



# CITY OF MERRITT

## MINUTES

### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

#### COUNCIL CHAMBER

TUESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2013

AT 5:00 PM

1. PRESENT:

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Mayor Susan Roline  
Councillor D. Baker  
Councillor K. Christopherson  
Councillor M. Goetz  
Councillor H. Kroeker  
Councillor A. Murdoch  
Councillor C. Norgaard

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Mr. M. Noble, Chief Administrative Officer  
Ms. C. Fraser, Deputy Clerk  
Mr. L. Plotnikoff, Leisure Services Manager  
Ms. P. Sibilleau, Financial Services Manager  
Mr. D. Tomkinson, Fire Chief  
Mr. J. Umpherson, Business & Economic Development Manager

Merritt Herald

16 Members of the Public

2. CALL TO ORDER

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Mayor Roline called the meeting to order at 5:01p.m.

3. GENERAL MATTERS - Delegation

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MLA HARRY LALI

- 3.1 Harry Lali, MLA, Fraser-Nicola  
File: 0135

MLA Harry Lali, Fraser-Nicola discussed with Council the following topics:

- Working together at UBCM for Minister meetings
- Any indication of funding becoming available for infrastructure
- Contact with ministers more than once per year i.e. UBCM
- If NDP forms the government in May, any changes for municipalities

4. REPORTS

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ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT  
STRATEGY

- 4.1 City of Merritt Draft Economic Development Strategy; Economic Development Manager's January 10, 2013 Memorandum  
File: 0691

Economic Development Manager presented the City of Merritt Draft Economic Development Strategy including:

- Background
- Demographics
- Geography & Climate
- Institutionalizing Economic Development
- Economic Development Strategy Planning Process
- Timelines

Moved, Seconded and CARRIED

**THAT Council receive the Draft Economic Development Strategy for information;**

**AND THAT Council strike an Economic Development Committee for further public input;**

**AND FURTHER THAT Council accept the Terms of Reference as proposed**

4. TERMINATION OF MEETING

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The Mayor declared the meeting closed at 7:07 p.m.

**Certified correct in accordance with Section 124 (2) (c) of the  
Community Charter.**

**Original signed by  
Deputy Clerk**

**Confirmed on the 22<sup>nd</sup> Day of January, 2013**

**Original signed by  
Mayor**