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<b><u>Meeting</u></b>	<b>Regular Council</b>
<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b>April 19, 2022</b>
<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b>7:00 PM</b>
<b><u>Place</u></b>	<b>Municipal Hall - Council Chambers and by electronic means</b>

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**Present** Mayor Martin Davis  
Councillor Bill Elder  
Councillor Sarah Fowler  
Councillor Cheryl Northcott by video  
Councillor Lynda Llewellyn by video

**Staff** Mark Tatchell, Chief Administrative Officer  
Ian Poole, Director of Finance by video  
Amanda Knibbs, Finance and IT Coordinator by video

**Public** 4 Members of the public. (3) 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**

No late items.

**C. Approval of the Agenda**

**Elder/Fowler: VOT 0173/2022**

**THAT** the Agenda for the April 19, 2022 Regular meeting of Council be adopted as presented. **CARRIED**

**D. Petitions and Delegations**

None

**E. Public Input # 1**

A member of the public commented on the 2021 Financial Statement/ audit presentation.

**F. Adoption of the Minutes**

**1 Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on March 29, 2022.**

**Elder/Fowler: VOT 0174/2022**

THAT the Special Council Meeting minutes of March 29, 2022 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

**2 Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on April 5, 2022.**

**Elder/Fowler: VOT 0175/2022**

THAT the Committee of the Whole Meeting minutes of April 5, 2022 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

**3 Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on April 5, 2022.**

**Elder/Fowler: VOT 0176/2022**

THAT the Regular Council Meeting minutes of April 5, 2022 be adopted as presented

CARRIED

**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**

**Elder/Fowler: VOT 0177/2022**

THAT this motion and report be received.

CARRIED

**Elder/Fowler: VOT 0178/2022**

**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

FAILED

Council to schedule a Committee of the Whole meeting to discuss tenure options for the new dock and pier.

## **J. Council Reports**

### **Mayor Davis (written report)**

So today begins our readings of the 2022 Budget Bylaw. There is no deficit this year, with a small surplus. Our water rates will increase this year to bring into line taxation with our actual costs. It is worth noting that our revenues break down thus: property taxes pay 40%; fees pay 31%; grants, 28%; investment income, 1.6%.

The Village of Tahsis multi-use community pier and dock project proposal has been approved by the federal government under the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program. The grant totals \$2,475,547 and is 100% funded. We still have to go through environmental approvals, First Nations consent, provincial approval and final planning decisions as Council, with input from the public, before proceeding. Planning includes:

A main fixed pier which will include vehicle and pedestrian access;

Two floating docks will be attached on the south side;

The old seaplane ramp to be replaced with a boat ramp at the proper grade, with access float;

Improvements to access, parking, and boat trailer storage;

Hiab crane to be relocated to the new dock;

Float plane docking to be transferred to the new dock;

Support services including fire suppression, potable water, and electrical supply;

The old airplane dock is failing and will be removed to make way for it.

The new dock will be on the south side of the boat launch, next to Sally's Place.

Council to develop a wharf plan that can include a wharfinger. They will be responsible for collecting fees for docking, etc. which will go toward maintenance of the site. Council will have an opportunity to review and approve the design options and project budget once this work is completed next month.

Ownership of the old condemned wharf has been transferred to the Coast Guard, who will be responsible for demolishing it as well as environmental mitigation of the site. They will replace it with a closed dock for their use.

There is a 25% (\$460,000) contingency included in the approved grant funding. Moreover, the grant application included demolition costs for the former municipal wharf, which will no longer be required, as the Coast Guard is responsible for that work. Ministry staff have advised that the municipal wharf demolition costs can be reallocated toward other project costs.

Also of note is that we have received a \$10,000 planning grant for redevelopment of the old wood shop at the school as our new fire hall.

Another grant receiving conditional approval is \$4,385 toward opening the visitor centre this summer. We need double that and will have to make up the difference, pending council approval.

### **Councillor Elder**

No report.

### **Councillor Fowler (written report)**

List of meeting

CC - Elected's Call  
Feminist campaign  
Tahsis Community Food Table  
How to read and understand data in the public service  
(re-scheduled) VIW Children's HUB Steering Committee meeting  
CIBC Sustainability Circular Economy Roundtable  
The Magnitude of All Things Panel Discussion  
Help Cities Lead Webinar  
Rural and Small Communities  
Jack Taylor & seniors food delivery  
boat to Esperanza  
Feminist Campaign  
2022 Torrance Festival of Ideas

Also worth bringing to councils attention is the audio recording in Victoria on April 2 published on my waterfowl podcast

<https://anchor.fm/waterfowl/episodes/My-panel-of-north--west-Mayors-its-easy-to-think-big-when-your-small-was-a-resounding-success-e1gkq13/a-a7mi3nj>

**Councillor Llewellyn (written report)**

It is National Volunteer Appreciation Week and I want to make note that Tahsis relies on its volunteers for many programs throughout the year. I want to let those volunteers know they are appreciated. And I include the people around the council table among those volunteers. While we get a small amount of money for this job it no where near reflects the amount of hours put in to do the job. It is a stipend that would not even come close to minimum wage. Council puts in a lot of hours and so I want to recognize those volunteer hours too. Tahsis truly runs on volunteers and I thank them all.

**Councillor Northcott**

No report.

**Elder/Fowler: VOT 0179/2022**

**THAT** the Council Reports be received.

**CARRIED**

**K. Bylaws**

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

**Adoption**

**Elder/Fowler: VOT 0180/2022**

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

**CARRIED**

**Elder/Fowler: VOT 0181/2022**

**THAT** the Election and Assent Voting Amendment Bylaw No. 648, 2022 be reconsidered, finally passed and adopted this 19th day of April, 2022.

**CARRIED**

**2 2022-2026 Financial Plan Bylaw No. 649, 2022**

**First, Second and Third Reading**

**Elder/Fowler: VOT 0182/2022**

**THAT** the 2022-2026 Financial Plan Bylaw No. 649, 2022 be received for consideration.

**CARRIED**

**1 "no" vote registered to  
Councillor Elder**

**Elder/Fowler: VOT 0183/2022**

**THAT** the 2022-2026 Financial Plan Bylaw No. 649, 2022 receive a first reading this 19th day of April 2022.

**CARRIED**

**1 "no" vote registered to  
Councillor Elder**

**Elder/Fowler: VOT 0184/2022**

**THAT** the 2022-2026 Financial Plan Bylaw No. 649, 2022 receive a second reading this 19th day of April 2022.

**CARRIED**

**1 "no" vote registered to  
Councillor Elder**

**Elder/Fowler: VOT 0185/2022**

**THAT** the 2022-2026 Financial Plan Bylaw No. 649, 2022 receive a third reading this 19th day of April 2022.

**CARRIED**

**1 "no" vote registered to  
Councillor Elder**

**3 2022 Tax Rate Bylaw No. 650, 2022**

**First, Second and Third Reading**

**Elder/Fowler: VOT 0186/2022**

**THAT** the 2022 Tax Rate Bylaw No. 650, 2022 be received for consideration.

**CARRIED**

**1 "no" vote registered to  
Councillor Elder**

**Elder/Fowler: VOT 0187/2022**

**THAT** the 2022 Tax Rate Bylaw No. 650, 2022 receive a first reading this 19th day of April 2022.

**CARRIED**

**1 "no" vote registered to  
Councillor Elder**

**Elder/Fowler: VOT 0188/2022**

**THAT** the 2022 Tax Rate Bylaw No. 650, 2022 receive a second reading this 19th day of April 2022.

**CARRIED**

1 "no" vote registered to  
Councillor Elder

**Elder/Fowler: VOT 0189/2022**

THAT the 2022 Tax Rate Bylaw No. 650, 2022 receive a third reading this 19th day of April 2022.

**CARRIED**

1 "no" vote registered to  
Councillor Elder

**L. Correspondence**

April 1, 2022 letter to Mayor and Council from the Maureen Roth,

- 1 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

- 2 inclusive, resilient Canada- under the Rural & Northern Communities Infrastructure Stream: Tahsis and Community Pier and Dock.

Letter from Paul Gregory, Senior Oceans Campaigner Re: A resolution in support of  
3 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.

**Elder/Fowler: VOT 0190/2022**

THAT these correspondence items be received.

**CARRIED**

**Elder/Fowler: VOT 0191/2022**

THAT correspondence item #1 be pulled for discussion.

**CARRIED**

April 1, 2022 letter to Mayor and Council from the Maureen Roth,

- L1 Secretary/Treasurer, Tahsis Heritage Society Re: Lighting at the Tahsis Information Center/ Museum

A discussion regarding the state of the lights at the Tahsis Information Center/Museum and the option of upgrading to LED's followed.

**M. New Business**

None.

**N. Public Input #2**

A member of the public commented on moorage on the existing dock and user fees.

A member of the public asked a question regarding the Remedial Action Requirement Order pertaining to the buildings at the property located at 1400 S. Maquinna Drive to which Council responded.

**Adjournment**

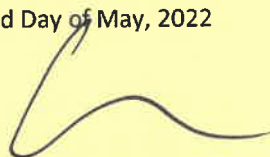
**Fowler/Elder: VOT 0192/2022**

**THAT** the meeting be adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**Certified Correct this**

the 3rd Day of May, 2022



**Chief Administrative Officer**