



THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES

**FOR THE MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
OF THE VILLAGE OFFICE AT 6:00 PM ON MONDAY MAY 27, 2019**

PRESENT: Mayor Barbara Roden
Councillor Marilyn Anderson
Councillor Jonah Anstett
Councillor Nadine Davenport
Councillor Debra Tuohey

J. Michelle Allen, Chief Administrative Officer
S. Daniela Dyck, Deputy Corporate Officer

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EXCUSED: Yoginder Bhalla, Chief Financial Officer

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Roden called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

2. PRESENTATIONS

2.1. Vicky Trill, Executive Director Ashcroft HUB – ParticipACTION Community Better Challenge

Ms. Trill advised Council of ParticipACTION's Community Better Challenge beginning May 31, 2019. The Challenge invites residents to track their hours of exercise each day from May 31 – June 16 and enter these hours into the Community Better Challenge app. The most active communities could win between \$20,00 to \$150,000, which would be used to enhance active living. Participants must be 17 years of age or older, Ms. Trill advocates that residents go online and download the app to see eligible activities for tracking. Ms. Trill also requested that Council promote the event on the Village website and newsletter.

2.2. Kristi Denby and Jolene Lammers of the Cariboo Chilcotin Coast Tourism Association (CCCTA) – Letter of Support Request and Update

Ms. Lammers updated Council in regard to 2018 tourism stats for the CCCTA region and the Province. This information is vital to the implementation of CCCTA's Marketing and Destination Development Plan that was developed over the past two (2) years in collaboration with Destination BC. The plan discusses the top priorities for development in the Tourism Economy that the CCCTA will strive to implement.

Ms. Denby spoke to the Gold Rush Trail Visitor Guide and marketing strategy; she presented the gallery with copies of the magazine stating that it will be in circulation for two (2) years. Ms. Denby also noted that she presented an old Gold Rush Trail Highway sign to the Ashcroft Museum earlier today. Ms. Denby requested that Council forward a letter of support to the CCCTA if they are in agreement with the identified priorities. Ms. Denby also noted that Amy Thacker, CEO of CCCTA will be attending the UBCM convention this

September, and is available to support Council in any initiatives that are relevant to increasing the tourism economy.

2.3 Ray Bewza – Cessation of Train Whistles

Mr. Bewza addressed Council regarding the impacts of train whistles on health. He noted the World Health Organization has stated that “noise must be recognized as a major threat to human wellbeing.” Mr. Bewza strongly encouraged Council to contact the Canadian National Railway (CN) in an effort to upgrade the CN crossing at old Cariboo Road to a level that may allow whistle cessation. Mr. Bewza was advised that Village bylaws do not apply to Railways as they fall under Federal jurisdiction. Council advised that they would look into the situation.

3. TERMINATION

M/S Mayor Roden / Councillor Davenport

“That the Committee of the Whole Meeting of Council for May 27, 2019 be terminated at 6:55 pm.”

Carried.

Barbara Roden, Mayor

Certified to be a true and correct copy of the
Committee of the Whole Minutes of Council
held Monday, May 27, 2019.

J. Michelle Allen, Chief Administrative Officer

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