

'Namgis First Nation Council Meeting
January 4, 2023 9:30am Learning Centre

Council: Don Svanvik (Chair); Irene Speck; Ivy Peers; Brian Wadhams; Victor Isaac
Zoom: Matthew Ambers; Kelly Speck;
Regrets: Gloria Hunt; Jessica Barudin; Ernest Alfred
Staff: Senior Administrator Jamie Hill; Assistant Administrator Megan Whonnock (Zoom)
Recording Secretary Gina Wadhams

Prayer	9:42am ~ Don Svanvik
Agenda	2023-Jan-04 (01): KELLY SPECK/VICTOR ISAAC That we approve the agenda with additions. CARRIED
Minutes Approval	2023-Jan-04 (02): IVY PEERS/IRENE SPECK That we approve the minutes of December 14, 2022. CARRIED
Business Arising Rec Centre	Question raised around recreation centre use for dinners, parties, community meetings and not allowing funerals. Need clarity on acceptable use. Rec centre is for health and recreation. Clear explanation for the community. Follow up with Kodi Nelson regarding funding available. Further analysis required. <i>LAMRC to be added to future agenda with further information.</i>
In-Camera	2023-Jan-04 (03): BRIAN WADHAMS/IVY PEERS That we go In-Camera. CARRIED 2023-Jan-04 (04): MATTHEW AMBERS/BRIAN WADHAMS That we go out of In-Camera. CARRIED
Portfolio Assignments	Review of Portfolio appointments by Don Svanvik. Discussion. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggestion that OSR is separate from Finance. • Suggestion arranging briefing with Sean Jones, Mike and Lloyd Roberts for orientation for new Councillors – update on all projects. • Request all Forum minutes from Lloyd Roberts for new Councillors. 2023-Jan-04 (05): VICTOR ISAAC/IRENE SPECK That we refer to the Governance Committee to set agenda and set date for meeting for discussion around portfolios. CARRIED
Housing	2023-Jan-04 (06): KELLY SPECK/BRIAN WADHAMS That we accept the recommendation to approve the Rent Geared to Income Rental Rates for the CMHC Affordable Rental Housing Units on Atli Subdivision at 15% of annual Net Household Income: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Approve “Rent Geared to Income” with a maximum rental rate amount for single person at \$459.00 ii. Approve “Rental Geared to Income” with a maximum rental rate amount for couple at \$659.00 AND THAT; We refer to Housing Committee, requesting them to review a minimum rental amount for the units. CARRIED
Elders Update	Ivy met with Elders and shares the following concerns: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Freezer and organ to be purchased. Request for locking freezer • Why is there the key issue? Having to always ask Health Centre Receptionist for key • Never being informed of scheduled events at the Elders’ Centre • Request for newsletter to be dropped off at Elders’ Centre – not post office

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why are they told they cannot fundraise? • Request Bill Wasden to be spokesperson for centre • Building is hazardous. Ramps to be added for easier access <p><i>Policy needed for guidance</i></p>
Pacific Salmon Foundation	<p>2023-Jan-04 (07): IRENE SPECK/KELLY SPECK That we approve signing the Pacific Salmon Foundation Agreement for Sampling related support and advisory services not to exceed \$150,000.00: November 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023. CARRIED</p>
Salmon Allocation Policy (SAP)	<p><i>January 18, 2023 Council Agenda</i> Discussions take place with Fisheries Portfolio holders, Don Svanvik, Victor Isaac, Brian Wadhams. <i>Bring back recommendation.</i></p>
SEP Agreement	TABLED – 1pm
Big House	<p>Discussion on opening for usage such as the events that took place during the holidays (lahal, singing etc). These were great for the community – health and wellness. People are happy when they are in our house. Inform anyone that they are responsible to clean and provide their own refreshments, supplies. If doors are open, how open are they going to be? What rules will be in place? Management plan needed. May be a good idea to look into a caretaker for building. Possibility that FNHA could provide funding? Funds in Health department for healing and wellness. Conversation on overall management needs to take place. Must be made clear – how and when to open. <i>Further discussion required.</i></p>
Patient Travel	<p>Discussion around looking at ways to help people. Quite often patients are called with very little notice and they cannot get funds. They are told they will be reimbursed. Many people cannot do this or have a means of transportation. <i>Refer to Administration and Health Board to review.</i></p>
12:06pm	Matthew Ambers leaves meeting
SEP Agreement	<p>Brian Svanvik & Darwin Webber on Zoom Hank Nelson works on agreement with DFO.</p> <p>2023-Jan-04 (08): BRIAN WADHAMS/VICTOR ISAAC That we sign ‘under duress’; the SEP Contributions Program – Community Economic Development Program Contribution Agreement #5J440-CED-2022-311. CARRIED</p>
AFS Agreement	<p>Brian Svanvik & Darwin Webber on Zoom Discussion. What are impacts on not signing today and/or changing from three to one year contract? Ideal to get halibut licenses. Possible to switch license details? Negotiate licenses? Suggestion to put together strategy for clarity. What effect will fleet reduction have on first nation communities? Need clarity with people we deal with around AFS agreement. Take a step back.</p> <p>Brian: Agreement does not have to be signed today. Will look into licenses. Amendments can be made. <i>Will find more information.</i></p>
Elk	<p>Brian Svanvik on Zoom Need more equipment (hamburger machine doesn’t work). Hunters scrambling for key for plant when they come in from hunting. Cost is a barrier for many hunters.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Look into offering butchering training.</i> • Natural Resources has been looking into the following: replacement of meat grinder; purchasing motor for grinder at plant; purchasing bandsaw; installing cameras at plant; replace doors at plant with keypad for codes that could be changed. <i>This expenditure is within Senior Administrator’s authority. Refer to Administration</i> • <i>Look into possible compensation for gas and ferry for hunters who go out for elders and/or ceremonial. Refer to Administration</i>

Post-Secondary Education and Future Skills Agreement	2023-Jan-04 (09): DON SVANIK/VICTOR ISAAC That we approve signing contract for training program for \$314,600.00. CARRIED
2:30pm	Ivy Peers leaves meeting. Jamie Hill (Chair)
Food Sovereignty and Capacity Building	2023-Jan-04 (10): VICTOR ISAAC/BRIAN WADHAMS That we approve signing agreement for Western Brave harvesting program for \$56,000.00 CARRIED
Windsor Plywood Wharf Planking	2023-Jan-04 (11): VICTOR ISAAC/BRIAN WADHAMS That we approve the purchase planking for wharf from Windsor Plywood for \$26,931.36. CARRIED
Travel/Cermaq	2023-Jan-04 (12): VICTOR ISAAC/IRENE SPECK That we approve travel for Don Svanvik on January 5, 2023 to Campbell River. CARRIED
FSMC AGA	Victor Isaac requesting travel to FSMC AGA. Discussion on reporting back being a problem. Victor will be attending. Rep of 'Namgis First Nation until next meeting.
Health Centre Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water disaster. Staff moved to different offices. Repairs will take months. • Doctor and Nurses secured for day service • One Doctor on long term contract. • Locum until mid-February • One Nurse right now.
OGAA and PNGA Amendments	INFO
2022 IMAWG Clam and Crab Action Table	INFO
Physician Assistant	INFO

Meeting adjourned at 3pm

Signature

Date