

DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON  
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Monday, March 4, 2019  
Council Chambers

Regular Meeting – 7:00 pm

(1) CALL TO ORDER:

(2) MINUTES:

- a) Accept minutes of the February 4, 2019 regular meeting.

(3) PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS:

- a) Greig Houlden - Chicago Creek Enhancement Society
- b) Laurie Gallant – NWBC Food Action Network Update

(4) UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a) Missing Indigenous Women – April Green - Response

(5) CORRESPONDENCE: None

(6) REPORTS: None

(7) BYLAWS:

- a) 2019-2023 Financial Plan Bylaw No. 347, 2019

(8) NEW BUSINESS:

a) Council Schedule:

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|-------------|--------------------------------|
| • March 14  | COTW – Ministry of Environment |
| • April 1   | Regular Council Meeting        |
| • April 3-5 | COFI                           |
| • April 15  | COTW                           |
| • May 7-10  | NCLGA                          |
| • May 13    | Regular Council Meeting        |
| • May 27    | COTW                           |

Adjournment

DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
February 4, 2019  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

PUBLIC MEETING – Called to order at 6:45 pm

- District of New Hazelton Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 346, 2019 was presented.
- District of New Hazelton 2019-2023 Financial Plan Bylaw No. 347, 2019 was presented.
- District of New Hazelton Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 349, 2019 was presented.
- No members of the public attended.

1) CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm

PRESENT: Mayor G. Lowry  
Councillor A. Berg  
Councillor G. Burns  
Councillor B. Henwood  
Councillor J. Hobenshield  
Councillor R. Sturney  
Councillor M. Weeber

STAFF PRESENT: R. Carlé

STAFF REGRETS: W. Hunt

2) MINUTES:

RESOLUTION 7828/19

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the minutes of the January 7, 2019 regular meeting be accepted as circulated.

CARRIED

3) PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS: None

4) UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a) Councillor Berg updated Council on how the renovations of the new Community Center are progressing. The building should be completed no later than mid-May.

5) CORRESPONDENCE: None

6) REPORTS:

- a) Councillor Sturney – Reported on the February Crime Stoppers meeting and the BC Natural Resources Forum.
- b) Councillor Burns – Reported on a joint meeting between the Skeena Ice Arena Association and the Upper Skeena Recreation Center to discuss changing the SIAA's function to be a charitable foundation for the USRC. The SIAA passed a motion to change the function of the Association.
- c) Councillor Weeber – Reported that he has finished his training and is now a Community Paramedic.
- d) Councillor Henwood – Reported on the Upper Skeena Development Center board meeting.
- e) Councillor Hobenshield – Reported on the Hazelton District Public Library board meeting. The library received the Library Fostering Literacy grant. The program trains tutors that will go to the different elementary schools to help children that have fallen behind in literacy. The funding for the library is not going to meet the increases in minimum wage and increasing one part time worker's hours. The library is requesting the RDKS increase the yearly requisition.
- f) Mayor Lowry – Reported on the Wrinch Foundation, Skeena Housing Coalition Society, RDKS Public Technical Advisory Committee, Northwest Regional Hospital and Regional District of Kitimat Stikine board meetings. The Skeena Housing Coalition Society is reviewing the first draft of the housing assessment report. The Wrinch Foundation has requested money from the United Church to help fund the LOGs Book Bus.

7) BYLAWS:

- a) Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 346, 2019

RESOLUTION 7829/19

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the District of New Hazelton Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 346, 2019 be given the third reading and adopted.

CARRIED

- b) 2019-2023 Financial Plan Bylaw No. 347, 2019

RESOLUTION 7830/19

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the District of New Hazelton 2019-2023 Financial Plan Bylaw No. 347, 2019 be given the third reading.

CARRIED

c) Board of Variance Bylaw No. 348, 2019

RESOLUTION 7831/19

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the District of New Hazelton Board of Variance Bylaw No. 348, 2019 be adopted.

CARRIED

d) Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 349, 2019

RESOLUTION 7832/19

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the District of New Hazelton Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 349, 2019 be given the third reading and adopted.

CARRIED

8) NEW BUSINESS:

a) Young Street Water Expansion Project Grant Application

RESOLUTION 7833/19

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the District of New Hazelton supports the \$1,525,619.00 grant application to the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program Rural and Northern Communities as submitted for the Young Street Watermain Project. Council further commits to its share of ineligible costs and overages of the 100% funded project.

CARRIED

b) Municipal Hall and Greenspace Account

RESOLUTION 7834/19

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the District of New Hazelton create a Municipal Hall and Greenspace account to set aside up to \$200,000.00/year commencing in 2019 to build a new municipal hall and develop the surrounding greenspace.

CARRIED



9) IN CAMERA (8:23 pm):

RESOLUTION 7835/19

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the public be excluded from the meeting pursuant to Section 90.1 (e) of the Community Charter.

CARRIED

8:44 pm – Meeting reopened to the public.

10) ADJOURNMENT:

RESOLUTION 7836/19

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the meeting be adjourned 8:44 pm.

CARRIED

CERTIFIED CORRECT THIS

DAY OF , 2019

\_\_\_\_\_  
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

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MAYOR



## Sponsorship Request

Northwest BC Food Security Forum

Sportsplex Banquet Room, Terrace BC

April 5-6, 2019 ⇒ 9:00 am to 4:00 pm



**Who we are.** The Northwest BC Food Action Network (FAN) is a registered non-profit society in BC. Our mandate is to connect people and agencies who can collaborate to advance community food security. We believe that community economic development, social justice, and environmental stewardship are at the heart of food security.

**About our conference.** This year's conference will be our third and largest event, taking place at the Sportsplex in Terrace in partnership with the Spirit of Wellness Trade Expo April 5 and 6. Our theme is *Taking Action on Our Food System*; Sessions will address the six elements of a sustainable food system: produce, process, distribute, access, consume, recover (all in a continuous loop). We are expecting close to 100 attendees representing a diverse cross-section of Northwest BC communities from municipal planners and dieticians to avid gardeners and students. Registration is available in half-day, full day or Full Conference package including an afternoon of food-related workshops on Saturday, a slideshow with recordings of oral histories of agriculture in the Skeena Valley, and an opportunity to put ideas on a Wish List to be included in the conference proceedings and used as a resource for community economic development strategies. Join the conversations on Food Waste Recovery, Geothermal Power, Kitsumkalum's strategy for addressing Climate Change and Food Security, Planning your garden for year-round bounty, Seed-saving, new research and programs from Northern Health Authority and First Nations Health Authority, economic development opportunities and favourite recipes for preserving the harvest.

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PO Box 126, New Hazelton BC V0J 2J0

#### SPONSORSHIP OPTIONS:

LEVEL	Logo on website and FB event	Logo on poster and program	# of full conference passes	additional marketing to be discussed
Appetizer \$250	★		1	
Soup of the Day \$500	★	★	2	
Combo plate \$750	★	★	3	★
Dinner for two \$1000	★	★	4	★
Family Meal \$1500	★	★	5	★
Community Kitchen \$2500	★	★	6	★

Cheques can be made out to NWBC Food Action Network and must be received by March 15 to maximize opportunities for exposure. To discuss additional marketing opportunities including providing a Welcome at the start of the day, Welcome Back after lunch, a booth in the conference room, or a sign on the food table, please contact Laurie Gallant by March 5.

#### CONTACT INFORMATION:

Laurie Gallant in New Hazelton (Conference Program Director) 250-847-1399 (mobile)

Jeannie Parnell in Prince Rupert (Conference Fundraising Team)  
email: [nwbcfan@gmail.com](mailto:nwbcfan@gmail.com)

Website: [www.nwfoodsecure.org](http://www.nwfoodsecure.org) (with proceedings from past conferences)



**Third Annual  
Northwest BC  
Food Security Forum  
April 5-6, 2019  
Sportsplex, Terrace, BC**



**Day One - Friday April 5**

9:00	Coffee and Registration, Blessing and Opening Remarks
9:30 am	<b>Food Glorious Food</b> An overview of this year's conference theme and sessions, with a report on the status recommendations from the 2018 conference.
10:00 am	<b>New and Young Farmers Panel</b> Listen in as farmers at various stages of business maturity share their perspectives on how the current system supports or hinders their efforts to contribute to a community-based food system. Topics will include farming economics, climate change, business structures, options for land access and more. <i>Cameron Bell, startup under a license agreement</i> <i>Kevin Murphy, Remo Harvest, three years</i> <i>Laurie Gallant, Hazelton Hops, four years</i>
11:00 am	<b>The link between nutrition and chronic health conditions</b> We all share the responsibility of serving and consuming safe and nutritious food but do we really understand how diet affects population health? We'll explore how unique challenges in the north shape food policy and program delivery, and find out how we can support the work of front line workers. <i>Sherri Leon Torres, RN, BSN, CDE, MBA</i> <i>Chronic Care and Wellness Advisor, First Nations Health Authority, Northern Region</i>
11:30 am	<b>The value of a local food supply chain.</b> Join us as local economic development professionals examine opportunities and constraints for retaining and attracting new businesses to support a resilient food system in Northwest BC. <i>Michael Dewar, Director of Econ. Development, District of Kitimat</i> <i>Deklan Corstanje, Director of Econ. Dev't, Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine</i>



12:15 pm	<p><b>Mindful Eating:</b> A demonstration activity from the Food Skills for Families program.</p> <p><b>BUFFET LUNCH</b> based on the new Canada's Food Guide</p> <p><b>The History of Agriculture in the Skeena Valley.</b> We can learn a lot from history, even in the midst of significant changes. Let's explore the past for some inspiration and enjoy a slideshow of archived photos and sound recordings. <i>Kelsey Wiebe, Curator, Heritage Park Museum</i></p>
1:15 pm	<b>Welcome back and Opening Remarks</b>
1:30 pm	<p><b>Supporting food security: a role for retail food environments</b> This session will explore findings from the 2017/2018 FRESH IT (Food Retail Environments Supporting Health Intervention Toolkit) environmental scan and qualitative interviews from Topley to Terrace. We will also discuss opportunities to leverage learnings to create northern retail food environment interventions to support healthy eating. <i>Laurel Burton, RD, Population Health Dietitian Regional Lead, Food Security - Northern Health</i> with <i>Flo Sheppard, RD, MHSc, Team Lead/Chief Population Health Dietitian Regional Lead, Weight Inclusive Approaches to Health - Northern Health</i></p>
2:00 pm	<p><b>Panel: Win, Lose or Draw? The impacts of resource development on our food system.</b> Community members can be conflicted and confused by the ebbs and flows of energy projects but one fact remains - anyone spending more than a day in Northwest BC will be accessing food from our local food system. Listen in as the panel evaluates how population fluctuations and disturbances on the land impact production, processing, distribution, access, consumption, and recovery of food on our region. <i>Tara Marsden, Wilp Sustainability Director at Gitanyow Hereditary Chiefs Office Mike Dewar, Director of Econ. Development from District of Kitimat Julie Dickson, Director of Public Affairs and Corporate Services, Save-On-Foods</i></p>
3:00 pm	<p><b>Geothermal Power - the new energy darling of a sustainable food system?</b> What is geothermal power and how can we use it? It's time for an open conversation on existing and proposed projects, including the Lakelse Geothermal project pre-feasibility study completed in the fall of 2017. <i>This presentation is a collaboration of research and advice from stakeholders and will be made by Edward Quinlan, a director with the Food Action Network. With special thanks to Paul Silvestre of Progressive Geothermal Solutions based in Kitimat, BC.</i></p>
3:30 pm	<p><b>World Cafe and Wish List</b> Explore today's topics in small groups and create a Wish List for changes and enhancements to our local food system.</p>
4:15 pm	<b>Wrap-up for Day One</b>



4:30 pm	<p><b>Networking Session</b></p> <p>Some scheduled free time to continue conversations in the room. Additional options for networking off-site will be announced and posted during lunch. Refreshments provided.</p> <p>Delegates are encouraged to explore the Wellness Expo from 5 pm to 8 pm downstairs, including an International Cooking Demonstration by the Skeena Diversity Society.</p>
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## Day Two - Saturday April 6

8:30 am	<b>Registration</b>
9:00 am	<b>Opening Remarks and Recap of Day 1</b>
9:15 am	<p><b>Root Vegetables from Sowing to Harvest.</b> Potatoes, carrots, onions and beets are vegetable standards that grow and store easily when done properly. Learn tips from master gardeners for a successful crop and then fill your root cellar! Get your hands dirty with a "Make and Take" workshop on Seed Sowing in the afternoon.</p> <p><i>Organic Gardening by Anna Silva and Judy Walker</i></p>
10:15 am	<p><b>Food Waste Recovery</b></p> <p>Almost 58% of our food is never eaten, costing Canadians \$31 Billion/year. In this session we take a look at local facts and highlight programs already operating or proposed for our region.</p> <p><i>Jennifer Coosemans, Env. Services, Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine</i>  <i>Jaime White with The Loop: Rescue Food, Rescue the Planet TBC</i></p>
11:15 am	<p><b>Kitsumkalum: Food Security and Climate Change</b></p> <p>From the mountain tops, following the rivers to the ocean floor, the Kitsumkalum Fish &amp; Wildlife are working on Climate Change &amp; Food Security research projects thanks to funding from Environment Canada and numerous partnerships.</p> <p><i>Mark Biagi, Fish &amp; Wildlife Operations Manager for Kitsumkalum Galts'ap</i></p>
11:45 am	<p><b>Learning Circle: Capacity Building and Wishlist</b></p> <p>What supports are available? Learn about funding sources, food asset mapping, and umbrella organizations that can support you on the ground such as BC Food Security Gateway, BC Farm to School, and Young Agrarians. A policy update from the BC Ministry of Agriculture will also be presented in this session. We'll get a second opportunity to add to the Wish List for changes and enhancements to the NWBC Food System.</p>
12:30 pm	<b>Closing remarks and Evaluation</b>
1:00 pm	<p>Go explore the Wellness Expo downstairs, sample the many food offerings, and if you like, join us in the afternoon for some food security theatre and our hands-on workshops beginning at 2:00 pm.</p>

	<p><b>WORKSHOPS</b> (max. 25 people per workshop). There are many workshops being offered throughout the Wellness Expo and we encourage you to take a few in.</p> <p>These three workshops are being offered by the Food Action Network and take place in the Banquet Room.</p>
1:30 pm	<p><b>Introduction to Permaculture</b>  Permaculture is MORE than its techniques and strategies. It is conscious, mindful and responsible gardening and farming. This workshop will present basic concepts of permaculture ethics, offer a networking opportunity for permies in NWBC, and will extend an invitation for a one day workshop in June. Join Judy McCloskey, gardener, wild-crafter/medicinal plant forager, nature enthusiast and a recent graduate of the Permaculture Design Certificate program through Coast Mountain Community College.</p>
2:00 pm	<p><b>Seed Sowing: Companions for Root Veggies (1 hour)</b>  Participants will plant seeds that make great companions for root veggies (parsley, basil, french marigold, etc.) and take home the little pots.  <i>Organic Gardening by Anna Silva and Judy Walker</i></p>
3:30 pm	<p><b>Preserving the Berry Harvest (1 hour)</b>  We'll talk about the many ways to preserve berries and go through some frequently asked questions about jam making. There will be a demonstration for making a low sugar Berry Blitz Jam. Participants will sample the jam and take home a gift.  <i>Laurie Gallant, Community Facilitator for PreserveSafe and Food Skills for Families.</i></p>





January 25, 2019

April Green  
4980 Cottonwood Dr  
Gitanmaax, BC V0J 1Y2

Dear Ms. Green:

Thank you for your email dated December 27, 2018 that was sent to Mayor and Council for the District of New Hazelton. Your email was discussed at the January 7, 2019 council meeting. Our apologies for the delay in our response.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your courage to bring your concerns to our attention. The RCMP detachment is funded through the Federal government and staffing levels are most often dictated by population. While the taxpayers of New Hazelton assist in funding the policing in the Upper Skeena, through taxation, the staffing level decisions rest solely with the RCMP.

Mayor and Council for the District of New Hazelton continue to meet with the Staff Sargent on a regular basis throughout the year and although we do not discuss individual cases due to privacy, we are able to work to inquire about how we can assist in lobbying for proper staffing levels for the detachment.

Thank you again, April for having the courage to speak out regarding your concerns and please accept our sincere sympathy for your missing friend.

Sincerely,

Gail Lowry  
Mayor

## Wendy Hunt

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**From:** joanne de Vries <jdevries@newhazelton.ca>  
**Sent:** Friday, December 28, 2018 8:45 AM  
**To:** Wendy Hunt  
**Subject:** FW: More funding for missing indigenous

-----Original Message-----

From: Gitxsan Grrl [<mailto:aprilkay69@hotmail.com>]  
Sent: Thursday, December 27, 2018 5:11 PM  
To: [info@newhazelton.ca](mailto:info@newhazelton.ca)  
Subject: More funding for missing indigenous

How many more indigenous people need to go missing for New Hazelton to request more funding for a full time investigator to be put on salary to find out who is targeting indigenous people? What is being done about the Highway of Tears? The Truth and Reconciliation Committee recommended more be done about Canada's Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women. My friend is now missing. RCMP say they are limited in what they can do due to low manpower. How many more need to go missing for this to alarm the government? Are we dispensable? Mr Cullen, can't you please raise this issue to the government? If the police need help, why can't the government help? Cindy Martin was not a risky type of person. She was educated, smart and not the kind of person to just take off or commit suicide. I implore you to bring to light this sorely neglected ONGOING issue. RCMP say they caught the killers but obviously they have not. That other woman was killed in Smithers not too long ago. There is a killer on the loose and if the RCMP need help what can you do to get them the help they say they need? A brother of missing man from Hazelton (Lester Sampson) said the RCMP told them (during the meeting they had with a Constable), that the RCMP would alert the media. The family ended up having to do this themselves. Does this make you feel confidence in the RCMP? If it were your family member, would you feel the RCMP in New Hazelton are doing everything they can? My sister was raped for two hours being driven up and down the highway in New Hazelton by three men in a blue truck. She reported it and never heard a damn thing from the cops again. Because she was intoxicated? Indigenous? Not one lead or update in over 15 years. Three men were being inappropriate with a woman in Kitimat a few years ago who was hitchhiking and demanded to be let out of the truck. They pushed her out of the vehicle and this report was on Facebook. I contacted the Terrace police to say there might be a connection to my sister getting raped and I never heard anything more about it. They said they had to hear from my sister who was too afraid to do anything more on the bastards who raped her. A friend of mine told me her ex told her that an RCMP officer raped her ex boyfriend and he was too afraid to tell anyone for fear of being killed or his family being harmed by this cop. Could there be a killer in our area that is actually a cop? I read a statement of a woman in the PG area who was afraid to come forward who was raped by FOUR cops. They told her they would kill her family members if she told. This was reported by the truth and reconciliation investigators. How exactly do you catch a bad cop? How do you get help for missing people if the cops say they don't have the resources for an investigation? I am incensed and angry. I am sorry I feel there should be a special constable on this as his only job all year round. More killers? The same killers? Killer cops? Where does one start? Cindy is not the kind of person to commit suicide. Why are they searching under the bridge?? Does a suicidal person go to school to complete their counsellors certification? I don't think so. Please do something. I don't know what you can do but please do what you can. I apologize for my angry, short tone. Cindy is a friend of mine and Lester Sampson is in my boyfriend's family. Both from Hazelton. That lady from Telkwa or Smithers was just recently missing and killed. Is there anything you can do to find us help? Please.

From April Green  
7782021940 my cell



**DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON  
BYLAW NO. 347, 2019**

A bylaw to adopt the 2019-2023 Financial Plan

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WHEREAS pursuant to Section 165 of the Community Charter, being Chapter 26 of the Statutes of British Columbia, 2003, a Municipality must have a Financial Plan that is adopted annually, by Bylaw, before the Annual Property Tax Bylaw is adopted;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of the District of New Hazelton in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. Schedule "A", attached hereto and forming part of this Bylaw, is hereby adopted as the Financial Plan for the 5 years ending December 31, 2023;
2. Schedule "B", attached hereto and forming part of this Bylaw, is hereby adopted as the Statement of Objectives and Policies; and
3. This Bylaw may be cited as "**District of New Hazelton 2019-2023 Financial Plan No. 347, 2019.**"

Read a first time this                      3<sup>rd</sup>            day of December, 2018

Read a second time this                      3<sup>rd</sup>            day of December, 2018

Read a third time this                      4<sup>th</sup>            day of January, 2019

Adopted this                                      day of

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MAYOR

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER



**DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON**  
**FINANCIAL PLAN (CONSOLIDATED)**  
**FOR THE FIVE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023**  
**SCHEDULE "A"**

	BUDGET 2019	BUDGET 2020	BUDGET 2021	BUDGET 2022	BUDGET 2023
<b>REVENUE:</b>					
Residential, Class1	\$ 310,126	\$ 316,328	\$ 322,655	\$ 329,108	\$ 335,691
Utilities, Class 2	\$ 85,466	\$ 87,175	\$ 88,919	\$ 90,697	\$ 92,511
Major Industry, Class 4	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Light Industry, Class 5	\$ 3,499	\$ 3,569	\$ 3,640	\$ 3,713	\$ 3,787
Business, Class 6	\$ 99,810	\$ 101,806	\$ 103,842	\$ 105,919	\$ 108,038
Rec/Non-Profit, Class 8	\$ 400	\$ 408	\$ 416	\$ 424	\$ 433
Farm, Class 9	\$ 500	\$ 510	\$ 520	\$ 530	\$ 541
Grants in Lieu	\$ 52,000	\$ 52,000	\$ 52,000	\$ 52,000	\$ 52,000
<b>TAXATION REVENUE</b>	<b>\$ 551,800</b>	<b>\$ 561,796</b>	<b>\$ 571,992</b>	<b>\$ 582,392</b>	<b>\$ 593,000</b>
Frontage Taxes	\$ 62,000	\$ 62,000	\$ 62,000	\$ 62,000	\$ 62,000
Services Provided for Other Agencies	\$ 472,000	\$ 476,000	\$ 480,000	\$ 484,000	\$ 488,000
Utility Rates and Fees	\$ 265,000	\$ 267,000	\$ 267,000	\$ 267,000	\$ 267,000
Other Revenue	\$ 73,500	\$ 94,100	\$ 104,100	\$ 114,100	\$ 124,100
Non capital grants	\$ 510,000	\$ 510,000	\$ 510,000	\$ 510,000	\$ 510,000
Capital grants	\$ 1,980,000	\$ 334,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 468,000
Conditional Transfers	\$ 233,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
Collections for Other Governments	\$ 384,000	\$ 384,000	\$ 384,000	\$ 384,000	\$ 384,000
	\$ 4,531,300	\$ 2,698,896	\$ 2,389,092	\$ 2,413,492	\$ 2,906,100
Allocation of Surplus	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	<b>\$ 4,531,300</b>	<b>\$ 2,698,896</b>	<b>\$ 2,389,092</b>	<b>\$ 2,413,492</b>	<b>\$ 2,906,100</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>					
General Municipal	\$ 1,629,600	\$ 1,655,400	\$ 1,673,100	\$ 1,705,300	\$ 1,709,100
Water	\$ 125,000	\$ 128,500	\$ 131,100	\$ 133,800	\$ 136,600
Sewer	\$ 86,500	\$ 58,500	\$ 58,500	\$ 58,500	\$ 58,500
Collections for other governments	\$ 384,000	\$ 384,000	\$ 384,000	\$ 384,000	\$ 384,000
Amortization of Assets	\$ 350,000	\$ 350,000	\$ 350,000	\$ 350,000	\$ 350,000
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 2,575,100</b>	<b>\$ 2,576,400</b>	<b>\$ 2,596,700</b>	<b>\$ 2,631,600</b>	<b>\$ 2,638,200</b>
<b>Surplus (deficit)</b>	<b>\$ 1,956,200</b>	<b>\$ 122,496</b>	<b>\$ (207,608)</b>	<b>\$ (218,108)</b>	<b>\$ 267,900</b>
<b>Adjust for non-cash items</b>					
Amortization	\$ (350,000)	\$ (350,000)	\$ (350,000)	\$ (350,000)	\$ (350,000)
<b>Adjust for cash items non-PSAB</b>					
TCA expenditures	\$ 3,178,000	\$ 1,039,000	\$ 270,000	\$ 531,000	\$ 880,000
Transfer to (from) reserve	\$ (202,500)	\$ (92,000)	\$ 71,400	\$ (281,300)	\$ (166,100)
Transfer to (from) Operating surplus	\$ (669,300)	\$ (474,504)	\$ (199,008)	\$ (117,808)	\$ (96,000)
	<b>\$ 1,956,200</b>	<b>\$ 122,496</b>	<b>\$ (207,608)</b>	<b>\$ (218,108)</b>	<b>\$ 267,900</b>
Financial Plan Balance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Cumulative Operating Surplus (deficit)	\$ 1,530,700	\$ 1,056,196	\$ 857,188	\$ 739,380	\$ 643,379

## **SCHEDULE 'B'**

### **STATEMENT OF OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES**

In accordance with Section 165(3.1) of the Community Charter, the District of New Hazelton is required to include in the Five Year Plan, objectives and policies regarding each of the following:

1. The proportion of total revenue that comes from each of the funding sources described in Section 165(7) of the Community Charter;
2. The distribution of property taxes among the property classes; and
3. The use of permissive tax exemptions.

### **FUNDING SOURCES**

Table 1 shows the proportion of total revenue proposed to be raised from each funding source in 2019. Property taxes form the greatest portion of revenue. As a revenue source, property taxation offers a number of advantages, for example, it is simple to administer and it is fairly easy for residents to understand. It offers a stable and reliable source of revenue for services that are difficult or undesirable to fund on a user-pay basis. These include services such as general administration, fire protection, and street lighting.

User fees and charges form the second largest portion of planned revenue. Many services can be measured and charged on a user-pay basis. Services where fees and charges can be easily administered include water and sewer usage, building permits, business licenses, and sale of services – these are charged on a user pay basis. User fees attempt to apportion the value of a service to those who use the service.

**Table 1**

<b>Revenue Source</b>	<b>% of Total Revenue</b>	<b>Dollar Value</b>
Taxation	12.178%	\$ 551,800
User Fees & Charges	8.839%	\$ 400,500
Other Sources	10.416%	\$ 472,000
Grants	60.093%	\$ 2,723,000
Borrowing	0.000%	-
Reserves & Surplus	8.474%	\$ 384,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.000%</b>	<b>\$ 4,531,300</b>

### **OBJECTIVE**

The District will annually review the portion of revenue that is received from user fees and charges.

## POLICY

The District will review all user fee levels to ensure they are adequately meeting both the capital and delivery costs of the service.

## DISTRIBUTION OF PROPERTY TAXES

Table 2 outlines the distribution of property taxes among the property classes. The residential and business property classes provide the largest portions of property tax revenue. This is primarily due to very small industrial classes within the District.

**Table 2**

PROPERTY CLASS	% of Property Taxation	Dollar Value
Residential	56.20%	\$ 310,126
Utilities	15.49%	\$ 85,466
Major Industrial	0.00%	-
Light Industrial	0.63%	\$ 3,499
Business & Other	18.09%	\$ 99,810
Recreation/Non-Profit	0.07%	\$ 400
Farmland	0.09%	\$ 500
Grants In Lieu	9.42%	\$ 52,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>\$ 551,800</b>

## OBJECTIVES

The District wishes to maintain the property tax levy percentages for 2018 at the prior levels plus 2%, adjusted for the impact of non-market changes to assessments. Utility class will be less than the maximum allowable by Provincial statute (BC Reg. 329/96).

## POLICIES

The District will continue to maintain and encourage economic development initiatives designed to attract more retail, commercial and industrial businesses to invest in the community.

The District will regularly review and compare the District's distributions of property tax burden relative to other municipalities in British Columbia.

The District will review annually, with a view of lowering both the residential and business property tax rates using new, non-market industrial assessment.

## PERMISSION TAX EXEMPTIONS

The District has an existing permissive tax exemption policy which guides the administration and approval of permissive tax exemptions.

## OBJECTIVES

The District will continue to provide permissive tax exemptions to non-profit societies and churches pursuant to District policy.

## POLICY

The District will accept Permissive Tax Exemption applications from non-profits, charitable organizations, and churches. Permissive tax exemptions will run on a three year cycle. Applications for exemption must be resubmitted at the end of each cycle.

## SCHEDULE 'B'

### Permissive Tax Exemption

Value of Permissive Exemptions granted by the District under Section 220, 224, or 225 of the Community Charter

	2019 (est)	2020 (est)	2021 (est)	2022 (est)	2023 (est)
St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church	\$977.65	\$997.20	\$1,017.15	\$1,037.49	\$1,058.24
Skeena Lions Hall	\$3,213.35	\$3,277.61	\$3,343.17	\$3,410.03	\$3,478.23
New Hazelton Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses	\$98.23	\$100.19	\$102.19	\$104.24	\$106.32

Note: Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw expires in 2021. Applicants will need to reapply for further years. Numbers are based on the assumption that an application will occur.