



MINUTES
CITY OF MERRITT
POLICY REVIEW COMMITTEE

Wednesday, April 16, 2025
3:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL
2185 Voght Street
Merritt, B.C

PRESENT: **Councillor A. Etchart**
 Councillor D. Egan
 Councillor W. Charney
 Councillor Y. Baxter (entered the meeting at 3:09pm)

IN ATTENDANCE: **Ms. C. White, Chief Administrative Officer**
 Ms. K. Jodoin, Committee Clerk

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Call to Order

Chair Etchart called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

1.2 Land Acknowledgement

We would like to begin this meeting by acknowledging that we are gathered on the traditional, ancestral and unceded territories of the Nlaka’pamux and Syilx people.

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

2.1 Policy Review Committee Meeting Minutes - April 3, 2025

THAT the Minutes of the Policy Review Committee Meeting held on April 3, 2025 be adopted.

3. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Nil.

4. **NEW BUSINESS**

4.1 **Trans Mountain Scholarship Fund**

A discussion ensued regarding the criteria of the eligibility of the scholarship:

- Must be registered for a post secondary, trades program
- 90% attendance
- Over 75% grade in a high school trade related program
- Present to Council expressing why they are deserving of this scholarship
- Demonstrate leadership or citizenship within the school

The Committee discussed putting \$1000 yearly into the current scholarship reserve fund to use as a celebratory scholarship when decided by Council.

THAT the Policy and Bylaw Review Committee recommends the following to Council:

THAT Council establish an annual scholarship with the \$50,000 provided by Trans Mountain, for the duration that funds are available;

THAT Council establish a “Scholarship Reserve” to maximize the investment income related to budgeted and donated scholarship funds;

THAT the City of Merritt Trans Mountain scholarship be awarded annually to a graduating student from Merritt Secondary School in the amount of \$1000.00, with the following criteria:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Moved, Seconded, CARRIED

THAT these recommendations be forwarded to the next Regular Meeting of Council for consideration.

Moved, Seconded, CARRIED

5. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

6. **TERMINATION OF MEETING**

The Chair declared the meeting ended at 3:23 pm.

Corporate Officer

Linda Brick

Mayor

Michael Goetz