

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

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council of the Village of Pemberton held on Tuesday, February 16, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in Council Chambers, 7400 Prospect Street. This is Meeting No. 1532.

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

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE*: Nikki Gilmore, Chief Administrative Officer
Sheena Fraser, Manager of Corporate & Legislative Services
Robert Grossman, Fire Chief
Tom Csima, Manager of Operations/Projects
Lisa Pedrini, Manage of Development Services
Emily White, Executive Assistant/HR
Laura Murphy, Project & Research Coordinator
Joanna Rees, Planner
Gwendolyn Kennedy, Legislative Assistant

PUBLIC: 1

MEDIA: 1

****ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS AND STAFF ATTENDED ELECTRONICALLY***

A RECORDING OF THE MEETING WAS MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC & MEDIA

1. CALL TO ORDER REGULAR MEETING

At 9:02 a.m. Mayor Richman called the Regular 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. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

a) Regular Council Meeting No. 1531, Tuesday, February 2, 2021

Moved/Seconded

THAT the minutes of Regular Council Meeting No. 1531, held Tuesday, February 2, 2021 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

There was no business arising from the previous Regular Council Meeting.

5. RISE WITH REPORT FROM IN CAMERA

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

There was no business arising.

6. COMMITTEE MINUTES - FOR INFORMATION

There were no Committee minutes for receipt.

7. DELEGATION

Veronica Woodruff joined the meeting at 9:07 a.m.

a) Veronica Woodruff, Project Manager, Pemberton Area Economic Development Collaborative - Regional Economic Development Plan - Update

Ms. Woodruff presented a summary of the work completed to date on the Regional Economic Development Plan. Ms. Woodruff noted that through the process the collaborative has seen the benefits of enhanced community trust and relationship building. The draft plan, which focuses on regional priorities and highlights ideas for further exploration, includes scenario planning for potential impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic. The draft has been sent to member organizations for review. Once accepted, the next steps will be to consider responsibilities and leadership roles for the implementation phase.

Ms. Woodruff left the meeting at 9:25 a.m.

8. REPORTS

b) Office of the Chief Administrative Officer

i. UBCM Community Emergency Preparedness Fund Flood Mitigation Funding Application

Moved/Seconded

THAT Council supports a funding application, for an amount up to \$120,000, to UBCM's Flood Risk Assessment, Mapping and Mitigation funding stream to develop and build a framework to prioritize and implement specific structural protection measures for the most critical flood prone areas in the Pemberton Valley.

CARRIED

c) Corporate & Legislative Services

i. Lower Mainland Local Government Association – Call for Resolutions

Moved/Seconded

THAT Staff prepare a draft resolution to the Lower Mainland Local Government Association regarding consideration of a change to the name of the province, the coat of arms, and the flag, representative of the multi-cultural nature of our population and inclusive of our indigenous history, for review at the March 2, 2021 Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED

Moved/Seconded

THAT Staff prepare a draft resolution to the Lower Mainland Local Government Association requesting funding to ensure management and protection of parks, crown lands not managed for tourism, and natural resources, in a manner respectful of aboriginal traditional and contemporary land use, as increased tourism impacts the natural environment.

CARRIED

11. BYLAWS

There were no bylaws for consideration.

12. MAYOR'S Report

Mayor Richman thanked Christine Burns, Manager of Recreation, and Community Centre Staff, for organizing the Family Day scavenger hunt.

Mayor Richman reported on the following meetings and events:

- Met with Phill Read, Secretary of the Rotary Club of Pemberton, and discussed the Rotary Club's proposed highway spring clean-up and the possibility of hosting the annual Barn Dance in September.
- Walked the Friendship Trail with Amanda Walker, Aboriginal Literacy Outreach Worker from Capilano University, and discussed cultural awareness signage.
- Met with Staff and Sea to Sky Community Services Society where the following issues were discussed:
 - The FoodBank need for additional space; and

- The growing need for supportive housing identified by Homeless Outreach Program workers. They have approached BC Housing and have asked the Village for ideas for short-term solutions.
- Attended the ScotiaBank teleconference Town Hall regarding the planned branch closure. Proposed that ScotiaBank supply ten laptops to be placed at the library to facilitate access to online banking services, which was immediately agreed to by ScotiaBank. Mayor Richman advised that he had followed up and requested that consideration be given to supplying laptops to the outlying communities as well.
- Participated in a panel discussion with the Honourable Catherine McKenna, Minister of Infrastructure and Communities, where new federal funding for transportation infrastructure was announced.
- Participated in a federal budget consultation panel and raised issues of emergency funding, childcare strategy, business recovery, and transit.
- Met with Greg Reamsbottom, new President of Pemberton Wildlife Association, who raised the issue of the Federal government proposal to delegate the authority to ban handguns to municipalities.
- Met with representatives from Innergex, Canoe Kayak BC, and Tourism Pemberton to discuss enhancing the use of the Rutherford Kayak Park through safety upgrades and the addition of a surf wave.
- Attended the February 11th meeting of the Pemberton Valley Utilities and Services Committee. The Pemberton Museum's request for additional funding was denied. Funding will be maintained for Pemberton Television and Radio for this year. Strategies to reduce costs and while maintaining service levels necessary for emergency communication will be explored for next year's budget.

Mayor Richman reminded residents of the following community activities:

- Public Work crews are undertaking watermain flushing this week. Residents may experience some water discoloration. For more information, visit the Village website.
- Tomorrow is the last opportunity to 'Have Your Say' on Affordable Housing by completing the survey at haveyoursay.pemberton.ca. Participants will enter into a draw to win a \$25 gift certificate to a Pemberton Business of their choice. The winner will be announced on Thursday.
- Take part in the Village of Pemberton's Budget Process. Attend the Public Budget Info Session on Tuesday, March 16th at 9am. Visit the Village website for more details.
- Winter Parking Regulations are in effect. Check signs for details.

12. COUNCILLORS Reports

Councillor Zant reported on the following:

- Attended the Pemberton Valley Utilities and Services Committee meeting on February 11th where funding requests were considered.

Councillor Craddock did not report.

Councillor Noble did not report.

Councillor Antonelli did not report.

13. CORRESPONDENCE

a) For Action

- i. Correspondence from Clare Greenberg, Executive Director, Sea to Sky Invasive Species Council, dated January 30, 2021, requesting stable annual funding for the Partnership Program, with a contribution of \$1,600 for 2021.**

Moved/Seconded

THAT correspondence be sent to Ms. Greenberg informing Sea to Sky Invasive Species Council that the funding request has been included as a line item in the budget.

CARRIED

- ii. Correspondence from Tara Teigen, Village resident, dated February 1, 2021, expressing support for additional bylaw enforcement and fenced off-leash dog parks in the wake of the recent attack on the Corey family's puppy.**

Moved/Seconded

THAT the correspondence be referred to Staff for response.

CARRIED

b) For Information

- i. Copy of correspondence from Diane Langman, Chair, Regional District of Kootenay Boundary, dated February 4, 2021, to Premier John Horgan and the Honourable Adrian Dix, Minister of Health, regarding support for universal no-cost access to all prescription contraception available in BC under the Medical Services Plan.**
- ii. Correspondence from Katherine Lawrence, Stewardship Officer, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development, Sea to Sky Natural Resource District, dated February 8, 2021, forwarding information from the Chief Forester of for the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development regarding COVID-19 protocols for the upcoming 2021 tree planting season.**

- iii. **Correspondence from Patrick Weiler, MP, West Vancouver-Sunshine Coast-Sea to Sky Country, dated February 10, 2021, announcing the opening of the intake period for the Canada Healthy Communities Initiative.**
- iv. **Correspondence from Patrick Weiler, MP, West Vancouver-Sunshine Coast-Sea to Sky Country, dated February 10, 2021, announcing the call for proposals for funding under the Sectoral Initiatives Program and noting that the application deadline is March 4, 2021.**

Moved/Seconded
THAT the correspondence be received.
CARRIED

15. DECISION ON LATE BUSINESS

There was no late business.

16. LATE BUSINESS

17. NOTICE OF MOTION

There was no notice of motion.

18. QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions from the public.

19. IN CAMERA

Moved/Seconded

THAT the meeting is closed to the public in accordance with the *Community Charter* Section 90 (2) (b) Negotiations, and related discussions that in the view of Council could reasonably expect to harm the interest of the municipality if they were held in public.

CARRIED

At 10:15 a.m. a two-minute recess was called and Council prepared to move In Camera.

20. RISE FROM IN CAMERA

At 10:28 a.m. Council rose from In Camera without report and the Regular Meeting was recessed.

At 2:28 p.m. the Regular Meeting was reconvened and Council moved back In Camera.

21. IN CAMERA

Moved/Seconded

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CARRIED

22. RISE FROM IN CAMERA

At 2:40 p.m. Council rose from In Camera and did not report.

23. ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Regular Council Meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

At 2:41 p.m. the Regular Council Meeting was adjourned.

Mike Richman
Mayor

Sheena Fraser
Corporate Officer