploration of Regulatory Measures to prevent children from obtaining vape products**

Moved/Seconded

THAT Council direct Staff to explore various regulatory measures and actions within the Village of Pemberton jurisdictional powers to help prevent children from obtaining vape products.

CARRIED

15. QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions from the public.

16. RECESS

At 6:28 p.m. Mayor Richman called a recess of the Regular Council Meeting.

At 6:33 p.m. the Regular Council Meeting was reconvened and Council moved In Camera.

17. IN CAMERA

Moved/Seconded

THAT the meeting is closed to the public in accordance with the *Community Charter* Section 90 (1) (c) Employee Relations and (k) Negotiations that in the view of Council could reasonably expect to harm the interest of the municipality if they were held in public.

CARRIED

18. RISE FROM IN CAMERA

At 7:26 p.m. Council rose from In Camera without report.

19. ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Regular Council Meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

At 7:26 p.m. the Regular Council Meeting was adjourned.

Mike Richman
Mayor

Sheena Fraser
Corporate Officer