

2019 ANNUAL REPORT

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1. 2018 Services and Operations Report

In 2018, the Village of Radium Hot Springs continued to provide administrative services to the Jumbo Glacier Mountain Resort Municipality (JGMRM). BDO Canada LLP (Chartered Accountants) prepared the independently audited financial statements for JGMRM for the year 2018.

During the year Council adopted the following bylaws:

Financial Plan Bylaw No. 0022, and;
Tax Rates Bylaw No. 0023.

Deferment of the Small Communities Grant from the Province was requested, pending the financial needs of the municipality. It was later confirmed that JGMRM did not require these funds to sustain its operations.

Councillor Steve Ostrander retired at the end of his term with Council. Mayor Greg Deck and Councillor Nancy Hugunin were re-appointed to their positions by the Province.

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2. 2018 Progress Report:

In August 2018, the Supreme Court of British Columbia ruled in favour of the Glacier Resorts Ltd petition seeking that the Minister of the Environment's 2014 decision, that the project was not "substantially started", be "quashed and set aside".

The decision by the Minister in 2014 caused the project's Environmental Certificate to expire. The August Supreme Court judgment found that the Minister's decision was "unreasonable" and was reached without proper consideration of the legislative scheme, and without due consideration of both mitigating and limiting factors.

The ruling, by Justice Forth, has remitted the decision to the current Minister. The Province of BC has appealed this ruling.

As a result of this appeal, there was no resort development in 2018. As such, the municipality was simply responsible for normal administrative operations.

3. 2019 Objectives:

Pending the results of the appeal to Justice Forth's ruling, the Jumbo Glacier Resort project is on hold. As such, we expect that the administrative demands on the municipality will be minimal.

4. 2020 Objectives:

Once the environmental approval issues are resolved, and the Master Plan confirmed, it is expected that the municipality will move forward with development of the Comprehensive Zoning Bylaw for the resort base (the "Village").

5. Declarations of Disqualification

The Community Charter details conditions under which a municipal Councillor may be disqualified from holding office. No Councillor was disqualified in 2018 nor were any applications for disqualification made.