



# CITY OF MERRITT

## MINUTES

### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

### COUNCIL CHAMBER

TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2014

AT 5:00 PM

1. PRESENT:

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Councillor K. Christopherson  
Councillor H. Kroeker  
Councillor N. Menard  
Councillor C. Norgaard

**REGRETS**

Mayor S. Roline  
Councillor D. Baker  
Councillor M. Goetz

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Mr. S. Boven, Acting Chief Administrative Officer  
Ms. C. Fraser, Deputy Clerk/Human Resources Manager  
Mr. k. Ostraat, Financial Services Manager

**GUESTS**

Mr. D. Albas, MP Okanagan-Coquihalla  
Ms. J. Tagert, MLA Nicola-Fraser

3 Members of the Public

2. CALL TO ORDER

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Acting Mayor Christopherson called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

### 3. REPORTS

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#### LAST POST FUNDS

- 3.1 MP Dan Albas and MLA Jackie Tagert invited to discuss with Council the last post funds for veterans  
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Council met with Mr. D. Albas, MP Okanagan-Coquihalla and Jackie Tagert, MLA Nicola-Fraser to discuss the last post fund for veterans.

Mr. Albas provided Council with a review of:

- last post funds for veterans which is run by a not for profit Society to ensure veterans receive a dignified funeral and proper burial once a means test is reached
- definition of a traditional veteran
- definition of a modern veteran
- the new Veteran's Charter and how it applies to both traditional veterans and modern veterans

Council also discussed with Mr. Albas the Vanier Institute and the concerns of military families

Council did not present a recommendation at the close of the meeting

Mr. Albas and Ms. Tagert also shared with Council of their meeting with Aspen Planers to address the current strike at the ports and the effect on a community such as Merritt. Both levels of government assured Council it will do whatever it takes to ensure a speedy resolve

### 4. TERMINATION OF MEETING

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The Acting Mayor declared the meeting closed at 5:45 p.m.

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

**Original signed by  
Deputy Clerk**

**Confirmed on the 25<sup>th</sup> Day of March, 2014**

**Original signed by  
Acting Mayor**

Committee of the Whole Meeting

Wednesday, March 05,

2014

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