

MINUTES
TOWN OF SEXSMITH
BUDGET MEETING
MONDAY JANUARY 14, 2013

Mayor Lagace called this budget meeting of Town Council to order at 7:03 p.m. in the Council Chambers in the Town of Sexsmith.

COUNCIL PRESENT	Claude Lagace Don Jickling Rick Sakundiak Matthew Barnfield Nicole Cooke Jonathan Siggelkow Isak Skjaveland	Mayor Deputy Mayor Councillor Councillor Councillor Councillor Councillor
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**COUNCIL
ABSENT**

STAFF PRESENT	Carolyn Gaunt Rachel Wueschner Sheryl Pelletier	Town Administrator Assistant Administrator Librarian
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**PUBLIC
PRESENT** Merry Moore, Doris Lines

**ADOPTION
OF AGENDA** **RESOLUTION NO. 067-01-13**
Moved by Councillor Barnfield that the agenda for this meeting be adopted.

CARRIED

**PUBLIC
SESSION** Merry Moore, resident
Merry was concerned the new location of the P.O.S. building was not publicized enough to let people know. She is worried about her safety and the safety of others. She said the value of her property has decreased by \$70,000 due to it being a business area and because there is razor wire on the fence. She and her neighbors were not informed. She asked what Council would do about taxes since they are suffering property value loss. Merry said the realtors are saying the house is not worth as much as before. Mayor Lagace said the assessment will come from our contracted County assessor and the assessment can be appealed if she does not agree with it. Merry is worried about increased crime due to the razor wire. She feels it looks like a prison or concentration camp. There was no mention of razor wire in the proposal. She has concerns about fire. Merry asked what chemicals will be kept at P.O.S. Mayor Lagace said we can ask what chemicals are there. We don't think they would be using any because it is a point of sale business. Merry is concerned about cigarette butts being left on the ground and increased traffic causing increased weight on the road. She is concerned about having to pay for road improvements due to wear and tear on the road. She would like to see upcoming Council meetings posted on the Council Chambers door.

DELEGATIONS Sheryl Pelletier & Doris Lines - Sexsmith Shannon Library

Sheryl reported 2012 has been a good year. Circulation is up. Almost 53,000 items were circulated both directly and indirectly. Two story hours are offered weekly. We would like a third one for ages 1-3. Our alternative art is going great. This program is well attended and allows people to express themselves. Teen and tween movie nights are also well attended. The sandwich board we have been putting out has helped to attract people. The online borrowing of e-books is increasing rapidly. The Friends of the Library are budgeting for new furniture and a new phone system. A grant is being looked at for new lighting.

Doris Lines, Sheryl Pelletier and Merry Moore left the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

WEB PAGE **RESOLUTION NO. 068-01-13**
Moved by Councillor Barnfield to add to the 2013 budget an upgrade to the web page .

CARRIED

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**95 STREET
ALLEY**

RESOLUTION NO. 069-01-13
Moved by Councillor Skjaveland that 95 street alley be offered the same deal as previous people. Land owners should be sent letters requiring an improvement tax if they would like the alley paved. There should be a deadline on getting responses.

CARRIED

Councillor Jickling and Councillor Cooke left the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

**WILD PINK
YONDER**

RESOLUTION NO. 070-01-13
Moved by Councillor Siggelkow that \$5,000 be added to the 2013 budget in support of events and initiatives to promote Wild Pink Yonder.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION NO. 071-01-13
Moved by Councillor Barnfield that this Budget meeting be adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

CARRIED

Claude Lagace, Mayor

Carolyn Gaunt, Town Administrator