

**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, October 18, 2016 at 1:00 p.m., at Council Chambers, 7400 Prospect Street. This is meeting No. 154.

ATTENDING: Mayor Mike Richman
Councillor James Linklater
Councillor Karen Ross
Councillor Ted Craddock

ABSENT: Councillor Jennie Helmer

STAFF: Nikki Gilmore, Chief Administrative Officer
Sheena Fraser, Manager of Corporate & Legislative Services
Tim Harris, Manager of Operations & Development Services
Sarah Dicker, Legislative Assistant
Jill Brooksbank, Communications & Grant Coordinator

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1. CALL TO ORDER

At 103 p.m. Mayor Richman called the October 18, 2016, Committee of Whole meeting to order.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved/Seconded
THAT the agenda be approved as presented.
CARRIED

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

a) Committee of the Whole No. 152 – Tuesday, September 13, 2016

Moved/Seconded
THAT the minutes of Committee of the Whole Meeting No. 152, held Tuesday, September 13, 2016, be adopted as circulated.
CARRIED

b) Committee of the Whole No. 153 – Tuesday, October 4, 2016

Moved/Seconded

THAT the minutes of Committee of the Whole Meeting No. 153, held Tuesday, October 4, 2016, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

4. SLOW FOOD CYCLE 2017 – DISCUSSION

Guests: Tourism Pemberton Board

Mark Mendonca, President

Andy Meeker

Peter Colapinto

Shirley Henry

Carlee Cindric, Tourism Pemberton Marketing Coordinator/Slow Food Cycle Event Coordinator

Mayor Richman welcomed members of the Tourism Pemberton Board and invited them to the table. In attendance were Andy Meeker, Peter Colapinto, Shirley Henry and Carlee Cindric, Marketing Coordinator.

Mayor Richman invited Ms. Cindric to provide an overview of the Slow Food Cycle event from her perspective as the event coordinator.

Ms. Cindric advised that the 2016 event went well and the feedback received from participants was excellent. The road closure requested by the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MOTI) was a late request and required some logistical changes and presented organizational challenges; however, it was agreed by everyone that the closure did improve participant safety.

Ms. Cindric advised that registration indicated approximately 2300+ participants.

Mayor Richman thanked Ms. Cindric for her insight and asked for feedback on the road closure from Board members in attendance.

Mr. Peter Colapinto advised that the requirement did come late in the organization process and added a layer of bureaucracy but that it work out well. The Board is concerned with respect to the restrictions that may be put in place by MOTI for 2017 and beyond which will require more traffic control personnel, increased RCMP presence and a longer road closure and the impacts to coordination of the event and the costs associated with these requirements.

Jill Brooksbank, Village Communications & Grant Coordinator, noted that she has been advised that MOTI has not made any decisions with respect to the extent of the road closures related to Slow Food Cycle for next year and beyond.

Ms. Cindric commented that the road closure requirements does impact the budget as the costs associated with holding the event increase due to the requirement for traffic control personnel and signage. However, Ms. Cindric noted that despite the costs her goal is to ensure a safe event and that all permits are in place and in good standing. Ms. Cindric further noted that the SLRD survey completed prior to the event indicated that 77% of the respondents were in favour of the road being closed.

At 1:12 p.m. Mark Mendonca, President of Tourism Pemberton, joined the meeting.

Mr. Mendonca provided comment noting that he personally was in favour of the road closure for Slow Food Cycle but was frustrated that the requirement by MOTI to do so was made so late in the planning. Mr. Mendonca also expressed concern that going forward MOTI will require the road closure to be for the full day which will impact tourists travelling off the Hurley Road to Pemberton. As well, he stated concern about the costs to the Slow Food Cycle budget that the road closure requirements will bring.

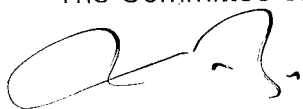
Mr. Mendonca advised the Committee that Tourism Pemberton will be holding a community meeting on November 2nd from 7:00-8:30 p.m. to seek feedback on Slow Food Cycle and the road closures. The meeting will be held at the Pemberton Community Centre.

Mayor Richman thanked the members of Tourism Pemberton for taking the time to meet with the Committee to discuss the road closures and noted that he is pleased that both the Village and Tourism Pemberton are on the same page with respect to ensuring the event is safe and that the road closures will assist with that aim.

At 1:22 p.m. members of Tourism Pemberton left the meeting except for Mr. Mendonca and Mr. Meeker who provided the Committee with an update on the Pemberton APP.

5. ADJOURNMENT

The Committee of the Whole Meeting was adjourned at 1:32 p.m.



Mike Richman
Mayor



Sheena Fraser
Corporate Officer