

'Namgis First Nation Council Meeting
September 17, 2025 5pm Learning Centre

Council: Victor Isaac; Robert Mountain; Ivy Peers; Irene Speck, Kelly Speck
Zoom: Jessica Barudin; Molly Willie; Brian Wadhams; Ernest Alfred (5:45pm)
Staff: Interim Assistant Administrator Hazel Cook
 Council Executive Assistant Gina Wadhams

Agenda Approval	2025-Sept-17 (01): IVY PEERS/IRENE SPECK That we approve the agenda with the additions of: I.C. (Molly Willie); I.C. (Kelly Speck); I.C. (Ivy Peers); I.C. (Victor Isaac); Forestry Conference (Brian Wadhams); FNPCI (Ivy Peers). CARRIED
5:19pm	Prayer: Robert Mountain
Budget 2025-2026	Jamie Hill reviews 2025-2026 Budget with Council 2025-Sept-17 (02): KELLY SPECK/IRENE SPECK That we approve the 2025-2026 Budget as presented. CARRIED
Finance	Committee Recommendations
Credit Card	2025-Sept-17 (03): KELLY SPECK/ROBERT MOUNTAIN That we authorize Acting Administrator Hazel Cook, to approve use of the Nations credit card use for purchases. CARRIED
Echelon Creative	2025-Sept-17 (04): ERNEST ALFRED/IRENE SPECK That we authorize Administration to sign contract 2026-5200-07 with Echelon Creative for a 2-bedroom unit for Lot 39, in the amount of \$75,232.42. CARRIED
Gwa'ni Hatchery	2025-Sept-17 (05): IVY PEERS/MOLLY WILLIE That we authorize an 18-month (October 2025-March 31, 2027) rental agreement with ATCO Trailers to provide short-term, on-site solution for accommodations for the Gwa'ni Hatchery staff. Approve \$100,000 and request a budget from Nic Dedeluk. CARRIED
Van Donation	2025-Sept-17 (06): MOLLY WILLIE/ROBERT MOUNTAIN That we approve the donation of the Elders Van & Running Boards, in the amount \$78,244 to the 'Yalis Elders Society, to come from the Administration Budget (33). CARRIED <i>Administration to meet with 'Yalis Elders' Society Board of Directors to discuss budget.</i>
Operating Costs	2025-Sept-17 (07): IVY PEERS/MOLLY WILLIE That \$25,000 be paid to the 'Yalis Elders Society from the In-Home Care Budget (105) to cover Operating Costs. CARRIED
Renewal Development Housing	2025-Sept-17 (08): IVY PEERS/ERNEST ALFRED That we approve proceeding with FNFA membership requirements, including pass the two Band Council Resolutions required at this stage (one to become an FNFA Borrowing Member and one to designate Irene Speck as member as the Nation's FNFA representative with voting authority on the FNFA Board); authorize staff to initiate the membership vote process to be held within two months in accordance with the Financial Administration Law and Finance Policy (with options for enhanced member participation, including virtual

Eliminating Deficit	information sessions and electronic voting administered by a third party); and direct staff to begin preparing grant and funding applications to support the Renewal Development Project. CARRIED 2025-Sept-17 (09): ERNEST ALFRED/KELLY SPECK That the surplus funds from 187-BCSRIF Planning (\$6,911.36) and 188-BCSRIF Genomics Lab (\$21,410.45), as well as \$3,984.97 from 180 Industry, be transferred to Budget 189 to eliminate the deficit in Budget 189-Monitoring. CARRIED
Disburse Portion of Industry Funds	2025-Sept-17 (10): IVY PEERS/ERNEST ALFRED That we disburse 50% of the \$1,351,751.45 to MFN (in the amount of \$675,875.72), to KHFN (in the amount of \$675,875.72), and transfer NFN (in the amount of \$675,875.72) to Department 93. CARRIED
Disposal of Capital Assets to ONA Labs	2025-Sept-17 (11): ERNEST ALFRED/MOLLY WILLIE That we dispose of the following equipment purchased on behalf of the Okanagan Nation Alliance's Laboratory: 1) Fish Sample Loading Kit (\$76,863.40); 2) Biomark Instrument Systems Equipment (\$324,741.75); 3) Biomark Testing Service Plan \$107,057.20). CARRIED
Finance Appointment	2025-Sept-17 (12): MOLLY WILLIE/IVY PEERS That we approve Verna Ambers to be a member of the Finance and Audit Committee for a two-year term, effective September 2, 2025, expiring August 31, 2027. That we approve Anne Jackson to be a member of the Finance and Audit Committee for a three-year term, effective September 2, 2025, expiring August 31, 2028. CARRIED
In-Camera	2025-Sept-17 (13): IRENE SPECK/ROBERT MOUNTAIN That we go In-Camera. CARRIED 2025-Sept-17 (14): KELLY SPECK/IVY PEERS That we go out of In-Camera. CARRIED
Comprehensive Fisheries Agreement	2025-Sept-17 (15): IVY PEERS/IRENE SPECK That we approve signing the Letter of Intent to enter into an AFS Comprehensive Fisheries Agreement for 2025-2026. CARRIED
Adjournment	2025-Sept-17 (16): IVY PEERS/IRENE SPECK That we adjourn at 11pm. CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 11pm


Signature

Oct 15/25
Date