

'Namgis First Nation Council Meeting
November 15, 2023 5pm Learning Centre

Council: Victor Isaac; Irene Speck; Ivy Peers; Ernest Alfred; Robert Mountain; Matthew Ambers; Jessica Barudin; Kelly Speck; Brian Wadhams

Zoom: Ivy Peers (7:14pm)

Regrets: Irene Speck

Staff: Senior Administrator Jamie Hill (Recording)

5:44pm	Meeting called to order
Agenda	2023-Nov-15 (01): KELLY SPECK/ERNEST ALFRED That we approve the agenda with additions: Meetings: Nov 2 Governance Engagement pre-meeting; Nov 17 Genealogical Research; Nov 27 Technical Working Group; Dec 4 & 5 Governance Engagement Prep; Fireworks; NBDC meeting; BATI Symposium Dec 6 & 7; Signage CARRIED
Minutes: November 10, 2023	2023-Nov-15 (02): KELLY SPECK/ERNEST ALFRED That we approve the minutes of November 10, 2023 as presented. CARRIED
<i>Business Arising:</i> Salary/Wages	Tabled at last meeting but not on agenda. Administration advised that salary ranges have been included in job postings for the past few months; a few postings may not have had this information during the transition.
Council Retreat	Suggestion of lodge in Sointula; Black Bear Resort, Alert Bay Cabin, possibly in January.
Portfolios	Consider adding Economic Development and Tourism – Governance Committee will be reviewing and making recommendations.
In Camera	2023-Nov15 (03): ERNEST ALFRED/ROBERT MOUNTAIN That we go in-camera. CARRIED 2023-Nov-10 (04): KELLY SPECK/ERNEST ALFRED That we go out of in-camera. CARRIED
BATI Constitution	Developed as part of possible transition to a non-profit society. Request BATI make presentation to Council to provide update on the program's activities.
Alert Bay Towing	2023-Nov15 (05): BRIAN WADHAMS/JESSICA BARUDIN Inform Alert Bay Towing they are required to remove the material stored without permission behind Nurses Residence within 15 days and if not removed Administration to arrange for removal at Alert Bay Towing's cost. Administration to arrange for signage to deter land be used for storage. CARRIED
Elk Hunt Expense/Food Security	Suggest rename committee to Food Security Committee and include hunters with fishers, hold meeting to clarify criteria for policy development. Request Natural Resources host meeting with Portfolio holders and Human Resource Training Coordinator. Look at training for butchering and further supports including financial support similar to food fishing for community.
2023 Gazette Hamper Fund	2023-Nov15 (06): IVY PEERS/JESSICA BARUDIN That Council increase the \$5,600 contribution from Community Services by donating \$4,600 for a total contribution of \$10,000 to the North Island Gazette Food Hamper Fund. CARRIED

Abandoned/Broken Down Cars	Concern raised about number of abandoned vehicles; more than 75 vehicles counted. Plan will be developed and brought back.
Mama'omas Harvesting Contract	2023-Nov15 (07): ROBERT MOUNTAIN/ERNEST ALFRED That we approve signing the contract with Mama-omas for harvesting activities in the amount of \$120,000. CARRIED
Ne'nagwa'nakwala Support Letter	2023-Nov15 (08): JESSICA BARUDIN/MATTHEW AMBERS Letter approved in principle for distribution. CARRIED
Signage for Trails	Reviewed PowerPoint from VOAB on Kwak'wala language addition to trail signs. Council provided further input and looks forward to further update.
Fireworks	Request for policy development and possible requirement for permit to be explored.
Project Green	Discussion on honoraria and time commitments. Suggest both Governance Committee and Finance and Audit Committee review and make recommendations.
FNHC Sub Regional Caucus	TABLED
SAP Review Meeting	TABLED
FN Leadership Council	2023-Nov15 (09): KELLY SPECK/ROBERT MOUNTAIN Approve Victor Isaac to attend Chiefs meeting on November 1, 2023. CARRIED
FRA Follow-up	TABLED
FNPS Conference	TABLED
NBDC Meeting	TABLED
BATI Symposium Port Hardy	TABLED
Gottfriedson/Four Pillars Society	Report provided from Interim Directors.
Ocean Legacy Alert Bay Cleanup	Report on cleanup activities provided.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm

Signature

Date