

**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, February 4, 2014 at 3:00 p.m. in the Council Office, 7400 Prospect Street. This is Meeting No. 111.

ATTENDING: Acting Mayor Ted Craddock
Councillor Alan LeBlanc
Councillor James Linklater
Councillor Mike Richman

ABSENT: Mayor Jordan Sturdy

STAFF: Daniel Sailland, Chief Administrative Officer
Sheena Fraser, Manager of Administrative Services & Corporate Officer
Nikki Gilmore, Manager of Finance
Caroline Lamont, Manager of Development Services
Jen Kirk, Communications & Grant Coordinator

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1. CALL TO ORDER

At 3:10 p.m. Acting Mayor Craddock called the February 4, 2014 Committee of Whole meeting to order.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved/Seconded

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED

3. COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY-A GRASSROOTS APPROACH

Caroline Lamont, Manager of Development Services, presented a report on opportunities related to economic development options and how the Village and community could facilitate the development of a strategy or plan for the future.

Discussion took place regarding the following:

- Need for an outside facilitator with skills in this area to support/help
- Use of Community Initiative & Opportunity Funds to hire a facilitator
- Implementation – what would it look like
- Branding opportunities of local resources (farming, organic meats etc.)

- Bringing farmers together to establish a Pemberton Stamp that could lead to development of a processing plant
- Village's role in creating a climate that encourages development as a result of removing hurdles
- What is the role of Local Government in economic development
- What other grant opportunities are available for this type of project (Real Estate Foundation)
- Would this be a good project for a University student?
- Would this sort of project be best suited for the Chamber or other organizations?
- Establishment of an Economic Development Committee

Staff was asked to thank those who participated in the workshop and to invite them to attend a future Committee of the Whole to participate in discussions about economic development opportunities.

Moved/Seconded

THAT the report be received.

CARRIED

4. MULTI-SPORT RECREATION CENTRE AND SOCCER FIELD DEVELOPMENT WORK PLAN AND TIMELINES

Caroline Lamont, Manager of Development Services, provided an overview of the timelines for the multi-sport recreation centre facility along with the work plan that is being prepared to facilitate the development of the project and public engagement.

Discussion took place regarding the following:

- Project Manager recruitment – underway
- Need to further develop the site layout by building on the conceptual designs
- Community consultation and updates which will include stakeholder group meetings
- Facility design – ensuring flexibility for different uses
- Concerns with respect to compromising the existing facility
- Financing – debt, operational and revenue anticipation
- Partnerships – other local governments and private opportunities
- Communications
- Importance of the inclusion/participation of SLRD Area C and Lil'wat
- Need and importance of having the involvement of the Recreation Services Manager

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council that staff be directed to forward the Multi-Sport Recreation Centre and Soccer Field

Development Work Plan and Timelines report, dated February 4, 2014, to the Squamish Lillooet Regional District requesting that the report be brought forward at the next Pemberton Valley Utilities and Services Committee meeting on February 11th and the next Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting.

CARRIED

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council that they approve Multi-sport Recreation Centre and Soccer Field Development Work Plan and Timelines as outlined in the February 4, 2014 Committee of the Whole report that includes the following key elements:

- a) work program and timeline;
- b) wording of the referendum; and
- c) referendum date of May 31, 2014.

AND THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council that staff be directed to prepare the appropriate borrowing bylaw and referendum question for consideration at the February 18th Council meeting.

CARRIED

The Committee opened the floor to questions/comments from the gallery:

Shirley Henry:

Ms. Henry advised that they have full engineered working drawings for an ice arena that were commissioned by PACA a number of years ago and that they would be happy to share the information with the Village.

Liz Scroggins:

Ms. Scroggins commended the Village on the work that has been done regarding this development project and advised that she had heard at the last PVUS meeting that Area C Director committed to getting back to the Village by the end of January with respect to whether or not Area C will participate. Ms. Scroggins asked if the Village had heard anything at all.

Ms. Scroggins also noted that as a taxpayer that contributes to the recreation services run by the SLRD on behalf of the Village and Area C she is stunned to learn that there is an inability for the Village to engage the recreation staff on this project. Ms. Scroggins expressed her concern that Area C residents will be out of the loop which would be a shame.

The Committee advised Ms. Scroggins that the Village has not received any word from the Area C Director as of yet.

Jan Kennett:

Mrs. Kennett noted that as a business person it is very exciting to see all the positive political effort that is being put into this project and that the recreation center and school are exciting project that will bring employment to many. Ms. Kennett advised that this is very hopeful and she is grateful for the effort the Village is making to see it a reality.

Joanne Molinaro:

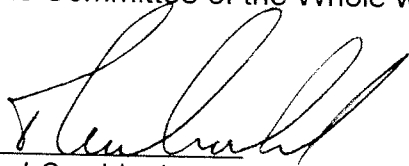
Mrs. Molinaro asked if the results of the re-create recreation survey are available and asked if the Parcel Tax will continue for 2014.

Mrs. Molinaro noted that the landlords vision for the recreation site was to include Area C and Lil'wat and asked that this be reiterated to the Area C Director as it would be appreciated if she could be reminded of the discussions and correspondence related to this request.

The Committee of the Whole advised that the results of the survey are on the Village website and that the Parcel Tax was put in place for two years and Council has not yet determined if it will continue for 2014 which would be the second and final year of implementation.

5. ADJOURNMENT

The Committee of the Whole was adjourned at 4:25 p.m.



Ted Craddock
Acting Mayor



Sheena Fraser
Corporate Officer