

**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, April 5, 2022 at 1:00pm in Council Chambers located at 7400 Prospect Street and via electronic means through a ZOOM Webinar. This is Meeting No. 227.

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
Tom Csima, Manager of Operations and Projects
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 1:02pm Mayor Richman called the April 5, 2022, Committee of Whole 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) Committee of the Whole Meeting No. 226, Tuesday, March 8, 2022

Moved/Seconded
THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting No. 226, held Tuesday, March 8, 2022, be approved as circulated.
CARRIED

4. Budget Session #4 - 2022 Budget with Tax Implications and Five Year Financial Plan

Thomas Sikora, Manager of Finance, presented the five-year consolidated budget. Mr. Sikora emphasized that the budget represents a snapshot and that the implications of inflation are difficult to forecast. Mr. Sikora advised that, given the current economic climate, it may be prudent to increase the assumption of inflation, currently shown at 2%, for the next year or two.

Discussion focused on the potential impacts of assumptions regarding future inflation rates and on the future costs of police services when Village population reaches the threshold population of 5,000. Councillors asked for a high-level forecast of when the population will reach 5,000, and an estimate of policing costs when this occurs.

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Committee of the Whole supports increasing the inflation rate assumption from 2% to 3% for 2023 and 2024.

CARRIED

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Committee of the Whole supports consideration of a future increase in non-statutory reserves for future policing costs.

CARRIED

At 1:31pm Tom Csimá joined the meeting.

Mr. Sikora next reviewed the capital expenditures shown in Appendix B of the report, focusing on the years 2023 through 2026. Mr. Sikora noted that the Committee has reviewed capital expenditures at past meetings and there are no significant changes to discuss.

Discussion focused on EV chargers, and the need to provide these as grant funding becomes available; the cost of replacing the boardwalk; and ensuring that sufficient funds are being directed to reserves.

Acting CAO Fraser noted that, should there be no delays in receiving the necessary financial information including audit review and year-end adjustments, the financial bylaws will be presented to Council for first, second, and third readings on April 26th and for adoption at a special meeting planned for April 28th. Should delays affect this schedule, the bylaws will be presented for first, second, and third readings at a special meeting on May 10th and adoption at a special meeting on May 12th.

At 2:04pm Mr. Csimá left the meeting.

At 2:06pm Mr. Sikora left the meeting.

5. Electoral Boundary Review – Discussion

The Committee had no comments to submit to the Electoral Boundaries Review Commission.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Moved/Seconded

THAT the April 5, 2022, Committee of Whole meeting be adjourned at 2:09pm.

CARRIED

Mike Richman
Mayor

Sheena Fraser
Corporate Officer