

**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, March 8, 2022 at 3:00pm via electronic means through a ZOOM Webinar. This is Meeting No. 226.

ATTENDING: Mayor Mike Richman
Councillor Ted Craddock
Councillor Leah Noble
Councillor Amica Antonelli
Councillor Ryan Zant

STAFF: Sheena Fraser, Acting Chief Administrative Officer
Thomas Sikora, Manager of Finance
Gwendolyn Kennedy, Acting Manager of Corporate & Legislative Services

PUBLIC: 0

MEDIA: 1

A recording of the meeting was made available to the public & media.

1. CALL TO ORDER

At 3:10pm Mayor Richman called the March 8, 2022, Committee of Whole meeting to order and 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.

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

At 3:10pm the Committee of the Whole meeting was recessed.

At 3:17pm the Committee of the Whole meeting was reconvened.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved/Seconded

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

a) Committee of the Whole Meeting No.224, Tuesday, February 22, 2022

Moved/Seconded

THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting No. 224, held Tuesday, February 22, 2022, be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

b) Committee of the Whole Meeting No. 225, Tuesday, March 1, 2022

Recommendation: **THAT** the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting No. 225, held Tuesday, March 1, 2022, be approved as circulated.

4. Budget Session #3 –Tax Implications of Revised Draft 2022 Budget

Finance Manager Thomas Sikora began his report by noting that Pemberton has the sixth lowest tax rate of 161 British Columbia municipalities.

Residential properties in Pemberton show an average assessment increase of 25.72%.

Mr. Sikora presented the tax implications based on 4%, 5%, 6%, and 7% increases illustrating the scenarios with dollar value implications for typical properties in each class, and asked for feedback from the Committee that will inform the budget and five year financial plan to be presented at the next meeting.

Discussion focused on achieving a balance between minimizing tax increases and ensuring that the Village keeps up with pressures that include escalating operations costs and reduced surplus carried forward.

Moved/Seconded

THAT Staff bring back a final 2022 draft budget with a 5% tax increase and the five year financial plan to the next Committee of the Whole meeting to be held on March 29th.

CARRIED

5. ADJOURNMENT

Moved/Seconded

THAT the March 1, 2022, Committee of Whole meeting be adjourned at 3:48pm.

CARRIED

Mike Richman
Mayor

Sheena Fraser
Corporate Officer