

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

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting** of Council of the Village of Pemberton held on Tuesday, February 1, 2022 at 4:00pm via electronic means through a ZOOM Webinar. This is Meeting No. 1554.

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

**STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:** Nikki Gilmore, Chief Administrative Officer  
Sheena Fraser, Manager of Corporate & Legislative Services  
Emily White, HR Coordinator  
Gwendolyn Kennedy, Legislative Assistant

**PUBLIC:** 3

**MEDIA:** 1

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

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Prior to calling the Regular Meeting to order, Mayor Richman advised that pursuant to section 10 (a) of the Village of Pemberton Council Procedure Bylaw No. 788, 2015 this meeting will be held electronically with no in-person attendance.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

At 3:45pm 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. IN CAMERA**

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** the meeting is closed to the public in accordance with the *Community Charter* Section 90 (1) (a) Personnel and (c) Employee Relations 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 3:45pm Council moved in camera.

### **3. RECESS REGULAR MEETING**

At 4:56pm the Regular Meeting was recessed.

### **4. RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING**

At 5:33pm the Regular meeting was reconvened.

Mayor Richman requested 30 seconds of silence in acknowledgement of the recent horrific discovery at Williams Lake Residential School.

Mayor Richman advised that pursuant to section 10 (a) of the Village of Pemberton Council Procedure Bylaw No. 788, 2015 this meeting will be held electronically with no in-person attendance.

### **5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** the Agenda be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED**

### **6. RISE WITH REPORT FROM IN CAMERA**

### **7. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

#### **a) Regular Council Meeting No. 1553, Tuesday, January 18, 2022**

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** the minutes of Regular Council Meeting No. 1553, held Tuesday, January 18, 2022, be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED**

### **8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

### **9. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING**

### **10. COMMITTEE MINUTES – FOR INFORMATION**

### **11. DELEGATIONS**

## 12. STAFF REPORTS

### a) Office of the Chief Administrative Officer

#### i. Verbal Report

CAO Gilmore did not provide a verbal report.

At 5:36pm Emily White joined the meeting.

#### ii. Village Bursary Policy Amendment

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** the Village Bursary Policy be amended to include the following clause:

In the instance Council is unable to agree upon a single, clear recipient of the award based upon the above criteria, Council reserves the right to split the total value of the award between two successful recipients.

**CARRIED**

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** the Village Bursary funds be increased from \$2,000 to \$3,000.

**CARRIED**

At 5:51pm Ms. White left the meeting.

### b) Corporate & Legislative Services

#### i. Lower Mainland Local Government Association – Call for Resolutions

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** the following resolution be submitted to the Lower Mainland Local Government Association for presentation at the 2022 Annual Conference and AGM:

**WHEREAS** the current funding model for RCMP services results in an immense financial burden for small municipalities when their population grows above 5,000;

**AND WHEREAS** a large proportion of RCMP time and budget goes to policing provincial highways that either run through or beside small communities;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** UBCM request that the Provincial government develop a more transitional funding model for RCMP services for small communities that would see incremental adjustments as a

community grows beyond 5,000 and then beyond 10, 000 and finally over 15,000 residents;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the Union of British Columbia Municipalities be involved in the development of the policy.

**CARRIED**

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** Staff research resolutions previous submitted to the Lower Mainland Local Government Association and the Union of British Columbia Municipalities regarding the funding of local fire services with reference to the cost of responding to motor vehicle accidents outside of the municipal boundaries, and bring back this information to a future meeting of Council.

**CARRIED**

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** Staff research previous resolutions submitted to the Lower Mainland Local Government Association and the Union of British Columbia Municipalities regarding old growth forest preservation and bring back this information, and the new provincial policy regarding the harvesting of old growth forests, to a future meeting of Council.

**CARRIED**

### **13. BYLAWS**

#### **14. Mayor's Report**

##### **a) Reconsideration of Development Permit No. 91 – Sunstone Phase 2B Common Lot Grading**

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** Council refer Development Permit No. 91 back to Staff to address the retaining wall variance before reconsideration by Council.

**CARRIED**

##### **b) Verbal Report**

Mayor Richman attended the following meetings:

- Quarterly meeting with Inspector Robert Dykstra, Officer-in-Charge (OIC) of the Sea-to-Sky Detachment of the RCMP:
  - The new schedule has been implemented with five constables and Corporal Scott Langtry dedicated to Pemberton, and a sixth constable may be added.
  - Monthly meetings with OIC Dykstra, Sergeant Sasha Banks and Corporal Langtry will be scheduled.
  - Inspector Dykstra will attend the upcoming youth dance at the Pemberton Community Centre as DJ.

- Regular updates to Council will begin soon.
- Kick-Off Meeting – Ring Dikes
  - Elected officials and staff from Squamish-Lillooet Regional District, Lil'wat Nation, Pemberton Valley Dyking District, and the Village of Pemberton met to consider constructing ring dikes to protect sensitive or high-density areas. This work will proceed with the assistance of NorthWest Hydraulic Consultants.
- Squamish-Lillooet Regional District meetings on January 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>:
  - This was the first 2022 budget session. The proposed budget increases can mostly be absorbed by the non-market change of \$395 million.

Mayor Richman congratulated local athletes Trinity Ellis and Ethan Hess on qualifying for the 2022 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games to be held in Beijing. Trinity will compete in luge and Ethan in nordic skiing.

## 15. Councillors' Reports

**Councillor Craddock** reported on the January 20<sup>th</sup> Pemberton Valley Dyking District meeting, where results of the recent survey were discussed, and future funding options were considered.

**Councillor Zant reported** on the Pemberton and District Public Library AGM, where new appointments were made to the board.

**Councillor Noble reported did not report.**

**Councillor Antonelli did not report.**

## 13. CORRESPONDENCE

### a) Correspondence for Action

- i. **Katrina Nightingale, dated January 25, 2022, expressing concern regarding the planned logging of old growth forest in the Upper MacKenzie Basin by Spełkúmtn Community Forest.**

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** the correspondence from Katrina Nightingale, dated January 25, 2022, be forwarded to the Spełkúmtn Community Forest Board of Directors.

**CARRIED**

### b) Correspondence for Information

- i. **Peter Busse, Mayor, District of Lillooet, addressed to Brad Vis, MP for Mission-Matsqui-Fraser Canyon, dated December 15, 2021, presenting**

- a petition and resolution asking the provincial and federal governments to assess and improve current policies and guidelines regarding forest and wildfire management, and inviting other BC communities to adopt similar resolutions.**
- ii. Patrick Weiler, Member of Parliament, West Vancouver-Sunshine Coast-Sea to Sky Country, dated January 27, 2022, announcing an investment of \$73.1 million for the third intake of the CleanBC Communities Fund through the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program – Green Infrastructure Stream. Applications will be accepted until May 25, 2022.**
- iii. Gina McKay, Mayor, District of Stewart, dated January 28, 2022, in support of the District of Lillooet’s BC Wildfires petition.**

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** correspondence items i. and iii. be received.

**CARRIED**

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** correspondence item ii. regarding the third intake of the CleanBC Communities Fund through the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program – Green Infrastructure Stream be referred to Staff.

**CARRIED**

#### **14. DECISION ON LATE BUSINESS**

#### **15. LATE BUSINESS**

#### **16. NOTICE OF MOTION**

#### **17. QUESTION PERIOD**

Katrina Nightingale, Squamish-Lillooet District resident, asked Mayor Richman to clarify how the Village reconciles its values as expressed in the Community Climate Action Plan with the logging of old growth forests planned by the Spelkúmtn Community Forest for the Upper MacKenzie Basin, and asked about opportunities for the public to become involved in the Spelkúmtn Community Forest.

#### **18. IN CAMERA**

Moved/Seconded

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

**CARRIED**

At 6:43pm the Regular meeting was recessed.

At 6:50pm Council moved in camera.

## **19. RISE WITH REPORT**

At 7:50pm Council rose with report regarding the following appointment:

Sheena Fraser is appointed to the position of Acting Chief Administrative Officer effective March 5, 2022.

## **20. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** the Regular meeting be adjourned.

**CARRIED**

At 7:50pm the Regular Council Meeting was adjourned.

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Mike Richman  
Mayor

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Sheena Fraser  
Corporate Officer