



MINUTES OF DISTRICT OF KITIMAT  
**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING**  
MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,  
606 MOUNTAINVIEW SQUARE, ON MONDAY, APRIL 27 AT 7:02 PM

Present: Mayor P. Germuth

Councillors: E. Empinado, M. Feldhoff, L. Gibson  
(All Via WebEx) R. Goffinet, T. Marleau, M. Zielinski

Present: Staff:

	W. Waycheshen, Chief Administrative Officer
Via WebEx	E. Anderson, Director of Corporate Administration
Via WebEx	D. Rutsatz, Director of Finance
Via WebEx	M. Gould, Director Leisure Services
Via WebEx	M. Penner, Director of Human Resources
Via WebEx	T. Bossence, Fire Chief
	A Ramos-Espinoza, Director of Engineering Services
Via WebEx	G. Sewell, Director of Planning
Via WebEx	C. Brown, Planner
Via WebEx	M. Dewar, Director of Economic Development
Via WebEx	C. McCulley, Director of Operations
	A. Hansen, Information Systems Coordinator
Via WebEx	K. Enders, Deputy Director of Corporate Administration

**1. Call to Order**

**2. Public Input / Questions on Agenda Items**

**3. Media Inquiries - For Clarification Only**

**4. Call for New Business / Adoption of the Agenda**

Moved and seconded,

*“THAT the Committee of the Whole Agenda for April 27, 2020 be adopted as circulated.”*

Motion Carried Unanimously  
Motion: C20-014

**5. Delegation – Kitimat Community Grant Writing Overview- April 2020**

Nanci Warren, Community Grant Writer, District of Kitimat, made a presentation of the successful, unsuccessful and pending community grant applications for 2020. She then answered questions from Council.

Moved and seconded,

*“THAT the Kitimat Community Grant Writing Overview – April 2020 report be received.”*

Motion Carried Unanimously  
Motion: C20-015  
Community Grant Writing

**6. Campground Registration Program - Fees**

Moved and seconded,

*"THAT this report dated 22 April 2020 – Campground Registration Program Fees be received;*

*AND THAT the online usage fees for Campground booking.com be hidden and included in overall price."*

*Motion: **Carried***

*In Favour: Mayor Germuth, Councillors Feldhoff, Gibson  
Goffinet, Marleau, Zielinski*

*Opposed: Councillor Empinado*

Motion: C20-016  
Campground Fees

**7. BC Transit deferral of Service Expansion**

Moved and seconded,

*"THAT the report titled, BC Transit deferral of Service Expansions and dated April 22, 2020 be received for information."*

*Motion Carried Unanimously*

Motion: C20-017  
BC Transit

**8. 27 April 2020 Budget Deliberations**

Tabled motion from 14 April 2020 Committee of the Whole Meeting:

*"THAT the tax rate for the 'Business Other' class be reduced by seventy-five (75%) percent."*

*Motion: **Defeated***

*In Favour: Councillor Feldhoff*

*Opposed: Mayor Germuth, Councillors Empinado, Gibson,  
Goffinet, Marleau, Zielinski*

Motion: C20-018  
2020 Budget

Moved and seconded,

*"THAT a small business resiliency fund of up to \$500,000.00 be included in the 2020 Budget."*

*Motion Carried Unanimously*

Motion: C20-019  
2020 Budget

Moved and seconded,

*"THAT the due date for class 1 (residential) property taxes be extended to September 30, 2020."*

*Motion Carried Unanimously*

Motion: C20-020

2020 Budget

Moved and seconded,

*"THAT the property tax increase for the 'Major Industry' class be zero (0%) percent."*

Amendment

Moved and seconded,

*ADD: "AND THAT staff report back on balancing a budget by deferring projects not likely to be completed in 2020."*

Amendment to the Amendment

Moved and seconded,

*ADD in the amendment: "specific to zero (0%) increase to major."*

*Amendment to the Amendment Motion Carried Unanimously*

Motion: C20-021

2020 Budget

**Amendment Motion Carried**

In Favour: Mayor Germuth, Councillors Gibson  
Goffinet, Marleau, Zielinski

Opposed: Councillors Empinado, Feldhoff

Motion: C20-022

2020 Budget

Main Motion as Amended:

*"THAT the property tax increase for the 'Major Industry' class be zero (0%) percent.*

*AND THAT staff report back on balancing a budget with a zero (0%) increase to major industry by deferring projects not likely to be completed in 2020."*

**Main Motion as amended: Carried**

In Favour: Mayor Germuth, Councillors Empinado, Gibson  
Goffinet, Marleau, Zielinski

Opposed: Feldhoff

Motion: C20-023

2020 Budget

**9. COVID-19 Update**

Moved and seconded,  
*"THAT the COVID-19 report from staff be received."*

Motion Carried Unanimously  
Motion: C20-024  
COVID-19

**10. Adjournment**

Moved and seconded,  
*"THAT this meeting adjourn."*

Motion Carried Unanimously

The meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

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Mayor

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Corporate Officer