



**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, NOVEMBER 26, 2018**

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

J. Michelle Allen, Chief Administrative Officer
Yoginder Bhalla, Chief Financial Officer
Wayne Robinson, Deputy Corporate Officer

Press and Public

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. PRESENTATIONS

2.1 Vicky Trill, Executive Director, Ashcroft HUB - HUB Vision and Strategic Plan

Ms. Trill congratulated Council on their recent election and thanked the Village Council and staff for the support they have provided over the past 2 years. The Ashcroft HUB Board of Directors has been reviewing the Village's new Official Community Plan and realize that we share many of the same goals and objectives. Ms. Trill provided an update on the services and functions currently provided as well as other services that have or are being considered. The Ashcroft HUB would look forward to working with Council on any project that would benefit both parties. Council congratulated Ms. Trill and her team on the successful business that they have created.

2.2 Gloria Mertens - Transparency & Accountability

Ms. Mertens presented Council with a written submission that addressed a number of points including the Village's website, bylaws and enforcement, vehicle and property identification and accessibility to the Village Office. Council thanked her for the thorough and thoughtful presentation.

2.3 Kitty Murray, Vivian Edwards & Monty Downs - Off Leash Dog Park Committee

Ms. Murray and Ms. Edwards spoke on behalf of the former Off Leash Dog Park Committee. She advised that members of the public that are in support of the development of a dog park are not sure what the next steps would be. She advised that the minimum requirements for a successful park included a site at least 2 acres in size that was fenced with a double gate, drinking water source, lawn, signs, benches and doggie waste bags and disposal bins. In addition a hard surface trail around the perimeter of the park would be desired as a second phase of development. Members of Council agreed that there should be a community based committee established that

could work on this development including sources of funding in addition to local taxpayers. Council thanked them for their presentation.

2.4 Andrea Walker, Chair, Ashcroft Communities in Bloom Committee - Introduction of CIB to new members of Council

Ms. Walker congratulated Council on their recent election and provided each member with a copy of the 2018 Evaluation Form. Council was provided the history of the Communities in Bloom committee; the Village won the Provincial category in 2008 and the National category in 2013. For the past 4 years we have been within 1-2% of winning the category. The local committee is composed of volunteers who work closely with other service groups, the local school, the fire department and the Village. One area of ongoing concern is the lack of a tree program and the committee would encourage Council to develop this document in the coming year. Council thanked Ms. Walker and her committee for all of the work that they do and for taking the time to present to Council.

2.5 Deb Arnott, General Manager of Community Futures Sun Country - New Mosaic Map

Ms. Arnott presented Council with the 2nd Edition of the Mosaic Map. This booklet was produced jointly with Community Futures and the Village. There have been 2,000 copies printed for distribution throughout the area. Ashcroft is becoming very well known for the expanding display of mosaics. Council thanked Ms. Arnott for taking on this project and for the quality of the document.

3. Termination

M/S Mayor Roden/Councillor Anstett

“That the Committee of the Whole Meeting of Council terminate at 7:04 pm.

Carried.

Barbara Roden, Mayor

Certified to be a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of Council held Monday, November 26, 2018.

J. Michelle Allen, Chief Administrative Officer

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