

**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, December 7, 2021 at 2:30pm in Council Chambers at 7400 Prospect Street and via electronic means through a ZOOM Webinar. This is Meeting No. 221.

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**ATTENDING:** Mayor Mike Richman  
Councillor Ted Craddock  
Councillor Leah Noble\*  
Councillor Amica Antonelli\*  
Councillor Ryan Zant

**STAFF:** Nikki Gilmore, Chief Administrative Officer  
Sheena Fraser, Manager of Corporate & Legislative Services  
Gwendolyn Kennedy, Legislative Assistant\*

**DELEGATION:** Craig Dunn, Meager Creek Development Corporation\*

**PUBLIC:** 1

**MEDIA:** 1

*\* Attended electronically*

***Please Note: A recording of the meeting was made available to the public & media.***

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

At 2:35pm Mayor Richman called the December 7, 2021 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 presented.

**CARRIED**

**3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**a) Committee of the Whole Meeting No. 220, Tuesday, November 2, 2021**

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** the minutes of Committee of the Whole Meeting No. 220, held Tuesday, November 2, 2021, be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

#### **4. DELEGATIONS**

##### **a) Geothermal to Hydrogen Project - Craig Dunn, Meager Creek Development Corporation**

Craig Dunn, Managing Director, Meager Creek Development Corporation, presented to the Committee a summary of their plans for producing hydrogen from geothermal power sourced from the Meager Creek area. Mr. Dunn noted that due to time constraints he would deliver a verbal presentation but would follow up by sending the slide deck from his intended PowerPoint presentation.

Mr. Dunn explained that instead of selling geothermal power to the grid, Meager Creek Development Corporation proposes to use the geothermal resource to produce hydrogen, taking advantage of macro-economic and political decarbonization trends. The clean hydrogen will be used in place of carbon-producing fuels such as diesel and gasoline, enabling Meager Creek Development Corporation to access revenue from the sale of carbon tax credits as well as the sale of hydrogen and oxygen, and to realize a better return on investment.

Mr. Dunn expressed his wish to have an opportunity to provide further information regarding the project and its potential benefits to the community when time permits.

Councillors had questions and comments regarding the following aspects of the project:

- Transport of the liquid hydrogen to market.
- Location of the project site.
- Concern regarding landslide risk in the area.
- The level of activity the project will generate.
- Opportunities for the community to benefit from the project.
- Directional and horizontal drilling.
- Opportunities for CO<sub>2</sub> storage.
- Water consumption.
- Power transmission lines.

Mayor Richman thanked Mr. Dunn for his presentation and advised that Council was excited to hear about their project and looked forward to learning more about it in the future.

#### **5. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved/Seconded

**THAT** the December 7, 2021, Committee of Whole meeting be adjourned at 2:59pm.

**CARRIED**

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Mike Richman  
Mayor

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Sheena Fraser  
Corporate Officer