

'Namgis First Nation Council Meeting
June 4, 2025 9:30am Learning Centre

Council: Irene Speck; Kelly Speck; Brian Wadhams; Molly Willie; Robert Mountain

Regrets: Ernest Alfred; Ivy Peers; Jessica Barudin; Victor Isaac

Staff: Interim Assistant Administrator Naomi Bob (Chair); Council Executive Assistant Gina Wadhams

9:38am	Opening Prayer Molly Willie
Agenda Approval	2025-June-04 (01): IRENE SPECK/BRIAN WADHAMS Agenda approved with the following additions: IC (Housing); Fish Licenses – AFS. CARRIED
Echelon Creative	Additional construction work related to the CMHC Section 95 Two-Family Homes Project. 2025-June-04 (02): MOLLY WILLIE/BRIAN WADHAMS That we approve signing contract with Echelon Creative Inc for 'mudroom and unforeseen requirements that have arisen during the project implementation phase' in the amount of \$96,550. CARRIED
Island Aurora	2025-June-04 (03): BRIAN WADHAMS/IRENE SPECK That we direct Administration to send a letter to BC Ferries stating our concerns and request a meeting to discuss the issues. Copy the letter to Mayor of Port McNeill, Regional District rep. CARRIED
Danyas Dividend	2025-June-04 (04): BRIAN WADHAMS/KELLY SPECK TABLED – Council needs to meet with Stan Ashcroft and setup meeting.
BCR: Housing	2025-June-04 (05): IRENE SPECK/MOLLY WILLIE That we approve signing the Band Council Resolution: Approve transfer of ownership of #43 Mamakwa Road from Colleen Smith (#6310067001) to Andrew Wadhams (#6310042803) and Shayline Perrault (#6310112803). CARRIED
Nurses' Residence	'Namgis Business Development Corp (NBDC) provided oversight for the Nurses' Residence project which was originally approved with a budget of \$70,000. The final project cost came in at \$50,375. NBDC would like to share report publicly and is asking if it will post on website. BY CONSENSUS That we approve NBDC sharing the Nurses' Residence report publicly. CARRIED
Cormorant Island Health Lease	Licence to Occupy agreement with Island Health for office space use at the Hospital. 2025-June-04 (06): BRIAN WADHAMS/KELLY SPECK That Council authorize Georgia Cook, Health Director, to sign the Licence to Occupy agreement #LEA430 with Island Health on behalf of the nation: Term: July 1, 2025 to June 30 2028 Fees: \$10.00 CARRIED
Roadwork	Seeking approval to allocate surplus funds from Department #75 to undertake urgent gravel road rehabilitation and repairs on several critical community access routes, including the laneway behind Gatu Road, Atli Road section, the Big House parking lot and Front Street and the Ugwamalis Road up to the Grassy Point sign. This project is critical to ensuring the continued safety and accessibility of key areas of our community. 2025-June-04 (07): KELLY SPECK/IRENE SPECK That we approve the allocation of \$291,500 from Department #75 surplus to fund the gravel road rehabilitation project as outlined; authorize staff to proceed with ADT Property Solutions as the Contractor for

	this work; and direct staff to coordinate with Orca Sand and Gravel, ADT Property Solutions, and utility providers to ensure safe and timely completion of the project and authorize Administration to sign. CARRIED
Alert Bay Town Square	Administration requests allowing the Village of Alert Bay to utilize soil from the 'Namgis quarry for their town square construction project. 2025-June-04 (08): BRIAN WADHAMS/IRENE SPECK That we approve the Village of Alert Bay with utilizing soil from the quarry, use of the loading area on Front Street, and request a meeting to discuss landscape design. CARRIED
In-Camera	2025-June-04 (09): KELLY SPECK/IRENE SPECK That we go In-Camera. CARRIED 2025-June-04 (10): IRENE SPECK/MOLLY WILLIE That we go out of In-Camera. CARRIED
Noon-1pm	Lunch
Water System	Samantha Webster on Zoom: 1-2pm / Water and Wastewater Infrastructure on Cormorant Island. Discussion – critical situation: 2025-June-04 (11): IRENE SPECK/BRIAN WADHAMS That we approve the creation of a new full-time position: Water and Wastewater Operations Manager with the salary of \$85,000 to \$100,000 per year – overriding current salary grid and approve the budget adjustment. CARRIED
4-Plex	Policy for managing the unit. <i>Request information from Denise Carpenter.</i>
Wages	Shane Kirkness, Leslie Dudley and Barry Cook: Compensation Review: 2-3:15pm <i>Administration will get back to WCBC/Shane Kirkness once discussed.</i> Next Steps: • Policy Analyst • Restructuring • Finance Need to look at succession planning – 60+ soon to be retiring.
Fish License	2025-June-04 (12): BRIAN WADHAMS/ROBERT MOUNTAIN That we approve Denise Carpenter sign the Band Council Resolution for AFS Fish Licenses. CARRIED <i>Recommend Administration follow-up with Natural Resources to request a longer term on agreements.</i>
Minutes May 28, 2025	2025-June-04 (13): BRIAN WADHAMS/IRENE SPECK That we approve the edited minutes of May 28, 2025. CARRIED
Business Arising Council ToR	Administration staff search for Council Terms of Reference. <i>Provide copy of the current Terms of Reference in place.</i>
Park Street	Samantha Webster and Naomi Bob are looking into the company/work order.

BATI	Denise Carpenter is working on contacting other nations; directing Comptroller to reconcile the BATI funds; what funds are remaining in BATI; strong letter to DFO on correspondence delay – cc'd to BATI nations.
Strategic Plan	<i>Administration to request workable copy of the Strategic Plan to Councillor Willie to review.</i>
eDNA	<i>Administration to request copy of power point presentation.</i>
School Tutors	Two tutors are available to assist students at no charge to the students: Terrance Alfred and Steven Wong.
OSR Funding	<i>Request for information on what the spending requirements are?</i>
School Damage	School is a band asset – funding would come from ISC. <i>Director of Education and Administration to meet. Council would like to know where our schools ranks for funding for repairs.</i>
In-Camera	2025-June-04 (14): KELLY SPECK/IRENE SPECK That we approve going In-Camera. CARRIED 2025-June-04 (15): MOLLY WILLIE/BRIAN WADHAMS That we go out of In-Camera and adjourn. CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 5pm

Signature

Date