

VILLAGE OF PEMBERTON
-COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES-

Minutes for the **Committee of the Whole (Finance)** of Council of the Village of Pemberton held Tuesday, May 4, 2010 following the Public Works & Parks Committee meeting in the White Building, 7400 Prospect Street. This is meeting 039.

ATTENDING: Mayor Jordan Sturdy
Councillor Lisa Ames
Councillor Ted Craddock Chairman
Councillor Susie Gimse
Councillor Al LeBlanc

STAFF: Daniel Sailland, Chief Administrative Officer
Lonny Miller, Manager of Administrative Services/Corporate Officer
Roger Lundie, Manager of Finance/Financial Officer
Richard Nicolas, Manager of Community Services
Caroline Lamont, Manager of Development Services

1. CALL TO ORDER

At 2:00 p.m. Chairman Ted Craddock called the meeting to order.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Agenda be approved as amended to include **Boundary Expansion** as Item #3, **Joint Committee Expenses** as Item #6 and **Seniors Housing** as Item #7.

CARRIED

3. BOUNDARY EXPANSION

CAO Sailland reviewed his written report on the four proposed expansion areas. The CAO has brought the Options Lands to the Lil'wat Nation and its support is yet to come. The First Nations respond with support, not support, or in the absence of comments, the Ministry of Community Development can move forward with the next steps.

The Ministry may need to make a decision without the First Nations support or response. The Lil'wat Nation has indicated that they will be bringing a proposal and request forward which will include expansion of the water system.

Lil'wat is the final "task" to all the four boundary expansion areas. CAO Sailland has sent a letter to Chief and Council expressing the urgency and need for confirmation that the Lil'wat Nation does not have any issues with the proposed boundary

expansion. Chief and Council are to meet later today and it is hoped that a favourable response will be received in the next day or so.

Nikki Gilmore joined the meeting at 2:10 p.m.

Councillor Lisa Ames attended the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

If Lil'wat Nation provides support as soon as possible we can complete the expansions by the end of June 2010. If they have conditions then the Village will need more time to discuss and negotiate.

4. **Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 648**

Roger and Daniel briefly outlined the Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 648, 2010. It replaces the Operating Budget approved by Council in January 2010.

Total 2010 Budget Revenue is \$8,369,805 while Operating Expenses total \$6,255,253 and the Capital Expenditures, Amortization, Long-term Debt, and Surplus Transfers amount to \$2,114,552.

The Village has several Water & Sewer capital projects that need to be completed due to aging infrastructure and increased demand. Total population of the Village is growing and Caroline Lamont, Manager of Development Services will be completing a door to door census later this summer.

Councillors asked a variety of questions for clarity and understanding and staff provided explanations for the various amounts and fluctuations of the five year budget amounts.

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Committee receive the Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 648 and recommends approval.

CARRIED

5. **TAX RATES BYLAW NO. 649**

Nikki Gilmore and Roger Lundie reviewed the Tax Rates Bylaw and the proposed 3% increase in total Tax Revenue to the Village, net of new construction values. Residential taxes increased the most with \$19,000 in total Village taxes and commercial increased by \$9,400 over the 2009 totals. The 2010 overall assessment values in the Village of Pemberton increased by 18%.

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Committee receive the Tax Rates Bylaw No. 649 and recommends approval.

CARRIED

6. JOINT COMMITTEE EXPENSES

Councillor Craddock stated that he noticed that Village Directors on the Economic Development Committee were paid a fee for attending committee meetings. Councillor Gimse stated that an error was made and the \$873.00 expenditure allocated to a Councillor has since been corrected.

7. SENIORS HOUSING

Councillor LeBlanc stated that he has heard that the Seniors Housing project is going ahead. He had wanted some analysis for the structural fill. It was noted that the Village has pledged \$120,000 toward the project if the Lions Club are not successful in borrowing the funds. CAO Sailland noted that Development Services has received an application from BC Housing to move ahead. Village and Lions Society are on the hook for the structural fill. The foot print of the building has changed to accommodate the senior's exercise room which will mean more fill.

Mayor Sturdy suggested that it would be beneficial if the Village partnered with the Dyking District to acquire 10,000 m³ per year of gravel from the pit.

Moved/seconded

THAT the Committee direct staff to meet with the Dyking District and discuss partnering on the gravel pit application and provide a report back to council at its earliest.

CARRIED

8. ADJOURNMENT

At 3:32 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor

Corporate Officer