

**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, June 11, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. in Council Chamber, 7400 Prospect Street. This is Meeting No. 192.

ATTENDING: Mayor Mike Richman
Councilor Ryan Zant
Councilor Ted Craddock
Councilor Leah Noble

ABSENT: Councilor Amica Antonelli

STAFF: Nikki Gilmore, Chief Administrative Officer
Sheena Fraser, Manager of Corporate & Legislative Services
Joanna Rees, Planner
Matt Rempel, GIS/Planning Technician
Gwendolyn Kennedy, Building & Planning Clerk
Elysia Harvey, Legislative Assistant

PUBLIC: 4

1. CALL TO ORDER

At 12:58 p.m. Mayor Richman called the June 11, 2019 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 circulated.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

a) Committee of the Whole Meeting No. 191, Tuesday, May 28, 2019

Moved/Seconded

THAT the minutes of Committee of the Whole Meeting No. 191, held Tuesday, May 28, 2019, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

4. DELEGATIONS

a) Pemberton Wildlife Association – Allen McEwan, President, Greg Ferguson, Project Coordinator, and Sue Maxwell, waste management specialist

i. Wildlife and Habitat Projects Update

Greg Ferguson, Project Coordinator for the Pemberton Wildlife Association (PWA), provided an update on the wildlife and habitat projects the PWA is currently working on in the Pemberton area, including bat conservation, conserving bird species at risk, and environmental stewardship initiatives. Mr. Ferguson indicated habitat conservation is imperative in protecting biodiversity and species at risk, and listed some of the ways this could be accomplished including retaining large trees and native plant species, maintaining habitat connectivity, and protecting riparian areas.

Discussion took place respecting ways that the Village of Pemberton might be able to assist in establishing protection and supports including the following:

- Consideration of a Tree Cutting Bylaw to manage the retention of trees and retain old trees as may be possible
- Managing light (night skies)
- Managing pests such as rats and cats as they are predators
- Supporting continued data collection of species
- Ensuring consultants undertake effective inventories and that the data collection is done at the right time of year depending on the research being done
- Managing connectivity within the Village through the Official Community Plan
- Managing riparian areas and ensuring protection put in place are better and work toward restoring other areas where possible
- Encourage landowners to retain or restore habitats
- Retain or plant native species when undertaking landscaping projects
- Consider taking a habitat based approach

ii. Illegal Dumping

Allen McEwan, President, PWA, and Sue Maxwell, Principal at Ecoinspire Consulting, addressed the expanding issue of illegal dumping in the Pemberton area and the ongoing remedial efforts at known problem sites, including the Green River Forest Service Road area, Pemberton Meadows, and Owl Creek. Mr. McEwan and Ms. Maxwell discussed the main reasons why illegal dumping occurs, including cost and convenience. Possible

strategies to deter illegal dumping include monitoring, making local waste facilities more accessible, public education, and raising awareness.

Mr. McEwan noted that a presentation is being planned for the Pemberton Valley Utilities and Service Committee and Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Board as it is recognized that Solid Waste Management for this area is facilitated through the Regional District.

Ms. Maxwell provided recommendations as to how the Village can help to deter illegal dumping suggesting that information on the Village website to links on how to report illegal dumping and providing options for the disposal of yard waste would be supportive.

b) Vern and Sylvia Shanoss, In-SHUCK-ch Elders, Sachtien Community

Vern and Silvia Shanoss discussed the work they have done to pioneer the establishment of their secluded Sachtien Community and the progress made so far with respect to construction of cabins, waste management initiatives, connecting to the electrical grid, water, wifi connectivity.

Mr. and Mrs. Shanoss have also worked diligently on designing a Community Plan independently. The Community Plan advocates wellness and safety through the adoption of a zero drug and alcohol policy and offers a safe haven for women and children. Mr. and Mrs. Shanoss welcomed those present to visit their community and encouraged ongoing, open discussions to support our communities together.

5. DRAFT BUILDING BYLAW PRESENTATION

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council that Staff proceed with community and stakeholder engagement as part of the process of adopting the *Energy Step Code*.

CARRIED

6. ADJOURNMENT

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Committee of Whole be adjourned at 2:38 p.m.

CARRIED

Mike Richman
Mayor

Sheena Fraser
Corporate Officer