

# TOWN OF SMITHERS

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD AT THE TOWN OFFICE, 1027 ALDOUS STREET, SMITHERS, B.C. ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2011, AT NOON.

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Council Present:

Taylor Bachrach, Mayor  
Mark Bandstra, Councillor  
Phil Brienesse, Councillor  
Bill Goodacre, Councillor  
Charlie Northrup, Councillor  
Frank Wray, Councillor (12:14 p.m.).

Council Excused:

Norm Adomeit, Councillor.

Staff Present:

Deborah Sargent, Chief Administrative Officer  
Leslie Ford, Director of Finance  
Mark Allen, Director of Development Services  
Andrew Hillaby, Director of Recreation, Parks and Culture  
Penny Goodacre, Recording Secretary.

Staff Excused:

Susan Bassett, Director of Corporate Services  
Keith Stecko, Fire Chief  
Rob Blackburn, Airport Manager  
Wilf Taekema, Director of Works and Operations.

Invited Guests:

Gladys Atrill, 2013 Celebration Committee  
Sean Mitchell, 2013 Celebration Committee  
David McKenzie, 2013 Celebration Committee.

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bachrach called the meeting to order (12:11 p.m.).

## 2. CORRESPONDENCE / REPORTS

### 2.1 2013 CELEBRATION COMMITTEE

Bandstra/

THAT the email dated December 8, 2011, from Sean Mitchell regarding a Smithers 2013 Legacy Project, be received (0360-01).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Presentation by Gladys Atrill, Chair of the 2013 Celebration Committee and Sean Mitchell, 2013 Celebration Committee:

G. Atrill circulated a draft budget for the Smithers 2013 Centennial Celebrations and stated that adjustments will be made to reflect the funding obtained for the event.

S. Mitchell stated he is willing to source grant funding, from Heritage Canada and others, to build a Centennial Legacy Project in Smithers. In order to ascertain ideas for what the Legacy Project should be, an online survey is being conducted. Once the results of the survey are in, the Committee will bring forward the top five ideas for Council to consider the project feasibility.

Once a project is selected, the Committee would look at sponsorship development, project design, project estimating, grant writing, tendering, contract award, and construction.

The deadline for the Heritage Canada Grant application is April 1, 2012. Other possible funding sources include: the Town of Smithers, Bulkley Valley Credit Union, Wetzin'kwa Community Forest Corporation, Regional District of Bulkley Nechako, Real Estate Foundation, and sponsors.

(Councillor Briennesse left for the duration of the meeting (12:54 p.m.).

S. Mitchell stated that Heritage Canada requires a letter of support from Council for the Project and a financial commitment to cover the maintenance of the Legacy for up to ten years.

(Councillor Wray left for the duration of the meeting (1:08 p.m.).

Mayor Bachrach informed the Committee that Council is very eager to review the survey results and scheduled a Committee of the Whole meeting with the Smithers 2013 Centennial Celebrations Committee on Thursday, January 5, 2012 at noon.

Northrup/

THAT Council support in principle the Legacy Project concept for the 2013 Celebration;

AND THAT the Smithers Centennial 2013 Legacy Project Survey parameters be left wide open to allow for as much feedback as possible.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**3. OTHER BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS**

None.

**4. ADJOURNMENT**

Bandstra/

THAT the meeting be adjourned (1:19 p.m.).

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting  
held on Friday, December 9, 2011 at noon.

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Taylor Bachrach  
Mayor

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Deborah Sargent  
Corporate Administrator/CAO

**Certified a True and Correct Copy** of the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held Friday, December 9, 2011 at 12:00 p.m. in the Town Office, 1027 Aldous Street, Smithers, B.C.

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Deborah Sargent  
Corporate Administrator