

DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON
REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

Monday, December 6, 2021
Erwin Stege Community Center Council Chambers

There will be a closed meeting prior to the regular meeting beginning at 6:30 pm.

Closed Session, Section 90.1 (c) Community Charter Act, regarding personnel

Regular Meeting – 7:00 pm

(1) CALL TO ORDER:

(2) MINUTES:

- a) Accept minutes of the November 1, 2021 regular meeting

(3) PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS:

- a) Rachel Doddridge – FireSmart Coordinator for the District & Village of Hazelton
- b) Peter Newbery – Update on Upper Skeena Recreation Center

(4) UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a) Indigenous Court Community Center Rental

(5) CORRESPONDENCE:

- a) City of Terrace – Social Issues Advisory Committee – Invitation to Join
- b) RDKS – Cultural Training – Fire Across the Land

(6) REPORTS: None

(7) BYLAWS:

- a) Curbside Collection Amendment Bylaw No. 363, 2021 – Adopt
- b) 2022-2026 Financial Plan Bylaw No. 364, 2022 – 1st and 2nd Readings

(8) NEW BUSINESS:

- a) Council Schedule:
 - January 10 Regular Council Meeting
 - February 7 Regular Council Meeting
 - March 7 Regular Council Meeting
- b) 2022 Council Schedule
- c) Lunch meeting with S/S Durnin for January, 2022

Adjournment

DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
November 1, 2021
ERWIN STEGE COMMUNITY CENTRE
CONFERENCE ROOM

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

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

STAFF PRESENT: W. Hunt
R. Carlé
R. Smith

2) MINUTES:

RESOLUTION 8067/21

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the minutes of the October 4, 2021 regular meeting be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

3) PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS: None

4) UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

a) Outdoor Skating Rink

RESOLUTION 8068/21

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the District of New Hazelton not move forward with the construction of a new outdoor rink and dismantle the existing outdoor rink.

CARRIED

b) District of New Hazelton COVID 19 Staff Vaccine Mandate

RESOLUTION 8069/21

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the District of New Hazelton table this issue until February 2022. Notify staff that the issue has been discussed and a vaccine mandate may be put in place in the new year.

CARRIED

c) Municipal Hall 2021 Project Budget Increase

RESOLUTION 8070/21

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the District of New Hazelton increase the 2021 Municipal Hall Project Budget by \$70,000 to offset the increase in costs for the hydro installation.

CARRIED

5) CORRESPONDENCE:

a) Village of Hazelton Emergency Planning Alternate Route

RESOLUTION 8071/21

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the District of New Hazelton write a letter of support for an alternate evacuation route for the Village of Hazelton and Upper Skeena.

CARRIED

6) REPORTS:

- a) Councillor Henwood – Reported on the CHIC meeting. Staffing shortages in kitchen and cleaning staff due to layoffs from the COVID 19 mandate. Wrinch has a new ultrasound machine that will allow more ultrasounds including heart scans in the area. Wrinch is going to be one of the first hospitals to move to digital.
- b) Mayor Lowry – Reported on the RDKS board meeting. There is an upcoming rezoning application in South Hazelton.
- c) Public Works Superintendent Smith – Reported on the municipal hall. The drywall is up and they are currently completing the mudding. The electrical contractor is now going back in to finish. Tyvek is on and the cedar siding has arrived. Curb and gutter are complete.

7) BYLAWS:

a) Curbside Collection Amendment Bylaw No. 363, 2021

RESOLUTION 8072/21

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the District of New Hazelton Curbside Collection Bylaw No 363, 2021 be given the first, second and third readings.

CARRIED

8) NEW BUSINESS:

- a) Capital Works, Machinery and Equipment Reserve Fund

RESOLUTION 8073/21

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the District of New Hazelton use the Capital Works, Machinery and Equipment Reserve Fund of \$91,604.00 plus interest to pay for the 2021 capital paving expenditures.

CARRIED

- b) Tax Sale Properties Reserve Fund

RESOLUTION 8074/21

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the District of New Hazelton use the Tax Sale Properties Reserve Fund of \$92,670 plus interest to pay for the 2021 capital expenditures including paving, bobcat replacement, the fire training center and the new municipal hall.

CARRIED

9) ADJOURNMENT:

RESOLUTION 8075/21

MOVED & SECONDED

That, the meeting be adjourned 8:20 pm.

CARRIED

CERTIFIED CORRECT THIS

DAY OF

, 2021

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

MAYOR

November 15, 2021

Dear New Hazelton Councillors,

My name is Rachel Doddridge and I am the Local FireSmart Representative. I have been hired by the Village of Hazelton and the District of New Hazelton to provide education for residents so they can better protect their homes from wildfire.

The FireSmart program promotes progress, not perfection, and there are lots of small steps we can take to protect our homes and our neighbourhoods. My role is to provide access to FireSmart literature, as well as perform personalized home assessments to help home owners or tenants identify their next steps in protecting their home from wildfire. Most of the suggestions for how local residents can protect their properties are free!

As leaders in the community, I am hoping that you can serve as partners in this program. Several residents in the regional district are already signed up for a home assessment, but it would be wonderful to see more Village and New Hazelton residents accessing this service. There are two things you can do to help the Hazeltons get FireSmart.

- 1) Would you consider having your home assessed? This service is already available to all residents of the Hazeltons (including the Kispiox, Gitanmaax, Two Mile, Hagwilget, and South Hazelton) but it helps if word of mouth could promote the benefits of this program. The home assessment is free and can be done at a time that suits you. It takes approximately 20-40 minutes. We can do these over the winter, but the best assessment is done before the snow falls.
- 2) If you have Facebook, please consider joining our facebook page and sharing the tips that are posted. Our community is strongest when every home is safe. Please "like" our page FireSmart Hazeltons.



Thank you for your time! I am available both during the week or on the weekend, and want to accommodate what is easiest for the homeowner or tenant. Please feel free to email me at firesmart@hazelton.ca or call / text me at **250-617-1884** to set up an assessment. I look forward to seeing you at the December 6 Council Meeting!

RDoddridge

Rachel Doddridge
firesmart@hazelton.ca
250-617-1884 (call or text)

BRIEFING NOTE

Prepared by: Wendy Hunt

Date: December 2, 2021

Reason for Briefing Note:

Request by the Ministry of Justice to rent the Erwin Stege Community Center for Indigenous Court for the remainder of 2022.

Update:

Council had requested that the Conference Room, which has been used as our Council Chambers be used solely for the purpose of a Council Chamber after the current rental dates expire in April of 2022.

I have received a request for a further monthly rental until December, 2022. An additional 7 months of rental at \$800.00/month. As this is a substantial amount of money, I believe it is my fiscal responsibility to ask Council for reconsideration.

If approved, the total rental fees from the Ministry of Justice for 2022 would be \$9,600.00. With no other rentals our income for the Community Center for 2022 would be:

Ministry of Justice	\$9,600.00
Office Space #1	\$6,000.00
Office Space #2	\$6,000.00
Total Income	\$21,600.00

Expenses:

Alarm	\$ 480.00
Heat/Power	\$16,000.00
Insurance	\$ 4,000.00
Supplies	\$ 1,000.00
Custodial	\$ 5,000.00
Total Expenses	\$26,480.00

Recommendation:

Administration would like to recommend that Council reconsider allowing the Indigenous Court Services to use the Conference Room/Council Chambers for the fiscal year 2022 in order to assist with supporting the expenses related to ownership of the Community Center.



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

November 18, 2021

District of New Hazelton
(via email: whunt@newhazelton.ca)

To Whom it May Concern:

Re: Invitation to the Social Issues Advocacy Committee

The City of Terrace is reaching out to our northwest neighbours to strengthen cooperative efforts to actively maintain and increase the supports required to keep our shared citizens safe and well. It is our hope that your community will partner with us on the Social Issues Advocacy Committee being established by the City of Terrace. This Committee is being launched to collectively develop shared understandings of the needs of our citizenry while pursuing increased supports for the health and wellbeing of all within our communities.

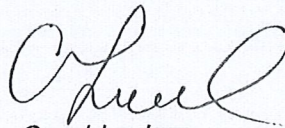
As a central "hub" community in Northwestern BC, Terrace is recognized as having a relatively greater availability of support services than our neighbouring communities for issues of substance use disorder, mental health, and physical health challenges along with other shelter, food, and wellness supports. This makes Terrace a destination for people who need such services. The City is concerned that we are not able to appropriately support the scope and levels of need we are seeing and require assistance in caring for all of our community's citizens. It is recognized that our neighbours are also in need of options to support their members who may want to remain in, or return to, their home communities during or following access of supports. The issues and concerns for our collective residents are shared regionally and therefore our response needs to be regional as well. The Committee aims to build our understanding of the existing and emerging assets and needs of our communities and residents and to identify areas for collaborative action. Through our united efforts we intend to persuade all levels of government to work thoughtfully, proactively and expediently to adequately sustain, develop, and resource programs and services to address these needs.

3215 EBY STREET, TERRACE, B.C.
CANADA V8G 2X8
250-635-6311
FAX 250-638-4777

Please see the attached Terms of Reference for further information about the Committee. If your community wishes to participate on the Social Issues Advisory Committee, please assign a representative and forward contact information to Ashley Poole via email: apoole@terrace.ca. Ms. Poole will then forward the Microsoft Teams invite to your representative. Our first meeting will take place on Thursday, January 13, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. Attendance will be accommodated virtually via Microsoft Teams. If your community intends to have a representative participate but cannot attend this first scheduled meeting, please let Ms. Poole know so we can welcome you to a subsequent meeting. We will continue to include your community representative on the contact list.

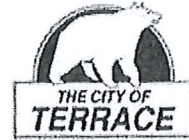
We look forward to working together towards safe, healthy, and well-connected northwest communities for all.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Leclerc', written in a cursive style.

*Carol Leclerc
Mayor*

CITY OF TERRACE POLICY NO. 118



TITLE: Social Issues Advocacy Committee Terms of Reference

APPROVED: October 25, 2021

RESOLUTION NO.: 437-2021

REVISED:

RESOLUTION NO.:

PREAMBLE:

As a central community in Northwestern British Columbia Terrace is connected to communities throughout the area. Terrace can be a destination for people who are encouraged to leave their home communities in the northwest due to inadequate citizen supports within their home communities and the relative availability of support services in Terrace. As a result of this migration, Terrace becomes the home of many individuals with issues with mental health, substance use disorders, and problem behaviours. Terrace is realizing challenges with maintaining and increasing adequate citizen supports to address the social needs of residents and the business community. The involvement and support of other communities in the Northwest is necessary to effectively advocate to other levels of government to assist the City in addressing the social issues in the region.

DEFINITIONS:

POLICY:

1. Purpose

The purpose of the Social Issues Advocacy Committee is to lobby other levels of government to make the Northwest supportive and safe place to live while understanding the needs of residents and businesses by addressing existing and emerging social issues in Terrace and the surrounding area.

2. Composition

Subject to their willingness and availability to participate, membership will consist of one representative from each of the following:

Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine
District of Kitimat
District of Stewart
Gingolx Village Government
Gitlaxt'aamiks Village Government
Gitwinksihlkw Village Government
Village of Hazelton

Laxgalts'ap Village Government
District of New Hazelton
Gitksan First Nation
Haisla First Nation
Kitsumkalum First Nation
Kitselas First Nation
Nisga'a First Nation
Tahltan First Nation

And 2 representatives from the City of Terrace.

Additional members may be added at the Committee's discretion.

3. Administrative Support

A City of Terrace staff member will be assigned to provide administrative support to the Committee.

4. Procedure

a. Council shall appoint one member of the Committee as chair. In the absence of the chair, the Committee members in attendance shall designate an interim chair. Substantial effort shall be made to make decisions by consensus, however where consensus cannot be achieved, simple majority shall govern.

b. A quorum shall consist of a 50% majority of the Committee and Roberts Rules of Order shall be observed during all meetings. The committee shall determine their own schedule to discuss the issues of concern in Terrace's downtown with respect to advocacy efforts as needed.

c. The City of Terrace's Social Development Coordinator will support the Committee by providing information regarding the social issues observed in Terrace.

d. Guests such as the RCMP, social service agencies, the Terrace and District Chamber of Commerce, and the Terrace Downtown Improvement Area Society may be invited to attend meetings to provide input and information to the Committee from time to time.

5. Goals of the Committee

a. Working with the City of Terrace's Social Development Coordinator, the Committee will develop awareness of existing and emerging social issues in Terrace and the surrounding area, and identify areas for collaborative action.

- b. Each member of the Committee will report back to their organizations to coordinate advocacy to other governments, to look for resources to mitigate the impacts of the mental health issues, substance use disorders, and problem behaviours on the community at large.
- c. Provide the opportunity for member communities to bring forward issues occurring their communities which may be affecting the region.

DATE: *Oct 25, 2021*

CLERK: *Alison Thompson*

Wendy Hunt

From: Ron Poole <rpoole@rdks.bc.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:52 PM
To: Tammy McKeown; Lina Gasser; Wendy Hunt; Kris Boland; Warren Waycheshen
Subject: First Nations Training - Brad Marsden
Attachments: Fire Across the Land.docx

Good afternoon everyone,

I have taken steps to start the first session on First Nations training in the region. Brad Marsden has agreed to run two 3-hour sessions from 9 – 12 and 1 – 4 on Thursday, March 17th. This session is called ***Fire Across the Land*** and speaks to **the impacts of residential school and colonization**. This is the day prior to the RDKS Board meeting, so I am able to have all my Directors attend. The RDKS will cover the \$6600 fee (two sessions plus travel expenses), and Kris has agreed to waive the \$300 fee for use of the banquet room at the Terrace Sportsplex.

Offering two sessions allows for some staff to attend the morning session and others can attend in the afternoon. We can accommodate approx. 50 people in each session so please let me know how many you would like to attend and at what time. I would like to get your numbers by the end of January, so there is lots of time to plan and organize.

I recommend that the group continue with ongoing training next year, likely having another session in 4 or 6 months with Herb George or Maynard Angus. However, I will leave this to the group to decide on the next date and presenter.

Thanks,

Ron

Ron Poole

Chief Administrative Officer



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Fire Across The Land

"When you change the way you look at things, the things you look at change"



Impacts of Residential School & Colonization Workshop

A powerful experiential workshop to help educate Non-Native Service Providers of the collective trauma that has impacted Native people throughout Canada's history.

After understanding that a collective trauma exists, participants will better understand how the feelings such as; fear, shame, learned helplessness, and anger began to infiltrate into our communities and led to the disempowering behaviors and social conditions that we see today.

With this change in perception, by having experienced these impacts during the workshop, participants will have a more accurate understanding of why Native people see, think, feel and behave the way they do.

As a result, service providers will be better prepared to effectively communicate and empower native children.

What participants are saying:

"Brad was exceptional at drawing our spirits into the collective existence of the Colonization experience."

"Soultouching, therefore permanent change, not just knowledge"

"Wow! How important and impactful. I believe our entire country needs to see this presentation."

"It was a mind blowing Pro-D, best I've ever done and it will stay with me for the rest of my life."

"Brad Marsden was magnificent. I learned so much and it was powerful and resonant. The video, the music, his stories-I am changed by the experience. Thank you from the bottom of my heart."

"I hope all teachers/educators in Richmond and across BC have a chance to experience something like this."

"Brad Marsden is a gifted presenter; this should be mandatory for all Canadians."

"Your two sessions with Richmond educators were both first rate, all BC young people and their children should have the powerful opportunity to learn with you. Thanks."

Linda Kaser Director, Networks of Inquiry and Innovation

"This was a Powerful and Impactful workshop, it was excellent."

Inspector Marle Flomand, Vancouver Police Department

@ Vancouver City Hall

9 A.M – 12 P.M

Monday November 23, 2015

For more information:

Call: Brad Marsden 778 628 2723

Email: bradmarsden7@gmail.com

Blog: fireacrosstheband.blogspot.ca



DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON BYLAW NO. 363, 2021

A bylaw to amend District of New Hazelton Curbside Collection Bylaw No. 329, 2016

The Council of the District of New Hazelton in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

That, the following amendments be made to Curbside Collection Bylaw No. 329, 2016:

The Council for the District of New Hazelton, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. This Bylaw may be cited as Curbside Collection Amendment Bylaw No. 363, 2021.
2. District of New Hazelton Curbside Collection Bylaw No. 329, 2016 Schedule "B" is amended as follows:

Service	Payment before Due Date	Payment after Due Date	Other Charges
Garbage and Recyclable Material Collection for standard residential service	\$290.40	\$319.44	N/A
Multi-family Duplex	\$290.40/unit	\$319.44/unit	N/A
Multi-family Building up to 4 units	\$290.40/unit	\$319.44/unit	N/A
Multi-family Building 5 – 10 units	\$273.90/unit	\$301.29/unit	N/A
Multi-family Building over 10 units	Exempt*	Exempt	N/A
Commercial Buildings	Exempt*	Exempt	

READ A FIRST TIME this 1st day of November, 2021

READ A SECOND TIME this 1st day of November, 2021

READ A THIRD TIME this 1st day of November, 2021

ADOPTED this day of

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

MAYOR

DISTRICT OF NEW HAZELTON
FINANCIAL PLAN (CONSOLIDATED)
FOR THE FIVE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2026
SCHEDULE "A"

	BUDGET 2022	BUDGET 2023	BUDGET 2024	BUDGET 2025	BUDGET 2026
REVENUE:					
Residential, Class1	\$ 324,918	\$ 331,417	\$ 338,045	\$ 344,806	\$ 351,702
Utilities, Class 2	\$ 93,667	\$ 95,541	\$ 97,451	\$ 99,400	\$ 101,388
Major Industry, Class 4	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Light Industry, Class 5	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Business, Class 6	\$ 111,064	\$ 113,285	\$ 115,551	\$ 117,862	\$ 120,219
Rec/Non-Profit, Class 8	\$ 477	\$ 487	\$ 497	\$ 507	\$ 517
Farm, Class 9	\$ 265	\$ 271	\$ 276	\$ 281	\$ 287
Grants in Lieu	\$ 52,000	\$ 52,000	\$ 52,000	\$ 52,000	\$ 52,000
TAXATION REVENUE	\$ 582,392	\$ 593,000	\$ 603,820	\$ 614,856	\$ 626,113
Frontage Taxes	\$ 62,500	\$ 62,500	\$ 62,500	\$ 62,500	\$ 62,500
Services Provided for Other Agencies	\$ 447,000	\$ 462,000	\$ 463,000	\$ 464,000	\$ 465,000
Utility Rates and Fees	\$ 264,000	\$ 264,000	\$ 264,000	\$ 264,000	\$ 264,000
Other Revenue	\$ 81,100	\$ 81,600	\$ 82,260	\$ 82,260	\$ 82,260
Non capital grants	\$ 58,000	\$ 535,000	\$ 535,000	\$ 535,000	\$ 535,000
Capital grants	\$ 477,000	\$ 1,200,000	\$ 934,000	\$ -	\$ -
Conditional Transfers	\$ 97,000	\$ 21,000	\$ 21,000	\$ 21,000	\$ 21,000
Collections for Other Governments	\$ 434,000	\$ 434,000	\$ 434,000	\$ 434,000	\$ 434,000
Total revenue	\$ 2,502,992	\$ 3,653,100	\$ 3,399,580	\$ 2,477,616	\$ 2,489,873
EXPENDITURES					
General Municipal	\$ 1,975,800	\$ 1,819,400	\$ 1,859,380	\$ 1,907,334	\$ 1,956,861
Water	\$ 154,000	\$ 157,500	\$ 161,175	\$ 361,034	\$ 365,085
Sewer	\$ 67,100	\$ 460,100	\$ 60,100	\$ 60,100	\$ 60,100
Collections for other governments	\$ 434,000	\$ 434,000	\$ 434,000	\$ 434,000	\$ 434,000
Amortization of Assets	\$ 350,000	\$ 350,000	\$ 350,000	\$ 350,000	\$ 350,000
Total expenditures	\$ 2,980,900	\$ 3,221,000	\$ 2,864,655	\$ 3,112,468	\$ 3,166,046
Surplus (deficit)	\$ (477,908)	\$ 432,100	\$ 534,925	\$ (634,852)	\$ (676,173)
Adjust for non-cash items					
Amortization	\$ (350,000)	\$ (350,000)	\$ (350,000)	\$ (350,000)	\$ (350,000)
Adjust for cash items non-PSAB					
TCA expenditures	\$ 747,500	\$ 1,595,000	\$ 1,755,000	\$ 575,000	\$ 170,000
Transfer to (from) reserve	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000
Transfer to (from) Operating surplus	\$ (925,408)	\$ (862,900)	\$ (920,075)	\$ (909,852)	\$ (546,173)
	\$ (477,908)	\$ 432,100	\$ 534,925	\$ (634,852)	\$ (676,173)
Financial Plan Balance	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ (0)	\$ (0)
Cumulative Operating Surplus (deficit)	\$ 574,592	\$ (288,308)	\$ (1,208,384)	\$ (2,118,235)	\$ (2,664,408)

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 2022. 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.

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

Revenue Source	% of Total Revenue	Dollar Value
Taxation	23%	\$ 582,392
User Fees & Charges	16%	\$ 407,600
Other Sources	18%	\$ 493,000
Grants	25%	\$ 632,000
Borrowing	0%	-
Reserves & Surplus	18%	\$ 434,000
TOTAL	100%	\$ 2,502,992

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 no industrial classes within the District.

Table 2

PROPERTY CLASS	% of Property Taxation	Dollar Value
Residential	55.79%	\$ 324,918
Utilities	16.08%	\$ 93,667
Major Industrial	0.00%	-
Light Industrial	0.00%	-
Business & Other	19.07%	\$ 111,064
Recreation/Non-Profit	0.08%	\$ 477
Farmland	0.05%	\$ 265
Grants In Lieu	8.93%	\$ 52,000
TOTAL	100.00%	\$ 582,392

OBJECTIVES

The District wishes to maintain the property tax levy percentages for 2022 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.

Permissive Tax Exemption

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

	2022 (est)	2023 (est)	2024 (est)	2025 (est)	2026 (est)
St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church	\$739.40	\$ 754.19	\$769.27	\$784.66	\$800.35
BC Conf Mennonite Brethren Churches	\$432.44	\$441.09	\$449.91	\$458.91	\$468.09
New Hazelton Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses	\$69.25	\$70.63	\$72.05	\$73.49	\$74.96

Note: Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw expires in 2024. Applicants will need to reapply for further years. Numbers are based on the assumption that an application will occur.

District of New Hazelton 2022 Council & COTW Meeting Schedule

Regular Council & Committee of the Whole (COTW) meetings for the District of New Hazelton for 2022 will take place on the following dates:

January	10 th	
February	7 th	
March	7 th	
April	4 th	
April	25 th	
May	2 nd	
June	6 th	
July	4 th	
August	8 th	
September	12 th	
October	3 rd	
November	7 th	
November	28 th	COTW (budget meeting)
December	5 th	

All council meetings commence at 7:00 pm and the November 28th Committee of the Whole meeting will commence at 10:00 am. Members of the public are welcome to attend these and other periodic meetings of the Council.

Wendy Hunt
Chief Administrative Officer