



AGENDA

Agenda for the Regular Meeting of the Tahsis Village Council
to be held on October 3, 2017 in the Council Chambers
Municipal Hall, 977 South Maquinna Drive

A. Call to Order Mayor Schooner called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Schooner would like to acknowledge and respect that we are upon Mowachaht/Muchalaht traditional territory.

B. Introduction of Late Items

C. Approval of the Agenda

D. Petitions and Delegations None.

E. Public Input # 1



F. Adoption of the Minutes 1 Minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on September 19, 2017.

G. Rise and Report 1 None.

H. Business Arising None.

J. Council Reports

1. Mayor Schooner
2. Councillor Overton
3. Councillor Van Solkema
4. Councillor Bellanger
5. Councillor Taylor

K. Bylaws

- 1 **Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 594, 2017**
Re: First, Second and Third Reading

L. Correspondence

- 1 **Letter to Premier John Horgan and Andrew Weaver, Green Party Leader from Judy Burgess Re: Response to Fire Emergency in B.C.**

M. New Business

None.

N. Public Input #2

Rise and Report

O. Adjournment



Minutes

<u>Meeting</u>	Regular Council
<u>Date</u>	19/5/2017
<u>Time</u>	7:00 PM
<u>Place</u>	Municipal Hall - Council Chambers

Present

Mayor Jude Schooner
 Councillor Brenda Overton
 Councillor Louis Van Solkema
 Councillor Kathy Bellanger
 Councillor Randy Taylor

Staff

Mark Tatchell, Chief Administrative Officer
 Deb Bodnar, Director of Finance
 Janet St-Denis, Finance & Corporate Services Manager
 Russ Nickerson, Fire Chief

Guests

Sgt. Chris McGee, NCO i/c, Nootka Sound RCMP Detachment

Public

3 members of the public

A. Call to Order

Mayor Schooner called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and acknowledged and respected that we are upon Mowachaht/ Muchalaht Traditional Territory.

B. Introduction of Late Items

Correspondence item L4 Re: RCMP 2017 Second Quarter Statistics and additional information to go with M2 (Fire Fighters without borders)

C. Approval of the Agenda

Overton/Bellanger: VOT 337/2017

THAT the Agenda for the September 19, 2017 Regular Council meeting be adopted as amended to include the late item and additional information.

CARRIED

D. Petitions and Delegations

None.

E. Public Input # 1

None.

F. Adoption of the Minutes

1 Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on August 9, 2017

Overton/ Bellanger: VOT 338/2017

THAT the Special Council Meeting Minutes from August 9, 2017 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

2 Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on September 5, 2017.

Overton/ Bellanger: VOT 339/2017

THAT the Regular Council Meeting Minutes from September 5, 2017 be adopted as amended to reflect Mayor Schooners' gratitude to the fire department, crew and Mr. Tatchell for all their work in getting the new pumper truck delivered to Tahsis.

CARRIED

3 Minutes of the Committee of the Whole held on September 12, 2017

Bellanger/ Overton: VOT 340/2017

THAT the Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes from August 12, 2017 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

G. Rise and Report

None.

H. Business Arising

1 Village of Tahsis Tourist Information Centre Summer Statistics

There was a brief discussion. It was noted that it may be useful to collect information from visitors regarding the types of services and attractions they are seeking.

Overton/Bellanger: VOT 341/2017

THAT this report be received.

CARRIED

2 Tahsis Day Report to Council

Thanks was given to Lauren, Rebecca and the Rec Centre staff for all their hard work. Mayor Schooner gave thanks to Councillor Overton and Councillor Bellanger. Mayor Schooner also suggested the need for a review of the Tahsis Days events early next year. Nootka Sound Timber was also recognized for their generous donation.

Overton/Taylor: VOT 342/2017

THAT this report be received.

CARRIED

J. Council Reports

Overton/VanSolkema: VOT 343/2017

THAT the Council reports be received.

CARRIED

There was a discussion on Councillor Taylor's report regarding Vancouver Island Regional Library- Tahsis Branch. Council agreed that a Committee of the Whole should be scheduled for the 3rd week of October to discuss this issue in more detail.

Mayor Schooner (written report)

Good evening,

At the CSWM (Comox Strathcona Waste Management) Board meeting an additional \$14,600 was approved to further the Waste to Energy Business Case Assessment to encompass three technologies/vendors for a more detailed analysis in the next stage of the assessment with a revised project deadline of November 3, 2017.

Also, it was announced that the Campbell River Waste Management Centre will be accepting asbestos starting October 1, 2017. Before this all asbestos would have to be delivered to Hartland Landfill outside of Victoria for the out-of-region tipping fee of \$500/tonne. Campbell River will be less costly, but the Campbell River asbestos tipping fee is still to be determined though likely to be in the \$250/tonne cost area.

Asbestos disposal bags will be available both in Campbell River and Courtenay's Waste Centers at a cost of \$2 per bag. I would like staff to consult with Public Works to see if there is an appetite to have an inventory of bags here in Tahsis. I did request the Board to review the possibility of having the bags for purchase here in Tahsis and that consideration could be on the next CSWM agenda depending on the village's staff input. Information on the safe disposal of asbestos is currently online at www.cswm.ca/asbestos.

At the CSRHD (COMOX Strathcona Regional Hospital District) there was the official announcement that there will no parking fees at the new hospitals. This is due to the strong advocacy by the "Citizens for Quality Health", strong opposition from the Directors at the Board level, as well as, support from the current government and acceptance by Island Health.

The hospital in Campbell River is now open. The first baby was born at 10:57 am on the day of the move and there have been approximately a dozen births since. The move of patients from the old hospital to the new hospital went extremely well with many volunteers assisting. The old hospital will be demolished over approximately the next 10 months and be replaced with gardens (containing traditional plants and medicinal herbs), pathways and approximately 320 more parking spots. Transport Canada is in the process of certifying the helipad and that information will be released later. The hope is that it will be a H1 certification.

Both CSWM and CSRHD are working on new websites that will be user-friendly and should be launched before the end of the year.

I enjoyed attending a presentation on the "Nootka Crisis" by Catherin Gilbert sponsored by the Tahsis Literacy Society. Catherine has since sent me supporting documentation that I will forward to the Museum Society and other interested parties.

Councillor Overton: (verbal report)

Councillor Overton would have normally reported on the Fishing Derby but was unable to at this time as she did not have all of the statistics in yet. She also spoke about her "fish wrangling" today and the 48,000 eggs the Tahsis Enhancement Society had already gathered.

Councillor VanSolkema: (written report)

Council Report

September 19, 2017

Good Evening Mayor and Council,

I wanted to mention the road improvements that have been done on the West Bay road. I'm not sure who to thank for the effort.

Other than personal business, I attended a COTW meeting with the Mayor and Council on September 12. A lot of interesting discussion ensued regarding the "Fees and Charges Bylaw no. 594. I trust that we will be seeing this again soon.

In my last report, I mentioned the tributary to the pond near Pete's Farm. I am happy to report that I enjoyed a hike through the area with the Junior Canadian Rangers last Saturday. I trust that our DFO community advisor, Dave Davies, will help us create a plan of activities regarding this area.

Respectfully submitted,

Louis.

Councillor Bellanger: (verbal report)

Councillor Bellanger apologized for not attending the last council meeting. She commented that attended the music festival but not the fishing derby.

Councillor Taylor: (written report)

Report to Council, September 19th, 2017

Good evening.

On September the 16th, I attended the Board of Trustees Meeting of the Vancouver Island Regional Library in Nanaimo.

The Board adopted its 2018 (balanced) Budget, which includes continued investment in the Facilities Master Plan, ongoing investment in innovative programming, collections and resources, as well as a further commitment in digital technologies and innovations and a commitment to reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples.

VIRL levies will increase by 3.98% reflecting a per capita increase of \$ 1.19 as approved unanimously by weighted vote. This is the lowest increase in the past 5 years. The Provincial Government use to provide 21% of the VIRL budget but under the Liberal Government it has dropped to less than 5%.

Worthy of note memberships are up by 8% in Tahsis over last year.

The Facilities Progress Report stated that VIRL is waiting for information from Tahsis and the School District related to a potential site for a prefabricated construction building. Odd, since the agenda reflected this a full week before any sort of contact whatsoever. It would seem we have come full circle regarding the Tahsis Branch and Council may well want to provide Mr. Tatchell and myself some direction regarding this, as the Boards policy is to build on dedicated (read free), more or less shovel ready sites. Although the report didn't specify, it appears that with the new WorkSafe Legislation, the Board will no longer consider occupying spaces built prior to 1990.

If anyone is interested I have the detailed 2018-2022 Proposed Financial Plan in print or I can provide a PDF of the plan, as adopted, by PDF. I also have a copy of the Facilities Master Plan and Companion Report.

Respectfully submitted,
Randy Taylor

K Bylaws
None.

L **Correspondence**

1 **Letter to Mayor and Council from Don Beamin Re: Water Meters**

Overton/Bellanger: VOT 344/2017

THAT this letter be received.

CARRIED

2 **Letter from Mayor Andy Adams, City of Campbell river to Doug Donaldson, Minister of Forest, Lands and Natural Resource Operations Re: Amalgamation of the Kingcome and Strathcona Timber Supply Areas and corresponding response.**

Overton/Bellanger: VOT 345/2017

THAT this letter be received.

CARRIED

3 **2021 Census of Population Content Consultation**

There was a brief discussion. It was noted that it was difficult to complete the Census Survey.

Overton/Bellanger: VOT 346/2017

THAT this email be received.

CARRIED

4 RCMP 2nd Quarter Statistics for the Village of Tahsis

Overton/Bellanger: VOT 347/2017

THAT this report be received.

CARRIED

M New Business

Grant in Aid Application Re: Strathcona Emergency Program - Amateur

1 Radio Operation (HAM) Course

Overton/Bellanger: VOT 348/2017

THAT this Grant In Aid Application be received.

CARRIED

Taylor/Bellanger: VOT 349/2017

THAT this Grant In Aid Application be approved.

CARRIED

2 1981 Fire Truck Disposal to Firefighters Without borders

There was a discussion about how to transport the 1981 fire truck to the collection point. It was suggested that "feelers" be put out to see if any of the forestry contractors would donate a low bed for this purpose.

Overton/Bellanger: VOT 350/2017

THAT this correspondence and additional information be received.

CARRIED

N. Public Input

none.

Public Exclusion

none.

O. Adjournment

VanSolkema/Taylor: VOT 351/2017

THAT the Regular Council meeting adjourn at 7:47 p.m.

CARRIED

Certified Correct this

3 October, 2017

Chief Administrative Officer

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VILLAGE OF TAHSIS

FEES AND CHARGES BYLAW NO. 594

A BYLAW TO IMPOSE FEES PAYABLE FOR MUNICIPAL SERVICES, THE USE OF MUNICIPAL PROPERTY, AND APPLICATIONS FOR MUNICIPAL PERMITS

THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF TAHSIS, in open meeting assembled, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

Citation and Definitions

1. This bylaw may be cited as the "Fees and Charges Bylaw No 594".
2. In this bylaw, "at cost" means the cost incurred by the Village in providing a service, including the amount expended by the Village for gross wages and salaries, employee fringe benefits, materials, equipment rentals at rates paid by the Village or set by the Village for its own equipment, administration charges, and any other expenditures incurred in doing the work.

Imposition of Fees and Charges

3. The fees and charges set out in the following Schedules attached to and forming part of this Bylaw are hereby imposed for the provision of the services, use of municipal property, and permit applications referred to therein.

- "A" Financial Services Fees and Charges
- "B" Administrative Fees and Charges
- "C" Parking Fees
- "D" Moorage Fees
- "E" Helipad Fees
- "F" Highway and Traffic Fees
- "G" Public Works Fees and Charges
- "H" Building and Related Permit Fees
- "I" Recreation Centre Fees and Charges
- "J" Animal Licensing Fees
- "K" Sign Permit Fees
- "L" Opening Burning Permit Fee
- "M" Website Advertising

READ for the first time this 3rd day of October, 2017

READ for the second time this 3rd day of October, 2017

READ for the third time this 3rd day of October, 2017

RECONSIDERED, finally passed and adopted this 17th day of October, 2017

ADOPTED BY COUNCIL, SIGNED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER AND SEALED WITH THE SEAL OF THE VILLAGE OF TAHSIS.

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original Bylaw No.594 duly passed by the Council of the Village of Tahsis on the ____ day of _____, 201X

Chief Administrative Officer

	Fee	Unit
SCHEDULE "A"		
<u>Financial Services</u>		
Late payment charges - unless otherwise stipulated in a Bylaw, late payment charges will be added to all fees that remain unpaid after their due dates	2% non-compounding monthly interest calculated daily will be added to all amounts that remain unpaid after the due date as determined by the Director of Finance	Each
Dishonoured payment - where a payment received by the Village in payment of a bill is not honoured by a person's financial institution for any reason other than clerical error	\$30.00	Each
Overpayment - where a refund is requested for any reason	\$30.00	Each

SCHEDULE "B"		
<u>Administrative Services</u>		
Printed or photocopied document		
8.5x11 black and white	\$0.50	per page
8.5x14 black and white	\$0.75	per page
8.5x11 colour	\$1.00	per page
8.5x14 colour	\$1.50	per page
Property tax certificate	\$50.00	each
Property tax search and statement	\$30.00	each
Bylaws - hard copy or electronic	\$30.00	each
Official Community Plan - hard copy or electronic	\$30.00	each
Maps and Plans - hard copy or electronic	\$30.00	each
Shipping and Handling	\$10.00	each
Facsimilies	\$7.00	each (max. of 10 pages)
Freedom of Information (FOIPPA) Applications for locating and retrieving a record and all other billable costs under FOIPPA	\$10.00	per quarter hour

SCHEDULE "C"		
<u>Parking</u>		
Parking (S. Maquinna Parking Lot) - vehicle and/or trailer	\$5.00	per day
	\$25.00	week
	\$50.00	month
	\$150.00	year
Immobilizer removal	\$250.00	per occurrence

Towing charges	Full cost per occurrence
Boat launch	No Charge

SCHEDULE "D"

Moorage

Moorage (Municipal Dock and Airline Dock)	\$1.00/foot per day
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SCHEDULE "E"

Helipad

Landing fee	No Charge
Helicopter Parking fee	\$100.00 per day
Storage fee	\$50.00 per day
Gate access	\$50.00 per occurrence

SCHEDULE "F"

Highway and Traffic

Application to amend street parking regulation	\$100.00 per application
Permit to operate oversize or overweight vehicle	\$100.00 per occurrence/trip
Temporary No Parking	\$100.00 per week or portion thereof
Impoundment/Immobilizer Removal	\$250.00 per occurrence
Construct, alter or perform any work on a municipal road	\$100.00 per occurrence

SCHEDULE "G"

Public Works

Labour	\$30.00 per hour (regular time)
	\$45.00 per hour (overtime)
Hand tools/light equipment (used by public works employees only)	\$30.00 per hour (regular time)
	\$45.00 per hour (overtime)
Heavy equipment	\$90.00 per hour (regular time)
	\$135.00 per hour (overtime)
Non-emergency service call (after hours)	\$200.00 (in addition to the above rates)
Temporary turn off/on of water service	\$50.00 per one "on" and one "off"
Permanent turn off/on of water service	100% of actual cost

SCHEDULE "H"

Building and Related Permits

Building Permit Application	\$100.00 Value of works up to \$10,000
	\$500.00 Value of works between \$10,001 and \$50,000
	\$1,000.00 Value of works between \$50,001 and \$100,000
	\$2,000.00 Value of works over \$100,001

Demolition permit	\$50.00
Permit to move a building	\$250.00
Construction without a valid permit	Permit Fee x 2

SCHEDULE "I"
Recreation Centre

Pool, Weight Room, Gym and Shower No Charge

Room Rental

Pool party	\$75.00 2 hours
Pool rental	\$55.00 per hour
Meeting room	\$30.00 per hour
Kitchen	\$40.00 per hour (includes dishes, utensils, equipment, etc)
Gym	\$40.00 per hour
Community organizations	\$5.00 per hour (all rooms)
Bowling	\$5.00 per game
Pool/Billiards	\$2.00 per game

SCHEDULE "J"
Animal Licensing

Dog licence		
	Male/Female	\$30.00
	Spayed/Neutered	\$10.00

SCHEDULE "K"
Sign Permit

Sign permit application	\$30.00 per application
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SCHEDULE "L"
Open Burning Permit

Burn permit	\$30.00 per application
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SCHEDULE "M"
Website Advertising

Village of Website display advertisement	\$60.00 per year or portion of year
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All fees subject to applicable taxes. Other fees and charges are subject to costs.

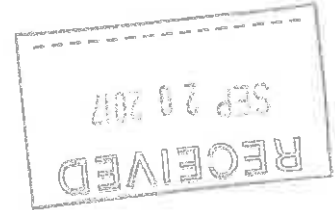
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751 North Maquinna Drive
Box 174, Tahsis
B.C. V0P 1X0

Sept.17, 2017

Mayor and Council
Village of Tahsis
977 South Maquinna Drive,
Tahsis B.C. V0P 1X0



Dear Mayor and Council

I am enclosing a letter I have written to Premier John Horgan and Green Party Leader, Andrew Weaver, about my concerns that after this summer's drastic fires, changes need to be made to our Forest Management Plans for the future.

Yours sincerely

Judy Burgess

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751 North Maquinna Drive
Box 174, Tahsis
B.C. V0P 1X0

Sept.17, 2017

Hon. John Horgan, B.C. Premier, and Hon. Andrew Weaver, Green Party Leader
P.O. Box 9041
Station Provincial Government
VICTORIA, B.C. V8W 9E1

Dear Sirs

Re. Response to Fire Emergency in B.C.

I am writing to urge your government to re-consider the current Forest Management Plan for this Province in light of the horrendous experience of the fires just experienced (and in some cases still being mopped up) over a vast area of this province. After the many climate disasters of this summer it must surely be only the most obstinate of ideologues who will still attempt to deny the reality of climate change.

I was very heartened to hear of your plans to help those most seriously affected by these horrendous fires, especially those who have so tragically now lost their homes. Many others will be returning to seriously damaged environments in and around their communities and will also desperately need helping. I understand that these kinds of needs must take immediate priority. My heart goes out to those in these kinds of situations.

I have also been reading about how companies who depend on the forest for timber or "fibre" are agitating for access for new resources to make up for trees burned down in the recent disasters. Naturally this will be a huge priority for these companies and naturally there will also be considerable worries for those put out of work, for the moment, by these losses. There are obvious remedies already available in our Employment Insurance system for those temporarily out of work, through no fault of their own. It is in the realm of the forest company wishes that I feel new thinking is desperately needed.

Unfortunately, this kind of fire situation and damage could well be a regular problem in the future. I would urge you to consider how best this might be combated by immediate changes in forestry management practices. I heard occasional talk over this fire season about how some forests were particularly fire-prone because of overly dense as well as very dry vegetation. Maybe in their search for new fibre, forest companies should be asked to thin out such areas and utilise the vegetation they need to remove? I also heard talk of having to create "fire breaks" in some areas to prevent fire spreading from adjacent burning areas. Maybe some research could be done to determine which areas could be appropriate for clearing in this manner ahead of time? These areas might be appropriate for the forest industry's "clear-cut" style of logging. Those involved both in

fighting and fleeing the fires may well have other insights into desirable changes that could be made to help minimise future losses.

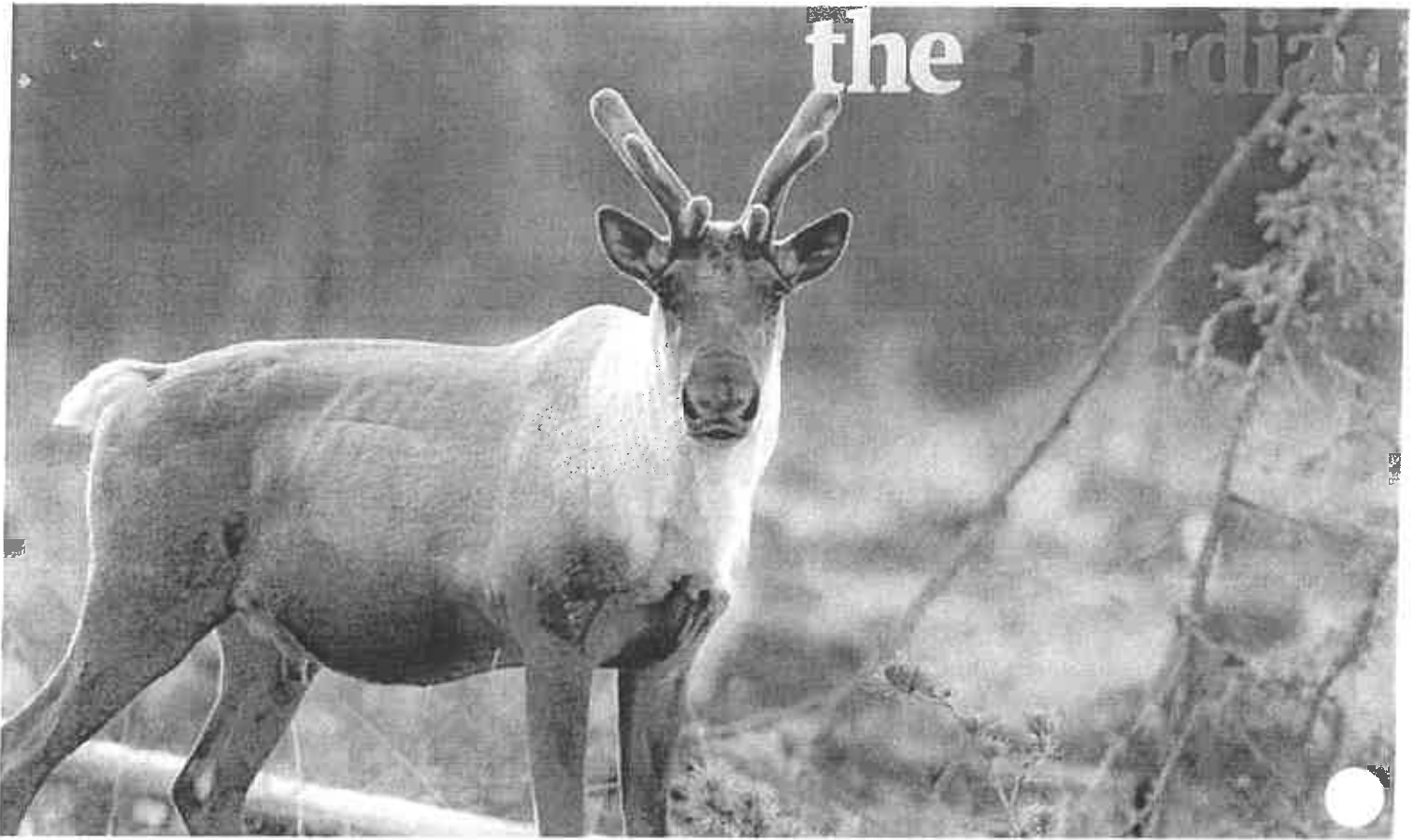
I have not heard nearly so much about the loss of wildlife and of wildlife habitat as a result of these fires, although I did hear very recently about the World Wildlife Fund's assessment of the loss of iconic Canadian animals over the last forty years. This organisation monitored 903 Canadian species between 1970 and 2014, half of which they found are now in serious decline, some by as much as 80%. Deer, elk, moose and bear species are not likely to come to the legislature to argue their cases. We, however, need to consider their difficulties very seriously.

The forest companies have lost hoped-for timber resources. Many of our native animals have lost their lives in the fires and even more have lost huge areas of their traditional habitat. Habitat loss is one of the most potent ways wildlife is lost to us, W.W. F. report. We should consider this when looking at how to manage and restore our fire-burned forests. Forestry companies are eager to go and "salvage" what they can from the burned areas as quickly as possible. However, will doing that negatively impact the forest's ability to recuperate from the damage as quickly as possible? Many wildlife species are also able to utilise damaged trees. Such creatures as woodpeckers, squirrels and bats, and many others, live in damaged, rotting trees and feed on the insects, fungi and other tenants of these trees. If forest companies "salvage" them, how will these native creatures recover?

Ecological assessment of existing old-growth forests would also be very helpful in guiding re-forestation plans. Old-growth forests are incredibly different from plantation style managed forests, since they contain a wide variety of different species and ages of vegetation growing together, interacting in ways we may not yet appreciate. We need to learn how this more appropriate style of wildlife habitat could be re-established. Such habitat could well be better at limiting the ignition and spread of fire, also, but until we do the necessary research we can't assess how effective this might be. Old-growth forests, with their complex layers of vegetation, for instance, are much better at "holding on" to rainwater than plantation style arrangements. More moisture means better fire resistance.

This would also be a good time to look at the Green Party's concern about banning the logging of old-growth forests altogether. Such forests are carbon "sinks" as well as amazing wildlife reserves. Preservation of these unique environments can also benefit the tourism industry. Clear-cut forests may benefit some aspects of the economy, but are a definite deterrent to the tourism-industry hopes of many communities. We need to have proper ecological assessments of our old-growth forests, so that we know what they actually have in them. To consider cutting them down when we don't even know what we risk losing is an extraordinarily poor hold-over from now out-of-date practices.

We have just experienced a major traumatic event this summer in our beloved province. Please let us use this experience as a way of planning better for future problems and needs. This future should include the future of our wildlife as well as for humans. I



Half of Canada's monitored wildlife is in decline, major study finds

New report paints a bleak picture for wildlife in a country that is home to a quarter of the Earth's wetlands, 8,500 rivers and more than 2m lakes

Ashifa Kassam in Toronto

Friday 15 September 2017 11.00 BST

A new analysis looking at the long-term trends of more than 900 species of wildlife in Canada has found that half of them have seen their populations decline, including several species already listed as threatened or endangered.

The Living Planet Report Canada, released on Thursday by World Wildlife Fund Canada, paints a bleak picture for wildlife in a country that is home to a quarter of the earth's wetlands, 8,500 rivers and more than 2m freshwater lakes.

During the past four decades, human activity - whether industrial development, farming, forestry or the expansion of urban areas - as well as climate change, pollution and overfishing have helped shrink the populations of 451 species, representing half of the 903 monitored species in the country.

