

VILLAGE OF PEMBERTON
-REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES-

Regular Council Meeting No. 1603, Tuesday, June 18, 2024, 5:30 pm
Council Chambers, 7400 Prospect Street & Zoom Webinar

COUNCIL: Mayor Mike Richman
Councillor Ted Craddock
Councillor Jennie Helmer
Councillor Katrina Nightingale
Councillor Laura Ramsden

STAFF: Elizabeth Tracy, Chief Administrative Officer
Elena Aranguren, Deputy Corporate Officer
Gwendolyn Kennedy, Manager, Corporate & Legislative Services
Scott McRae, Manager of Development Services
Tom Csima, Manager of Operations and Projects
Sheena Fraser, Corporate & Legislative Advisor

MEDIA & PUBLIC 3

1. CALL TO ORDER

In honour of the Lílwat7ul, the Village of Pemberton acknowledges that we are meeting within the unceded territory of the Lílwat Nation.

I acknowledge the Chair of Generations present in this room, a symbolic reminder of our duty to future generations. May it inspire us to strive for a sustainable and just future for all.

At 1:24pm Mayor Richman called the meeting to order.

2. CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No. 1603-1

Moved and seconded

THAT Council closes the meeting to the public pursuant to section 90 (1) of the *Community Charter* to permit discussion of items related to the following topics: (g), litigation or potential litigation affecting the Village; (k), negotiations; and (m), a matter that, under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, is such that the public may be excluded from the meeting.

CARRIED

3. RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING 5:30pm

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At 5:30pm Mayor Richman reconvened the regular meeting.

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Resolution No. 1603-8

Moved and seconded

THAT Council approves the agenda of Regular Council Meeting No. 1603 as presented.

CARRIED

5. **RISE WITH REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION**

5.1 **Closed Council Meeting No. 1599, Tuesday, May 7, 2024**

Mayor Richman reported that at Closed Council Meeting No. 1599, held Tuesday, May 7, 2024, Council decided to split the 2024 Village Bursary equally between the two qualified applicants, awarding \$1,500 each to Rebecca Beaton and Violet Cleland.

6. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

6.1 **Regular Council Meeting No. 1602, Tuesday, May 28, 2024**
Resolution No. 1603-9

THAT Council approves the minutes of Regular Council Meeting No. 1602, held Tuesday, May 28, 2024, as circulated.

CARRIED

7. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

8. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

9. **COMMITTEE MINUTES - FOR INFORMATION**

10. **DELEGATION**

11. **STAFF REPORTS**

11.1 **Office of the CAO**

a. **Chief Administrative Officer's Verbal Report**

CAO Tracy addressed concerns regarding the closure of the public washroom at the Blackbird Bakery, advising that the public works team is preparing the washroom for summer opening but that a recurrence of the vandalism that prompted the closure would necessitate closing the washroom again for the health and safety of staff. CAO Tracy informed Council that there is an opportunity to apply \$25,000 in grant funding to convert the washroom to a single use accessible washroom and that the change could reduce the use of the space as a place to congregate.

b. **Skatepark Development Background**

Resolution No. 1603-10

Moved and seconded

THAT Council directs staff to add a link to the Village website providing access to the BC Hydro information booklet titled Understanding Electromagnetic Fields;

AND THAT Council directs staff to respond to Caitlin Chalmers, providing a link to the staff background report and explaining Council's position on concerns regarding EMFs at the skatepark.

CARRIED

c. Out of Boundary Water Connection Request

Resolution No. 1603-11

Moved and seconded

THAT Council approves the out of boundary water service connection for a two 2-inch water service line to Lot 1, District Lot 203, Lillooet District Plan 14617, located at 1460 Vine Road subject to the request receiving the consent of the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Board and the applicant meeting the conditions set out in schedule D of Water Regulation, Connection and Rates Bylaw No. 232, 1989, Amendment Bylaw No. 640, 2009;

AND THAT Council directs staff to send correspondence to the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Board seeking their consent of the out of boundary water service connection to Lot 1, District Lot 203, Lillooet District Plan 14617, located at 1460 Vine Road.

CARRIED

11.2 Corporate and Legislative Services

a. UBCM Meeting Requests

Resolution No. 1603-12

Moved and seconded

THAT Council directs staff to submit a request for a meeting with the Honourable Rob Fleming, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure, at the 2024 Union of British Columbia Municipalities Convention, regarding the opportunity to upgrade the proposed intersection at Highway 99 that will provide access to the new Conseil scolaire francophone school to address highway safety concerns.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 1603-13

Moved and seconded

THAT Council directs staff to request a meeting with the Inspector of Dikes at the 2024 UBCM convention to discuss diking standards.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 1603-14

Moved and seconded

THAT Council supports submission of the following revised resolution regarding the impact of the transition to zero emission vehicles on gas tax revenue to the 2024 Union of British Columbia Municipalities Convention:

WHEREAS the rapid increase in the use of zero-emission vehicles and corresponding decrease in the use of gas- and diesel-powered vehicles will significantly reduce revenue from taxes collected at the gas pump within only a few years;

AND WHEREAS gas tax revenue collected through federal and provincial excise taxes, carbon taxes, and, in some cities, transit taxes, funds public services and infrastructure:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT UBCM ask the Province to work with the federal government to develop a fair, creative, and financially viable solution to replace declining gas tax revenue to support public services and infrastructure projects as revenue from gas taxes declines.

CARRIED

b. Municipal Security Issuing Resolution

Resolution No. 1603-15

Moved and seconded

THAT Council approves borrowing from the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia, as part of the 2024 fall borrowing session, eight hundred fifty-three thousand, seven hundred fifty-four dollars (\$853,754) as authorized through Village of Pemberton Triple Combination Pumper Truck Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 954, 2023;

AND THAT Council requests that the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District consent to our borrowing over twenty (20) years and include the borrowing in a security issuing bylaw.

CARRIED

11.3 Development Services

a. 2024 First Quarter Report

b. Record of Public Hearing

11.4 Operations

a. 2024 First Quarter Report

12. BYLAWS

12.1 Bylaws for First, Second, and Third Readings

a. Business Licence Amendment (Short-Term Vacation Rentals) Bylaw No. 967, 2024

Resolution No. 1603-16

Moved and seconded

THAT Council gives first, second, and third readings to Village of Pemberton Business Licence Amendment (Short-Term Vacation Rentals) Bylaw No. 967, 2024.

CARRIED

b. Once Through Water Usage Bylaw No. 971, 2024

Resolution No. 1603-17

Moved and seconded

THAT Council gives first, second, and third readings to Village of Pemberton Once Through Water Usage Bylaw No. 971, 2024.

CARRIED

a. Housing Agreement Bylaw No. 970, 2024 (Aspect Rental Suites)

Resolution No. 1603-18

Moved and seconded

THAT Council directs staff to discuss with the proponent the following items:

- imposing a cap on the number of units one acceptable corporation may rent, and
- clarification of the timeframe of the "pre-construction completion leasing campaign" and section 3.2 (c) that gives priority to local residents before rental units are made available to all eligible tenants.

and bring this information back to Council for consideration prior to first, second, and third readings of Housing Agreement Bylaw No. 970, 2024 (Aspect Rental Suites).

CARRIED

13. MAYOR'S Report

Mayor Richman attended the following meetings and events:

- Fire Committee meeting
- Pemberton Valley Emergency Management Committee meeting
- third day of Indigenous relations training facilitated by Gwen Bridge

Mayor Richman represented the Village at the Pemberton Secondary School graduation ceremony and presented the Village bursary.

14. COUNCILLORS' Reports

Councillor Nightingale reminded those present of the Pemberton Arts Council's Mountain Muse Festival to be held June 22nd and 23rd.

15. CORRESPONDENCE

15.1 Correspondence for Action

- a. **Susan Collins, Pemberton resident, dated April 29, 2024, requesting the installation of identification signs in Staehli Park and Fougberg Park.**

Resolution No. 1603-19

Moved and seconded

THAT Council directs staff to investigate the cost of providing signage at Fougberg Park, Staehli Park, and Henry Park and bring this information back to a future meeting of Council;

AND THAT Council directs staff to respond to Susan Collins.

CARRIED

- b. **Amie Waelchli, On-Reserve Lands Manager, Líl'wat Nation, dated June 4, 2024, seeking a letter of support for a proposed addition to reserve**

Resolution No. 1603-20

THAT Council directs staff to provide a letter of support regarding the proposed addition of Lot 1, District Lot 209, located at 2037-2043 Sea to Sky Highway (Main Street), Mount Currie, within the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District, to reserve.

CARRIED

15.2 Correspondence for Information

- a. Deputy Mayor Kelly Hall, City of Kamloops, dated May 29, 2024, announcing the appointment of the Deputy Mayor to represent the Kamloops City Council.
- b. Patrick Weiler MP, West Vancouver-Sunshine Coast-Sea to Sky Country, dated May 31, 2024, informing of a new call for proposals under the small projects component of the Enabling Accessibility Fund (EAF).
- c. Patrick Weiler, West Vancouver-Sunshine Coast-Sea to Sky Country, dated May 31, 2024, providing information about the NAAW stream of the Social Development Partnerships Program – Disability component
- d. Patrick Weiler, West Vancouver-Sunshine Coast-Sea to Sky Country, dated June 3, 2024, announcing the Local Leadership for Climate Adaptation initiative through the Green Municipal Fund.
- e. Kermit Dahl, Mayor, City of Campbell River, dated May 28, 2024, addressed to the Honorable Bruce Ralston, Minister of Forest, expressing his concerns regarding the forest sector in BC
- f. Councillor Katie Neustaeter, Deputy Mayor, City of Kamloops, dated June 11, 2024, seeking support for downloading costs on municipalities

Resolution No. 1603-21

Moved and seconded

THAT Council receives all correspondence for information.

CARRIED

16. DECISION ON LATE BUSINESS

17. LATE BUSINESS

18. NOTICE OF MOTION

19. QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions from the gallery.

20. RISE WITH REPORT

21. TERMINATION

At 7:26pm Council terminated the regular meeting.

Mike Richman, Mayor

Gwendolyn Kennedy, Corporate Officer