



## **Minutes**

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<b><u>Meeting</u></b>	<b>Regular Council</b>
<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b>September 20, 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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<b><u>Present</u></b>	Mayor Martin Davis	
	Councillor Bill Elder	
	Councillor Sarah Fowler	
	Councillor Cheryl Northcott	by video
	Councillor Lynda Llewellyn	by video

<b><u>Staff</u></b>	Mark Tatchell, Chief Administrative Officer	
	Janet StDenis, Finance and Corporate Services Manager	by video

<b><u>Guests</u></b>	Colin Moss, / Councillor, Village of New Denver	by video (left at 7:27)
	Paul Adams, Administrator, B.C. Rural Health Network	by video (left at 7:27)

<b><u>Public</u></b>	3 Members of the public.	(3) by video
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### **A. Call to Order**

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

### **Land Acknowledgement**

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

### **B. Introduction of Late Items**

None.

### **C. Approval of the Agenda**

**Elder/Fowler: VOT 0309/2022**

**THAT** the Agenda for the September 20, 2022 Regular meeting of Council be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

#### **D. Petitions and Delegations**

**1 BC Rural Health Network: Presentation Re: Rural Health Care Crisis**

Paul Adams an Administrator of B.C Rural Health Network and Colin Moss, a councillor from New Denver B.C. gave a presentation about the B.C. Rural Health Network, explaining their history, purpose and asked Tahsis to join the network. A question / answer period followed. Cost of membership is \$50 per municipality.

#### **E. Public Input # 1**

None.

#### **F. Adoption of the Minutes**

**1 Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on September 6, 2022.**

**Elder/Fowler: VOT 0310/2022**

**THAT** the Regular Council Meeting minutes of September 6, 2022 be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

#### **G. Rise and Report**

**At the September 6, 2022 Closed Special Council meeting Council approved an increase to Public Works compensation retroactive to January 1, 2022.**

#### **H. Business Arising**

**1 None.**

#### **J. Council Reports**

**Mayor Davis**

You may have noticed that the roadwork to Tahsis has been completed. Old collapsing culverts replaced, road graded, and we now have continuous sealcoat from Malaspina Lake to Tahsis. All in all, \$3.25 million have been spent on this project. It is great to see that our concerns have been heard and acted upon. This year, the Comox Strathcona Regional Health Board has increased unconditional grants to our small local clinics from \$5,000-\$10,000 per year. Thanks to my fellow Board members for helping to make this a reality.

Last week I attended the Union of BC Municipalities annual convention, the first to be held in person since the pandemic began. It was a great opportunity to meet fellow mayors, councillors, electoral area representatives and many others to discuss common issues and potential solutions as well as to attend seminars. I also had meetings with cabinet ministers and provincial staffers to deal with Tahsis-specific concerns. Issues raised included lack of funding for fire halls and libraries, continued use of offroad logging trucks on the Head Bay Road and the damage it does to our road, despite a promise from Western Forest Products to phase out their use on this road. We also raised the lack of action on enforcing testing of the old mill site for contamination, which is preventing renewal of that area of town until it is declared free of issues. We met with Telus and expressed our concern with the planned complete removal of our last pay phones in town and its potential impact on citizens on fixed incomes, as well as tourists that may need the service. We also discussed greater connectivity for cell phones that may not work here if tourists have the 'wrong' payment plan. We met with the Forests Minister where we continued to lobby for a Community Forest for Tahsis and for ratification of our old growth strategy for Tahsis, previously negotiated with Western Forest Products and the Mowachaht/Muchalaht First Nation. In association with the mayors of Zeballos and Gold River as well as the CAO of Strathcona Regional District, we met with BC Hydro to voice our concerns regarding events that led up to our weeklong power outage this winter and to make recommendations to prevent a repeat in future. We also met with the Finance Minister to discuss recapitalization of the Island Coastal Economic Trust, of which Tahsis is a beneficiary, to prevent its dissolution due to lack of funds next year.

Lastly, I also seized the opportunity to meet with Premier Horgan where we had a 15 minute conversation on topics as diverse as the fish farm transition, proposed BC cave protection legislation and future economic potentials for Tahsis. I believe he has done a great job and have thanked him for his service to our province.

**Councillor Elder**

No report.

**Councillor Northcott (written report)**

It's going to be a super short report tonight.

It was a busy time in Whistler at UBCM last week with meetings and functions, however the highlight for me was the agricultural tour in Squamish. They have done amazing things in a very short time within their community, and I have hopes that we can come up with some community food security options in the near future.

**Councillor Fowler (written report)**

I am happy to report I have a third year to look forward to serving on the UBCM executive as a small community representation. Attached are the slides from my presentation at the Small Talk Forum in Whistler. It was a huge honour for me to represent the Village of Tahsis on the provincial level to do important rural remote and resource advocacy work.

Submitted respectfully,  
Sarah Fowler.

Attachment (J1) Slides from the Small Talk Forum- Tahsis Detention Pond

**Councillor Llewellyn**

No report.

**Elder/Llewellyn: VOT 0311/2022**

**THAT** the Council Reports be received.

**CARRIED**

**K. Bylaws**

**None.**

**L. Correspondence**

Email from Jennifer , Technical and Special Projects Coordinator, Recycling

- 1 Council of British Columbia Re: Proclaim your support for Circular Economy Month in Canada.**

September 2, 2022 letter to Mayor and Council from UBCM Re: 2021 CRI Fire

- 2 Smart Community Funding and Supports - Payment letter (Village of Tahsis Residential Firesmart Project),**

- 3 Ombudsperson BC - Quarterly Report: April 1 to June 30, 2022**

**Elder/Llewellyn: VOT 0312/2022**

**THAT** these correspondence items be received.

**CARRIED**

**M. New Business**

- 1 Report to Council Re: UBCM 2022 Disaster Risk Reduction/ Climate Adaptation Regional Grant Application**

**Elder/Fowler VOT 0313/2022**

**THAT** this Report to Council be received.

**CARRIED**

**Elder/Fowler VOT 0314/2022**

**THAT** as part of the Village of Tahsis' ongoing work in relation to tsunami preparedness, that Council support an application for financial assistance under the Stream 2 portion of the Community Emergency Preparedness Fund 2022 DRR / CA grant by the SRD to the UBCM, and;

**THAT** the Village of Tahsis agrees to be a partnering applicant to the SRD's application for funding under the above referenced program.

**CARRIED**

**N. Public Input #2**

None.

**Adjournment**

**Elder/Fowler VOT 0315/2022**

**THAT** the meeting be adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**Certified Correct this**

the 4th Day of October, 2022

A handwritten signature in dark ink, consisting of a series of connected loops and curves, positioned above the title of the Chief Administrative Officer.

**Chief Administrative Officer**



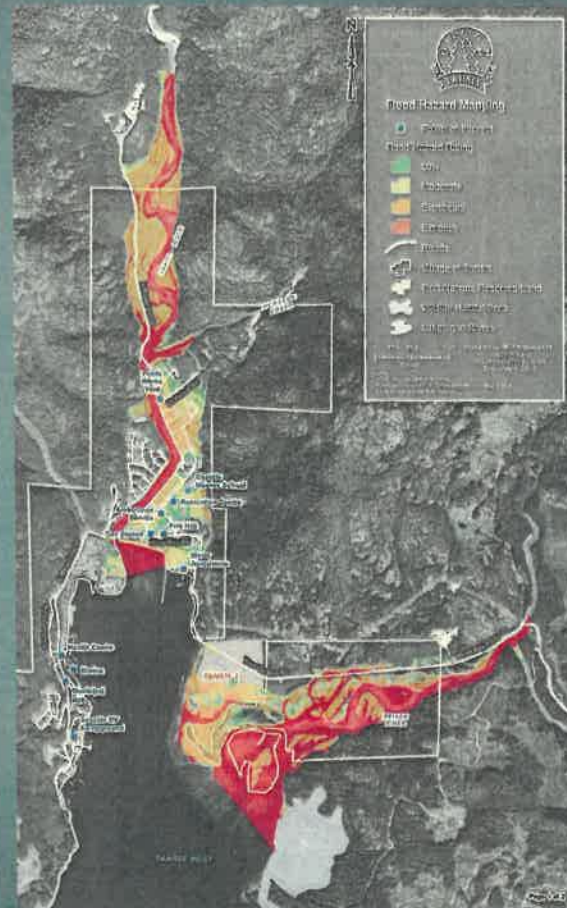


# Climate Change Adaptation: Detention Pond

VILLAGE OF TAHIS

# Flood Hazard Mapping

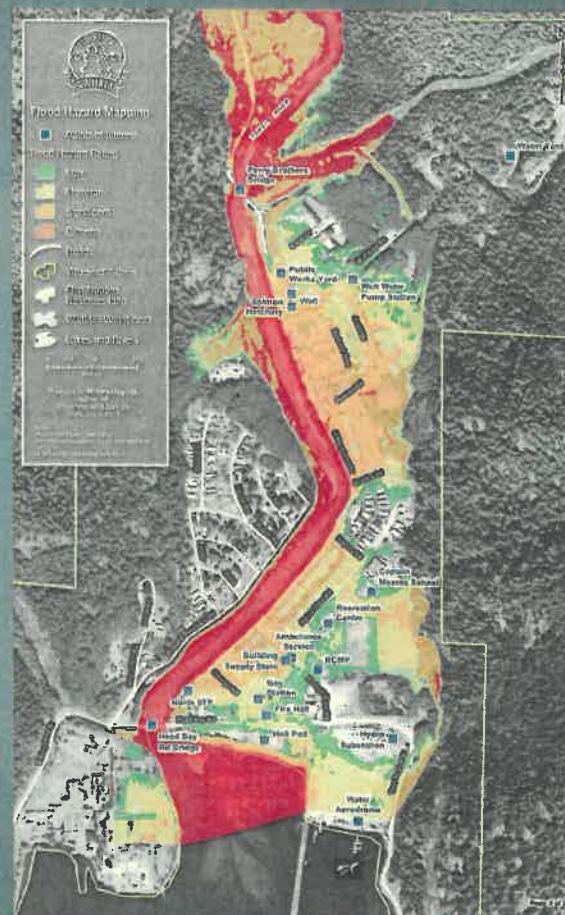
### Village of Tahsis





## Detail: flood hazard mapping

## Village of Tahsis





# Documentation of floods in Tahsis

Flood date: November 9, 1989

PROJECT NO: .....PB 5749 0101.....

TITLE: ..Tahsis, Leiner, and Zeballos Rivers  
Floodplain Mapping

DATE: FEBRUARY 1992

ROLL NO.



**TAHSIS (Photo 4)**

Looking downstream at  
cross section 11 and  
flooded Maquinna Drive  
during November 9, 1989  
flood.  
(Photo by Village of Tahsis)



**TAHSIS (Photo 5)**

Internal flooding on left  
bank in Pit between cross  
sections 9 and 10.  
November 9, 1989 flood.  
(Photo by Village of Tahsis)

# 1989 Tahsis floods news coverage

The Tahsis Inlet Outlet  
November 15, 1989

## THE TAHSIS INLET OUTLET

NOVEMBER 15, 1989 VOL. 9 NO. 1

### Flood Waters Threaten Residents

By Debbie Cohen and  
Staff Writers

Tahsis residents relied on their past logs but were at Tahsis Columbia experienced record rainfall across the province. According to weather reports, Tahsis flooding was some of the worst in B.C. and the heaviest in this area since 1975.

The flooding began Thursday morning, November 16, when a heavy deluge of over 40mm, or 1.6 inches, of rain fell.

The Tahsis River topped the embankment of its bed. Some over the crest and around the base of the river valley. As the river gained volume and momentum, it swept up and around off-planet vehicles, houses and everything else in its path as it pushed up the hill.

Wayside houses were

violated and at the same time an emergency to water service to the village. Logs and debris floated in the river and the river pushed a log to the point of the bridge, cutting off the system.

A rock and mud slide, brought on by the heavy rain, pushed through the road near the bridge, cutting off the road.

Some residents day after day and some people, who were not in the village, were not in the village. The river pushed a log to the point of the bridge, cutting off the system.

McPhail, noted that workers of the T.V.C.D. volunteers that were not in the village, were not in the village. The river pushed a log to the point of the bridge, cutting off the system.

Some road was closed to traffic on Thursday morning after flooding in the area near Paul's Point and Harry's Point. The road was closed to traffic and the road was closed to traffic.



The Public Works employees worked around the clock Thursday and Friday to keep water from reaching the village. The Public Works employees worked around the clock Thursday and Friday to keep water from reaching the village.

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According to Tahsis R.C.M.P. Constable Kevin Smith, Tahsis had better than other areas. "We were not in the village, were not in the village. The river pushed a log to the point of the bridge, cutting off the system."

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### Puddle Duck Play Centre Under Government Scrutiny

By Debbie Cohen

Twenty play centres for pre-school children in British Columbia are under government scrutiny. The government is looking at the Puddle Duck Play Centre in Tahsis.

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### Tahsis Weather Report



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## 1989 Tahsis floods

Photos from November 9, 1989





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Photo from November 9, 1989



# 1990 Tahsis floods

Photos from November 23, 1990





## 1990 Tahsis floods

Photos from November 23, 1990





## 1990 Tahsis floods

Photos from December 3, 1990



New pump for  
detention  
pond





Detention pond:  
next steps

