

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VERNON

**MINUTES OF A COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
HELD OCTOBER 25, 2021**

PRESENT: Mayor V. Cumming

Councillors: S. Anderson, K. Gares, A. Mund,
B. Quiring, K. Fehr

Staff: W. Pearce, Chief Administrative Officer
P. Bridal, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
K. Poole, Director, Community Safety, Lands and Safety
K. Austin, Manager, Legislative Services
C. Isles, Executive Assistant, Corporate Services
C. Poirier, Manager, Communications & Grants
D. Lind, Director, Fire Services
L. Cordell, Manager Long Range Planning and Sustainability
D. Law, Director, Financial Services
J. Rice, Director, Operation Services
K. Flick, Director, Community Infrastructure & Development
B. Everdene, Long Range Planner
S. Melenko, Information Tech. 1

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Victor Cumming called the meeting to order at 8:42 am.

AGENDA ADOPTION

Moved by Councillor Fehr, seconded by Councillor Gares:

THAT the Agenda for the October 25, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting be adopted.

CARRIED

**ADOPTION OF THE
MINUTES**

Moved by Councillor Mund, seconded by Councillor Gares:

THAT the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting of Council held October 12, 2021, be adopted.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

GENERAL MATTERS

**OFFICIAL COMMUNITY
PLAN: COUNCIL
WORKSHOP AGENDA
(6480-06)**

The Director, Community Infrastructure & Development and Manager, Long Range Planning & Sustainability gave an overview of the Official Community Plan (OCP) including highlights and land use mapping/inventory.

A round-table was then held and the following points were noted by Council:

- Affordability of houses vs. inventory – not exclusive to one another
- OCP Policy amendments suggested for timing
- Hillside development guidelines need to be reviewed, too restrictive
- Guiding principles need to be more technical and consolidated
- Sustainability –make more specific to Climate Action Advisory Committee's roles
- Need consideration for more mixed zoning
- More concentration on roads, pedestrian, bike, sidewalks in densified/redeveloped areas
- Managing slopes inside development corridor vs. outside
- Wetlands, drainage and water management needs more attention
- Housing study is low on data – need to know how many secondary suites and changes that have happened in City Centre Neighbourhood
- Would like benchmark data on cost orientation of new development areas
- Hilltop parks and natural areas need to be clearer, what parts will be public access
- Mixed use developments – commercial on the bottom and residential on top floors – needs to be re-thought
- Densification – height approval requirements need to be re-examined
- Green initiative guidelines for homes based on dollar value
- Important to have neighbourhood level input.

*Councillor Anderson left the meeting at 9:57 am, returned at 9:59 am
Councillor Fehr left at 10:00 am, returned at 10:02 am.*

Moved by Councillor Quiring, seconded by Councillor Mund:

THAT Council receive the memorandum "Official Community Plan: Council Workshop Agenda" dated October 12, 2021 and respectfully submitted by the Manager, Long Range Planning and Sustainability.

CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

COUNCIL INFORMATION UPDATES

G.V.A.C./R.D.N.O. REGULAR MEETINGS

**STERILE INSECT
RELEASE (SIR)
FUNDING**

There has been an agreement between the four districts to adjust the funding formula, to be phased in over four years. This will result in a savings for those participating jurisdictions of the Regional District of the North Okanagan.

**FINAL APPROVAL FOR
BX SEDIMENT POND**

BX Sediment Pond had been approved, this property has no frontage.

**O'KEEFE RANCH
FUNDING UPDATE**

Electoral Areas B, C,D, E and F will not be contributing to a tax based formula to support O'Keefe Ranch.

INFORMATION ITEMS

CLOSE

Mayor Cumming closed the meeting at 10:09 am.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:



Mayor



Corporate Officer