# DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

# Monday, May 11, 2020 Erwin Stege Community Center - Conference Room

# Regular Meeting – 7:00 pm

- (1) CALL TO ORDER:
- (2) MINUTES:
  - a) Accept minutes of the April 20, 2020 regular meeting.
- (3) PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS:
  - a) USRC Advisory Committee Peter Newbery Expectations
  - b) Ryan Hales & Alyssa Bjorgaard MNP 2019 Audited Financial Statements
  - c) Municipal Office John Hemsworth
- (4) UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None
- (5) CORRESPONDENCE:
  - a) Village of Hazelton Evacuation Route Planning UBCM Grant Request for Letter of Support
  - b) Hazelton Area Transit Ridership RDKS
- (6) REPORTS: None
- (7) BYLAWS: None
- (8) NEW BUSINESS:
  - a) Council Schedule:
    - June 1

Regular Council Meeting

July 6

Regular Council Meeting

- b) Community Center Policy Illegal Drugs Policy Update
- c) MIABC Associate Membership Resolution Allan Berg
- d) UBCM Asset Management Planning Grant Resolution
- e) FCM Asset Management Program Grant Resolution
- f) Allen Park Sign Replacement
- g) Audited Financial Statements
- h) Auditor Appointment

In Camera Session, Section 90.1 (c) Community Charter Act, regarding personnel matters.

Adjournment

# DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING April 20, 2020 VIA TELECONFERENCE

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

PRESENT:

Mayor G. Lowry

Councillor R. Sturney Councillor G. Burns Councillor A. Berg Councillor B. Henwood Councillor J. Hobenshield Councillor M. Weeber

STAFF PRESENT:

R. Carlé

STAFF REGRETS: W. Hunt

2) MINUTES:

RESOLUTION 7936/20

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the minutes of the March 2, 2020 regular meeting be accepted as circulated.

**CARRIED** 

- 3) PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS: None
- 4) UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
  - a) Water & Sewer User Fees

RESOLUTION 7937/20

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the District of New Hazelton postpone Water Rates Proposal A and Sewer Rates Proposal B to the 2021 taxation year.

**CARRIED** 

5) CORRESPONDENCE: None

6) REPORTS: None

# 7) BYLAWS:

a) District of New Hazelton Tax Rate Bylaw No. 353, 2020

RESOLUTION 7938/20

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the District of New Hazelton Tax Rate Bylaw No. 353, 2020 be given the first and second readings.

**CARRIED** 

b) District of New Hazelton Tax Rate Bylaw No. 353, 2020

RESOLUTION 7939/20

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the District of New Hazelton Tax Rate Bylaw No. 353, 2020 be given the third reading.

**CARRIED** 

c) District of New Hazelton Tax Rate Bylaw No. 353, 2020

RESOLUTION 7940/20

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the District of New Hazelton Tax Rate Bylaw No. 353, 2020 be adopted.

**CARRIED** 

# 8) NEW BUSINESS:

a) Upper Skeena Recreation Center Advisory Committee Appointment

RESOLUTION 7941/20

**MOVED & SECONDED** 

That, the District of New Hazelton appoint Peter Newbery as the District's representative on the Upper Skeena Recreation Center Advisory Committee.

**CARRIED** 

9) ADJOURNMENT:

RESOLUTION 7942/20

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the meeting be adjourned 7:31 pm.

**CARRIED** 

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER	MAYOR	

THE DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON
Consolidated Financial Statements
As at December 31, 2019

# THE DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON COUNCIL - 2019

MAYOR Gail Lowry

# COUNCILORS

Braunwyn Henwood Ray Sturney Jutta Hobenshield Allan Berg George Burns Mike Weeber

# **APPOINTED OFFICIALS - 2019**

Chief Administrative Officer Chief Financial Officer Public Works Superintendent Wendy Hunt Robyn Carle Chris Lawrence

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AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2019

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### **MANAGEMENT'S REPORT**

The management of The District Of New Hazelton is responsible for the integrity of the accompanying consolidated financial statements. The consolidated financial statements have been prepared by management in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards. The preparation of the consolidated financial statements necessarily includes some amounts which are based on the best estimates and careful judgment of management.

To assist in meeting its responsibility, management maintains accounting, budget and other internal controls. These controls provide reasonable assurance that transactions are appropriately authorized and accurately recorded, that assets are properly accounted for and safeguarded, in order that the integrity of financial records is maintained.

The consolidated financial statements have been audited by the independent firm of MNP LLP Chartered Professional Accountants. Their report to the Mayor and Council, stating the scope of their examination and opinion on the consolidated financial statements accompanies this statement.

May 11, 2020

Gail Lowry

Mayor

Wendy Hunt
Chief Administrative Officer

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Mayor and Members of Council of The District of New Hazelton

# Opinion

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of The District of New Hazelton (the "District"), which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at December 31, 2019, and the consolidated statements of operations, changes in net financial assets and cash flow for the year then ended, and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of the District as at December, 31, 2019, and the results of its consolidated operations and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

# **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements section of the report. We are independent of the District in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the consolidated financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information obtained at the date of this auditor's report is information included in the annual report, but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed on the other information obtained prior to the date of the auditor's report, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard..

# Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Consolidated Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the District's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the District or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the District's financial reporting process.

# Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted to accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements,
  whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and
  obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not
  detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as
  fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of
  internal control
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that
  are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the
  effectiveness of the District's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of account and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the District's ability to continue as a going concern. if we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the District to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the District to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statement. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Terrace British Columbia May 11, 2020

CHARTERED PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANTS

MNPLLP

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2019

	2019	2018
Financial assets		1
Cash and short-term investments - (Note 3)	\$ 3,530,604	\$ 1,985,822
Accounts Receivable, trade and other - (Note 4)	181,334	230,420
Taxes receivable - current	27,806	44,723
Taxes receivable - arrears	8,096	15,704
	3,747,840	2,276,669
Liabilities  Accounts payable and accrued liabilities  Deferred revenue - (Note 5)	243,901 -	152,639 278,259
	243,901	430,898
Net financial assets	3,503,939	1,845,771
Non-financial assets	<b>A Y</b>	
Inventory - parts and supplies	68,576	71,768
Tangible capital assets - (Schedule 2)	10,170,197	9,128,165
Prepaid expenses	18,874	20,006
	10,257,647	9,219,939
Accumulated surplus - (Note 7)	\$ 13,761,586	\$ 11,065,710

Commitments and contingencies - (*Note 10*)
Subsequent events - (*Note 1*3)

Approved by:			
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Gail Lowry Mayor	CX Y	Wendy Hunt Chief Administrative Officer	

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2019

		2019		Budget (Note 11)		2018
Revenues					4	
Net taxes available for municipal purposes - (Note 8)	\$	626,282	\$	620,800	\$	616,406
Utility usage fees		246,083		265,000		248,125
Other fees and sale of goods and services		130,199		141,500	y	138,662
Government grants and transfers - (Note 9)		3,780,663		2,824,500	,7	1,114,839
ICBC commissions		396,299		375,000		376,904
Investment income		74,062		22,000		32,665
		5,253,588		4,248,800		2,527,601
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Expenses General government		803,448	G	914,300		841,279
Protective services		74,482	O T	127,200		66,866
Transportation and transit		658,959		909,500		595,612
Recreation and youth services		54,307		27,600		71,094
Water operations		311,771		140,000		236,170
Sewer operations		117,848		86,500		111,661
Garbage operations		84,397		75,000		77,567
Tourism and community development		452,500		12,500		52,500
	-	2,557,712		2,292,600		2,052,749
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Annual surplus		2,695,876		1,956,200		4/4,032
Accumulated surplus - beginning of year		11,065,710		11,065,710		10,590,858
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Accumulated surplus - end of year	\$	13,761,586	\$	13,021,910	\$	11,065,710

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET FINANCIAL ASSETS AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2019

	2019	Budget (Note 11)	2018
Annual surplus  Acquisition of tangible capital assets  Amortization of tangible capital assets  Loss on disposal of tangible capital assets  Proceeds on disposal of tangible capital assets  Changes in other non-financial assets	\$ 2,695,876 (1,536,368) 439,248 (20,010) 75,098 4,324	\$ 1,956,200 3,178,000 350,000 - -	\$ 474,852 (921,750) 421,392 1,354 51,551 8,220
Increase in net financial assets  Net financial assets - beginning of year	1,658,168 1,845,771	5,484,200 1,845,771	35,619 1,810,152
Net financial assets - end of year	\$ 3,503,939	\$ 7,329,971	\$ 1,845,771

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOW AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2019

	2019	2018
Operating transactions		4
Annual surplus	\$ 2,695,876	\$ 474,852
Non-cash items:	100.040	101 000
Amortization	439,248	421,392 1,354
Gain (Loss) on the disposal of tangible capital assets Changes to financial assets/liabilities:	(20,010)	1,554
Decrease (Increase) in taxes receivable	24,525	(10,432)
Decrease (Increase) in inventory and other	4,324	8,220
Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable	49,086	154,561
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	91,262	71,303
Increase (decrease) in deferred revenue	(278,259)	(322,717)
Cash provided by operating transactions	3,026,062	797,179
Capital transactions		
Acquisition of tangible capital assets	(1,536,368)	(921,750)
Proceeds from the disposal of tangible capital assets	75,098	51,551
	(1,481,280)	(868,845)
Increase (decrease) in cash position	1,544,782	(71,666)
Cash and equivalents - beginning of year	1,985,822	2,057,488
Cash and equivalents - end of year	\$ 3,530,604	\$ 1,985,822

# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2019

### 1. General

The District of New Hazelton was incorporated under the provisions of the British Columbia Municipal Act. Its principal activities are the provision of local government services in the District, as governed by the Community Charter and the Local Government Act.

The notes to the consolidated financial statements are an integral part of these financial statements. They provide detailed information and explain the significant accounting and reporting policies and principles that form the basis of these statements. They also provide relevant supplementary information and explanations which cannot be expressed in the consolidated financial statements.

# 2. Significant accounting policies

The consolidated financial statements of The District of New Hazelton (the District) are prepared by management in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards for municipal governments established by the Public Sector Accounting Board ("PSAB") of CPA Canada. The significant accounting policies are summarized as follows:

# a) Basis of accounting

The basis of accounting followed in these consolidated financial statements is an accrual method and includes revenues in the period in which the transactions or events occurred that gave rise to the revenues and expenses in the period the goods and services were acquired and a liability was incurred.

# b) Fund accounting

Funds within the consolidated financial statements consists of the operating, capital and reserves funds. Transactions between funds are recorded as inter fund transfers.

Operating Fund

 This fund, consisting of the general, water and sewer operating funds, comprises the operating costs of the services provided by the District.

Capital Fund

- This fund, consisting of the general, water and sewer capital funds, comprises property, plant and equipment expenditures and related financing.

Reserves Fund

The reserves fund has been established to hold assets for specific future purposes as approved by Council. Allowable transfers to and from these funds are defined in reserve fund establishment bylaws.

### c) Tangible capital assets

Tangible capital assets, comprised of capital assets and capital work-in-progress, are recorded at cost less accumulated amortization and are classified according to their functional use. Amortization is recorded on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life of the asset commencing the year the asset is put in to service. Donated tangible capital assets are reported at fair value at the time of donation. Estimated useful lives are as follows:

Land improvements	15 years
Buildings	20 to 50 years
Furniture, equipment and technology	5 to 20 years
Motor vehicles	5 to 20 years
Transportation infrastructure	15 to 40 years
Water infrastructure	10 to 100 years
Sanitary sewer infrastructure	25 to 85 years

# d) Inventory

Inventory of supplies is recorded as a non-financial asset and is valued at the lower of cost and net realizable value. Cost is determined by the first-in, first-out method. Net realizable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less estimated costs of completion and selling costs.

# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2019

# 2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

# e) Revenue recognition

Taxation revenues are recognized at the time of issuing the property tax notices for the fiscal year. Fees and charges revenue are recognized when services are rendered. Investment income is accrued as earned.

Other Revenues are recognized when earned in accordance with the terms of the agreement when the amounts are measurable and when collection is reasonably assured.

The District of New Hazelton recognizes a government transfer as revenue when the transfer is authorized and all eligibility criteria, if any, have been met. Grants and donations are recognized in the financial statements in the period which the events giving rise to the transfer occur, eligibility criteria are met, and reasonable estimates of the amount can be made. A government transfer with stipulations giving rise to an obligation that meets the definition of a liability is recognized as a liability (deferred revenue). In such circumstances, the District recognizes the revenue as the liability is settled.

Deferred revenue represents user charges and other fees which have been collected, for which the related services have yet to be provided. These amounts will be recognized as revenue in the fiscal year the services are provided

# f) Basis of segmentation

Municipal services have been segmented by grouping services that have similar service objectives (by function). Revenues that are directly related to the costs of the function have been attributed to each segment.

### g) Non-financial assets

Non-financial assets are not available to discharge existing liabilities and are held for use in the provision of services. They have useful lives extending beyond the current year and are not intended for sale in the ordinary course of operations. The change in non-financial assets during the year, together with the excess of revenue over expenses, provides the consolidated change in net financial assets for the year.

### h) Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian public sector accounting standards requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. It is reasonably possible that circumstances may arise that cause actual results to differ from management estimates, however, management does not believe it is likely that such differences will materially affect the District's financial position. Adjustments, if any, will be reflected in operations in the period of settlement.

Significant areas requiring the use of management estimates relate to amortization of tangible capital assets, the collectibility of accounts and taxes receivable.

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# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2019

# 2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

i) Financial instruments

The District's financial instruments consist of cash and short-term investments, accounts receivable, trade, and other and accounts payable and accrued liabilities. Unless otherwise noted, it is management's opinion that the District is not exposed to significant interest, currency or credit risks arising from these financial instruments. The fair values of these financial instruments approximate their carrying values, unless otherwise noted.

j) Cash and short term investments

Cash and short term investments are comprised of amounts held in the District's bank accounts including cash deposits, short term investments with maturity of 1 year or less and Municipal Finance Authority of B.C. money market funds.

k) Liability for contaminated sites

A liability for remediation of a contaminated site is recognized at the best estimate of the amount required to remediate the contaminated site when contamination exceeding an environmental standard exists, the District of New Hazelton is either directly responsible or accepts responsibility, it is expected that future economic benefits will be given up, and a reasonable estimate of the amount is determinable. The best estimate of the liability includes all costs directly attributable to remediation activities and is reduced by expected net recoveries based on information available at December 31, 2019.

At each financial reporting date, the District of New Hazelton reviews the carrying amount of the liability. Any revisions required to the amount previously recognized is accounted for in the period revisions are made. The District continues to recognize the liability until it is settled or otherwise extinguished. Disbursements made to settle the liability are deducted from the reported liability when they are made.

There are no liabilities recorded for contaminated sites at December 31, 2019 as the District has not identified any contaminated sites.

# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2019

# 3. Cash and short-term investments

Cash and short-term investments are comprised of cash on deposit and investments as follows:

	2019	2018
Municipal Finance Authority of B.C. investments:		, )
- Money market fund	\$ 222,440 \$	218,376
Cash	3,308,164	1,767,446
	\$ 3,530,604 \$	1,985,822

# 4. Accounts receivable, trade and other

	2	2019	2018
Government grants receivable: Provincial Northern Development Initiative Trust - Economic Capacity Fund 13th Avenue Water Line Upgrade Project UBCM - Asset Management Grant GST rebate	\$	29,684 50,190 - 53,887 47,573	\$ 21,250 116,434 11,170 53,560 28,006
Other		41,313	20,000
	\$	181,334	\$ 230,420

# 5. Deferred revenue

Included in deferred revenue is the following:

	2019		2018
UBCM Federal Gas Tax Community Works Fund reserve - balance at beginning of year Amount received during the year Interest revenue Regional District USRC contribution Community hall	\$ 278,259 164,092 - (40,000) (402,351)	-	600,976 84,553 4,374 (40,000) (371,644)
Balance - end of year	\$ -	\$	278,259

# UBCM Federal Gas Tax Agreement Community Works Fund

Gas tax funding is provided by the Government of Canada. The use of the funding is established by a funding agreement between the Municipality and the Union of B.C. Municipalities. Gas tax funding may be used towards designated public transit, community energy, water, wastewater, solid waste and capacity building projects, as specified in the funding agreements.

# 6. Equity in tangible capital assets

Equity in tangible capital assets represents the net book value of total capital assets less long term obligations assumed to acquire those assets. The change in consolidated equity in tangible capital assets is as follows:

		2019	Anna	2018
Increases:			Y	9
Capital acquisitions	\$	1,536,368	\$	921,750
Decreases:		(FF 000)		(50,005)
Dispositions at net book value Amortization		(55,088) (439,248)		(52,905) (421,392)
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Change in equity in tangible capital assets	. 0	1,042,032		447,453
Equity in tangible capital assets - beginning of year		9,128,165		8,680,712
Equity in tangible capital assets - end of year	\$	10,170,197	\$	9,128,165
7. Accumulated surplus				
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Operating fund	\$	1,248,202	\$	1,076,189
Reserves fund (Schedule 3)	*	2,343,187	Τ.	861,356
Equity in tangible capital assets - (Note 6)		10,170,197		9,128,165
	\$	13,761,586	\$	11,065,710
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8. Net taxes available for municipal purposes				
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Taxes:				
Property	\$	880,011	\$	874,459
Frontage		61,198		61,303
Revenue in lieu of taxes		52,610		52,447
Penalties and interest on taxes		13,023		12,735
		1,006,842		1,000,944
Less taxes on behalf of:				
School District		215,268		220,990
North West Regional Hospital District		34,924		35,306
Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine		127,026		124,799
B.C. Assessment Authority		3,331		3,432
Other Other		11		11
		380,560		384,538
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Net taxes available for municipal purposes	\$	626,282	\$	616,406

# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2019

# 9. Government grants and transfers

The following government grants and transfers have been included in revenues:

		2019		2018
Unconditional grants and transfers			No.	9
Provincial	\$	454,123	\$	436,777
Regional District / Other		8,006		31,397
		462,129		468,174
Conditional grants and transfers		9		
Provincial	0	2,876,184		235,021
Deferred revenue - UBCM Federal Gas Tax Agreement	1			
Community Works Fund		442,351		411,645
	0			
	\$	3,780,663	\$	1,114,839

# 10. Commitments and contingencies

### a) Capital requirements

District Council has approved a 2019 - 2023 tangible capital expenditure financial plan of \$3,178,000. The 2019 requirement of \$202,500 is to be funded from an allocation of surplus funds.

# b) Pension plan

The District and its employees contribute to the Municipal Pension Plan (a jointly-trusteed pension plan). The board of trustees, representing plan members and employers, is responsible for administering the plan, including investment of the assets and administration of benefits. The plan is a multi-employer defined benefit pension plan. Basic pension benefits provided are based on a formula. As at December 31, 2018, the plan has approximately 205,000 active members and approximately 101,000 retired members. Active members include approximately 40,000 contributors from local government.

Every three years, an actuarial valuation is performed to assess the financial position of the plan and adequacy of plan funding. The actuary determines an appropriate combined employer and member contribution rate to fund the plan. The actuary's calculated contribution rate is based on the entry-age normal cost method, which produces the long-term rate of member and employer contributions sufficient to provide benefits for average future entrants to the plan. This rate may be adjusted for amortization of any actuarial funding surplus and will be adjusted for the amortization of any unfunded actuarial liability.

The most recent valuation for the Municipal Pension Plan as of December 31, 2019, indicated a \$2.866 billion funding surplus for basic pension benefits on a going concern basis.

The District of New Hazelton paid \$54,284 for employer contributions to the plan in fiscal 2018 (\$46,731 in 2018).

The next valuation will be as at December 31, 2021, with results available in 2022.

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# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2019

# 10. Commitments and contingencies (continued)

Employers participating in the plan record their pension expense as the amount of employer contributions made during the fiscal year (defined contribution pension plan accounting). This is because the plan records accrued liabilities and accrued assets for the plan in aggregate, resulting in no consistent and reliable basis for allocating the obligation, assets and cost to the individual employers participating in the plan.

# c) B.C. Assessment Authority appeals

Due to the uncertainty of the outcome of appeals to the B.C. Assessment Authority, it is not possible to accurately estimate any liability to repay taxes or any asset for taxes receivable. It is the policy of the District to record the effect of any tax adjustments relating to outstanding appeals in the year the taxes are repaid or received.

# d) Reciprocal Insurance Exchange Agreement

The District of New Hazelton is a subscribed member of the Municipal Insurance Association of British Columbia (The "Exchange") as provided by Section 3.02 of the Insurance Act of the Province of British Columbia. The main purpose of the Exchange is to pool the risks of liability so as to lessen the impact upon any subscriber. Under the Reciprocal Insurance Exchange Agreement the District is assessed a premium and specific deductible for its claims based on population. The obligation of the District of New Hazelton with respect to the Exchange and/or contracts and obligations entered into by the exchange on behalf of its subscribers in connection with the Exchange are in every case several, and not joint and several. The District of New Hazelton irrevocably and unconditionally undertakes and agrees to indemnify and save the other harmless subscribers against liability losses and costs which the other subscriber may suffer.

# e) Contingent liabilities

The District, as a member of the Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine, is jointly and severally liable for their net capital liabilities.

# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2019

# 11. Annual Budget

Fiscal plan amounts represent the Financial Plan Bylaw adopted by Council on March 4, 2019.

The Financial Plan anticipated the use of surpluses accumulated in previous years to balance against current year expenses in excess of current year revenues. In addition, the Financial Plan anticipated capital expenses rather than amortization expense.

The following shows how these amounts were combined:

Financial Plan approved by Council	5	\$ ,
Add Back:		
Amortization		(350,000)
Transfers to/from own funds		(871,300)
Less:		
Capital expenditures per budget		3,178,000
Transfer to/from reserve		(500)
Annual Surplus per Statement of Oper	rations	\$ 1,956,200

# 12. Segmented Information

The District is a diversified municipal government institution that provides a wide range of services to its citizens such as roads, water, sewer and drainage infrastructure, fire protection, police protection (RCMP), cemetery, recreation centre, garbage collection and parkland. Distinguishable functional segments have been separately disclosed in the segmented information. The nature of the segments and the activities they encompass are as follows:

# General Government Services

The City Manager is the liaison between Council and the District departments and staff. The Corporate Services Department supports the legislated activities of Council, and provides information to citizens with respect to Council/Committee processes, reporting procedures and decisions, and District activities.

# Protective Services

Protection is comprised of fire protection, policing, dog control officer and building inspection.

Bylaw enforcement administers, monitors, and seeks compliance with the bylaws enacted by the Mayor and Council to regulate the conduct of affairs in the District of New Hazelton.

Fire protection is provided by the fire department, whose volunteer members receive compensation for each callout in which they take part.

Policing is provided under contract with the RCMP operating from a detachment building located in the District of New Hazelton.

# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2019

# 12. Segmented Information (continued)

The District of New Hazelton's Management and Public Works Department work together to regulate all construction within the District. This is achieved through the use of the District of New Hazelton's Building and Plumbing Bylaw, the British Columbia Building Code, the British Columbia Fire Code and other related bylaws and enactments with the District of New Hazelton.

Transportation and Transit Services

The Transportation and Transit Services (Public Works) Department is responsible for the infrastructure of the District:

Ensuring clean and safe water to the District, supplied through underground pipes and reservoirs,

Maintaining a separate system of underground pipes to collect sewer or waste water for proper treatment prior to discharging it,

Providing and maintaining the District's roads, sidewalks, street lights, signage and line markings, storm drainage and hydrants.

Cemetery (Public Works) Department provides cemetery services including the maintenance of the cemetery grounds.

Recreation and Youth Services

The Recreation and Youth Services Department contribute to the quality of life and personal wellness of the community through the provision of a variety of special events, programs, services and facilities.

Water Operations

Water includes all of the operating activities related to the treatment and distribution of water throughout the District.

Sewer Operations

Sewer includes all of the operating activities related to the collection and treatment of waste water (sewage) throughout the District.

Garbage Operations

Garbage Services (Public Works) is responsible for the garbage collection and compost and recycling programs operating in the District of New Hazelton. Garbage collection is performed by a contractor.

Tourism and Community Development

Tourism and Community Development contribute to community organizations providing services to benefit community members.

# NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2019

### 13. Subsequent Events

Subsequent to year-end, there was a global outbreak of COVID-19 (coronavirus), which has had a significant impact on businesses through the restrictions put in place by the Canadian, provincial and municipal governments regarding travel, business operations and isolation/quarantine orders. At this time, it is unknown the extent of the impact the COVID-19 outbreak may have on the District as this will depend on future developments that are highly uncertain and that cannot be predicted with confidence. These uncertainties arise from the inability to predict the ultimate geographic spread of the disease, and the duration of the outbreak, including the duration of travel restrictions, business closures or disruptions, and quarantine/isolation measures that are currently, or may be put, in place by Canada and other countries to fight the virus.

THE DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON Consolidated Schedule of Segmented Revenue and Expenses Year Ended December 31, 2019

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THE DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON Consolidated Schedule of Tangible Capital Assets Year Ended December 31, 2019

		Land	Buildings	Equipment, fumiture and motor vehicles	Water infrastructure	Sewer infrastructure	Transportation and transit services	Tax sale land	2019	
Cost Opening balance Additions - purchased Additions - donated Disposals	↔	683,707 8	\$ 4,521,231 674,213 -	\$ 2,376,826 610,151 - (128,296)	\$ 3,618,982 224,575	\$ 1,133,405 5 25,925 -	\$ 3,456,794	\$ 78,551 1,504	\$ 15,869,496 1,536,368 - (128,296) -	
Ending balance		683,707	5,195,444	2,858,681	3,843,557	1,159,330	3,456,794	80,055	17,277,568	Y
Accumulated amortization Opening balance Amortization on disposals Acc. amortization on disposals			1,575,771 102,445 -	1,581,192 135,722 (73,210)	1,326,160 61,382	600,706 36,605 -	1,657,505 103,094 -		6,741,334 439,248 (73,210)	C
Ending balance			1,678,216	1,643,704	1,387,542	637,311	1,760,599	7	7,107,372	
Net book value	es	683,707	\$ 3,517,228	\$ 1,214,977	\$ 2,456,015	\$ 522,019	\$ 1,696,195	\$ 80,055	\$ 10,170,197	
		Land	Buildings	Equipment, furniture and motor vehicles	Water infrastructure	Sewer infrastructure	Transportation and transit services	Tax sale land	2018	
Cost Opening balance Additions - purchased Additions - donated Disposals Writedowns	↔	559,207 124,500 -	\$ 4,139,871 381,360 -	\$ 2,330,032 101,838 - (55,043)	\$ 3,434,426	\$ 1,122,948	\$ 3,337,755	\$ 81,497 - - (2,945)	\$ 15,005,736 921,750 - (57,988)	
Ending balance		683,707	4,521,231	2,376,827	3,618,982	1,133,405	3,456,794	78,552	15,869,498	
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THE DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON Consolidated Schedule of Reserve Fund Activities Year Ended December 31, 2019

2018	959,582 - 5,274 (103,500)	861,356
2019	861,356 \$ 2,580,000 (934,516) 38,847 (202,500)	2,343,187 \$
Northern Capital and Planning	\$ 2,580,000 (419,315) 38,036	\$ 2,198,721 \$
Building fund	\$ 515,201 - (515,201)	6
Tax sale reserve	90,844	91,752
Cemetery fund	3,857 \$	3,896
C Sewer capital	325,194 \$ - 3,252 (101,500)	90,697 \$ (268,825) \$ 226,946 \$ 3,896 \$ 91,752 \$ - \$ 2,198,721 \$ 2,343,187 \$
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Machinery and equipment Wa	\$ 89,799	\$ 20,697
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	Balance - beginning of year Transfers in Transfers out Investment income (expense) Contributions	Balance - end of year

# **New Hazelton Muncipal Office - Consultants**

Vendor	Description	Total	
Hemsworth Architecture	Architectural	\$	15,537.13
HBH Land Surveying Inc	Site Survey	\$	5,980.00
Steel Ridge Contracting Ltd	Geotechnical	\$	975.00
WSP Canada Inc	Geotechnical	\$	16,065.00
WSP Canada Inc	Civil .	\$	3,950.00
Fast + Epp	Structural	\$	3,500.00
Lazzarin Swisdahl Landscape Architects	Landscape	\$	2,025.00
NRS Engineering Ltd	Electrical	\$	1,900.00
Rocky Point Engineering Ltd	Mechanical	\$	1,500.00
		\$	51,432.13

# New Hazelton Municipal Hall Consultants

S.D.	D.D.	C.D.	C.P.	C.A.
(C)	Ω	O	O	O
Project Budget: Schematic Design	Design Development	Construction Documents	Construction Procurement	Contract Admin.
Project Budget:				

Architectural	Firm	S.D.	D.D.	C.D.	C.P.	C.A.	Other	Total	Notes
	Hemsworth Architecture	\$11,000.00	\$11,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$19,500.00	\$5,000.00	\$79,500.00	Other = additional fee that was agreed to.
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Structural	Firm	o.D.	ric.	4					
	Fast + Epp	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00 \$12,500.00	\$500.00	\$9,500.00		\$29,500.00	C.A. fee is an estimate
	RJC	\$2,000.00		\$3,000.00 \$11,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$12,500.00		\$29,500.00	\$29,500.00   C.A. fee is an estimate, includes disbursements for site visits
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Mechanical	Firm	S.D.	D.D.	C.D.	C.P.	C.A.	Other	Total	Notes
	MCW	\$3,500.00	\$5,600.00	\$14,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$16,500.00	\$8,900.00	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00 Other = Energy modelling (req. tbc)
	Rocky Point	\$1,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$10,500.00	\$0.00	\$3,500.00	\$4,000.00	\$22,000.00	Other = Energy modelling (req. tbc)
Electrical	Firm	S.D.	D.D.	C.D.	C.P.	C.A.	Other	Total	Notes
	MCW	\$2,780.00	\$4,170.00	\$12,510.00	\$1,390.00	\$6,950.00	\$7,500.00	\$35,300.00	\$35,300.00 Other = IT & Low Voltage
	NRS	\$1,900.00	\$1,800.00	\$2,400.00	\$600.00	\$5,550.00	\$1,400.00	\$13,650.00	Other = Post Construction
Landscape	Firm	S.D.	o.o.	C.D.	C.P.	C.A.	Other	Total	Notes .
	LSLA	\$4,050.00	\$3,150.00	\$3,375.00	\$300.00	\$4,330.00		\$15,205,00	\$15,205.00 Includes disbursements for site visits
	Maruyama	\$2,950.00	\$2,950.00	\$4,500.00	\$0.00	\$1,250.00		\$11,650.00	
Civil	Firm	S.D.	D.D.	c.D.	C.P.	C.A.	Other	Total	Notes
	All North	\$18,000.00	\$13,500.00	\$4,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$18,000.00		\$57,500.00	
	Bulkley Valley Engineering	\$4,047.00	\$4,700.00	\$7,250.00	\$600.00	\$6,426.00		\$23,023.00	
	dS/W	\$3.950.00	\$3.950.00 \$12.250.00	\$2,750.00		\$2,500.00 \$18,250.00		\$39,700.00	

\$199,555,00 Total Sub-Consultant Fees (not incl. geotech or surveyor)

Notes:
Disbursements for travel, couriers, printing, etc. are not included unless otherwise noted
GST not included
Indicates selected consultant



Table 2: Fee for geotechnical engineering assessment

TASKS	JR. TECH. (\$85 / HR)	JR. ENG (\$110/HR)	A. VAN DYK (\$190/HR)	P. ELL (\$220 / HR)	EXPENSES (COST+10%)
1 Project Management	у		3 hours		
2 Subsurface Explorations		27 hours	1 hours	**	\$ 7 500
3 Laboratory Tests	10 hours				
4 Report Submission	5 hours	15 hours	6 hours	2 hours	
Thme Sub-totals	15 hours	45 hours	10 hours	2 hours	
Fee Sub-totals	\$ 1 275	\$ 4 950	\$1900	\$ 440	\$ 7 500
Fee Total (excluding GST)			\$ 16 065		

Table 3: Estimated Fee for geotechnical construction stage services

TASKS	FIELD TECH (\$95 / HR)	JR. ENG (\$110/HR)	A. VAN DYK (\$190/HR)	P. ELL (\$220 / HR)	EXPENSES (COST+10%)
1 Project Management		46	3 hours		
2 Review Shop Drawings and testing reports		10 hours	3 hours	^*	
3 Site reviews	20 hours	20 hours	5 hours		\$ 2 500
4 Schedules B, C-B			4 hours	2 hours	
Time Sub-totals	20 hours	30 hours	15 hours	2 hours	-
Fee Sub-totals	\$ 1 900	\$ 4 400	\$ 2 850	\$ 440	\$ 2 500
Fee Total (excluding GST)	*	•	\$ 12 090		

# Village of Hazelton COUNCIL REPORT

Date:

April 14, 2020

File: 1855-05

From:

Lina Gasser, Chief Administrative Officer

SUBJECT: Community Emergency Preparedness Fund- Evacuation Route Planning

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council directs administration to apply to the Community Emergency Preparedness Fund-Evacuation Route Planning Stream for a regional project to complete and Evacuation Route Plan with the District of New Hazelton, and that the Village will manage the grant and cover any cost overruns.

# **REASON FOR REPORT:**

To provide Council with an overview of the application for an Evacuation Route Plan.

# **DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS:**

Administration undertook a revision of the Emergency Plan in 2019. During this process Administration realized there was no Evacuation Route Plan in place for the Village of Hazelton. An evacuation route was identified, but there was no in-depth study or alternative routes.

Administration has prepared an application for the Community Emergency Preparedness Fund-Evacuation Route Planning Stream. In an effort to attain a higher level of funding the Village asked neighbouring communities to partner. Gitanmaax did not respond to my inquiry, Gitxsan Government Commission has offered to provide a letter of support and New Hazelton is willing to pass a resolution to partner with us.

# FINACIAL IMPLICATION

This grant covers up to 100% of the costs of developing a plan up to \$50,000. We will keep the project within this budget. If we are unsuccessful, we can reapply next year.

# **CONCLUSION:**

Having a detailed Evacuation Route Plan is important for the Village to complement the Emergency Plan and also Emergency Operations in the event main accesses are compromised.

Lina Gasser Chief Administrative Officer

# **Wendy Hunt**

From:

Marc Schibli <mschibli@rdks.bc.ca>

Sent:

Monday, May 4, 2020 9:24 AM

To:

Wendy Hunt

Cc:

Yvonne Koerner

Subject:

RE: transit

Hi Wendy,

I spoke with Lindsay Taylor, the Manager of Government Relations for BC Transit last week and got some ridership information as well as some comments from her regarding Hazelton area transit. They have seen a decrease in ridership due to COVID-19, which was expected, but they would not recommend a decrease in runs at this time as the Hazelton area is already operating on what they consider a minimum or essential level of service. She also said that prior to COVID-19, Hazelton had seen significant year over year growth in ridership. The statistics provided comparing 2019 to 2020 are below:

Jan 2019 - 1215

Jan 2020 - 1314

Increase of 8%

Feb 2019 - 971

Feb 2020 - 1166

Increase of 20%

March 2019 - 1307

March 2020 - 1154

Decrease of 12%

In terms of cost, BC Transit is anticipating their Annual Operating Agreements for the upcoming year to be sent out this week, and she indicated there would be some cost savings measures incorporated into this.

Please feel free to reach out if you have any additional questions on transit.

Thank you,

# Marc Schibli, CPA, BA

**Deputy Chief Financial Officer** 

Office: 250-615-6100 Toll Free: 1-800-663-3208 Fax: 250-635-9222

Email: mschibli@rdks.bc.ca

From: Yvonne Koerner < yvonnek@rdks.bc.ca>

**Sent:** Friday, April 24, 2020 4:34 PM

To: whunt@newhazelton.ca

Cc: Marc Schibli <mschibli@rdks.bc.ca>

Subject: RE: transit

Hi Wendy,

### **BRIEFING NOTE**

Prepared by: Wendy Hunt

May 11, 2020

# **Reason for Briefing Note:**

Changes to Community Center Fees Policy

# Background:

The Community Center Fee Policy was originally created in the Spring of 2019 and was passed via resolution 7845/19 at the April 1, 2019 Council Meeting.

# **Update:**

We have had numerous events in the community center and almost without fail, there have been traces of a white substance left in various washrooms in the building. It varies, sometimes, it is the women's, sometimes the men's and almost always in the accessible washroom. Traces of the compound are left on the counters and the toilet paper dispensers.

While we have never tested the substance, it is believed to be that of cocaine and it is left to our janitorial staff to clean up the substance. This puts them in an unsafe condition as it could be ingested through the dust particles as they are cleaning. It is the belief of administration that it should be up to the person/people that are renting the facility to ensure that our cleaning staff are not left in a vulnerable position by having to clean up illegal drugs.

Our policy already asks that the renters clean up vomit, feces, etc. and we are recommending adding an additional clause that any illegal drugs or drug paraphernalia would also need to be cleaned up. Administration is also recommending a \$200.00 charge to any renter who does not clean up the drugs or drug paraphernalia. It is hoped that the higher charge for non-compliance will ensure that the drugs are cleaned up after the event.

# **Recommendation:**

Administration is recommending that Mayor and Council pass a resolution to adopt the revised Community Center Fee Policy as presented.

# DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON USER FEES POLICY

# **Revision/Review Log**

Revision Date	Comments
April 1.2019	Policy adopted by Council Resolution 7845/19
May 8, 2020	Added additional wording and fee regarding illegal drugs and drug paraphernalia.



# DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON COMMUNITY CENTER FEES POLICY

1. It is recognized that as much as possible, costs involved in delivering services to the Community Center will be recovered by means of a user fee or charge, and that the user fees and charges should be reviewed annually. Fees will be in effect from January 01 – December 31 of each year.

It is common practice to recover all or part of the normal operating costs for facilities. Any cost above revenue generation will be borne by the taxpayers. Council should be comfortable with shouldering any overages in order to provide this service to the citizens of New Hazelton and surrounding area.

- 2. It is recommended that Council adopt the fee structure presented as fair and equitable for all users while trying to optimize cost recovery.
- 3. **User Fees** are suggested based on partial cost recovery. It will not be known what the full extent of costs will be until the Community Center has been in operation for at least one full year. Fees will be revisited prior to January, 2020. It is suggested that a further subsidization of 50% of fees be put in place for programs that involve children, arts and culture or community events as approved by the Chief Administrative Officer or his/her designate.

Fees for memorial services will be provided at the reduced rate of \$200.00 per booking. This rate is based on a 3 hour maximum time frame and is available during the day time hours of 9:00 am and 4:00 pm.

Fees including damage deposits must be paid in full one week prior to booking date. Damage deposits will be returned after an inspection is performed by the Public Works Superintendent or designate and the renter will be advised of any concerns that have arisen as a result of the inspection. This inspection will be done as soon as possible after the use of the facility, typically within one (1) day.

# 4. Conference Room Guidelines

- a. Rental rates are hourly unless otherwise noted in the fee schedule;
- b. Day rates are based on an 8 hour day;
- c. Half day rates are based on a 4 hour day;
- d. No charge is levied for normal equipment used in conjunction with room rentals or programs;
- e. Renters will be responsible for supplying their own materials such as coffee, tea, bottled water, etc.;
- f. Regular monthly meetings will have a reduced rate of \$20.00/meeting;

- g. Volunteer or community groups wishing to hold public meetings free of charge will be offered the use of the New Hazelton Meeting Center on a no fee basis. If the meeting is too large for the Meeting Center, the Chief Administrative Officer or designate will approve a change in the fee policy; and
- h. We respectfully ask that as much as possible, renters use the dishes provided in the room instead of paper/plastic etc. This will help us to be respectful stewards of the environment and reduce the amount of waste that will go to the landfill. Please stack the dishes to the side and the cleaning service will wash them and put them away.

# 5. Children 6 years and under

a. ALL CHILDREN 6 YEARS AND UNDER ATTENDING PROGRAMS **MUST** BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT OR BE INVOLVED IN A PROGRAM WITH ADEQUATE SUPERVISION.

# 6. Cleaning/Janitorial/Damages

- a. All renters are expected to clean and put away the equipment that was used in accordance with the Rental Checklist attached in Schedule B;
- b. Renters who do not clean up after themselves will be charged a cleaning fee of \$20.00 per hour for the time required for the janitor to clean;
- c. Damage deposits will not be returned until the facility has been inspected for cleanliness and/or damage;
- d. Inspections will be performed by the Public Works Superintendent or designate and the renter will be advised of any concerns that have arisen as a result of the inspection;
- e. Repairs to damages beyond regular wear and tear will be subject to a fee of \$40.00 per hour; and
- f. If damages require an outside contractor, the renter will be billed in accordance with the charges from the contractor.

# 7. Rental Agreement/Bookings

- a. All renters must be twenty-one (21) years of age or older;
- b. All renters will be required to sign the rental agreement as set out in Schedule C;
- c. All booking will be done by calling Kylie Davis, Administrative Assistant at 250-842-6571 or via email at <a href="mailto:kdavis@newhazelton.ca">kdavis@newhazelton.ca</a>;
- d. Rental fees must be paid within one week of booking otherwise the booking will be cancelled; and
- e. Bookings cancelled within 6 days will be subject to a charge of 50% of the rental fee;
- f. Renter assumes full responsibility for loss, theft, or damage to the hall or equipment during the rental period. Any damage to the hall or grounds during the rental period must be reported immediately to Kylie at 250-842-6571;
- g. **After the event**, the key must be returned to the District of New Hazelton office within 48 hours:
- h. Damage deposits will be returned once the inventory is counted and an inspection has been done. Typically within 48 hours;
- i. Hall equipment must remain within the hall;

- j. The building is a non-smoking facility. Renters must ensure that the hall is used as a non-smoking facility. Please use the butt dispenser outside to avoid fires and unsightly grounds;
- k. This facility is a drug free facility. Renters are encouraged to proactively work to keep drugs out of the building and off the premises. Renters will be responsible for cleaning any illegal drugs or drug paraphernalia from the building and the grounds. Any traces of illegal drugs or drug paraphernalia found within the facility will result in an additional cleaning fee of \$200.00. This is to protect the health and well being of our janitorial staff.
- I. Renters are responsible for returning the facility to a clean and orderly state according to the clean-up instructions issued to the renter;
- m. Renters using the kitchen facilities for commercial purposes should have Foodsafe certification;
- n. Tea-lights or battery operated candles only are permitted in the facility;
- o. No staples, nails, or tacks are to be used on the walls or ceiling. Any holes or damages caused by staples, nails, or tacks will be charged against the damage deposit;
- p. We ask that all renters make use of the dishes, glasses, cutlery, etc. that is provided with the facility. This will assist the District in its endeavours to be good stewards of the environment and keep as much garbage as possible out of the landfill.



# DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON COMMUNITY CENTER GENERAL CLEAN UP INSTRUCTIONS

We hope that you have a successful event and your damage deposit will be returned in full. The room(s) you are using must be cleaned and left in an orderly state according to the following conditions:

#### **Chairs**

Must be neatly stacked on the dollies at the front of the room (15 chairs per dolly)

### **Tables**

Must be cleaned (no tape, staples, or chewing gum) and neatly stored at the front of the room

#### **Candles**

Tea lights in safe holders or battery operated candles only

### Kitchen

Must be left clean and in the state in which it was rented. Dishes must be washed according to the posted instructions and stored in their designated area. All surfaces should be washed and sanitized as per instructions posted. Dishwasher should be turned off and racks stacked neatly on the right hand side drain board. Sinks should be cleaned. Stove and ovens should be wiped down and spills cleaned. The freezer and fridge should be emptied of all personal items (note: items left will be removed by the janitorial staff at the end of the event) and any spills wiped away.

### Walls/Ceilings

Any decorations attached to any part of the interior or exterior walls must be completely removed without damage to the walls, ceilings, or other finishes. Please take this into account when decorating for your function. Absolutely no staples, tacks, nails, or duct tape, please!

### **Floors**

Must all be swept. Spills need to be wiped up; they are easier to clean as they happen than after the fact! The washing of the floors will be done by the janitorial staff.

### Washrooms

Floors of the washrooms should be cleared of any human waste such as vomit, feces, or urine. It is much easier to clean when it happens than to wait until the janitorial staff comes in. All traces of illegal drugs and or drug paraphernalia must be removed from the premises to avoid an additional \$200.00 cleaning fee.

### **Garbage including empties**

Please encourage your guests to use the bins placed throughout the facility to dispose of their garbage, empty bottles or cans. All empties should be bagged and either removed from the premises or left in the blue bin provided outside the facility. Garbage should be bagged and deposited in the green bin provided outside the facility.

### Doors and key

It is the full responsibility of the renter to ensure that all doors are locked at the end of the event. All lights should be turned off and all interior doors (with the exception of the bathrooms) should be closed. The alarm should be turned on using the appropriate code that was given at the time of rental. Please ensure that the doors leading to the washrooms are closed and locked before leaving.

The western exit door going into the Red Apple parking lot is for emergency purposes only and should only be used in the case of an emergency.

The doors should be kept closed during dances or musical events so as to assist with minimizing the disturbance to residents living close by. It is important to respect the rights of those residences close by with the least amount of disturbance as possible.

### Exterior/Grounds

Must be returned to their pre-rental condition. Thanks for picking up cigarette butts, bottles, cans, and garbage.

All traces of illegal drugs and or drug paraphernalia must be removed from the premises to avoid an additional \$200.00 cleaning fee.



# DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON COMMUNITY CENTER KITCHEN USE – GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

THE RANGE HOOD FAN MUST BE TURNED ON PRIOR TO USING THE STOVE OR OVEN. The button to turn it on is located on the right hand side of the hood. Please remember to turn the fan off after you have finished using the appliance.

### Stove/ovens/grill

Before turning on the stove, grill or ovens, the range hood must be turned on in accordance with the directions above. The grates on the stove are made of cast iron and are extremely hot; please use caution when working around the stove. All pilot lights are on continuously so you should be able to turn the knob of area you want to heat. If there is a problem with the stove, make sure all knobs are turned off and call the emergency line for the District of New Hazelton 250-842-6571 and press "1" to reach the answering service. The oven on the right hand side is a convection oven meaning you are able to cook more than one tray evenly on each rack of the oven. The oven on the left hand side is a regular oven. The grill has been seasoned however small amounts of oil should be used to avoid sticking. The grill should be scraped and clean after use. For heavily soiled use, the grill should be cleaned using the black brick provided. This is done by placing approximately ¼ c of oil on the grill and rubbing the brick over all parts of the grill. It should then be scraped and wiped with paper towel and oil until clean. Please DO NOT use water and soap to clean the grill.

### Dishwasher

The dishwasher takes approximately 10 minutes to heat to temperature, once at temperature, you can begin to wash dishes. It is acceptable to turn the dishwasher on once you arrive at the facility, that way it is ready to go when you are! The chemicals required for cleaning are preloaded into the washer so you are not required to add any. Dishes should be pre-rinsed in the sink and then loaded on the trays. The cutlery containers are placed in the flat trays and washes separately from the other dishes. Each load in the dishwasher can contain 1 flat tray on the bottom and one spiked tray on the top; they can also be used separately. Once the tray(s) is loaded in the dishwasher, pull the handle down and the wash cycle will begin. It takes approximately 1-2 minutes for each load. Once the cycle is complete, the green light in the upper right hand corner will go out and you are free to open the door. Dishes should be left to air dry and then be put away in the designated area. Pots and pans or heavily soiled items will need to be washed by hand. Lighter items such as the metal bowls will need to be washed by hand or placed in the open trays with another tray on top to keep them from bouncing around. Wine glasses should be washed using the utensil tray to avoid breakage. Once you are finished all of the dishes leave the lid up/open and turn the dishwasher off. Trays can be neatly stacked

on the right hand side of the dishwasher. In accordance with Northern Health regulations, all dishes should be air dried.

### **Equipment/Dishes**

All dishes and equipment provided in the kitchen are available for use by the renter. It is expected that all equipment/dishes that are used will be washed, sanitized and put away according to the posted directions. The renter is responsible for any damage to or loss of equipment while using the facility. The silver trays provided are safe for the oven and can be used for baking, roasting, etc.

### Floors/Walls/Counters

The floors should be dry swept once you are done for your event. All surfaces should be wiped and sanitized in accordance to the sanitization plan attached. Walls only need to be washed/sanitized if there are splashes made during usage. There is a sanitization bottle prepared and kept by the dishwashing sink for your use in spot cleaning and wiping of counters and tables at the end of your event.

### Fridge/Freezer

The fridge and freezer are available for your use and pre-set to Northern Health regulations. **Please do not adjust the temperatures**. We ask that you wipe up all spills and sanitize the area as the spill occurs. If you are using the freezer to cool down food items, please be advised that if you put items straight from the stove or oven to the freezer there will be some condensation that develops. This should be wiped up with paper towel as soon as possible.



# DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON COMMUNITY CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM – GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

The conference room is equipped with a smart TV, wifi, coffee maker, kettle, and dishes. The renter is responsible for any damages that occur in the room as well as any missing inventory. This amount will be deducted from the damage deposit. If the damage or missing inventory is more than the amount of the damage deposit, the renter will be invoiced for the remaining amount owing.

The renter is responsible for providing their own coffee, tea, bottled water, sugar, etc. Should you wish catering services, the District has a list of people who provide this service.

Used dishes should be stacked on the counter and all food scraps put in the garbage. Janitorial staff will clean the dishes and return them to the room. Garbage and recyclables should be separated into the appropriate bins.

Renters are welcome to change the configuration of the room if needed however we ask that it be returned to its pre-rental configuration once you are done. Extra tables can be provided if necessary with advance notice.

### The wifi connection is:

Wifi: Community Center

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The remote is on the back of the TV mount. If you have a Windows 10 laptop, you can connect to it wirelessly. You must be connected to the wifi first to utilize this.

On the TV remote, press the Home button. You will see Netflix, youtube, facebook etc displayed along the bottom of the screen. Scroll over until you see ScreenCast. Press OK.

On your laptop, press the **Windows Key + P**. choose "Connect to a wireless Display". You will see ScreenCast show up in the list of devices. Click on it and wait until you see your screen show up on the TV.



# SCHEDULE A Rental Fees

### DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON COMMUNITY CENTER RATE SCHEDULE

OFFICE #1		OFFICE #2 (Semi Furnished)
Daily	\$ 50.00	Daily \$ 50.00
Week	\$175.00	Week \$175.00
Month	\$500.00	Month \$575.00
Damage Deposit	\$250.00	Damage Deposit \$250.00

Daily and weekly rates include cleaning services. Monthly tenants are responsible for their own cleaning services. All rates include heat, hydro, and wifi services.

### **KITCHEN**

Hourly	\$ 20.00	Damage Deposit	\$ 50.00
Half Day	\$ 50.00		
Daily	\$100.00		

Rates include use of equipment, limited janitorial services and wifi.

### HALL - W/O KITCHEN

Hourly	\$ 70.00	Damage Deposit	\$250.00
Half Day	\$275.00		
Full Day	\$500.00		
Memorial Services	\$200.00 (3 hours maximum between the h	nours of 9:00 am & 4:00 pm	)
Dances	\$500.00		

Rates include wifi and limited janitorial services.

### **HALL - INCLUDING KITCHEN**

Hourly	\$ 90.00	Damage Deposit	\$300.00
Half Day	\$350.00		
Full Day	\$600.00		
Memorial Services	\$200.00 (3 hours maximum between the h	ours of 9:00 am & 4:00 pm	)
Dances	\$600.00		

Rates include wifi and limited janitorial services.

### **CONFERENCE ROOM**

Hourly	\$ 30.00	Damage Deposit	\$100.00
Half Day	\$110.00		
Full Day	\$200.00		

Rates include wifi, use of coffee equipment, dishes, and limited janitorial services.

### **CONFERENCE ROOM – WITH KITCHEN**

Hourly	\$ 50.00	Damage Deposit	\$150.00
Half Day	\$150.00		
Full Day	\$300.00		

Rates include wifi, use of coffee & kitchen equipment, dishes, and limited janitorial services.

# SCHEDULE B

# Rental Checklists





## DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON COMMUNITY CENTER RENTAL CHECKLIST – CONFERENCE ROOM

Renter:	Phone #:	
Address:		
Date key picked up:	Returned:	
	Renter – checked	Inspector - Checked
Counter wiped		
Dishes set aside for cleaning		
Tables wiped		
Floor swept		
Recycling bagged		
Garbage bagged and put in bin		
Personal items removed		
Doors locked		
Inventory		
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Damages above normal wear and tear:		
Estimated time to repair damages: l	nrs	
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Hourly rate for damage repair: \$40.00		
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Total amount of damage repair:	_	
Approved for damage deposit return:		
Damage deposit returned:		
Damage deposit received:		



## DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON COMMUNITY CENTER RENTAL CHECKLIST – HALL

Renter:	Phone #:	
Address:		
Date key picked up:	Returned:	
	Renter – checked	Inspector - Checked
Chairs put away		1
Tables wiped		
Tables put away		
Floor swept		
Garbage bagged and put in bin		
Recycling bagged		
Personal items removed		
Doors to washroom closed and locked		
Doors locked	3	
Damages above normal wear and tear:		
Estimated time to repair damages:h	nrs	
Hourly rate for damage repair: \$40.00		
Total amount of damage repair:	_	
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Approved for damage deposit return:		
Damage deposit returned:	<u></u>	
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Damage deposit received:		



## DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON COMMUNITY CENTER RENTAL CHECKLIST – KITCHEN

Renter:	Phone #:	
Address:		
Date key picked up:	Returned:	
PLEASE NOTE: HOOD FAN MUST BE TUR	RNED ON BEFORE USIN	IG THE STOVE OR
OVEN		
	Renter – checked	Inspector - Checked
Dishes washed		
Cleaned dishes put away/dishwasher empty		
Counters wiped		
Floors swept		
Stove wiped		
Oven/stove turned off (pilot light stays on)		
Sink rinsed		
Recycling bagged		
Garbage bagged and placed in garbage bin		
Personal food removed from fridge and freezer		
Personal items removed		
Passway window closed and locked		
Doors locked		
Inventory		
Damages above normal wear and tear:		
Estimated time to repair damages: hrs		
Hourly rate for damage repair: \$40.00		
Total amount of damage repair:		
Approved for damage deposit return:		, 
Damage deposit returned:		
Damage deposit received:		



### DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON COMMUNITY CENTER RENTAL CHECKLIST – OFFICE

Renter:	Phone #:	
Address:		
Date key picked up:	Returned:	
	Renter – checked	Inspector - Checked
Dishes cleaned and put away		
Counter wiped		
Desk wiped		
Sink cleaned		
Garbage bagged and put in bin		
Recyclables put in bin		
Personal items removed		
Door locked		
Damages above normal wear and tear:		
Estimated time to repair damages:	hrs	
Hourly rate for damage repair: \$40.00		
Total amount of damage repair:	_	
Approved for damage deposit return:		
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Damage deposit returned:		
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Damage deposit received:		

### **MIABC Associate Membership Resolution**

That, the District of New Hazelton approve Allan Berg, as an Associate Member with the Municipal Insurance Association of BC and approve the completion of the Service Provider Agreement to provide liability insurance for the purposes of building inspection. All associated costs of the membership and liability coverage will be the responsibility of the District of New Hazelton. The effective date of coverage will be May 1, 2020.

### **UBCM Asset Management Planning Grant Resolution**

THAT Council directs administration to apply to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities Asset Management Planning program to assess the municipality's wastewater system AND THAT the District will manage the grant and cover any cost overruns.

### **FCM Asset Management Program Resolution**

THAT Council directs administration to apply to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Municipal Asset Management Program to assess the municipality's wastewater system AND THAT the District will manage the grant and cover any cost overruns.