



AGENDA

**Agenda for the Regular Meeting of the Tahsis Village Council
to be held on April 19, 2022 in the Council Chambers
Municipal Hall, 977 South Maquinna Drive and by electronic means**

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- A. Call to Order** Mayor Davis will call the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- Mayor Davis will acknowledge and respect that we are meeting upon Mowachaht/Muchalaht 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 Special Council Meeting held on March 29, 2022.**
- 2 Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on April 5, 2022.**
- 3 Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on April 5, 2022.**

G. Rise and Report

None.

H. Business Arising

- 1 Councillor Elder notice of motion at the April 5, 2022 Regular Council meeting Re: Municipal Wharf Bylaw/ Policy**

WHEREAS the Village of Tahsis has no policy or bylaw pertaining to the Municipal Wharf and;

WHEREAS we are awaiting approval of funding to rebuild said wharf; and

WHEREAS we should be prepared for the new wharf;

THEREFORE be it resolved;

THAT Tahsis Council directs staff to develop a policy or bylaw that encompasses all aspects of the public utilizing said wharf. This shall include but not be limited to:

- pay for usage..per foot or per boat. per month, per week or per night/day. Seasonal and off season costs.
- cost of or to launch or a removal of a boat, excluding parking. This would pertain to people who do not require parking
- cost per season to the Marina
- all monies collected will be used only for issues related to the wharf
- whom will collect the fees
- penalties and means of collection for those who violate the policy.
- maximum amount of time one can be moored at the wharf.
- the installation of swipe card (credit or debit) gates at the boat launch entrance and the head end of the dock.
- yearly passes are able to be purchased at the Village office.

J. Council Reports

- 1 Mayor Davis**
- 2 Councillor Elder**
- 3 Councillor Fowler**
- 4 Councillor Llewellyn**
- 5 Councillor Northcott**

K. Bylaws

- 1 Election and Assent Voting Amendment Bylaw No. 648, 2022. Adoption**

- 2 2022-2026 Financial Plan Bylaw No. 649, 2022
First, Second and Third Reading**
- 3 2022 Tax Rate Bylaw No. 650, 2022
First, Second and Third Reading**

L. Correspondence

- 1 April 1, 2022 letter to Mayor and Council from the Maureen Roth, Secretary/Treasurer, Tahsis Heritage Society Re: Lighting at the Tahsis Information Center/ Museum**

Canada and BC Invest in 57 infrastructure Projects across the province to create inclusive, resilient Canada- under the Rural & Northern Communities Infrastructure Stream: Tahsis and Community Pier and Dock.
- 3 Letter from Paul Gregory, Senior Oceans Campaigner Re: A resolution in support of recognizing and celebrating World Oceans Day 2022 and the advancement of ocean conservation in Canada.**
- 4 Letter from the City of Fort St. John Council to Minister Whiteside, Ministry of Education and Children- Re: Extended Hour Child Care for Shift Workers.**
- 5 Email from Terry Rysz, Mayor, District of Sicamous to the Department of Finance Canada, Tax Policy Branch - Re: Luxury Tax on Recreational Boats.**
- 6 Email from Terry Rysz, Mayor, District of Sicamous to the BC Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy Re: Invasive Mussel Defence Program.**

M. New Business

N. Public Input #2

Rise and Report

O. Adjournment



Minutes

<u>Meeting</u>	Special Council Meeting
<u>Date</u>	March 29, 2022
<u>Time</u>	1:00 PM
<u>Place</u>	Municipal Hall - Council Chambers and by electronic means

<u>Present</u>	Mayor Martin Davis Councillor Bill Elder Councillor Sarah Fowler Councillor Cheryl Northcott	by video by video
<u>Regrets</u>	Councillor Lynda Llewellyn	
<u>Staff</u>	Mark Tatchell, Chief Administrative Officer Enzo Calla, Bylaw Compliance Officer, Strathcona Regional District Janet St-Denis, Corporate Services Manager	by video by video
<u>Guests</u>	Stace Nielsen, Sole director of 1031249 B.C. Ltd. The owner of the property located at 1400 S. Maquinna Drive. Joshua Krusell, Lawyer, Stewart McDannold Stuart	by video
<u>Public</u>	6 members of the public	5 by video/phone

A. Call to Order

Mayor Davis called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Mayor Davis acknowledged and respected that Council is meeting upon Mowachaht/Muchalaht territory

B. Introduction of Late Items and Agenda Changes

None.

C. Approval of the Agenda

Elder/Northcott: VOT 0142/2022

THAT the Agenda for the March 29, 2022 Special meeting of Council be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

H. Business Arising

- Report to Council Re: Hearing by Council to reconsider its Remedial Action Requirement Order under Division 12 of Part 3 of the Community Charter**
- 1** **pertaining to the buildings at the property located at the civic address 1400 South Maquinna Drive, Tahsis, BC (the "Property") and owned by 1031249 B.C. Ltd. (the "Owner")**

Elder/Northcott: VOT 0143/2022

THAT this Report to Council and request for reconsideration of the Remedial Action Requirement Order be received.

CARRIED

Members of the public were permitted to address Council.

Stace Nielson, 353 Chemainus Road, Ladysmith, BC who was present in the Council Chambers, addressed Council and requested an adjournment on the basis that the FOI request she sought from Strathcona Regional District on the files related to this property had not yet been received by her.

Joshua Krusell, lawyer for the Village of Tahsis spoke to this request. A discussion between the property owner and Council followed.

Davis/Elder: VOT 0144/2022

THAT Council not grant the property owner's request for an adjournment, based on the information presented.

CARRIED

Stace Nielsen was permitted to speak to the Remedial Action Requirement Order and Council responded to her questions and argument that the Order be cancelled or amended to give her time to carry out repairs to the buildings named in the order.

Council members disputed Ms. Nielsen's information and arguments.

Elder/Northcott: VOT 0145/2022

THAT Council confirm the Remedial Action Requirement Order pertaining to the buildings at the property located at 1400 S. Maquinna Drive.

CARRIED**Elder/Northcott: VOT 0146/2022**

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

CARRIED**Certified Correct this**

the 19th Day of April, 2022

Chief Administrative Officer



Minutes

Village of Tahsis

Meeting	Committee of the Whole
Date	April 5, 2022
Time	3:00 p.m.
Place	Municipal Hall - Council Chambers and by electronic means

Present	Mayor Martin Davis Deputy Mayor Sarah Fowler Councillor Bill Elder Councillor Lynda Llewellyn Councillor Cheryl Northcott	by video by video
Staff	Mark Tatchell, Chief Administrative Officer Janet StDenis, Finance and Corporate Services Manager	by video
Guests	Shaun Koopman, Strathcona Regional District, Protective Services Coordinator Sybille Sanderson, Collaborative Consulting	by video by video
Public	2 Members of the public	(1) by video

Call to Order

Mayor Davis called the meeting to order at 3:06 p.m.

Mayor Davis acknowledged and respected that Council is meeting upon Mowachaht/ Muchalaht territory

Introduction of Late Items

None

Approval of the Agenda

Elder: COW 012/2022

THAT the Agenda for the April 5, 2022 Committee of the Whole meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

M. New Business	1	After-Action Report for the Village of Tahsis- Re: Extreme Winter Weather Rural Communities Transportation/ Utilities Prolonged
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Elder: COW 013/2022

THAT this report be received for discussion.

CARRIED

Sybille Sanderson spoke to her report. Councillor Fowler highlighted the successes and the challenges during the prolonged power outage. A discussion followed regarding the recommendations and an emergency back up plan.

The CAO spoke to the recommendations given the Village's limited resources.

Elder: COW 014/2022

THAT the SRD and Sybille Sanderson Collaborative Consulting be thanked for the After Action Report and that the report be shared with all emergency service agencies which provided assistance to the Village during this event.

CARRIED

Adjournment

Fowler: COW 015/2022

THAT the meeting adjourn at 3:56 p.m.

CARRIED

Certified correct this
19th day of April , 2022

Corporate Officer



Minutes

<u>Meeting</u>	Regular Council
<u>Date</u>	April 5, 2022
<u>Time</u>	7:01 PM
<u>Place</u>	Municipal Hall - Council Chambers and by electronic means

<u>Present</u>	Mayor Martin Davis Councillor Bill Elder Councillor Sarah Fowler Councillor Cheryl Northcott Councillor Lynda Llewellyn	by video by video
<u>Staff</u>	Mark Tatchell, Chief Administrative Officer Janet St-Denis, Finance and Corporate Services Manager	by video
<u>Public</u>	4 Members of the public.	(2) by video

A. Call to Order

Mayor Davis called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Davis acknowledged and respected that Council is meeting upon Mowachaht/Muchalaht territory.

B. Introduction of Late Items

Under Business Arising as H.2 the Tahsis Fire Hall Project- expenditure commitment for geotechnical and seismic assessment.

C. Approval of the Agenda

Elder/Fowler: VOT 0154/2022

THAT the Agenda for the April 5, 2022 Regular meeting of Council be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

D. Petitions and Delegations

None

E. Public Input # 1

A member of the public suggested establishing a contingency/reserve fund for emergency expenditures.

F. Adoption of the Minutes

1 Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on March 15, 2022

Elder/Fowler: VOT 0155/2022

THAT the Regular Council Meeting minutes of March 15, 2022 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

G. Rise and Report

None.

H. Business Arising

1 Public Presentation of the Village of Tahsis 2022 Operating Budget and the 2022-2026 Capital Budget.

Elder/Fowler: VOT 0156/2022

THAT this presentation be received.

CARRIED

The Director of Finance briefed Council on the 2022 Operating Budget, highlighting the changes from the prior year.

The 2022 General Municipal Tax rates of the various property classes were discussed.

The basic water user rate to increase by \$29, no increase in sewer user fees and a \$2.47 increase in the garbage user fee.

The 2022-2026 Capital plan was reviewed at a high level.

Elder/Fowler: VOT 0157/2022

THAT Council agrees to proceed with the introduction of the Financial Plan and Tax Rate bylaws at the April 19, 2022 regular meeting of Council.

CARRIED

2 Tahsis Fire Hall Project- expenditure

Elder/Fowler: VOT 0158/2022

TO receive and consider the proposal and cost estimate provided by McElhanney Ltd. for the geotechnical investigation for the Tahsis Fire Hall project.

CARRIED

The CAO spoke to this cost estimate and provided Council with an update on the drilling done to date.

Elder/Fowler: VOT 0159/2022

THAT Council approve an expenditure of up to \$72,075 (exclusive of GST) for the geotechnical investigation for the Tahsis Fire Hall Project.

CARRIED

J. Council Reports

Mayor Davis (written report)

I missed filing a report on the last council meeting and since my last report I have attended meetings of the Strathcona Regional District board, SRD Municipal Services Committee and First Nations Relations Committee, Comox-Strathcona Waste Management, CS Hospital District, Island Coastal Economic Trust board, as well as closed and special closed meetings here in Tahsis.

This past weekend, I went to the first in-person Association of Vancouver Island Coastal Communities annual general meeting held since 2019. It was great to be able to talk to other Island mayors, councillors and Electoral Area representatives and is a great forum for exchanging ideas and knowledge as well as to network. Congratulations to Councillor Fowler for her election as a Director At Large.

Today, we held a meeting where the Village's response to the weeklong power outage this winter was discussed as well as looking at the financial impact to the Village and ways that our response could be improved. We also discussed ways to help the citizens better prepare for outages and other natural disasters and how to look out for our neighbours and make sure nobody is left out. In attendance was staff from the Regional District, who had prepared our report and recommendations for our consideration. It was ironic that our meeting took place during yet another power outage.

Councillor Elder (verbal report)

I am serving notice of motion for getting a moorage bylaw ready if we get approval for the new dock.

I'd like to give Mainroad a little pat on the back as the last 3-4 weeks the road has been a B+ to an A.

Councillor Fowler (verbal report)

I was elected Director at Large for the AVICC.

Below is a link to the slides from my AVICC presentation that I gave on April 2, 2022.

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1EuljC_03mwigB48VKJreIpR0HzMo_w4GV/view?usp=sharing

Councillor Llewellyn (verbal report)

Congratulations to Councillor Fowler on being elected as Director at Large for the AVICC.

Councillor Northcott (verbal report)

I have been to a number of meetings with the Vancouver Island Library all of which were in camera. I'm scheduled for my first Fire Services Committee meeting on April 20th, 2022. So, hopefully I will have something interesting to report on with that. Congratulations Sarah.

The last thing is I just want to give a nice shout out to our Village nurse for showing up at the clinic for me on Saturday when I did a little damage to my hand.

Elder/Fowler: VOT 0160/2022

THAT the Council Reports be received.

CARRIED

K. Bylaws

Election and Assent Voting Amendment Bylaw No. 648, 2022.

1st, 2nd and 3rd Reading

Elder/Fowler: VOT 0161/2022

THAT the Election and Assent Voting Amendment Bylaw No. 648, 2022 be received for consideration.

CARRIED

Elder/Fowler: VOT 0162/2022

THAT the Election and Assent Voting Amendment Bylaw No. 648, 2022 receive a first reading this 5th day of April 2022.

CARRIED**Elder/Fowler: VOT 0163/2022**

THAT the Election and Assent Voting Amendment Bylaw No. 648, 2022 receive a second reading this 5th day of April 2022.

CARRIED**Elder/Fowler: VOT 0164/2022**

THAT the Election and Assent Voting Amendment Bylaw No. 648, 2022 receive a third reading this 5th day of April 2022.

CARRIED**L. Correspondence**

- 1 March 30th and March 24th, 2022 Letters to Mayor and Council from Rita Aedan, property owner of 907 Princess Victoria View - Re: Sewage Blockage.**
- 2 Letter from Sally Taylor Re: Mooring at the Village Dock**
- 3 Email from the City of Terrace- Resolution Re: BC Prosecution Service and the Public Interest submitted for consideration at the NCLGA Convention.**
- 4 Email from Nicole Brassard, Associate Vice President, Global Public Affairs Re: Reducing Patio Application Red Tape for BC's Hospitality Sector and Economic Recovery.**
- 5 Letter from Henry Braun, Mayor, City of Abbotsford Re: Resolutions of support for recovering municipal costs through Build Back Better Funding for critical infrastructure.**
- 6 Press Release from the District of Ucluelet- Re: Ban on plastic utensils.**
- 7 UBCM Re: Renewal of Annual UBCM Membership**
- 8 Email from Marianne Alto, Councillor, City of Victoria and Dale Bass, Councillor, City of Kamloops Re: The Case for Basic Income for Municipalities- Support for AVICC Resolution R37 (Guaranteed Livable Basic Income, GLBI)**
- 9 Letter from Dean McKerracher, Mayor, District of Elkford to Honourable George Heyman, Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy Re: Milk Container Recycling in British Columbia.**

Elder/Fowler: VOT 0165/2022

THAT these correspondence items be received.

CARRIED

Elder/Fowler: VOT 0166/2022

THAT correspondence item #7 be pulled for discussion.

CARRIED

L7 UBCM Re: Renewal of Annual UBCM Membership

Councillor Llewellyn spoke to the value of this membership. A discussion followed.

Fowler/Elder: VOT 0167/2022

THAT the Village's 2022 UBCM Annual membership be renewed.

CARRIED

M. New Business

None.

N. Public Input #2

A member of the public spoke to correspondence item #1 and sewage blockage issues.

A member of the public spoke about moorage at the airplane dock to which Mayor Davis responded.

Adjournment

Fowler/Elder: VOT 0168/2022

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

CARRIED

Certified Correct this

the 19th day of April, 2022

Chief Administrative Officer

VILLAGE OF TAHSIS

Report to Council

To: Mayor and Council

From: Mark Tatchell, CAO

Date: May 26, 2021

Re: Airline Dock Moorage

PURPOSE OF REPORT:

To outline the asset management, policy, regulatory and financial aspects for implementing regulated and managed moorage at the Village's airline dock.

OPTIONS/ALTERNATIVES

1. Proceed to draft a bylaw to regulate and manage moorage at the Village's airline dock and prepare an annual operating budget, for Council's consideration.
2. Undertake Option 1, subject to receiving a decision on the Investing in Canada Infrastructure grant application for the Tahsis Multi-use Community Pier and Dock Project.
3. Continue to provide free public moorage.
4. Any other option that Council deems appropriate

BACKGROUND:

The airline dock is one of the Village's marine infrastructure assets which is located within District 492 and is shown in the schedule which forms part of the Village's Licence of Occupation (Licence No. 112553) with the Province of British Columbia. The Licence of Occupation, issued under the *Land Act*, dated May 1, 2007 grants the Village to use the area for public boat launching ramp, float for public boat moorage and float plane docking purposes.

Condition Assessment

In 2020, McElhanney conducted a condition assessment of the airline dock which identified a number of deficiencies with the trestle, gangway and two floats. Also in 2020, Council considered, and ultimately rejected, a proposal from the Canadian Coast Guard to construct its new marine infrastructure adjacent to the airline dock within the Village's tenure area. In October 2020, the Village submitted an application under the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program for a \$2.5m grant for a new community pier and dock project. At the May 4th closed Council meeting, McElhanney presented two options for repairing the airline dock. Council requested McElhanney to develop two additional options as temporary repairs.

Concerns with respect to moorage

Beginning in 2019 Council passed resolutions and raised issues regarding the management of the Village's marine infrastructure including financial, asset management and the use by public, government agencies and businesses. Council also resolved to review policies from other local governments in relation to developing management options. Council members have expressed concerns about the types of vessels mooring at the dock, the impact of vessel moorage on the floats, mooring periods, along with a principled reservation about providing a free service paid for by Tahsis taxpayers.

Regulating and Managing Moorage

Regulating and managing moorage at the airline dock, like any other municipal service, requires a bylaw. Staff reviewed bylaws from the Village of Port Alice, District of Ucluelet and District of Port Hardy. Although each bylaw is tailored for the individual community, they have common characteristics.

Management

The District of Ucluelet (DU) and District of Port Hardy (DPH) bylaws establish a Harbour Authority and create a Harbour Manager position. The Village of Port Alice (VPA) bylaw creates a Marina Manager position. DU and DPH have small craft harbours so a Harbour Authority and Harbour Manager or Wharfinger is required. VPA owns and operate a multi-slip marina with power and water service for vessels. VPA pays its marina manager \$2,000/month for the period mid-July to mid-September. During other periods, mariners use the "honour box" to pay their moorage fees.

Regulations

The bylaws set terms and conditions for moorage such as:

- Length and type of vessel
- Moorage rules, e.g., rafting
- Derelict vessels
- Commercial versus non-commercial vessels
- Types of activities prohibited on the vessel while moored and on the dock
- Environmental rules
- Authorities to remove vessels
- Insurance requirements
- Loading and unloading
- Liveaboards
- Offences and penalties
- Fees and charges

Fees and Penalties

The respective bylaws have range of fees, charges and penalties. The DU bylaw, for example, includes 4 pages of fees, charges and penalties.

Scope

In addition to the airline dock, a bylaw could also regulate the use of the boat launch. It should be noted, that if the Village's grant is successful, and the new facility is built, the airline dock will be disassembled making the bylaw moot.

POLICY/LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS:

As noted above, a bylaw is required to impose and enforce regulations and to charge fees for the use of the dock.

Provincial government policy

Provincial government policy for public wharves (the airline dock falls within the Nominal Rent Tenure category) stipulates that the dock cannot be used for commercial operations or be associated with commercial operations. If the Village wishes to provide long term moorage, an application for a marina tenure needs to be submitted. Temporary moorage and other marine access are acceptable under the Village's licence of occupation, as these provide general benefits to the community. Fees charged for temporary moorage will not automatically trigger a requirement for a commercial tenure. (The cost of a commercial tenure is \$500 annually or 5% of the gross revenue from the commercial enterprise whichever is greater.)

If the Village chooses to charge for temporary moorage, a management plan must be submitted to the Province which sets out the annual operating costs broken down into maintenance and operations including staff salaries and the estimated amount and source of revenue.

The amount of revenue permitted cannot be greater than that required to maintain and operate the facility. A notarized financial accounting listing sources of revenue and total revenue, as well as the nature and amount of total expenses, must be submitted annually.

Sublease agreements with commercial operators, such as water taxis and float plane operators, must be submitted for approval. Under the licence of occupation, no ancillary commercial uses such as restaurants, food concessions, ice plants, boat or other equipment rentals or sales are permitted. Petroleum products cannot be made available for sale.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

To estimate revenues and expenditures more information is needed and assumptions about the level of service need to be confirmed by Council, e.g., utilizing both floats for moorage or just the first float.

STRATEGIC PRIORITY:

No.

RECOMMENDATION:

No recommendation

Respectfully submitted:

A handwritten signature in dark ink, consisting of a stylized 'M' followed by a horizontal line.

Mark Tatchell, CAO

VILLAGE OF TAHSIS

BYLAW NO. 648, 2022

BEING A BYLAW TO AMEND THE VILLAGE OF TAHSIS ELECTION AND ASSENT VOTING BYLAW NO. 622, 2019

WHEREAS the Council of the Village of Tahsis wishes to amend the *Election and Assent Voting Bylaw No.622, 2019* section 4. Elector Registration.

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Village of Tahsis, in open meeting assembled, enacts the following amendments to Election and Assent Voting Bylaw No.622, 2019 by deleting section 4 and replacing it with the following:

4. ELECTOR REGISTRATION

- (a) As authorized under section 76(1) of the *Local Government Act*, for all elections and assent voting, the Village will use the most current Provincial List of voters prepared under the Election Act as the register of resident electors.
- (b) As required under section 76(2) of the *Local Government Act*, for all elections and assent voting, the Village will require that the Provincial list of voters becomes the register of resident electors no later than 52 days before general voting day for any election to which the bylaw applies.
- (c) As required under section 76(3) of the *Local Government Act*, for all elections and assent voting, the following applies,
 - a. any previous register of resident electors of the municipality or electoral area is cancelled, effective at the time the Provincial list of voters becomes the register, and
 - b. a person who, on the basis of the Provincial list of voters, appears to meet the qualifications to be registered as a resident elector of the municipality or electoral area is deemed to be registered as such an elector, and
 - c. the Village may have, but is not required to have, advance registration under section 71 for resident electors.

Citation

This bylaw may be cited for all purposes as the “Election and Assent Voting Amendment Bylaw No.648, 2022”

READ for the first time this 5th day of April, 2022

READ for the second time this 5th day of April, 2022

READ for the third time this 5th day of April, 2022

Reconsidered, Finally Passed and Adopted this 19 day of April, 2022

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. 648 duly passed by the Council of the Village of Tahsis on the ____ day of _____, 2022

Corporate Officer

BYLAW NO. 649, 2022

CORPORATE OFFICER

Village of Tahsis					
Bylaw No 649, 2022					
2022-2026 Financial Plan					
					SCHEDULE "A"
	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Operational Revenues					
Taxation					
Property taxes	\$ 823,034	\$ 864,186	\$ 907,395	\$ 952,765	\$ 1,000,403
Grants in lieu of taxes	47,100	49,455	51,928	54,524	57,250
Fees					
User fees and charges	125,530	128,041	130,601	133,213	135,878
Water	193,500	197,370	201,317	205,344	209,451
Sewer	197,000	200,940	204,959	209,058	213,239
Environmental health	155,500	158,610	161,782	165,018	168,318
Other sources					
Grants/other governments	607,360	423,180	423,180	423,180	423,180
Own Reserves	3,500	-	-	-	-
Investment income	34,000	34,680	35,374	36,081	36,803
	\$ 2,186,524	\$ 2,056,461	\$ 2,116,536	\$ 2,179,183	\$ 2,244,522
Operational Expenditures					
General government	\$ 1,031,483	\$ 1,052,112	\$ 1,073,155	\$ 1,094,618	\$ 1,116,510
Protective services	145,555	148,466	151,435	154,464	157,553
Environmental health	106,065	108,187	110,351	112,558	114,809
Public works services	280,524	286,135	291,858	297,695	303,649
Recreation, cultural & dev. services	264,599	269,891	275,289	280,795	286,411
Water services	214,204	218,488	222,858	227,315	231,861
Sewer services	186,005	189,725	193,520	197,390	201,338
Amortization of tangible capital assets	415,384	423,692	432,166	440,809	449,625
	\$ 2,643,820	\$ 2,696,697	\$ 2,750,631	\$ 2,805,643	\$ 2,861,756
Net operating surplus / (deficit)	\$ (457,296)	\$ (640,235)	\$ (634,094)	\$ (626,460)	\$ (617,234)
Adjust for Non-Cash Item					
Amortization of tangible capital assets	415,384	423,692	432,166	440,809	449,625
Debt, Capital and Reserve/Surplus Transfers					
Capital expenditures	\$ (2,181,420)	\$ (5,829,560)	\$ (2,568,887)	(470,000)	(485,000)
Proceeds from debt	20,000	800,000	200,000	-	-
Capital grants	1,584,738	3,646,258	1,480,200	450,000	450,000
Reserves for Capital projects	576,683	1,383,302	888,687	20,000	35,000
Net transfer from reserves	41,912	216,544	201,929	185,651	167,609
Financial Plan Surplus / (Deficit)	\$ (0)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ (0)	\$ (0)

Village of Tahsis
2022-2026 Financial Plan – Bylaw No. 649, 2022
Financial Plan Statement
Schedule “B”

In accordance with Section 165 (3.1) of the *Community Charter* the Village of Tahsis is required to include in its 5-year Financial Plan (2022-2026):

- A) The objectives and policies of the municipality for the 5-year planning period in relation to each of the funding sources and the proportion of total revenue from each funding source; and
- B) The distribution of property value taxes among the property classes that may be subject to taxes; and
- C) The Use of permissive tax exemptions.

A. Proportion of Total Revenues by Source

Objective

The Village will continue to review the proportion of revenue that is received from each source and seeks to balance the sources by seeking out new user fees, available grants and maximizing investment returns.

Policies

The Village continues to review user-fees and charges to ensure that they adequately reflect the full cost of recovery within each utility. Where possible, the Village endeavours to supplement revenues from user fees and charges, rather than taxation, to lessen the burden on a limited tax base. Additionally, alternate revenue sources are continually examined to reduce the reliance on property taxes as the major source of funding.

Table 1: Funding Sources, 2022

<u>Revenue Source</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>% of Revenue</u>
Property Taxation	\$870,134	39.8%
User Fees & Charges	671,530	30.7%
Grants	607,360	27.8%
Own Reserves	3,500	0.2%
Investment Income	34,000	1.6%
Total	<u>\$2,186,524</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

B. Distribution of Property Taxes Across Property Classes

Objective

To ensure an equitable distribution of tax burden across all property classes.

Policies

Over the term of the plan, municipal property taxes are distributed across six property tax classes as per Table 2 below. The Village regularly reviews the class distribution and makes adjustments when necessary with the goal to attracting and sustaining economic development.

Table 2: Distribution of Village of Tahsis Property Taxes, 2022

Class 1 - Residential	\$55,331,500	92.3%
Class 2 - Utilities	865,700	1.4%
Class 5 - Light Industrial	511,400	0.9%
Class 6 - Business/Other	2,941,250	4.9%
Class 7 - Managed Forest Land	105,800	0.2%
Class 8 - Recreation/Non Profit	206,800	0.3%
Total	\$59,962,450	100.0%

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C. Permissive Tax Exemptions

Objective

Council may utilize its authority under the *Community Charter* to provide permissive exemptions to property owners who contribute to the community's social and environmental well-being, for example, greenhouse gas reduction, affordable housing, and Village revitalization.

Policies

Permissive exemptions are granted to not-for-profit organizations that form a valuable part of and provide services to the community. In 2018 the Village, through Bylaw No. 609, granted a tax exemption, through to 2028, to the property located at 744 Nootka Road, the Bishop of Victoria, for 50% of the land value with estimated tax to be \$605 in 2021.



VILLAGE OF TAHSIS

BYLAW NO. 650, 2022

A BYLAW FOR THE LEVYING OF RATES FOR GENERAL MUNICIPAL, REGIONAL LIBRARY, REGIONAL DISTRICT, WASTE MANAGEMENT, REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT PURPOSES FOR THE YEAR 2022.

WHEREAS pursuant to section 197 of the Community Charter, Council must, by bylaw, impose property value taxes for the year by establishing the tax rates for the municipal revenue proposed to be raised from property value taxes and the amounts to be collected by means of rates established by the Village's taxing obligations in relation to another local government or other public body;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Village of Tahsis in open meeting assembled enacts as follows:

1. Definitions

1.1. Collector means the municipal officer assigned responsibility as Collector of taxes for the municipality and includes all persons appointed or designated by the Collector to act on their behalf.

2. Tax Rates for General Municipal Purposes

The rates and taxes named under this Bylaw are hereby imposed, levied, raised and collected for the year 2022 for the purposes stated and shall be payable in Canadian funds to the Collector at the Village of Tahsis, BC.

2.1 For all lawful General Municipal purposes of the Village of Tahsis on the assessed value of land and improvements taxable for General purposes, rates appearing in column 'A' of Schedule "A" attached hereto and forming a part of this Bylaw;

2.2 For Regional Library purposes of the Village of Tahsis on the assessed value of land and improvements taxable for General purposes, rates appearing in column 'B' of Schedule "A" attached hereto and forming a part of this Bylaw.

2.3 For Strathcona Regional District purposes of the Village of Tahsis on the assessed value of land and improvements taxable for Hospital purposes, rates appearing in column 'C' of Schedule "A" attached hereto and forming a part of this Bylaw;

2.4 For Comox Valley Regional District Services: Solid Waste Management purposes of the Village of Tahsis on the assessed value of land and improvements taxable for Hospital purposes, rates appearing in column 'D' of Schedule "A" attached hereto and forming a part of this Bylaw;

2.5 For Comox-Strathcona Regional Hospital District purposes of the Village of Tahsis on the assessed value of land and improvements taxable for Hospital purposes, rates appearing in column 'E' of Schedule "A" attached hereto and forming a part of this Bylaw;

3. Penalties

3.1 The Collector of the Village of Tahsis shall add to the unpaid taxes of the current year, for each parcel of land and its improvements of the property tax roll, 10% of the amount of the current year taxes which remain unpaid after July 4, 2022 and the said unpaid taxes together with the amount added as aforesaid shall be taxes of the current year due on such land and its improvements.

3.2 Tax rates and percentage additions caused as a result of a supplementary roll prepared under the Assessment Act shall be executed in accordance with section 241 of the *Community Charter*.

3.3 The tax rates and taxes imposed under this Bylaw shall be payable at the offices of the said Collector at the Village of Tahsis Municipal Hall, 977 South Maquinna Drive, P.O. Box 219, Tahsis, BC, V0P 1X0, no later than 4:00 pm on July 4, 2022.

3.4 Any and all amounts payable under this Bylaw shall be payable at the offices of the said Collector at the Village of Tahsis Municipal Hall, 977 South Maquinna Drive, P.O. Box 219, Tahsis, BC, V0P 1X0.

4 Citation:

This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as the "Tax Rates Bylaw No. 650, 2022".

READ a first time this	19th day of April, 2022
READ a second time this	19th day of April, 2022
READ a third time this	19 th day of April, 2022
Adopted this	day of May, 2022

MAYOR

CORPORATE OFFICER

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original Bylaw No. 650, 2022 duly passed by the Council of the Village of Tahsis on this day of May, 2022.

CORPORATE OFFICER

April 1, 2022

Tahsis Heritage Society
PO Box 289
Tahsis, B.C. V0P1X0



Village of Tahsis
PO Box 219
Tahsis, B.C.
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To the Mayor and Council:

The summer is fast approaching and hopefully, the Information Centre and Museum will be able to be open for visitors in some capacity. However, there is some work that needs to get done before that happens.

Public Works have checked the fluorescent light tube fixtures that have burned out and I was advised that it's a ballast problem and they need to be replaced. The track lighting in the Information Centre isn't fully working as well.

As a suggestion, possibly all the lights could be replaced with LED which would make it more cost effective overall.

Thank you, and looking forward to an answer soon.

Maureen Roth, Secretary/Treasurer
Tahsis Heritage Society



News release
For immediate release

Canada and British Columbia invest in 57 infrastructure projects across the province to create inclusive, resilient communities

Richmond, British Columbia, April 11, 2022—Investments in local infrastructure projects help build inclusive, resilient communities. They create good jobs and business opportunities, address some of the gaps highlighted by the pandemic, and support local climate-related initiatives.

Today, the Honourable Joyce Murray, Minister of Fisheries, Oceans and the Canadian Coast Guard, on behalf of the Honourable Dominic LeBlanc, Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, Infrastructure and Communities, and the Honourable Nathan Cullen, British Columbia's Minister of Municipal Affairs, announced more than \$110.3 million in joint federal-provincial funding for 57 community, recreation, and green infrastructure projects across British Columbia.

Among communities benefitting from the investments announced today, the City of Richmond will see the former Minoru Place Activity Centre repurposed into an inclusive community arts facility. The new facility will increase arts programming for residents of all ages with the construction of two dance studios, a pottery studio, a media arts studio, and multipurpose program rooms.

Funding will also support 13 Indigenous-led projects in British Columbia. Notably, the Doig River First Nations will construct a new cultural education building to accommodate in-person and virtual learning. The First Nations of the McLeod Lake Indian Band will build a community centre featuring a lobby with cultural displays, a gym, fitness room, multipurpose rooms, and outdoor gathering spaces.

Other communities in the province will benefit from new or upgraded community halls, arts centres, arenas, pools, play structures, parks, community gardens, as well as improved water treatment systems. A few projects will also construct or enhance active transportation options, including the pedestrian and cycling overpass that will connect the Galloping Goose regional trail to the Island Highway in Colwood.

The Government of Canada is investing more than \$56.8 million in these 57 projects through the Community, Culture and Recreation Infrastructure, Rural and Northern Infrastructure, and Green Infrastructure streams of the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program. The Government of British Columbia is contributing \$53.4 million, and contributions from project recipients total \$27.1 million.

Quotes

“Accessible spaces that enable community members to gather, learn and express their creativity help reduce social isolation and promote inclusivity. Our government is happy that British Columbia is partnering with us to invest in social and green infrastructure projects that will make a meaningful difference in the lives of thousands of British Columbians.”

The Honourable Joyce Murray, Minister of Fisheries, Oceans and the Canadian Coast Guard and MP for Vancouver Quadra, on behalf of the Honourable Dominic LeBlanc, Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, Infrastructure and Communities

“By investing in accessible community infrastructure, we’re ensuring British Columbians in every corner of the province benefit from vibrant, well-connected communities. Projects like the Minoru Place Arts Centre in Richmond and District of Kent Aquatic Centre will improve people’s health and well-being through improved access to culture and recreation, helping us build even stronger communities.”

Nathan Cullen, MLA for Stikine and Minister of Municipal Affairs

“Richmond has a proud and vibrant arts community. This grant from the Canada Infrastructure Program helps the City to continue to build capacity and create a lasting legacy. When complete, the Richmond Cultural Centre Annex will house more than 16,000 square feet of purpose-built shared arts program space to serve community needs and accommodate community arts groups.”

Malcolm Brodie, Mayor of Richmond

Quick facts

- Federal funding is conditional on meeting all requirements related to consultation with Indigenous groups.
- Through the Investing in Canada Plan, the federal government is investing more than \$180 billion over 12 years in public transit projects, green infrastructure, social infrastructure, trade and transportation routes, and Canada’s rural and northern communities.
- Over the last six years, \$4,974,011,395 in federal funding has been approved for 801 infrastructure projects in British Columbia, including the 57 featured today.
- Infrastructure Canada helps address complex challenges that Canadians face every day—ranging from the rapid growth of our cities, to climate change, and environmental threats to our water and land.

Related products

Background: Canada and British Columbia invest in 57 infrastructure projects across the province to create inclusive, resilient communities

Associated links

Federal infrastructure investments in British Columbia
<https://www.infrastructure.gc.ca/plan/prog-proj-bc-eng.html>

Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program in British Columbia
www.gov.bc.ca/Investing-in-Canada-Infrastructure-Program

Community, Culture and Recreational Infrastructure, Rural and Northern Infrastructure, and Green Infrastructure streams —three ICIP Components of IICP
<https://www.infrastructure.gc.ca/plan/icp-pic-INFC-eng.html>

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Backgrounder

Canada and British Columbia invest in 57 infrastructure projects across the province to create inclusive, resilient communities

Joint federal, provincial, and municipal funding through the Investing in Canada plan will support 57 projects across British Columbia. Projects include new and upgraded community, cultural, and recreational spaces, active transportation infrastructure, and wastewater and stormwater infrastructure.

The Government of Canada is investing over \$56.8 million towards these projects through the Community Culture, and Recreation Infrastructure Stream, the Green Infrastructure Stream, and the Rural and Northern Infrastructure Stream of the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program. The Government of British Columbia is contributing over \$53.4 million. Recipients are contributing over \$27.1 million to these projects.

Project Information:

Community, Culture, and Recreation Infrastructure Stream

Location	Project Name	Project Details	Federal Funding	Provincial Funding	First Nation/ Municipal/ Other Funding
Anmore	Anmore Community Hub	Construct a new community centre including a large, divisible, multi-purpose space, several smaller multi-purpose rooms, and other amenities	\$1,022,774	\$1,477,227	\$909,246
Castlegar	Millennium Park Phase 3	Install a castle play structure and create an accessible gravel walking trail around Millennium Park	\$654,400	\$545,279	\$436,321
Central Saanich	Centennial Park Multi Use Sport Box Project	Replace an old lacrosse box with a multi-use, covered, all-weather sport box facility including new boards, benches, lighting, and other amenities	\$823,500	\$1,189,409	\$732,091
Columbia Shuswap, Regional District	Eagle Bay Community Park	Construct a park in Eagle Bay with a playground, outdoor fitness equipment, multipurpose sport courts, picnic shelter, and other related work	\$191,947	\$159,940	\$127,982
Cowichan Valley, Regional District	Cowichan Performing Arts Centre Expansion	Upgrade the Performing Arts Centre, including a convertible orchestra pit for extra seating, a new concession and lounge area, expanded public washrooms, and other accessibility features	\$362,000	\$301,637	\$241,363
Elkford	Elkford Community Hub	Rehabilitate the old municipal office into a multi-use community space, including	\$224,000	\$186,648	\$149,352

		rentable office space, flex-space, and programming spaces			
Golden	Mount 7 Rec Plex Gym Floor Renewal	Replace the gymnasium's hardwood floor and install a new spring system and new sport lines	\$103,360	\$86,125	\$68,915
Kent	District of Kent Aquatic Centre	Replace the seasonal outdoor pool in Agassiz with a new year-round indoor aquatic facility with a 6-lane pool, leisure, and whirl pools, sauna, and other amenities	\$454,112	\$9,545,888	\$3,636,983
Kimberley	Kimberley Nordic Club Kiosk Upgrade	Build a permanent welcome centre at the Kimberley Nordic Club, complete with support services and equipment rentals	\$94,634	\$59,146	\$82,805
Kitselas First Nation	Kitselas Community Recreation Centre*	Construct a two-storey community recreation centre near Terrace, including a theatre, multi-purpose rooms, fitness room, gym, and commercial kitchen	\$3,900,000	\$0	\$1,300,000
Logan Lake	Logan Lake Recreation Centre Ice Plant Replacement	Replace the ice plant in the Logan Lake Arena with a more efficient model and perform related electrical work	\$279,751	\$730,830	\$376,547
McLeod Lake Indian Band First Nation	McLeod Lake Indian Band Community Centre	Construct a new community centre including a gym, fitness room, multi-purpose rooms, lobby with cultural display, outdoor gathering spaces, and other amenities	\$3,063,525	\$0	\$1,021,175
Nadleh Whut'en First Nation	Nadleh Whut'en Community Skating Rink*	Build an all-season outdoor recreational facility that will be used as a floor hockey arena, basketball court, and mini-soccer fields in the summer and an ice rink in the winter	\$3,548,447	\$0	\$1,182,816
Nak'azdli Whut'en First Nation	Multigenerational Multi-Use Park: Skatepark and Multi-Use Ball Park*	Construct an "all wheels access" skatepark with assistive technology for wheelchair motocross riders, individuals with low or impaired vision, and aid-assisted riders	\$562,500	\$0	\$187,500
Nanaimo, City of	Artificial Turf Field at Harewood Centennial Park	Install two synthetic turf fields, field lights, and covered areas for spectators and players at Harewood Centennial Park	\$750,737	\$2,528,091	\$1,192,504
Port Moody	Inlet Park Sports Field Redevelopment	Replace the existing field with a new all-weather artificial turf surface, install related field equipment, two playgrounds, a walking path, and associated environmental enhancements	\$206,415	\$4,339,052	\$1,653,178

qathet, regional discript	Lund Community Centre Expansion/Upgrade	Construct an approximately 6,900 square foot addition to the Lund Community Centre including a half court gym and a stage with seating and upgrade the kitchen	\$849,625	\$3,349,457	\$1,527,200
Quesnel	West Fraser Timber Park Trails*	Perform upgrades to approximately 2.6 km of trail in the West Fraser Timber Park trail network, including realignments and installation of point of interest markers and signage	\$109,135	\$90,937	\$72,766
Richmond	Minoru Place Activity Centre Conversion to Arts Centre	Convert an existing building into a community arts facility with art and dance studios and other multi-purpose program rooms	\$133,000	\$2,110,898	\$816,102
Saanich	Rutledge Park Playground, Splash Pad & Washroom	Upgrade Rutledge Park and playground and build a new splash pad, washrooms, and change facilities	\$370,650	\$535,342	\$329,508
Stewart	Stewart Community Hall	Build an approximately 9,500 square foot, one level, accessible community hall, including flex space, a commercial kitchen, and public washrooms	\$199,452	\$1,263,127	\$531,937
Lower Stl'atl'imx	Lower Stl'atl'imx Outdoor Recreation Improvement	Install three new outdoor multi- sport courts in three Stl'atl'imx Nation communities including court fencing and associated equipment like netting	\$111,160	\$0	\$37,053
Stz'uminus First Nation	Long House Renovation and Expansion*	Upgrade the Long House and replace the kitchen and dining hall with a new Cultural Hall, separate from the building	\$3,075,000	\$0	\$1,025,000
Summerland	Giant's Head Mountain Trails Project Phases 3 & 4*	Complete trail redevelopment in Giant's Head Mountain, including construction of trails, public washroom, crib steps on steep trail sections for environmental protection, new signage, split-rail fencing, park road improvements, and fire hazard remediation work	\$673,113	\$560,871	\$448,798
Sunshine Valley	Celebration Park	Build an outdoor recreational space including a learning playground, splash pad that will double as an ice rink in the winter, gazebo, landscaping, and other amenities	\$125,712	\$78,570	\$109,999
Vancouver	Downtown Eastside Neighbourhood House Society- Interior Renovation	Renovate and expand the Downtown Eastside Neighbourhood House to include an industrial kitchen	\$259,921	\$162,451	\$227,431

		and rooms for programming and storage			
Vancouver	B.C. Artscape Society - 825 Pacific: Affordable Space for Cultural Production	Complete interior construction of a building 221A Artist Run Centre including studio space for cultural organizations and artistic practices	\$569,200	\$355,750	\$498,050
Vernon	Lakeview Wading Pool Revitalization	Construct a new splash pad, wading pool with zero-depth entry, and amenity building to replace the "Peanut Pool"	\$772,225	\$1,115,351	\$686,508
Victoria	Topaz Park Artificial Turf Field	Realign and replace the existing turf field at Topaz Park, add an artificial turf practice field, install bleachers, covered shelters for players, pedestrian routes, and other amenities	\$941,460	\$1,458,541	\$872,877
Whistler	Geosite Infrastructure & Interpretation	Improve the Whistler Global Geological site (Geosite) park through new viewing platforms and interpretive signage for four sites of global geological significance, new trails, and increased parking spaces	\$614,000	\$511,615	\$409,385
Xeni Gwet'in First Nation	Xeni Gwet'in Community Centre*	Construct a community care centre in the Nemaiah Valley, including a gathering space, meeting rooms, kitchen, solar farm, and other amenities	\$4,166,250	\$833,250	\$555,500
Yunesit'in Government First Nation	Arena Roof and Changeroom*	Add a roof structure over the outdoor rink and build changerooms, washrooms, and bleachers in the rink area	\$300,000	\$0	\$100,000

*For projects marked by an asterisk, federal funding is conditional on fulfilling all requirements related to consultation with Indigenous groups and environmental assessment.

Green Infrastructure Stream

Location	Project Name	Project Details	Federal Funding	Provincial Funding	First Nation/ Municipal/ Other Funding
Colwood	Galloping Goose Overpass	Connect the Galloping Goose Trail through the construction of a pedestrian and cycling overpass crossing the Island Highway	\$1,997,200	\$1,664,167	\$1,331,633
Langley, Township of	Yorkson Lowlands Stormwater Management and Ecological Restoration*	Construct a series of stormwater management wetlands, remove existing stormwater infrastructure, install an access trail and signage, and revegetate the area with native plant species	\$692,744	\$577,228	\$461,888

Port Alberni	Connect the Quays Multi-Modal Pathway*	Construct a 3.5km multi-modal asphalt pathway connecting the Victoria Quay to Harbour Quay	\$962,220	\$1,539,433	\$909,847
Vancouver (Metro)	Widgeon Marsh Regional Park*	Establish a 10 km trail network, improve existing trails, decommission the Stewart Creek Road, and perform hydrotechnical and geotechnical risk abatement	\$1,405,200	\$1,170,883	\$936,917

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Rural and Northern Communities Infrastructure Stream

Location	Project Name	Project Details	Federal Funding	Provincial Funding	First Nation/ Municipal/ Other Funding
100 Mile House	Horse Lake Road Bridge Replacement	Replace the timber Horse Lake Bridge with a two-lane steel and concrete bridge with a single sidewalk and bike path	\$1,048,800	\$699,200	\$0
Alert Bay	Town Square Revitalization	Rehabilitate the town square, construct a redesigned hard surface plaza space, and a pedestrian corridor, and complete work on a sea wall	\$787,304	\$524,869	\$0
Columbia Shuswap Regional District	Loftus Lake Fen Universal Trail*	Construct 1.34km of universal accessible trail in a park adjacent to Loftus Lake Fen	\$31,500	\$108,000	\$15,500
Doig River First Nation	Tsaa? che ne Dane Cultural Education Centre	Construct an accessible cultural education building that can accommodate in-person and distance learning	\$1,753,125	\$0	\$584,375
Enderby	Outdoor Pool	Replace an existing pool with a new facility, including a 5-lane lap pool, leisure pool with zero-entry access, lazy river, hot tub and other amenities	\$2,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$0
Fernie	Skatepark Redevelopment	Replace the skate park with a modern all-wheel park with accessible viewing areas, a water station, pathway connections, and a parking lot	\$712,540	\$570,032	\$142,508
Fort St. James	Fort Forum Arena Revitalization	Retrofit the Fort Forum Arena including accessibility and operational enhancements	\$1,199,760	\$1,799,640	\$0
Hazelton	River Road Active Transportation Upgrades and Road Works	Reconstruct approximately 500m of River Road, construct a bike lane and new sidewalk, and rehabilitate stormwater infrastructure	\$784,724	\$1,177,087	\$0

Houston	Dze L K'ant Friendship Centre Society: New Facility Project	Replace the Friendship Centre with a new accessible facility, including a community kitchen, playground, and storage	\$3,430,389	\$1,143,463	\$0
Kimberley	Centre 64 Arts Centre Roof and Truss Upgrades	Replace the roof structure of Centre 64 to protect theatre seating, artwork in the community and cultural space, and the building itself	\$205,550	\$164,440	\$41,110
Kootenay Boundary Regional District	Christina Lake Water System Upgrades	Perform various treatment upgrades to the Christina Lake Water System such as the construction and installation of new pipes, disinfecting systems, and connections to the existing structures	\$1,068,330	\$712,220	\$0
Nanaimo	Whiskey Creek Water Supply Upgrade	Construct a transmission main, install new distribution pumps, and a back-up generator, and perform related civil, mechanical and electrical works to Whiskey Creek's water supply	\$372,400	\$558,600	\$0
Pemberton	Regional Multi-Modal Transportation Hub	Develop a multi-modal transportation hub including charging receptacles, parking lot, covered bike storage, appropriate signage, and other amenities	\$742,688	\$1,114,033	\$0
Salt Spring Island	Grow Together	Expand two community gardens with new raised beds, an orchard, and a traditional perennial food garden, and install irrigation and filtration systems	\$31,000	\$15,500	\$15,500
Shawinigan Lake	Shawinigan Lake Historical Society - The Expansion of the Shawinigan Lake Museum	Expand the Shawinigan Lake Museum including gallery space, archival and research space, kitchen, and multi-purpose rooms	\$718,602	\$359,301	\$359,301
Skuppah Indian Band	Skuppah Indian Band Food Security Centre*	Construct a Food Security Centre with kitchen, food storage, indoor and outdoor preparation areas, and space to accommodate traditional food preparation training and practice	\$2,086,387	\$0	\$695,463
Sunshine Coast	Sunshine Coast - Woodcreek Park Wastewater Treatment Plant System Upgrade	Repair, reconfigure, and replace piping, tanks, and other systems and equipment pertinent to the Woodcreek Park Wastewater Treatment Plant	\$461,400	\$307,600	\$0
Tahsis	Community Pier and Dock*	Construct a new multi-purpose community pier and dock that can accommodate both marine and air crafts	\$1,176,419	\$1,299,128	\$0

Terrace	Eby Street Staircase Construction	Construct an all-season staircase with a bike rail to connect upper and lower Terrace	\$360,725	\$288,580	\$72,146
T'xelcenc First Nation	Williams Lake First Nation Community Playground*	Rehabilitate the playground, replace gravel with a rubberized surface, and install ramps	\$191,477	\$0	\$63,826
Tla'amin Nation	łłms łaył (Our House) – Cultural Facility*	Build a cultural centre including a community kitchen and indoor and outdoor traditional cooking areas, museum space, smokehouse, playground, food and medicine gardens, pathways, bike trails, and a parking lot	\$3,159,508	\$1,053,169	\$0

*For projects marked by an asterisk, federal funding is conditional on fulfilling all requirements related to consultation with Indigenous groups and environmental assessment.

His/Her Worship Mayor,

I'm writing to you on behalf of Nature Canada's ocean protection team with an opportunity to help create positive change for your community, and the natural world we all rely on.

Canada has the longest coastline in the world. With it comes the duty to be leaders in protecting and restoring the ocean. As part of the Global Deal for Nature in the Paris Accords, our government **has promised to protect 30 percent of oceans by 2030** through establishing Marine Protected Areas. In 2015 only one percent of Canadian oceans were protected. But as of 2020, due advocacy by Canadians like you, nearly 14 percent of the world's oceans are now safeguarded for generations to come.

Municipalities can be powerful change agents in the goal to protect 30 percent of the world's oceans by 2030. We have seen this leadership in action in combating climate change, when cities and towns across the world stepped up to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions and pressured federal governments to do the same. Whether on the coast or far inland, municipalities rely on ocean ecosystems for seafood production, climate regulation, and the preservation of unique and beautiful animals and ecosystems.

Municipalities are on the front lines of climate change and feel effects firsthand, from extreme heat to extreme precipitation.

Reaching our ocean protection goal will help us win the fight against global warming. Municipalities are on the front lines of climate change and feel effects firsthand, from extreme heat to extreme precipitation. The oceans play a pivotal role counteracting climate change as the largest carbon sink, providing more than half our oxygen while storing fifty times more carbon than the atmosphere. Oceans also regulate weather, helping to balance the uneven distribution of solar radiation.

Here's why we need you: Your voice as a municipality can influence national governments and have a direct effect on the quality of life for your residents. It's as easy as having the council pass the attached resolution. By taking this simple step, you will be helping our policy team show government officials that Canadians support National Marine Protected Areas and encourage them to implement effective policies.

It would mean a great deal to us if you could sign on to help secure a future for our generation and the generations to come.

In solidarity with you and with our natural world,

Paul Gregory
Senior Oceans Campaigner

Nature Canada is one of the oldest national nature conservation charities in Canada. For 80 years, we've helped protect over 110 million acres of parks and wildlife areas in Canada and countless species. Today, Nature Canada represents a network of over 130,000 members and supporters, guided by more than 1,200 nature organizations.

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF MUNICIPALITY X RECOGNIZING AND CELEBRATING
WORLD OCEANS DAY 2022 AND THE ADVANCEMENT OF OCEAN CONSERVATION IN
CANADA**

WHEREAS, Wednesday, June 8, 2022, is the 30th annual World Ocean's Day. World Oceans Day is the United Nations day for celebrating the role of the ocean in everyday life and inspiring action to protect it.

WHEREAS, Countries around the world, including Canada as a prominent leader, have committed to protecting 30% of their ocean territory by 2030 in order to reverse nature loss in the ocean and safeguard at-risk marine life.

WHEREAS, The ocean is home to hundreds of species at risk, vulnerable ecosystems, and is a crucial carbon sink shielding us from the worst of climate change.

WHEREAS, The ocean produces over half of the world's oxygen and absorbs 50 times more carbon dioxide than our atmosphere. Therefore protecting the ocean is in the interest of all life on Earth, and communities both coastal and inland, as it is essential to our shared future.

WHEREAS, It is the jurisdiction of the Government of Canada, under various pieces of legislation and regulation, to establish marine protected areas in consultation with Indigenous Peoples. Many Indigenous nations and communities are leading in the conservation of the ocean, and have been stewards of the ocean since time immemorial.

WHEREAS, It is important for municipal leaders to demonstrate support for actions to safeguard the ocean, as they have for action on climate change and other environmental matters of national importance.

WHEREAS, In celebrating the ocean, and protecting its habitats and ecosystems, we can together raise the profile of ocean conservation's critical role in improving planetary health and slowing the crisis of species collapse and ecosystem decline.

Therefore be it resolved that the MUNICIPALITY OF X recognizes the 30th anniversary of World Oceans Day on June 8th, 2022 and supports national and international efforts to protect 30% of the ocean by 2030.



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April 7, 2022

File # 0400-20

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Ministry of Education and Child Care
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Dear Minister Whiteside:

Re: Extended Hour Child Care for Shift Workers

At the March 28, 2022 Regular Council Meeting, the City of Fort St. John Council passed the following resolution:

"WHEREAS, provisions in the Community Care and Assisted Living Act - Child Care Licensing Regulation state that a licensee must not provide care for more than 13 hours each day to each child;

AND WHEREAS, there is a need for extended shift workers to access child care beyond the current 13 hours per day per child;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that NCLGA and UBCM lobby the Provincial Government to amend the Child Care Licensing Regulation to accommodate extended hour child care to support shift workers and their families.

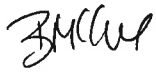
AND THAT, the resolution also be sent to the Ministry of Education, MLA Dan Davies, and copied to all UBCM member municipalities."

Northern Health, YMCA of Northern BC and School District 60 have partnered to pilot an extended care and learning centre in our community. The 13-hour day of care per child limitation places an additional stress on the licensee to meet that metric when the target population for the pilot program consists of the extended work day healthcare shift worker.

With the limited extended hour child care options for families of shift workers we ask for an amendment to the Child Care Licensing Regulation to accommodate a variety of work schedules.

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Sincerely,



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April 7, 2022

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Re: Luxury Tax on Recreational Boats

The District of Sicamous is considered the *Houseboat Capital of Canada*, and as such, we strongly object to the implementation of a luxury tax on the sale of recreational boats over \$250,000.

The houseboating industry in Sicamous is comprised of small business owners who provide short-term rentals of houseboats to residents and tourists to explore the Shuswap; tens of thousands visit Sicamous every year bringing their tourist dollars into our community, supporting our small business owners such as our local restaurants and shops.

Our local houseboat companies form part of the fabric of our community, offering local employment opportunities for residents in both tourism and manufacturing trades; these companies are responsible corporations which annually provide financial and in-kind donations to support our community, benefiting local not-for-profit organizations and our elementary and high school students.

The District opposes the proposed introduction of a tax on the sale of boats over \$250K as it would hinder investment in the houseboat industry which supports local employment and creates substantial economic spinoffs within the community. The average houseboat costs \$750,000 – a luxury tax of 10 percent would add \$75,000 in expense directly to our houseboat operators. Beyond houseboats, other boat rental providers will be limited in their offerings as a result of increased taxation. Operators are required to update their rental fleet and the proposed luxury tax will have significant financial implications for our boating industry.

Following the 2008 Financial Crisis, the houseboat manufacturing industry took a devastating hit and is just now starting to witness interest for custom and fleet manufacturing. It is Council's opinion that the federal government has a responsibility to support the industry which has already been negatively impacted, not cause further disruption and damage.

We respectfully request the federal government to reconsider the intent of this luxury tax and the impact it has on small business. Further, we ask for the federal government's continued support of the boating industry and tourism economy that keeps our community the vibrant and attractive destination that it is.

Regards,

DISTRICT OF SICAMOUS

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Terry Rysz, Mayor

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April 7, 2022

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DELIVERED ELECTRONICALLY

Re: Invasive Mussel Defense Program

The District of Sicamous implores the Ministry to not only continue, but to increase the funding for the Invasive Mussel Defense Program and prioritize enforcement of watercraft inspections at the BC Provincial border.

The Okanagan Basin Water Board (OBWB) communicated a list of calls to action to stop zebra and quagga mussels from infesting B.C. waterways (enclosed). We strongly support these actions and the continued funding for this vital program.

The OBWB's six recommendations include:

1. *Maintain IMDP core program funding at 2021 levels of minimum \$3.5 million per year, adjusted for inflation going forward.*
2. *Introduce "pull-the-plug" legislation, requiring all watercraft to remove drain plugs prior to travelling on B.C. roads.*
3. *Review and update B.C.'s 2014 Early Detection, Rapid Response (EDRR) Plan for invasive mussels, and provide a window for public consultation prior to final publishing.*
4. *Provide toolkits and resources for local governments to conduct vulnerability assessments and put in place mitigation measures like retrofitting in-water infrastructure.*
5. *Introduce legislation to require all out-of-province watercraft to be inspected prior to being launched in B.C. waters.*
6. *Provide additional funding to invasive species groups in high-risk regions for monitoring, outreach and education.*

Increased funding and enforcement is necessary to avoid the dire consequences should invasive mussels enter our waterways. An infestation will affect our drinking water, our eco system, local businesses, and the tourism business that Sicamous depends on.

Local municipalities have taken up the call to educate residents and visitors to "Clean, Drain and Dry" watercraft when leaving our lakes and rivers but we rely on the Province to enforce the protection of our waters from invasive species with the use of border inspection sites.

We call upon on the Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy to reconsider the long-term consequences of reducing funding for watercraft inspections. We must make the effort to prevent invasion of our water resources.

Regards,

DISTRICT OF SICAMOUS

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Enclosure.



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March 9, 2022

NEWS RELEASE

WATER BOARD CALLS FOR STRONGER MUSSEL PROTECTION AS COVID TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS EASE

Kelowna, B.C. – As boating season quickly approaches and COVID-19 travel restrictions ease, the Okanagan Basin Water Board is calling on the province to bolster its Invasive Mussel Defence Program (IMDP) in preparation for what is expected to be a busy tourist season. Today, the local government agency sent a letter to B.C.'s Minister of Environment and Climate Change, George Heyman, with a list of six calls to action.

"Since 2015, the IMDP has prevented 137 infested watercraft from entering provincial waters by conducting more than 220,000 inspections. Many of the infested watercraft were headed to high-risk Okanagan waters. Still, gaps remain in prevention," the letter reads.

For one, there are still motorists with watercraft who are failing to stop at mandatory, open inspection stations. Given that inspectors snagged 17 zebra and/or quagga mussel-fouled watercraft this summer during times when the stations were open, it raises the question as to how many more come in outside of inspection hours.

Also, a review of last summer's provincial mussel inspection numbers indicates that, for the second year in a row, the Okanagan is the top destination for these watercraft. This year, eight of the 17 infested watercraft were headed to our valley.

"If we are B.C.'s #1 destination for incoming mussel-infested watercraft, and we are encouraging tourism, we need to be better prepared," explains Sue McKortoff, Chair of the Water Board (OBWB) and Mayor of the border-town of Osoyoos.

Watercraft purchases have increased in the last couple of years, on both sides of the border, as people were staying closer to home. Now with the border opening up, it's expected more people will be coming with their water toys, increasing the chances of invasive mussels being introduced to B.C. waters.

The OBWB's six recommendations include:

1. Maintain IMDP core program funding at 2021 levels of minimum \$3.5 million per year, adjusted for inflation going forward.
2. Introduce "pull-the-plug" legislation, requiring all watercraft to remove drain plugs prior to travelling on B.C. roads.
3. Review and update B.C.'s 2014 Early Detection, Rapid Response (EDRR) Plan for invasive mussels, and provide a window for public consultation prior to final publishing.
4. Provide toolkits and resources for local governments to conduct vulnerability assessments and put in place mitigation measures like retrofitting in-water infrastructure.
5. Introduce legislation to require all out-of-province watercraft to be inspected prior to being launched in B.C. waters.
6. Provide additional funding to invasive species groups in high-risk regions for monitoring, outreach and education.

"A 2013 OBWB study found the cost of an infestation to our region would be at least \$42 mill. annually to manage," the OBWB letter states. "As such, we remain committed to protecting B.C. waters and supporting provincial efforts. This commitment has included delivery of our 'Don't Move A Mussel' campaign, promoting

the clean, drain, dry message, and valued at more than \$996,000 to date, and another \$266,000 in funding over that time provided to the Okanagan and Similkameen Invasive Species Society to conduct direct boater outreach and more.”

“If invasive mussels arrived here, it’s not just people who drive boats who will be affected. It will affect everyone,” cautioned McKortoff. The mussels will become a recurring maintenance expense for in-lake infrastructure such as water lines, docks, and bridges. They will affect water quality and harm aquatic ecosystems. Plus, when the mussels were introduced to Lake Winnipeg, it took only two years for the molluscs to reproduce in such numbers that beaches became foul-smelling and un-walkable, she added. “Can you imagine not taking your kids or grandkids to the beach in summer?”

Please find attached, the OBWB’s letter to the province with recommendations.

For more information on zebra and quagga mussels, the risks to the Okanagan, and how to prevent their spread, please visit www.DontMoveAMussel.ca.

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March 9, 2022

Re: Calls to Action for Invasive Mussel Prevention

Dear Minister Heyman,

Thank you for your correspondence of April 7th, 2021, responding to our continued calls for action to prevent the spread of invasive zebra and quagga mussels into B.C. As the boating season quickly approaches, I am writing again on behalf of the Okanagan Basin Water Board (OBWB) to call for continued support and proper resourcing of the province's Invasive Mussel Defence Program (IMDP), recognizing the significant cost if invasive mussels became established here.

The OBWB acknowledges the significant improvements in the province's IMDP and its work with counterparts in neighbouring jurisdictions over the past seven years. Since 2015, the IMDP has prevented 137 infested watercraft from entering provincial waters by conducting more than 220,000 inspections. Many of the infested watercraft were headed to high-risk Okanagan waters. Still, gaps remain in prevention, and other significant issues remain for limiting the spread and damage should an infestation occur in any part of the province. We urge you to consider the following priority actions to enhance the protection of B.C. waters.

1. Maintain IMDP core program funding at 2021 levels of minimum \$3.5 million per year, adjusted for inflation going forward.

The IMDP has become the first line of defense to protect provincial waters, but the program's budget allocation has changed annually, and has been dependent on a number of non-government funders, including Fortis BC which has not renewed its original funding agreement. This program is important to the environment and economy of the province and should have stable, predictable annual funding.

2. Introduce "pull-the-plug" legislation, requiring all watercraft to remove drain plugs prior to travelling on B.C. roads.

We understand that the province is pursuing this legislation as part of updates to the Wildlife Act. We strongly support this action and urge you to prioritize it as another boating season is quickly approaching.

3. Review and update B.C.'s Early Detection, Rapid Response (EDRR) Plan for invasive mussels, and provide a window for public consultation prior to final publishing.

The EDRR is an important document that provides direction on how to rapidly detect and respond to a new infestation of invasive mussels. We believe it is important to consult with the public, and especially local and regional invasive species groups to understand where there may be gaps in the plan, or where more detail may be needed, beyond what is provided by the provincial inter-ministry working group. Complex watersheds, like the Columbia, the Okanagan and the Fraser would also be better protected with further planning for

containment and long-term management strategies, beyond what little is considered in the current version of the EDRR. Local consultation could provide support for developing those plans.

4. Provide toolkits and resources for local governments to conduct vulnerability assessments and put in place mitigation measures like retrofitting in-water infrastructure.

In your reply to our previous call for this action, you stated that “this has not been something that local governments have been asking for, individually or through UBCM,” and that it “will be considered for the future, but not considered as an immediate priority.” The OBWB is a local government agency, a partnership of three regional districts, and provides services to 12 municipalities and works with Okanagan First Nations. Part of our mandate is “to present proposals and recommendations to appropriate agencies, being municipalities or governments, according to jurisdiction and responsibility.” We will work with local governments to support this call to action and work to have it brought forward to UBCM.

We have extensive experience providing technical and scientific support to local governments, including in the form of toolkits and guides, and are a service partner with CivicInfoBC, providing the Planning Guides resource database. The OBWB could provide project management and coordination in partnership with provincial staff to develop a local government guide to vulnerability assessments and mitigation measures for invasive mussels. We would welcome an opportunity to discuss this further.

5. Introduce legislation to require all out-of-province watercraft to be inspected prior to being launched in B.C. waters.

OBWB first made this call to action in May 2016 and has called for it again every year since. While we recognize that boat registration and safety are regulated at the federal level, the province does have the authority to regulate activities on provincial waters, similar to motor vessel restrictions on certain lakes as outlined in the fishing regulations. Alternatively, the province could call on the federal government to regulate watercraft in B.C., under their authority in the Fisheries Act, Aquatic Invasive Species Regulations 43 (1), or through the Canada Shipping Act, providing extra tools to protect B.C. waters beyond the current scope of the Invasive Mussel Defence Program.

Analysis of provincial inspection numbers suggests a 30% chance in any given year that a non-compliant, motorized watercraft will be carrying invasive mussels. This only accounts for watercraft that were recorded failing to stop at open inspection stations and does not include any craft that may have entered outside of inspection station hours. In 2021 this accounted for more than 580 motorized watercraft, and more than 3,500 non-motorized watercraft. This is an important gap we feel has not been given due consideration over the past six years.

6. Provide additional funding to invasive species groups in high-risk regions for monitoring, outreach and education.

Current funding for ongoing water monitoring, administered through the Habitat Conservation Trust Fund, is set to expire after the 2022 season. Part of this funding was provided by the federal government over a three-year term. We would strongly support any provincial request for federal funding to continue this program, as well as federal or provincial funding to regional invasive species groups to continue or expand their outreach and education campaigns. These non-profit groups provide a significant service to their regions, but often struggle with operational costs, and the time required to apply for funding. Ongoing, direct funding would enhance their ability to monitor, engage and educate, bolstering provincial efforts.

A 2013 OBWB study found the cost of an infestation to our region would be at least \$42 mill. annually to manage. As such, we remain committed to protecting B.C. waters and supporting provincial efforts. This

commitment has included delivery of our “[Don't Move A Mussel](#)” campaign, promoting the clean, drain, dry message, and valued at more than \$996,000 to date, and another \$266,000 in funding provided to the Okanagan and Similkameen Invasive Species Society to conduct direct boater outreach and more.

We look forward to hearing from you, and supporting the enhanced efforts noted above to keep B.C. waters free from invasive mussels.

Sincerely,

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Sue McKortoff, Chair
Okanagan Basin Water Board

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