## VILLAGE OF PEMBERTON -REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA-

**Agenda** for the **Regular Meeting** of Council of the Village of Pemberton to be held Tuesday, August 31, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. via electronic means through a ZOOM Webinar. This is Meeting No. 1544.

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Item of Business Page No.

1. CALL TO ORDER REGULAR MEETING

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

**Recommendation:** THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

- 3. RISE WITH REPORT FROM IN CAMERA
- 4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES
  - a) Regular Council Meeting No. 1543, Tuesday, July 27, 2021 Recommendation: THAT the minutes of Regular Council Meeting No. 1543, held Tuesday, July 27, 2021, be approved as circulated.
- 5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
- 6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
- 7. COMMITTEE MINUTES FOR INFORMATION

None

8. DELEGATION

None

- 9. STAFF REPORTS
  - a) Office of the Chief Administrative Officer
    - i. Verbal Report
      - (a) BC Emergency Health Services Meeting
      - (b) Union of BC Municipalities Approval for Community Emergency Preparedness Fund - Flood Risk Assessment, Flood Mapping, and Flood Mitigation Planning Funding Stream

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ii. Declaration of National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (September 30<sup>th</sup>) as a Public Holiday - Request for Decision

**Recommendation: THAT** the Village of Pemberton declare the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (September 30) as a public holiday for the Village, to be observed annually to recognize the historical and ongoing impacts of the residential school system, honour the victims and survivors of the residential school system, and affirm the Village's commitment to reconciliation.

#### b) Pemberton Fire Rescue

i. Community Resilience Investment Program – FireSmart Community Funding and Supports Grant Application

**Recommendation: THAT** an application for grant funding, up to \$150,000.00, from the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) under the Community Resiliency Investment (CRI) program which provides 100% funding for the Village of Pemberton FireSmart program be supported.

- 10. BYLAWS
- 11. MAYOR'S Report
- 12. COUNCILLORS' Reports
- 13. CORRESPONDENCE
  - a) For Action
    - i. Chief Dean Nelson, Lil'wat Nation, dated August 12, 2021, announcing the Bulls and Barrels Rodeo scheduled for the weekend of September 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> at Lillooet Lake Rodeo Grounds, and asking Council to consider supporting the event through a financial contribution.

**Recommendation: THAT** Council provides direction with respect to a financial contribution to the Bulls and Barrels Rodeo.

ii. Graham Camm, Village resident, dated August 25, 2021, expressing opposition to vaccine passports, and requesting that Council denounce such passports.

**Recommendation: THAT Council** refers the correspondence to Staff for response.

iii. Sheila Pither, President, Council of Senior Citizens' Organizations of BC (COSCO), dated August 2021, extending an invitation to the COSCO virtual conference, Living in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century – A Seniors' Strategy, to be held September 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Recommendation: THAT** Council members inform Staff if they wish to attend the 2021 COSCO virtual conference.

iv. The Golf Tournament Planning Committee, Rotary Club of Pemberton and Pemberton & District Chamber of Commerce, no date, extending an invitation to participate in or sponsor the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament to take place on September 15, 2021, and seeking donations for the silent auction.

**Recommendation: THAT** Council provides direction regarding possible sponsorship of the event.

#### b) For Information

- i. Paula Kusack, Deputy Corporate Officer, Langley City, dated July 29, 2021, addressed to Premier Horgan and Minister Dix, presenting a resolution adopted by Langley City Council regarding improvements to British Columbia's prehospital care system.
- ii. Patrick Weiler, Member of Parliament, West Vancouver-Sunshine Coast-Sea to Sky Country, dated July 30, 2021, announcing the next intake of the B.C. Indigenous Agriculture Development Program.
- iii. Patrick Weiler, Member of Parliament, West Vancouver-Sunshine Coast-Sea to Sky Country, dated July 30, 2021, announcing the launch of the 2021 national call for proposals for Health Canada's Substance Use and Addictions Program.
- iv. Mark Southern, Senior Vice-President and Chief Operating Officer, Rocky Mountaineer, dated August 5, 2021, following up to previous correspondence regarding the disruption the Rocky Mountaineer train caused to Pemberton residents on July 21, 2021.
- v. Brian Frenkel, President, Union of BC Municipalities, dated August 11, 2021, regarding a one-time top-up payment of \$163,521.26 to the Village's Community Works Fund.
- vi. Patrick Weiler, Member of Parliament, West Vancouver-Sunshine Coast-Sea to Sky Country, dated August 13, 2021, announcing the second phase of the Connecting Families initiative, which will help connect hundreds of thousands of low-income seniors and families to affordable high-speed home Internet in 2022.
- vii. Patrick Weiler, Member of Parliament, West Vancouver-Sunshine Coast-Sea to Sky Country, dated August 13, 2021, regarding the government's commitment to introduce a tax on select luxury goods.
- viii. Patrick Weiler, Member of Parliament, West Vancouver-Sunshine Coast-Sea to Sky Country, dated August 13, 2021, announcing the launch of a \$2.75 billion Zero Emission Transit Fund that will help communities invest in zero emission public transit and school transportation options.

**Recommendation: THAT** the correspondence be received.

- 14. DECISION ON LATE BUSINESS
- 15. LATE BUSINESS
- 16. NOTICE OF MOTION
- 17. QUESTION PERIOD
- 18. IN CAMERA

**THAT** the meeting is closed to the public in accordance with the *Community Charter* Section 90 (1) (k) negotiations, (l) discussions respecting municipal objectives, and (c) employee

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relations, and related discussions that in the view of Council could reasonably expect to harm the interest of the municipality if they were held in public.

- 19. RISE WITH REPORT
- 20. ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

# VILLAGE OF PEMBERTON -REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES-

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting** of Council of the Village of Pemberton held on Tuesday, July 27, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. via electronic means through a ZOOM Webinar. This is Meeting No. 1543.

**IN ATTENDANCE\*:** Mayor Mike Richman

Councillor Ted Craddock Councillor Leah Noble Councillor Amica Antonelli Councillor Ryan Zant

**STAFF IN ATTENDANCE\*:** Nikki Gilmore, Chief Administrative Officer

Sheena Fraser, Manager of Corporate & Legislative

Lena Martin, Manager of Finance Robert Grossman, Fire Chief

Tom Csima, Manager of Operations & Projects Lisa Pedrini, Manager of Development Services Christine Burns, Manager of Recreation Services

Cameron Chalmers, Contract Planner

Emily White, HR Coordinator & Executive Assistant Laura Murphy, Project & Research Coordinator

Vinka Hutchinson, Communications & Grant

Coordinator

Gwendolyn Kennedy, Legislative Assistant

PUBLIC: 2

MEDIA: 0

\*ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS AND STAFF ATTENDED ELECTRONICALLY

A RECORDING OF THE MEETING WAS MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC & MEDIA

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER REGULAR MEETING

At 9:14 a.m. Mayor Richman called the Regular 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 presented.

**CARRIED** 

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#### 3. RISE WITH REPORT FROM IN CAMERA

Council is rising with report on the following resolutions that were passed at In Camera Meeting No. 1542 held on Tuesday, July 13, 2021:

#### a) Bike Skills Park - Contract Award

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** Council awards the contract to Velosolutions, in the amount of \$614,425.98, for the Pemberton and Area Mountain Bike Skills Project.

#### **CARRIED**

#### b) BC Transit Annual Operating Agreement 2021

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** the Mayor and CAO be authorized to sign the 2021/22 Annual Operating Agreement once the SLRD and Lil'wat Nation have provided their support. CARRIED

#### 4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

#### a) Regular Council Meeting No. 1542, Tuesday, July 13, 2021

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** the minutes of Regular Council Meeting No. 1542, held Tuesday, July 13, 2021, be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED** 

#### 5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

There was no business arising from the previous Regular Council Meeting.

#### 6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

There was no business arising.

#### 7. COMMITTEE MINUTES - FOR INFORMATION

There were no Committee minutes for receipt.

#### 8. DELEGATION

There were no delegations.

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#### 12. REPORTS

#### a) Office of the Chief Administrative Officer

#### i. Verbal Report

CAO Gilmore provided a summary the July 19<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Pemberton Valley Emergency Management Committee (PVEMC). The PVEMC received updates on the Arn Canal outlet project and the Miller and Green River gauges. Aerial inspections of the upper reaches of the Lillooet River have revealed the potential for more significant silt build-up downriver in the future. The Committee held a debrief of the recent high-water event, noting that the event revealed the need for additional upgrades. Further discussion touched on the Pole Yard Dike, Birkenhead River gauge, and the proposed hydrometric gauges.

#### ii. 2021 Second Quarter Office of the CAO/Strategic Priorities Update

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** the 2021 Second Quarter Office of the CAO/Strategic Priorities Update be received for information.

**CARRIED** 

At 9:28 a.m. Vinka Hutchinson joined the meeting.

# iii. BC Active Transportation Infrastructure Grant Reconsideration Application – Friendship Trail: Pemberton Farm Road East Connector

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** Council supports the Village of Pemberton's reconsideration application to the BC Active Transportation Infrastructure Grant Program, up to an amount of \$661,760, to go toward the Friendship Trail: Pemberton Farm Road East Connector.

**AND THAT** Council allocates an amount up to \$198,528 from the Gas Tax Community Works Fund to cover the Village's contribution of the project. **CARRIED** 

At 9:40 a.m. Ms. Hutchinson left the meeting and Emily White joined the meeting.

#### iv. Village of Pemberton Restart Plan

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** the Village of Pemberton Restart Plan report be received. **CARRIED** 

At 9:51 a.m. Ms. White left the meeting.

#### v. Pemberton Valley Dyking District - Request for Funds

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** Staff bring discussion of the funding of the proposed hydrometric river gauges forward for consideration during the 2022 budget deliberation process.

CARRIED

#### b) Corporate & Legislative Services

#### i. Appointment of Financial Officer

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** the appointment of Lena Martin as Financial Officer for the Village of Pemberton be rescinded effective August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021;

**AND THAT** Ms. Nikki Gilmore be appointed as Financial Officer for the Village of Pemberton, with all the duties and responsibilities assigned under Section 149 of the *Community Charter* and Village of Pemberton Officers Bylaw No. 683, 2011, effective August 6, 2021;

**AND THAT** Ms. Lena Martin be removed as an administrative signing authority on the Village of Pemberton TD Bank account (s), the Village of Pemberton Scotiabank account (s) and the North Shore Credit Union account (s);

**AND THAT** Ms. Lena Martin be removed as a signing authority on all authorizations from Municipal Finance Authority by the Village of Pemberton. **CARRIED** 

# ii. Corporate & Legislative Services 2021 Second Quarter Report – Regular Council Meeting Outstanding Resolutions Listing - Update

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** Council receives the report for information.

**CARRIED** 

# iii. Corporate & Legislative Services 2021 Second Quarter Administration Update

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** the Corporate & Legislative Services 2021 Second Quarter Administration Update report be received for information.

**CARRIED** 

At 10:18 a.m. Lena Martin joined the meeting.

#### b) Finance

#### i. Finance Department 2021 Second Quarter Financial Statements

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** the 2021 Second Quarter Financial Statements be received for information.

#### CARRIED

On behalf of Council, Mayor Richman thanked Ms. Martin for her years of service, acknowledged Ms. Martin's skill at presenting financial matters with clarity and humour, and wished Ms. Martin all the best in her future endeavours.

At 10:35 a.m. Ms. Martin left the meeting and Lisa Pedrini joined the meeting.

#### c) Development Services

#### i. Development Services 2021 Second Quarter Report

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** the Development Services 2021 Second Quarter Report be received for information.

#### **CARRIED**

# ii. Nkwûkwma (Benchlands) Official Community Plan Amendment – Early and Ongoing Consultation

Lisa Pedrini, Manager of Development Services, noted two corrections to the staff report:

- under the heading BACKGROUND, in the second Paragraph, Bethel Land Corporation is replaced with Pemberton Benchlands Development Corp.
- Canadian Broadcasting Corporation is added to the list of referral organizations.

#### Moved/Seconded

**THAT** Council has considered the obligations under Section 475 of the *Local Government Act* with respect to the Official Community Plan amendment application by Nkwûkwma (Benchlands) and requests that the Applicant organize, advertise, and host at least two (2) public information meetings prior to consideration of First reading of the forthcoming OCP amending bylaw;

**AND THAT** Council has considered Section 475 of the *Local Government Act* and directs Staff to consult with the following organizations before consideration of First Reading to the forthcoming OCP amending bylaw:

- Lil'wat Nation
- Squamish-Lillooet Regional District

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- Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure
- Ministry of Environment Contaminated Sites Branch
- Ministry of Forest, Lands, and Natural Resources Archeological Branch
- Vancouver Coastal Health
- Sea-to-Sky School District (No. 48)
- Conseil Scolaire francophone de la C.B. (School District No. 93)
- Pemberton Valley Dyking District
- Pemberton Valley Trails Association
- Pemberton Off-Road Cycling Association
- Pemberton & District Chamber of Commerce
- BC Hydro
- TELUS
- Shaw Communications
- Canadian Broadcasting Corporation
- Pemberton Wildlife Association

#### **CARRIED**

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** Staff provide guidance to the applicants to ensure that a robust advertising campaign is conducted in advance of the developer-led public information meetings to ensure that all residents are offered the opportunity to be heard.

#### **CARRIED**

At 11:06 a.m. Ms. Pedrini left the meeting and Tom Csima joined the meeting.

#### a) Operations

#### i. Operations Department 2021 Second Quarter Report

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Operations Department 2021 Second Quarter Report be received for information.

#### CARRIED

At 11:38 a.m. Mr. Csima left the meeting and Christine Burns joined the meeting.

#### d) Recreation Services

#### i. Pemberton and District Recreation Services 2021 Second Quarter Report

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** the Pemberton and District Recreation Services 2021 Second Quarter Report be received for information.

#### CARRIED

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Moved/Seconded

**THAT** Staff refer discussion regarding the possibility of offering priority registration to Pemberton Community Centre recreation classes to Village and Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Area C residents to Pemberton Valley Utilities and Services Committee.

#### **CARRIED**

At 12:00 p.m. Ms. Burns left the meeting.

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** the Regular meeting be extended beyond three (3) hours.

CARRIED

At 12:02 p.m. Fire Chief Grossman joined the meeting.

#### e) Pemberton Fire Rescue

#### i. Pemberton Fire Rescue 2021 Second Quarter Report

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** the Pemberton Fire Rescue 2021 Second Quarter Report be received for information.

**CARRIED** 

At 12:08 p.m. Fire Chief Grossman left the meeting.

At 12:08 p.m. Mayor Richman declared a conflict pursuant to section 100 (2) (b) of the *Community Charter* with respect to the proposed Village of Pemberton Business Licence Bylaw No. 855, 2019, Amendment (Mobile Food Vendors) Bylaw No. 904, 2021, stating that he is part owner of a restaurant and a food truck.

At 12:09 p.m. Mayor Richman was placed in the waiting room and Acting Mayor Zant took the Chair.

#### 13. BYLAWS

#### a) Bylaws for Adoption

i. Village of Pemberton Business Licence Bylaw No. 855, 2019, Amendment (Mobile Food Vendors) Bylaw No. 904, 2021

Moved

**THAT** Village of Pemberton Business Licence Bylaw No. 855, 2019, Amendment (Mobile Food Vendors) Bylaw No. 904, 2021 be adopted.

#### MOTION FAILED DUE TO LACK OF SECONDER

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Moved/Seconded

**THAT** First, Second and Third readings of Village of Pemberton Business Licence Bylaw No. 855, 2019, Amendment (Mobile Food Vendors) Bylaw No. 904, 2021, be rescinded.

**CARRIED** 

At 12:24 p.m. Mayor Richman returned to the meeting and resumed the Chair.

#### ii. Village of Pemberton Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 905, 2021

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** Village of Pemberton Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 905, 2021, be adopted.

**CARRIED** 

#### 14. MAYOR'S Report

Mayor Richman reported on the following meetings and events:

- Attended a meeting with Jennifer Rice, Parliamentary Secretary for Emergency Preparedness, and staff from Emergency Management BC and BC Wildfire Service. Discussion centered on the provincial state of emergency, wildfires across the province, evacuation strategy, military support, and the possibility of closing the backcountry to all-terrain vehicles.
- Attended a meeting with the North Shore Restorative Justice Society and broached the idea of a corridor-wide approach to implementation of the restorative justice concept.
- Met with Patrick Weiler, MP, West Vancouver-Sunshine Coast-Sea to Sky Country, accompanied MP Weiler on a tour of Pemberton, and discussed the potential for accessing funding under the National Disaster Mitigation Fund for the proposed hydrometric gauges.
- Eight Pemberton mountain bikers participated in the Canadian National Championships in Golden on the weekend.
- Regional Transit Committee meetings will resume soon.

Mayor Richman noted that this is the last meeting until the end of August and wished Staff and Council a well-earned rest and vacation.

#### 15. COUNCILLORS' Reports

#### **Councillor Craddock reported on the following:**

- Thanked Staff for assisting him in accessing documents and connecting to today's meeting in the wake of the recent hack of his personal email account.
- Wished Staff and Council a pleasant vacation.

#### Councillor Antonelli did not report.

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Councillor Zant did not report.

Councillor Noble did not report.

#### 16. CORRESPONDENCE

#### a) For Action

i. Rob Fisher, Project Coordinator, British Columbia Social Procurement Initiative (BCSPI), dated July 14, 2021, presenting a letter from Karen Elliot and Colleen Evans, Co-Chairs, BCSPI Steering Committee, extending an invitation to the Village to join the BCSPI, and enclosing the Coastal Communities Social Procurement Initiative Phase 1 Report.

#### Moved/Seconded

**THAT** Staff prepare a report for presentation at a future meeting of Council discussing the Village's capacity to participate in the British Columbia Social Procurement Initiative.

#### **CARRIED**

#### b) For Information

- i. Michelle Sanstra, Legislative Coordinator, City of Mississauga, dated July 13, 2021, presenting a resolution passed by Council regarding 2021 Canada Day activities.
- ii. Jennifer Novak, Executive Director, Opioid Response Team, Controlled Substances and Cannabis Branch, Health Canada, thanking the Village for correspondence regarding the opioid crisis dated January 18, 2021.
- iii. Patrick Weiler, MP, West Vancouver-Sunshine Coast-Sea to Sky Country, dated July 13, 2021, announcing the launch of a new Tourism Relief Fund.
- iv. Patrick Weiler, MP, West Vancouver-Sunshine Coast-Sea to Sky Country, dated July 15, 2021, announcing the re-opening of the Local Food Infrastructure Fund with \$23 million to support projects for 2021-2022.
- v. Mayor Terry Rysz, District of Sicamous, dated July 15, 2021, seeking support for two resolutions submitted to UBCM respecting the Protection of Outdoor Recreation Opportunities and Established Recreational Sites or Trails in B.C.
- vi. Patrick Weiler, MP, West Vancouver-Sunshine Coast-Sea to Sky Country, dated July 16, 2021, announcing the launch of a call for applications for the Canada Digital Adoption Program's first stream,

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> Grow Your Business Online, that will award up to \$336.8 million to notfor-profit organizations to support small businesses as they adopt digital technologies and expand their digital presence.

- vii. Patrick Weiler, MP, West Vancouver-Sunshine Coast-Sea to Sky Country, dated July 20, 2021, announcing the new intake of the Disaster Mitigation and Adaption Fund program.
- ii. Carlee Cindric, Chair, Winterfest, dated July 21, 2021, announcing the decision by the Spirit of BC Pemberton Committee to discontinue the annual Winterfest event.

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** Staff send a letter of appreciation from Council thanking the Winterfest Committee for their enthusiasm and hard work in organizing, promoting, and carrying on the annual Winterfest event for the benefit of the community since 2005.

CARRIED

- iii. Patrick Weiler, MP, West Vancouver-Sunshine Coast-Sea to Sky Country, dated July 22, 2021, announcing the launch of the new Jobs and Growth Fund.
- iv. Mark Southern, Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, Rocky Mountaineer, dated, July 22, 2021, in response to noise complaints received due to the Rocky Mountaineer idling while parked overnight in Pemberton.

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** Staff follow up with the Rocky Mountaineer to ensure that Village residents are not disturbed by the noise of the generators of the Rocky Mountaineer as the train idles overnight in Pemberton in the future.

**CARRIED** 

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** the correspondence items i through vii and item ix be received.

**CARRIED** 

#### **16. DECISION ON LATE BUSINESS**

There was no late business.

#### 17. LATE BUSINESS

#### **18. NOTICE OF MOTION**

There was no notice of motion.

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#### 19. QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions from the gallery.

#### 20.IN CAMERA

Moved/Seconded

THAT the meeting is closed to the public in accordance with the Community Charter Section 90 (1) (k) negotiations and related discussions that in the view of Council could reasonably expect to harm the interest of the municipality if they were held in public.

CARRIED

At 12:45 p.m. Council moved In Camera.

At 12:45 p.m. Mayor Richman recessed the Regular meeting.

#### 21. RISE FROM IN CAMERA

At 1:35 p.m. Council rose from In Camera.

#### 22. ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING.

Moved/Seconded **THAT** Regular Council Meeting No.1543 be adjourned. **CARRIED** 

At 1:35 p.m. the Regular meeting was adjourned.

Mike Richman	Sheena Fraser
Mayor	Corporate Officer



# REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: Tuesday, August 31, 2021

To: Nikki Gilmore, Chief Administrative Officer

From: Laura Murphy, Project and Research Coordinator

Subject: Declaration of National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (September 30) as a

**Public Holiday – Request for Decision** 

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to update Council on federal legislation, effective August 3, 2021, establishing September 30 as a new statutory holiday - the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation – and request direction from Council on the declaration of a public holiday by the Village.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The establishment of a National Day for Truth and Reconciliation is outlined in the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Call to Action #80 and is an important step in the reconciliation process. The National Day for Truth and Reconciliation provides an opportunity for the Village to recognize the damaging history and ongoing legacy of residential schools, and to honour the survivors, their families, loved ones and communities.

#### **DISCUSSION & COMMENTS**

If declared a public holiday by the Village, the Village office will be closed on September 30; and subsequently no Village meetings would take place on this day. Staff would not be required to work and would receive statutory holiday pay.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

If declared, the Village will provide notice of the public holiday, via the Village Facebook Page, in the eNEWS, and on the Village website. Information will also be shared regarding local commemoration events.

#### **LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Although not currently recognized as a BC provincial statutory holiday, the Province has encouraged provincial public-sector employers to honour September 30 as the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, to meet the obligations of the majority of collective agreements.

#### **IMPACT ON BUDGET & STAFFING**

There are no significant impacts to the budget or staff hours for considerations at this time.

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#### **INTERDEPARTMENTAL IMPACT & APPROVAL**

No impacts have been identified at this time.

#### IMPACT ON THE REGION OR NEIGHBOURING JURISDICTIONS

No impacts to the region or neighbouring jurisdictions have been identified at this time.

#### **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

There are no alternative options for consideration.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

**THAT** the Village of Pemberton declare the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (September 30) as a public holiday for the Village, to be observed annually to recognize the historical and ongoing impacts of the residential school system, honour the victims and survivors of the residential school system, and affirm the Village's commitment to reconciliation.

Prepared by:	Laura Murphy, Projects and Research Coordinator
CAO Approval by:	Nikki Gilmore, Chief Administrative Officer



# REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: August 31, 2021

To: Nikki Gilmore, Chief Administrative Officer

From: Robert Grossman, Fire Chief

**Subject:** Community Resilience Investment Program

**FireSmart Community Funding and Supports Grant Application** 

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's support in making application for grant funding up to \$150,000.00 from the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) under the Community Resiliency Investment (CRI) program for the 2022 Village of Pemberton FireSmart program.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Community Resiliency Investment (CRI) program is a provincial program intended to reduce the risk and impact of wildfire to communities in BC through community funding, supports and priority fuel management activities and funding request for FireSmart activities.

The FireSmart Community Funding and Supports program is a grant available under the CRI program that provides funding to local governments and First Nations to increase community resiliency by undertaking community based FireSmart planning and activities that reduce the community's risk from wildfire.

In spring 2021, the Village made application and was successful in receiving funding to establish two temporary/one-year term positions for a FireSmart Program Coordinator and a FireSmart Program Laborer. The role of these positions is to develop a Community Based FireSmart program that increases focus on developments in the Wildfire Interface, education for homeowners and home assessments to assist residents on decision making to help them ready their home from a Wildfire. Fuel Management activities will continue primarily at the local homeowner level.

These two positions were filled in July and the funding will remain in place until July 2022.

#### **DISCUSSION & COMMENTS**

Funding through the FireSmart Community Funding and Supports Stream has again been made available to local governments and First Nations communities. In this regard, the Village is seeking funding through this program again to continue to support the two positions noted above and to allow this important work to continue through to August 2023.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

This initiative does not require communications element.

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#### **LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS**

There are no legal, legislative, or regulatory considerations at this time.

#### **IMPACT ON BUDGET & STAFFING**

The grant funding can contribute 100% of the cost of eligible activities to a maximum of \$150,000. Eligible expenditures include consultant costs, applicant Staff and administration costs, and public information costs. As well, the funding allows for the development & promotion of local FireSmart activities as well as Fuel & Vegetation Management on publicly owned land.

#### **INTERDEPARTMENTAL IMPACT & APPROVAL**

There are no interdepartmental impacts or approvals required.

#### IMPACT ON THE REGION OR NEIGHBOURING JURISDICTIONS

The activities of Pemberton Fire Rescue, such as increased fire prevention awareness activities through the newly established FireSmart Program will improve upon the current level of service to the Village and the Fire Service District Service Area. This is a benefit to the community and positively impacts the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District and Lil'wat Nation.

#### **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

There are no alternative options for consideration.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

**THAT** an application for grant funding, up to \$150,000.00, from the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) under the Community Resiliency Investment (CRI) program which provides 100% funding for the Village of Pemberton FireSmart program be supported.

Prepared by:	Gabrielle Stauber, Pemberton Fire Rescue Administrative
	Assistant
Submitted by:	Robert Grossman, Fire Chief
CAO Approval by:	Nikki Gilmore, Chief Administrative Officer



August 12, 2021

Lilwat Nation PO Box 602 Mt Currie, BC, VON 2KO (604) 894-6115 www.lilwat.ca

#### Lil'wat Nation Bulls & Barrels Rodeo 2021 Sponsorship Request

#### Hello Friends!

We are excited to announce that we are hosting a Bulls and Barrels Rodeo scheduled for the weekend of September 11 & 12, 2021. The event will take place at the **Lillooet Lake Rodeo Grounds**. The Lil'wat Nation Bulls & Barrels Rodeo is a two-day open event aimed at amateur rodeo stars. The events are Ladies Barrel Racing, Bull Riding, Junior Bulls & Barrels and Pee-wee Barrels.

It is a safe, fun-filled family event, made possible from kind contributions from the community and many others. We are seeking support in the form of prizes, supplies, or cash donation. We are seeking sponsorship for the event categories for each day (list attached), or any other resources you can provide.

The Rodeo includes covering costs such as Ambulance Service, Stock Contractor, Rodeo Announcer, Competition Judges & Timers, Portable Toilet Rental, Etc. As such, our total costs are estimated to be over \$30,000+.

The Lil'wat Nation will be able to issue an official donation receipt for income tax purposes for all donations (valued over \$20). Any financial surplus from the Rodeo will be used to support youth activities.

All sponsors will receive prominent advertising displayed at the event. If you have a company banner, we would love to display it at our event.

This Rodeo event not only provides an arena for the amateur rodeo stars, it brings people together and contributes to the region in a very positive way.

In closing, on behalf of the Lil'wat Nation, I want to thank you for your consideration of this request. I hope you will contact us to express your support for this initiative. Cheques can be made out to "Lil'wat Nation". If you have any questions or comments or need more information, feel free to contact Maxine Bruce at (604) 894-6115.

Sincerely,

Chief Dean Nelson, Lil'wat Nation

# SPONSORSHIP REQUEST

Total Sponsorship Request:			\$33,000.00	
Major Events	<b>11-Sep-21</b> \$2,000		12-Sep-21	Total Prize \$4,000
Bull Riding			\$2,000	
Ladies Barrel	\$2,000		\$2,000	\$4,000
Totals		\$4,000	\$4,000	\$8,000
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Youth Events	1:	l-Sep-21	12-Sep-21	Total Prize
Junior Steer		\$1,000	\$1,000	\$2,000
Junior Barrel		\$1,000	\$1,000	\$2,000
Pee-wee Barrel		\$500	\$500	\$1,000
Totals	\$2,500		\$2,500	\$5,000
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Essential Costs				
Stock Costs	\$	11,000.00		
Ambulance	\$	3,400.00		
Announcer	\$	1,800.00		
Judges	\$	2,400.00		
Timers	\$	400.00		
Buckles	\$	1,000.00		
Total:	\$20,000.00			

# Website Submission: Write to Mayor & Council - pemberton.ca

#### **Form Submission Info**

First Name: graham

Last Name: camm

Street Address: N/A

PO Box:

**Town/City**: pemberton

Province: BC

Postal Code: V0N2L0

Phone Number:

Email:

Please attach any related documents (if applicable):

Message to Mayor & Council: Hello - I am writing to urge mayor and council to speak out and 100% denounce any and all forms of segregationist vaccine passports in any part of Pemberton. This is coercion, and is a direct violation of the Nuremburg code. It is also a violation of people privacy rights, and is a violation of the BC human rights code. To make matters worse, there are technically no medical exemptions allowed. My girlfriend is deathly allergic to the vaccine sand will now face constant discrimination based on her disability. If nothing is done about this, I will personally be filing human rights violations against any business and individual who violates my human rights to privacy and to be free from discrimination. I trust Council understands these grave discriminatory human rights violations should not be taken lightly. Segregation and discrimination is abhorrent and I trust it will be remedied.

Village of Pemberton



#### Council of Senior Citizens' Organizations of BC

Representing seniors in British Columbia since 1950 www.coscobc.org

August 2021

Re: Virtual Conference ~ Living in the 21st Century: A Seniors' Strategy

#### Dear Mayor and Council

Please consider this your personal invitation for you or a representative from your community to attend this important and timely national conference. This virtual conference, co-sponsored by the New Horizons for Seniors Program, the BC Retired Teachers Association, the BC Government Retired Employees Association and the BC Government and Service Employees' Union will be held September 27 and 28, 2021.

Major challenges and opportunities face seniors, our families and our communities. As one of 400 conference participants, you will help identify public policies that will help us find the best way forward. World class speakers will discuss major issues and outline their visions for the future. Issues affecting today's older adults range from healthy aging to human rights, housing needs, technology, social isolation and long-term care, have all come to the forefront during the pandemic. We must work together to address them as we build inclusive, sustainable, age-friendly communities.

#### Our roster of speakers includes:

- **Pat Armstrong,** Canadian expert on long term care who will provide guidelines for change in a positive direction.
- **Kasari Govender,** BC's Commissioner of Human Rights who will set the scene on rights for older adults now and in the future.
- **David Eby,** BC's Attorney General and Minister responsible for Housing who will provide the perspective of the BC provincial government.
- **Isobel Mackenzie**, the BC Seniors Advocate, will provide insights into the latest trends that will inform the future of the lives of older adults in older adults.

These and other experts – as you'll see in the attached preliminary program – will address plenary sessions. We have also assembled high level panels to present and debate current viewpoints on key issues. Workshops will give participants the opportunity to discuss and

President • Sheila Pither •

share their first-hand experience, and to determine how we can move forward to build communities and public policies that work for all generations.

This unique conference will be of interest to everyone who cares about civil society, and of particular interest to:

- Individual seniors and seniors' representatives from across B.C. and Canada.
- Municipal councillors and planners, social planning representatives, parks and recreation and health authority representatives.
- MLAs, Members of Parliament and First Nations.
- Federal and provincial departments dealing with seniors.
- Non-governmental organizations such as social planning councils, senior and community centre representatives, agencies working with seniors, unions, and advocacy groups.

We urge municipal councils to sponsor representatives from seniors' advisory committees to attend. We hope that every municipality in the province will send at least one representative. We encourage ministries to sponsor delegates from provincial seniors' coordinating bodies. We ask unions to sponsor members who work with seniors. Finally we invite NGOs including social planning councils, community centres, advocacy group and all who work with seniors to participate.

You may register for this conference at <a href="www.coscobc.org">www.coscobc.org</a>. More information about the conference is included in the preliminary program. The registration fee of \$25 will include a complimentary copy of the final conference report that will be mailed to all conference participants. *Please register early!* We are able to accommodate just 400 delegates.

As the organizers of this conference, the Council of Senior Citizens' Organizations of B.C. (COSCO) believes seniors and their organizations must contribute directly to developing the policies that affect their lives to ensure the policies are fair and just.

We thank the conference sponsors together with a number of organizations which have provided support. We look forward to you or a representative at this conference.

Yours truly,

Sheila Pither COSCO President

Attachment: preliminary conference program





# **Conference Program**

Virtual Conference by Zoom Monday Sept. 27 and Tuesday Sept. 28, 2021

Please check www.coscobc.org for the latest conference updates











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#### Monday, September 27, 2021

#### 8:30 am Conference call to order. Welcome and greetings:

- Sheila Pither, COSCO President
- Garnet Grosjean, Conference Facilitator
- Debra Sparrow, Musqueam First Nation
- · Malcolm Brodie, Mayor of Richmond.

#### 8:45 am Conference Dedication to Art Kube, Lorraine Logan and Pat Brady

• Gudrun Langolf and Sheila Pither

#### 9:00 am Keynote Speaker:

• David Eby, Attorney General of B.C. and Minister responsible for Housing

#### 9:30 am Keynote Speaker:

• Isobel Mackenzie, B.C. Seniors Advocate (Looking to the Future for Older Adults)

#### 10:00 am Panel Discussion: Rights for Older Adults

- · Alison Leaney, B.C. Public Guardian and Trustee Legislation and continuum of support.
- Sherry Baker, **B.C.** Community Response Networks Preventing and dealing with elder abuse.
- · Connie Newman, Canadian Deprescribing Network Championing medication safety in Manitoba
- Urban Studies, Simon Fraser University (TBC) Seniors housing needs

#### 10:40 am Comfort and stretch break. participants move to workshops.

#### 11:00 am Workshops

#### 1. Public Guardian & Trustee workshop.

- · Alison Leaney.
- Moderator: Diane Wood

#### 2. Preventing and Dealing with Elder Abuse.

- Sherry Baker.
- Moderator: Jerry Gosling

#### 3. Promoting Safe Medication Use.

- Camille Gagnon and Janet Currie,
- Canadian Deprescribing Network
- Moderator: Leslie Gaudette

#### 4. Seniors Housing Needs.

- Andy Yan (TBC)
- Moderator: Annette O'Connor

#### 12:00 Lunch break and visit sponsor rooms

#### 1:00 pm Keynote speaker:

• Mable Elmore, Parliamentary Secretary for Seniors' Services and Long Term Care

#### 1:30 pm Panel Discussion: Strategies for Seniors Health

- Jim Sinclair, Board Chair, Fraser Health Authority Challenges in providing community health care to older adults.
- Andrew Wister Social isolation and older adults due to the pandemic.
- Jay Chalke, B.C. Ombudsperson Status of Ombudsperson Recommendations for seniors care.
- Peggy Edwards Healthy Aging in Canada

#### 2:10 pm Comfort & stretch break, while moving to breakout rooms for workshops.

#### 2:15 pm Workshops

- 1. Health Authorities Going Forward.
- Jim Sinclair
- Moderator: Barb Mikulec.

#### 2. Healthy Aging in Canada.

- Peggy Edwards
- Moderator: Barry Jones.

#### 3. Social isolation of older adults due to the pandemic.

- Andrew Wister
- Moderator: Albert Lemmonier.

#### 4. Ombudsperson "The Best of care" document from 2012 - progress and suggested actions.

- Jay Chalke
- Moderator: Agnes Jackman.

#### 3:15 pm Adjournment

# Day two

#### **Tuesday, September 28, 2021**

#### 9:00 am Conference Call to Order

· Garnet Grosjean and Sheila Pither

#### 9:15 am Keynote Speaker:

• Shirley Bond, Interim Leader, B.C. Provincial Opposition

#### 9:45 am Keynote Speaker:

• Kasari Govender, B.C. Commissioner of Human Rights. Human rights of older adults

#### 10:15 am National strategies for Living in the 21st Century

- Andrew Sixsmith Seniors and technology
- Linda Fawcus

  Helping older adults stay connected

## 11:15 am Comfort & stretch break. Time to visit sponsors' rooms.

#### 11:45 am Addressing Long Term Care and Ageism

- Pat Armstrong
  Guidelines for changing long-term care in a positive direction.
- Martine Lagacé
  Ageism

#### 12:45 pm Summing up the conference

• Peggy Edwards Next Steps

#### 1:00 pm Closing of the Conference:

• Sheila Pither and Garnet Grosjean Acknowledgements and Final Comments

## **Acknowledgements**

OSCO acknowledges that our technical headquarters for this conference is located on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the Musqueam people.

We also acknowledge our conference sponsors and thank them for their support.

#### **Major Sponsors**

- New Horizons for Seniors Program
- British Columbia Retired Teachers Association
- B.C. Government and Service Employees' Union
- British Columbia Government Retired Employees Association

#### **Sponsors**

- Labourers Advancement Fund
- Health Sciences Association

#### **Conference Committee:**

Conference Chair: Sheila Pither

Conference Facilitator: Garnet Grosjean

Committee members: Betty Bolton, Leslie Gaudette, Jerry Gosling, Gudrun Langolf, Barbara Mikulec, Annette O'Connor, Irv Rootman, Jean Sickman and the late Pat Brady

#### **Conference Tech Management:**

- Trevor Marples of Leaders Media
- Olang Cerda-Moesker and Valary Thompson of Hart House

#### **Technical Headquarters:**

Executive Hotel Vancouver Airport 7311 Westminster Highway, Richmond B.C.

#### **About COSCO**

The Council of Senior Citizens' Organizations of British Columbia is a democratic, non-partisan umbrella organization with over 65 affiliated organizations representing 80,000 seniors. COSCO is recognized as a leader for social change affecting seniors. Our motto is seniors helping seniors.

COSCO was founded 71 years ago by retired railroad workers to provide an effective voice for seniors in British Columbia. The purpose of COSCO is "to assemble, coordinate and advance proposals and resolutions related to the health, social and economic well-being of elder citizens in the province."

Our organization is governed by a monthly delegates meeting and a 19 member Executive Board. All work is done by volunteers. A major focus is promoting good health. The Seniors' Health and Wellness Institute – COSCO provides free workshops on 45 topics on healthy living, legal and financial, personal planning and safety. More than 50,000 people have attended. Visit www.seniorshelpingseniors.ca for more info.

COSCO is a proud member of the over one million member National Pensioners' Federation, which advocates for seniors at the national level. *national pensioners federation.ca*Village of Pemberton

# Choices. Solutions. Options. Register today.

# Major challenges and opportunities face seniors, our families, and our communities

E MUST find the best way forward. That's why the Council of Senior Citizens' Organizations of B.C. is organizing this important virtual conference.

Ideas. Facts. Leading edge research on issues that affect us all. You'll hear all that and more from our impressive speakers and presenters.

Equally important, a series of workshops will invite participants to share their experiences and wisdom.

We invite you to plan to participate, to learn and to contribute your insights as we work to build inclusive, sustainable, age-friendly communities.

#### Who should participate?

This virtual conference will be of particular interest to:

- · Seniors and seniors' representatives.
- Municipal councillors and planners, parks and recreation, and health authority representatives.
- MLAs, MPs and First Nations.
- Federal and provincial departments dealing with seniors.
- NGOs such as social planning councils, community centre representatives, advocacy groups, and everyone who works with seniors.

#### For more information:

- Sheila Pither 604 684-9720 or pres@coscobc.org
- www.coscobc.org

## Register now at www.coscobc.org

- The Conference fee of \$25 includes the final conference report.
- Recommended Registration Deadline: Friday September 17
   (This will help ensure you obtain your preferred workshop and times for orientation sessions)
- The final program will be emailed to conference participants before the start of the conference.

  This will contain links to the conference and the training sessions.

### **Zoom Orientation Sessions**

• Zoom Orientation Sessions for conference attendees will be held on: Monday September 20 at 10 am and 1 pm (Pacific Time) Thursday September 23 at 10 am and 1 pm.



## Rotary Club of Pemberton and Pemberton & District **Chamber of Commerce 16th Annual Golf Tournament**

Dear Business Owner,

The Pemberton & District Chamber of Commerce along with the Rotary Club of Pemberton are in the planning stages of the 2021 golf tournament to be held at Big Sky Golf Club on Wednesday, September 15.

This is our 16th annual tournament and funds from this event go to support initiatives and groups within our community - it is one of our largest fundraisers and very well attended.

We hope with the ease and lifting of COVID-19 restrictions, that this year will be a great success! We have a wonderful afternoon of golf planned followed by what is sure to be a fun evening with dinner, live music, and silent auction. This year we are once again focusing on growing the networking aspect of the tournament by encouraging more non-golfers to participate in the après and dinner portion of the event.

At this time, we would like to invite you to join us as both a sponsor and participant in the event. We are also seeking donations for our silent auction.

We look forward to hearing from you and thank you for considering a sponsorship position within this event.

Sincerely,

The Golf Tournament Planning Committee

Danielle Menzel , Steve McCloskey, Richard Megeney, Kathy & Mark Leverton, Clare Riley, Meredith Kemp & Carlee Cindric

Proceeds from this tournament are divided between Rotary Club of Pemberton and Pemberton & District Chamber of Commerce



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# Rotary Club of Pemberton and Pemberton & District Chamber of Commerce 16th Annual Golf Tournament

#### SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES

#### PLATINUM SPONSOR - \$5,000

Includes 8 golfers; Logo in all advertising and title recognition, unlimited signage, a banner on tee box, Sponsor and presentation of Longest Drive awards. Microphone for 5 minutes during presentations to promote your business.

#### **GOLD SPONSOR - \$2,500**

Includes 4 golfers; Logo in thank you ad, 4 company signs; 1 at tee box and 1 at putting green. Recognition during live speech.

#### SILVER SPONSOR - \$1,000

Includes 2 golfers; Logo in thank you ad, 2 company signs; 1 at tee box. Recognition during live speech.

#### **BRONZE SPONSER - \$500**

Includes 1 golfer, Logo in thank you ad, 1 company sign at tee box & recognition during live speech.

There are limited opportunities available to showcase your product at a hole, with sampling, prizes, contests, etc. Available on a first come basis - please contact us for more information if you are interested in this opportunity.

Sign up and pay online: www.pembertonchamber.com/golf

**SILENT AUCTION ITEM REQUEST:** We are currently seeking items for the Silent Auction. If you are interested in donating an item (gift certificate, gift basket, etc.), please email golf@pembertonchamber.com

Sponsorship Details: Confirmation and contract deadline for sponsorship: August 13, 2021.

Signs and banners need to be provided by the sponsors one week prior to the event. JPG/PNG and PDF versions of logo needs to be provided 2 weeks prior to the event.

○ For player registration or more information, please contact: golf@pembertonchamber.com



Rotary

# Rotary Club of Pemberton and Pemberton & District Chamber of Commerce 16th Annual Golf Tournament

#### **REGISTRATION FORM**

Cost per person: \$135 (includes a round of golf, cart, canapes & dinner)

Please register in advance online: www.pembertonchamber.com/golf

Early Bird Registration\* Deadline is August 9, 2021.

\*Early bird registrations qualify for a special draw for 19th Hole Heli Golf Package for 4 people generously provided by Blackcomb Helicopters.

Registration Deadline is August 25, 2021.

Registrations can be made as an individual or as a team.

If paying by cheque, please make payable to "Pemberton & District Chamber of Commerce" and mail to:

Pemberton & District Chamber of Commerce

Box 370

Pemberton, BC

**V0N 2L0** 

For player registration or more information, please contact: golf@pembertonchamber.com

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July 29, 2021

Honourable Premier John Horgan Province of British Columbia PO Box 9422 Stn Prov Govt Victoria, BC V8W 9V1

Email: premier@gov.bc.ca

The Honourable Adrian Dix, M.L.A. Minister of Health PO Box 9050, Stn Prov Govt Victoria, BC V8W 9E2

Email: <u>HLTH.Minister@gov.bc.ca</u>

Dear Premier Horgan and Minister Dix:

#### Re: Improvement to Pre-Hospital Care System

At its July 26, 2021 Regular Council meeting, the Council for the City of Langley adopted the following resolution regarding the above-referenced subject.

WHEREAS local governments have been raising concerns of long delays with ambulance response time and First Responders responding to increasing number of Medical Emergency Service Alarm (MESA) calls due to lack of inadequate number of ambulances being available.

WHEREAS the recent heat wave exacerbated the shortcoming of the pre-hospital care system which created unacceptable delays in ambulance response time.

WHEREAS First Responders had to respond to extraordinary number of Medical Emergency Service Alarm (MESA) calls during the recent heat wave and endured unreasonable delays in response time by the ambulance to release them from the calls.

WHEREAS First Responders play an essential role in the pre-hospital care system and in supporting BC Emergency Health Services (BCEHS) with the delivery of the quickest possible response to patients requiring time-critical care.

WHEREAS the Auditor General of British Columbia's report, published in February 2019, on Access to Emergency Health Services provided recommendations to make transformational changes to the pre-hospital care system.

WHEREAS Health Minister Adrian Dix announced on July 14, 2021 to improve ambulance response time by providing funding for 85 new full-time paramedics, 30 fulltime dispatchers, 22 new ambulances, and converting 22 rural ambulance stations to 24/7 ALPHA stations.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Province of BC and BC Emergency Health Services (BCEHS) immediately allocate the funding to improve ambulance response

time; and to improve coordination with fire departments to support consistent application of medical standards, information sharing, an integrated dispatch system, and improvements to patient care as recommended in the Auditor General report.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Minister Dix take concrete actions to treat First Responders as an equal and an integral partner of the pre-hospital care system with adequate support (e.g. training) and resources (e.g. cost recovery) in order to achieve this goal; and that this motion be forward to Premier John Horgan; Minister Adrian Dix, Minister of Health; Andrew Mercier, MLA Langley, Susan Wannamaker, Executive Vice President, Clinical Service Delivery, Provincial Health Services Authority; and All municipalities in BC.

Yours truly, CITY OF LANGLEY

Paula Kusack Deputy Corporate Officer

cc: Andrew Mercier, MLA Langley
Susan Wannamaker, Executive Vice President, Clinical Service Delivery,
Provincial Health Services Authority
All municipalities in BC.



Ratrick (Weiler

Member of Parliament West Vancouver-Sunshine Coast-Sea to Sky Country

July 30, 2021

Dear Friends & Neighbours,

Indigenous entrepreneurs and communities in British Columbia will be able to begin or expand their farming and food businesses through funding available in the next intake of the B.C. Indigenous Agriculture Development Program.

Eligible applicants can receive professional mentoring and project-specific advice from qualified business consultants with experience in building agriculture ventures to help them develop their businesses and support food security in B.C.

The program supports the planning of farming projects in Indigenous communities. This program is funded under the Canadian Agricultural Partnership, which is a \$3 billion, five-year (2018-2023) investment by federal, provincial and territorial governments to strengthen and grow Canada's agriculture and agri-food sector. It leads to economic activity, local employment and contributes to the province's food production and food security. To date, the program has supported 48 communities and entrepreneurs through \$297,390 in funding.

For example, the program is helping the Tsawwassen First Nations (TFN) with agricultural education and training to grow community involvement in farming and increase food security. Once farming activity increases, the TFN is aiming to establish a sustainable community garden and a community-supported agriculture program, which will allow customers to subscribe to receive fresh produce throughout the growing season.

Applications are being accepted on a first come, first-serve basis until the funding is fully subscribed. To apply visit: B.C. Indigenous Agriculture Development Program.

If you have any questions about this program, please do not hesitate to reach out to our office. We stand ready to support your application in any way that we can.

Sincerely,



Patrick Weiler, MP West Vancouver-Sunshine Coast-Sea to Sky Country

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#### Ratrick (Weiler

Member of Parliament West Vancouver-Sunshine Coast-Sea to Sky Country

July 30, 2021

Dear Friends & Neighbours,

The opioid overdose crisis is a serious public health crisis that continues to affect families and communities across Canada. Tragically, the COVID-19 pandemic has compounded the ongoing overdose crisis, with over twenty percent of British Columbians reported to have experienced harm, including deaths, throughout 2020 and into 2021. The federal government continues to focus on providing communities across Canada with the support they need to improve the quality of life of people who use drugs and to protect and save lives.

This week, the Honourable Patty Hajdu, Minister of Health, announced the launch of the 2021 national call for proposals (CFP) for Health Canada's Substance Use and Addictions Program (SUAP). As part of the Budget 2021 investment of \$116 million, Health Canada, through this call for proposal, is continuing to build up successful community-based programs that can help prevent, treat, and/or reduce the harms associated with opioids, stimulants, alcohol, prescription drugs, and other substances that have a high risk of problematic use.

These projects help improve health outcomes for Canadians who are at a higher risk of experiencing substance-related harms and overdose, or who may face barriers to accessing existing services. Projects that leverage the expertise of people with lived and living experience with substance use, and/or are able to reach priority populations in Canada, such as young and middle-aged men; Indigenous peoples and communities; people experiencing chronic pain; youth; LGBTQ2 individuals; and rural and remote communities, are particularly encouraged to apply for funding. Interested applicants are encouraged to submit project proposals intended to serve these communities. Applications will be accepted until September 24, 2021.

I look forward to working with our provincial, Indigenous, regional, and community partners to address the worsening opioid overdose crisis and continue to build on actions taken to date.

If you have any questions about this program, please do not hesitate to reach out to our office. We stand ready to support your application in any way that we can.

Sincerely,



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August 5, 2021

Mayor and Council Village of Pemberton

Sent via email

Dear Mayor Richman and Council,

On behalf of Rocky Mountaineer, I am following up on my previous correspondence regarding the disruption our train caused to Pemberton residents on July 21. As previously shared, it was never our intention to negatively impact the Pemberton community and its residents in any way. We remain committed to ensuring this does not happen again and I wanted to share an update on the solution ahead of the next train arrival on August 8, 2021.

We have worked with our rail partners to identify a safe location to park the train overnight that is well away from the previous location, so it will not disrupt residents in Pemberton. On our westbound trains we will continue to de-train guests at the previous location onto waiting motor coaches and on our eastbound trains we will board guests from motorcoaches in the same location. We will make every effort to do this as quickly as possible, while still maintaining the safety of all involved. We will then be moving the train away from the downtown area and nearby homes to an isolated area near Nairn Falls Provincial Park. We are confident this change to our operations will greatly reduce the disruption to Pemberton residents.

We value the communities our trains travel through and sincerely apologize for the disruption. If you wish to discuss this matter further or have any other questions, please reach out to me directly.

Kindest regards,



Mark Southern

Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer

Phone: 604-606-7299

Email: msouthern@rockymountaineer.com

CC: Nikki Gilmore, Chief Administrative Officer for the Village of Pemberton



Mayor Mike Richman Village of Pemberton Box 100 Pemberton, BC V0N 2L0

Dear Mike Richman:

RE: CANADA COMMUNITY-BUILDING FUND/GAS TAX FUND:

COMMUNITY WORKS FUND TOP-UP PAYMENT AND UPDATED ELIGIBILITY

**GUIDELINES** 

I am pleased to advise that UBCM is in the process of distributing a top-up to your Community Works Fund (CWF) payment for fiscal 2021/2022. An electronic transfer of \$163,521.26 is expected to occur the week of August 16, 2021.

This additional one-time payment from UBCM for the CWF was approved for disbursement by the Government of Canada to supplement the fiscal 2021/2022 allocation which was delivered in July.

Also announced by the Government of Canada is the expansion of CWF investment categories to now include fire halls and fire station infrastructure.

CWF is made available to eligible local governments by the Government of Canada pursuant to the Administrative Agreement on the Federal Gas Tax Fund in British Columbia. Funding under the program may be directed to local priorities that fall within one of the eligible project categories.

Further details regarding use of CWF and project eligibility are outlined in your CWF Agreement and details on the Canada Community-Building Fund (Gas Tax Fund) can be found on our website at www.ubcm.ca.

For further information, please contact Canada Community-Building Fund Program Services by e-mail at ccbf@ubcm.ca or by phone at 250-356-5134.

Yours truly,



Brian Frenkel UBCM President

PC: Lena Martin, Manager of Finance



Ratrick (Weiler

Member of Parliament West Vancouver-Sunshine Coast-Sea to Sky Country

August 13, 2021

Dear Friends & Neighbours,

Now more than ever, Canadians need access to reliable Internet, yet many struggle to pay for it. Through the Connecting Families initiative, the Government of Canada is supporting affordable Internet service for those who need it most. This week, the Honourable François-Philippe Champagne, Minister of Innovation, Science and Industry, and the Honourable Deb Schulte, Minister of Seniors, announced the second phase of Connecting Families, which will help connect hundreds of thousands of low-income seniors and families to affordable highspeed home Internet in 2022.

Connecting Families 2.0 is introducing significantly faster speeds and increasing the data usage amount. At 50/10 megabits per second (Mbps), the download and upload speeds will be five and ten times faster respectively than Connecting Families 1.0, with 200 GB of data usage for \$20 a month. This new phase will also broaden eligibility from families receiving the maximum Canada Child Benefit (CCB) to include low-income seniors. The previous Internet plan offering under Connecting Families 1.0 will also remain available. Access Communications, Bell Canada, Cogeco, CSUR, HayCommunications, Mornington, Novus, Rogers, SaskTel, Tbaytel, TELUS, Vidéotron and Westman Communications are all participating in offering improved Internet quality, coverage and price to eligible Canadians.

The Government of Canada announced Connecting Families 1.0 in Budget 2017—an investment of \$13.2 million over five years to help close gaps in Internet affordability and accessibility. This funding enabled the government to partner with Computers for Success Canada to provide computers to low-income Canadians at no cost through Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada's long-standing Computers for Schools Plus (CFS+) program, and to develop a secure online portal through which eligible Canadian families could access low-cost Internet service packages from Internet service providers that voluntarily participated without government subsidy. Over 75,000 families have benefited to date.

The Connecting Families initiative aligns with Canada's Digital Charter, a principles-based approach to building trust in the digital world. The first principle of the Charter is focused on ensuring that all Canadians have equal opportunity to participate in the digital world and the necessary tools to do so, including access, connectivity, literacy and skills.

If you have any questions about this program, please do not hesitate to reach out to our office.

Sincerely,



Patrick Weiler, MP West Vancouver-Sunshine Coast-Sea to Sky Country

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Dear Friends & Neighbours,

Taxes help pay for the government programs and services that Canadians depend on. They provide a social safety net on which all Canadians can rely in times of crisis.

The impact of the COVID recession has been very uneven. Some Canadians have lost their jobs or small businesses, while some sectors of the economy have flourished. That's why it is fair today to ask those Canadians who can afford to buy luxury goods to contribute a little bit more. To that end, the recent budget followed through on the government's commitment to introduce a tax on select luxury goods.

This proposed Luxury Tax would apply on the sale of new luxury cars and aircraft with a retail sale price over \$100,000, and new boats over \$250,000. The tax would be calculated at the lesser of 20 per cent of the value above these thresholds (\$100,000 for cars and aircraft, \$250,000 for boats) or 10 per cent of the full value of the luxury car, boat or aircraft. The tax is proposed to come into force on January 1, 2022.

We know though that there remains a number of questions about the implementation of this proposed tax. That is why this week, through the Department of Finance, the Government of Canada is launching consultations with stakeholders on the design of the proposed Luxury Tax.

Full details on the government's proposed approach can be found in the related background paper. Stakeholders are invited to provide their views on the government's proposed approach by September 30, 2021. Details on how to participate can be found in the consultation notice, which is linked below.

For more information about the consultation, please visit this webpage and the backgrounder. If you have any questions about this consultation, please do not hesitate to reach out to our office.

Sincerely,



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Dear Friends & Neighbours,

Better public transit helps people get around in faster, cleaner, and more affordable ways. Helping communities invest in zero-emission transit options ensures cleaner air for our kids, creates jobs and supports Canadian manufacturing.

This week, the Honourable Catherine McKenna, Minister of Infrastructure and Communities announced the launch of a \$2.75 billion Zero Emission Transit Fund – a five year national program that will help communities invest in zero emission public transit and school transportation options by switching to cleaner electrical power and supporting the purchase of zero emission public transit and school buses and associated infrastructure.

This funding is part of a \$14.9 billion federal investment in public transit over eight years. It will support municipalities, transit authorities and school boards as they transition to or expand the electrification of their bus fleets. It also supports the government as it delivers on its commitment to help purchase 5,000 zero emission buses over the next five years.

What's more, the Canada Infrastructure Bank (CIB) has committed to invest \$1.5 billion in zero emission buses through its three year Growth Plan. These funds complement Infrastructure Canada's funding for zero emission transportation through this program.

The Government of Canada understands that successful zero emission bus deployments require strategic planning and a sound understanding of the technological implications of bus fleet electrification. That is why we are seeking applications from not-for-profit organizations and academic institutions to partner with the Government of Canada in advancing supports for the planning of transit bus fleet electrification in municipalities and regions in Canada. Further details for interested organizations can be found on the Zero Emission Transit Fund's website.

Investing in public transit infrastructure will build strong communities across the country and deliver a better quality of life for all Canadians. The Government of Canada is working to secure the health and safety of Canadians, rebuild businesses, and promote jobs and growth as we build toward economic recovery and a net-zero emissions future. Together, we can create a Canada that is cleaner, more competitive, and more resilient for generations to come.

If you have any questions about the Zero Emission Transit Fund, please do not hesitate to reach out to our office.

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**OPEN QUESTION PERIOD POLICY** 

**THAT** the following guidelines for the Open Question Period held at the conclusion of the Regular Council Meetings:

1) The Open Question Period will commence after the adjournment of the Regular Council Meeting;

2) A maximum of 15 minutes for the questions from the Press and Public will be permitted, subject to curtailment at the discretion of the Chair if other business necessitates;

3) Only questions directly related to business discussed during the Council Meeting are allowed;

4) Questions may be asked of any Council Member;

5) Questions must be truly questions and not statements of opinions or policy by the questioner;

6) Not more than two (2) separate subjects per questioner will be allowed;

7) Questions from each member of the attending Press will be allowed preference prior to proceeding to the public;

8) The Chair will recognize the questioner and will direct questions to the Councillor whom he/she feels is best able to reply;

9) More than one Councillor may reply if he/she feels there is something to contribute.

Approved by Council at Meeting No. 920 Held November 2, 1999

Amended by Council at Meeting No. 1405 Held September 15, 2015