



**MINUTES**  
**CITY OF MERRITT**  
**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

Saturday, April 1, 2023  
10:00 A.M.  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL  
2185 Voght Street  
Merritt, B.C

**PRESENT:** Mayor M. Goetz  
Councillor D. Egan  
Councillor A. Etchart  
Councillor C. Newman  
Councillor M. Olguin  
Councillor P. Petroczi

**REGRETS:** Councillor W. Charney

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr. S. Smith, Chief Administrative Officer  
Mr. G. Lewis, Director of Corporate Services  
Mr. N. Thompson, Acting Director of Finance & IT

**MEDIA & PUBLIC:** Finance contractor Sheila Thiessen

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**1.1 Call to Order**

Mayor Goetz called the meeting to order at 10:05am

**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 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes - March 15th, 2023**

***THAT the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on March 15th, 2023 be adopted.***

Absent (2): Wendy Charney, and Manuel Olguin

**Moved, Seconded, CARRIED**

**3. GENERAL MATTERS - Delegations and Recognitions**

**4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**4.1 2023 - 2027 Financial Plan**

*Following the outline from Committee of the Whole on March 15th, 2023, Financial Contractor Ms. Thiessen to introduce the first proposals for budgeting 2023-2027, with departmental staff available for questions.*

*Electronic copies of the details will be circulated to Council and online attached to this agenda prior to the meeting, and hard (paper) copies will be available at the meeting. For hard copies prior to the meeting, please inquire at City Hall on the afternoon of Friday March 31st.*

Councillor Olguin arrived at 10:10am

Ms. Thiessen introduced herself, her financial background with Merritt, and led discussion of the proposed tax rates and budget items.

The Committee recessed for lunch at 12:05pm and resumed at 12:36pm

**5. NEW BUSINESS**

**6. TERMINATION OF MEETING**

The Mayor declared the meeting ended at 3:01pm

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Corporate Officer

Sean Smith

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

Confirmed on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

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Mayor  
Linda Brown