

'Namgis First Nation Council Meeting
July 5, 2023 9:30am Learning Centre

Council: Victor Isaac; Irene Speck; Kelly Speck; Matthew Ambers; Brian Wadhams

Zoom: Jessica Barudin; Ernest Alfred; Ivy Peers; Gloria Hunt

Staff: Senior Administrator Jamie Hill (Chair); Recording Secretary Gina Wadhams

9:43am	
Agenda	<p>2023-July-05 (01): KELLY SPECK/IRENE SPECK That we approve the agenda. CARRIED</p> <p>2023-July-05 (02): MATTHEW AMBERS/KELLY SPECK That we approve the agenda with additions. CARRIED</p>
Minutes: June 22, 2023 <i>Business Arising Cannabis</i> <i>BATI</i> <i>RCMP Meeting</i>	<p>2023-July-05 (03): MATTHEW AMBERS/VICTOR ISAAC That we approve the minutes of June 22, 2023, as presented. CARRIED</p> <p>Councillor Wadhams would like to get information and bring back to Council.</p> <p>Clarification: Don Svanvik has agreed to stay on with the BATI Leadership Group on a service contract.</p> <p>Councillor Ambers informed Council that the July 3rd, 2023 meeting with the RCMP did not take place because of holiday. RCMP has rescheduled for July 30th, 2023. Councillor Ambers is not available then.</p>
Pacific Salmon Foundation	<p>2023-July-05 (04): KELLY SPECK/IVY PEERS That we approve signing the Pacific Salmon Foundation contract for \$275,337.48. CARRIED</p>
<i>Provincial Gathering</i>	Ivy attended in Port Alberni. Update attached.
<i>Indigenous Heritage Gathering</i>	Ivy attended in Ottawa. Update attached.
IRA Training	<p>2023-July-05 (05): KELLY SPECK/IRENE SPECK That we approve signing the Notice of Appointment, Trusted Source Agreement and confidentiality agreement. CARRIED</p>
School Funding Request	<p>Discussion around policy and private schools. Where would funding come from? If approving funding for a private school, setting precedence. <i>Administration to look into boarding school funding and possibly what could be available.</i></p> <p><i>Discussion around students who make the Honor Roll. We should reward them. Need to support our youth.</i></p>
Vehicle Purchase	<p>2023-July-05 (06): KELLY SPECK/VICTOR ISAAC That we approve the purchase of a 2023 Chrysler Pacifica, 7 passenger vehicle for \$65,051 from Bill Howich Chrysler for the Health Department. CARRIED</p>
Big House	<p>Discussion on big house. Lack on clarity on where keys are. Expensive to change the locks. Unauthorized people in there. Many people have stored personal items there and have locked up rooms/closets. Change all keys – people will have to store their personal things elsewhere.</p> <p>Increase rental fee? Hire caretaker to watch over the big house.</p> <p>Code of conduct should be visible in big house. Our teachings and values. Culture group could draft. One person to handle inspections before and after rentals – go through big house with users/renters with a check list before and after.</p>

	<p>Big house needs a deep cleaning. Is there a health issue with the state of the big house now?</p> <p>Councillor Alfred is requesting support from Council to have three/four people in to clean. Requesting respectful pay for this for crew.</p> <p><i>Administration will bring back more information on points raised. Will reach out to the Donna and Norman Stauffer in regard to the kitchen.</i></p>
30-Year Lease	<p>2023-July-05 (07): KELLY SPECK/IRENE SPECK</p> <p>That we go with Option #1: Object to the renewal of this property lease by MoF Authorizations and continue to object to future changes, renewals and extensions to property leases on Cormorant Island AND; want a shorter term. CARRIED</p>
In-Camera	<p>2023-July-05 (08): MATTHEW AMBERS/ERNEST ALFRED</p> <p>That we go In-Camera. CARRIED</p> <p>2023-July-05: (09) BRIAN WADHAMS/MATTHEW AMBERS</p> <p>That we go out of In-Camera. CARRIED</p>
Nimpkish River	<p>Councillor Wadhams: conversations around possible fishery on Friday ~ July 7, 2023 or Saturday ~ July 8, 2023. Cap of 500 sockeye. Lots of fish showing up at the mouth of the river.</p> <p>2023-July-05 (10): VICTOR ISAAC/MATTHEW AMBERS</p> <p>That the Nimpkish River remains closed and that there will be a fishery on July 7 or 8, 2023 for a cap of 500 sockeye. Distribution – system in place to be followed. CARRIED</p>
Hank Nelson	<p>Discussion around Hank Nelson’s retirement. <i>Councillor Barudin will send picture to Administration for newsletter.</i></p>
Harm Reduction Coordinator	<p>Job posting – barriers for anyone who will want to apply. Change scope of job description? Someone to work within community and with Island Health. Urgent position that needs to be filled. Been talking about since September 2022. No Mental Health worker here which is stated as the person that the Harm Reduction Coordinator would report to.</p> <p>Two applications – Peer Outreach Worker. Possibly hire both. This is being worked on now by Health Administrator.</p>
Portfolios	<p>Councillor Isaac talking with Councillors. TABLED</p>
Community Meetings	<p><u>Natural Resources</u>: Possibly one meeting related to lands and one for fisheries or combined? Brian Svanvik available later in July. Email was sent to him for response on availability.</p> <p><u>Fisheries</u>: Not sure if portfolio holders have met to discuss. Two meetings held with Darwin Webber. Talks about river/food fishery, Fraser River Management Committee, Gwani Project. Set a date for Committee to get together and for community meeting.</p> <p><u>Housing</u>: Struggling to get quorum to meet. Scheduled to meet on July 6, 2023. Housing Coordinator is working on.</p> <p><u>Community Justice</u>: RCMP meeting didn’t take place. Will be rescheduled July 30th, 2023. Community Justice, RCMP, Health, Village of Alert Bay are involved. Whe-la-la-u Area Council not included – possibly bring them to table.</p> <p><u>Health</u>: Councillor K. Speck talk to Health Board and set date to host a community meeting for an update.</p>

	<u>Education</u> : Councillor Barudin will send her notes to Administration from community meeting.
Travel Policy	Clarification on policy. Point form in Council's mailboxes so it is clear. It must be made clear to hotels what the credit card is covering. <i>Procedures/policy to be looked at by Administration.</i>
Meetings/Peers	<p>2023-July-05 (11): VICTOR ISAAC/KELLY SPECK That we approve Councillor Peers for June 16th, 2023 'Namgis Government Engagement. CARRIED</p> <p>2023-July-05 (12): BRIAN WADHAMS/KELLY SPECK That we approve Ivy Peers for July 4th, 2023 Technical Working Group Zoom. CARRIED</p> <p>2023-July-05 (13): VICTOR ISAAC/KELLY SPECK That we approve Ivy Peers' participation in the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation Engagement on July 6, 2023. CARRIED</p> <p>2023-July-05 (14): IRENE SPECK/VICTOR ISAAC That we approve Ivy Peers for July 19th 2023 Technical Working Group and July 21st, 2023 Wellness Working Group. CARRIED</p> <p>2023-July-05 (15): JESSICA BARUDIN/IRENE SPECK That we approve Ivy Peers on September 6th to 8th, 2023 for the Office of Special Interlocutor National Gathering Winnipeg. CARRIED</p>
Travel Authorization	2023-July-05 (16): VICTOR ISAAC/IVY PEERS Council gives authorization to the Senior Administrator to approve travel/meeting in the event that Council is not meeting to approve. CARRIED
Village of Alert Bay – Flags	<i>Administration to relay Council's message to the Village of Alert Bay.</i>

Meeting adjourned at 3:30pm

Signature

Date