



AGENDA

Regular Meeting of the Tahsis Village Council
to be held on February 7, 2023 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.

Land Acknowledgement The Mayor 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 Committee of the Whole Meeting held on January 17th, 2023

2 Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on January 17, 2023.

3 Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Budget Meeting held on January 23, 2023.

4 Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on January 23, 2023.

G. Rise and Report None.

H. Business Arising **1 Councillor Fowler's Notice of Motion Re: Use of Recreation Centre and Insurance Coverage for Community Food Initiative Partnerships.**

WHEREAS food security is one of Council's strategic priorities for 2023;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Tahsis partner with the community groups, including but not limited to:

* The Knights of Columbus Hampers (once per year)

* Saint Vincent de Paul Society, Loaves and Fishes truck (once per month, 12 days annually)

* Strathcona Food Box and Greenways Trust (biweekly, 24 days annually)

SO THAT these Groups are granted the use of the Tahsis Recreation Centre as part of a Village program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to make this use covered by the Village's Insurance.

J. Council Reports **1 Mayor Davis**
2 Councillor Joseph
3 Councillor Fowler
4 Councillor Northcott
5 Councillor Elliott

K. Bylaws None.

L. Correspondence **1 January 19th, 2023 Letter from Mr. Murray Peavoy Re: January 17th, 2023 Council Meeting.**

2 January 30, 2023 email from Nigel Hogarth Re: The Community Dock Project

3 Letter from Rachel Blaney, Member of Parliament, North Island to Power River Re: Canada Dental Benefits, How to Apply

- 4 **January 18, 2023 Email to Mayor and Council from Deirdre Syms, Executive Director, BC Epilepsy Society Re: March 26, 2023 - International Purple Day for Epilepsy Awareness.**

M. New Business

- 1 **Village of Tahsis delegation for 2023 UBCM Convention:**

- 2 **Report to Council Re: Webcasting Council Meetings on Demand**

N. Public Input #2

O. Adjournment



Minutes

Village of Tahsis

Meeting	Committee of the Whole
Date	January 17, 2023
Time	1:00 p.m.
Place	Municipal Hall - Council Chambers and by electronic means

Present	Mayor Martin Davis Councillor Meggan Joseph Councillor Sarah Fowler Councillor Cheryl Northcott Councillor Doug Elliott	
Staff	Mark Tatchell, Chief Administrative Officer Adia Mavrikos, CPA,CA, Director of Finance Amanda Knibbs, IT Coordinator John Manson, P.Eng., Municipal Engineer	by video by video by video
Guests	Graham Hirst, P.Eng., Senior Marine Structural Engineer, McElhanney	by video
Public	8 members of the public	2 by video

Call to Order

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

Land Acknowledgement

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

Introduction of Late Items

None

Approval of the Agenda

Fowler: COW 001/2023

THAT the Agenda for the January 17, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

H. Business Arising	1	Presentation by Matt Friderichs, P.Eng. and Graham Hirst P.Eng.
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Re: The Community Pier and Dock Project (presentation attached).

Fowler: COW 002/2023

THAT this presentation be received.

CARRIED

A discussion followed.

Fowler: COW 003/2023

THAT the meeting be open to questions and comments from the public in attendance.

CARRIED

A question and answer period followed.

Davis: COW 004/2023

THAT the Community Dock Project be re-designed by McElhanney with the gangway moved to the south end of the boat launch.

FAILED

A discussion followed.

Fowler: COW 005/2023

THAT Council approve the Community Dock and Pier Project as presented.

CARRIED

Adjournment

Fowler: COW 006/2023

THAT the meeting adjourn at 3:10 p.m.

CARRIED

Certified correct this
7th day of February 2023.

Corporate Officer

Village of Tahsis Community Dock Project

Graham Hirst, PEng
Marine Structural Engineer



A faint, light gray topographic map of a region, likely the Pacific Northwest, is visible in the background. It shows contour lines, a river network, and a dashed line indicating a boundary or project area.

Today's Discussion

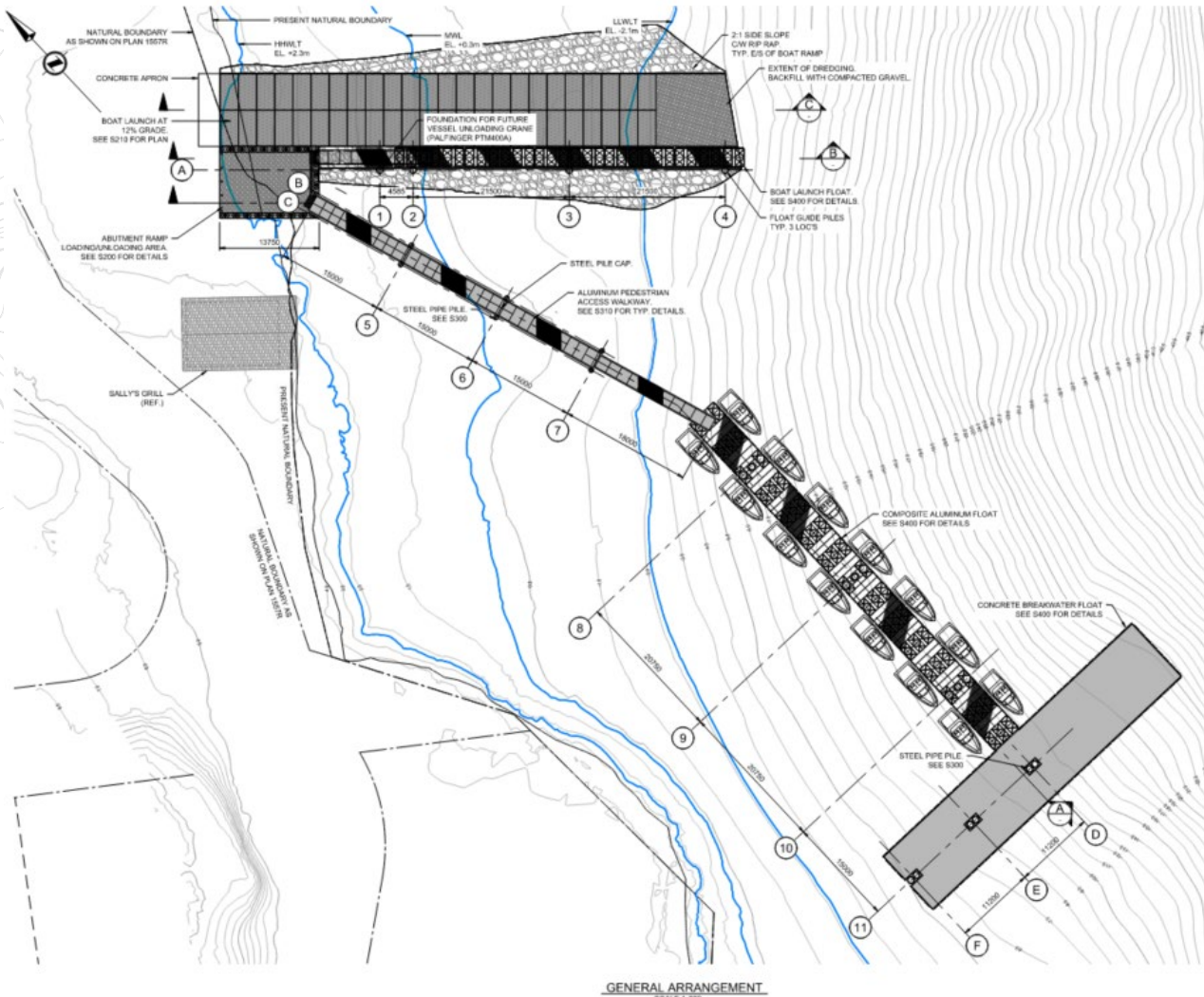
- Permitting submission
- Updated Alignment of Floats

Previously Recommended Option



- Design considered a separate breakwater
- Coastal study showed a wide breakwater would be required to meet harbour tranquility requirements

Updated Alignment



- Breakwater is now integrated with the float as a “T”, with marina float aligned with storm wave direction
- Alignment is shifted to avoid piling in deeper water
- Geotechnical investigation showed deeper bedrock than expected, rock socketing no longer required
- No change to boat launch, boat launch floats, or abutment

Costing

- Cost of piling is expected to be lesser than previously considered (no rock socketing)
- Design can be phased to control cost, with the boat launch floats, boat launch piles and crane pile being tendered as optional items
- *Current cost estimate shows base subtotal at 1.99M, with optional items 2.31M.*
- *Contractor mobilization, professional fees, and contingency are expected to be around 500k*

Questions?

Thank You



McElhanney





Minutes

Meeting Regular Council Meeting
Date January 17, 2023
Time 7:00 PM
Place Municipal Hall - Council Chambers and by electronic means

Present Mayor Martin Davis
 Councillor Meggan Joseph
 Councillor Sarah Fowler
 Councillor Cheryl Northcott
 Councillor Douglas Elliott

Staff Mark Tatchell, Chief Administrative Officer
 Adia Mavrikos, CPA, CA, Director of Finance (by video)
 Amanda Knibbs, IT Coordinator (by video)

Guests Shaun Koopman, Strathcona Regional District, Protective Services Coordinator (by video)

Public 10 Members of the public 93online)

A. Call to Order

Mayor Davis called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Land Acknowledgement

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

B. Introduction of Late Items

Letter to Council from Michaela Arruda, Executive Director, Campbell River Community Foundation under Correspondence as "L3".

Council Fowler's Notice of Motion Re: The Use of the Recreation Center for food security programs under Business Arising as "H1".

C. Approval of the Agenda

Northcott/Fowler: VOT 0039/2023

THAT the Agenda for the January 17, 2023 Regular meeting of Council be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

D. Petitions and Delegations

- Petition Re: Alleged Conflict of Interest of Council Fowler and Councillor
1 Northcott in voting on the upcoming Capital Projects and Loan Authorization
Bylaw No, 652, 2022**

Elliott/ VOT 0040/2023

THAT this petition Re: Alleged Conflict of Interest be received.

FAILED

E. Public Input # 1

A member of the public commented on the audio visual setup during Council meeting presentations.

A member of the public commented about an alleged conflict of interest .

F. Adoption of the Minutes

- 1 Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on January 3, 2023.**

Fowler/Northcott: VOT 0041/2023

THAT the Regular Council Meeting minutes of January 3, 2023 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

H. Business Arising

- 1 Councillor Fowler's Notice of Motion Re: Use of Recreation Centre and
Insurance Coverage for Community Food Initiative Partnerships.**

WHEREAS food security is one of Council's strategic priorities for 2023;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Tahsis partner with the community groups, including but not limited to:

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- * Saint Vincent de Paul Society, Loaves and Fishes truck (once per month, 12 days annually)
- * Strathcona Food Box and Greenways Trust (biweekly, 24 days annually)

SO THAT these Groups are granted the use e of the Tahsis Recreation Centre as part of a Village program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to make this use as under the Village's Insurance, and

be included in the 5 year Financial plan as a Village contribution to social capital.

J. Council Reports

Mayor Davis

Last week, I attended a meeting in Tsaxana between our council and the Council of Chiefs of the Mowachaht Muchalaht First Nation. It was a followup to a previously held meeting between economic development consultants representing the MMFN and our council. They have several projects in the works and are interested in working more closely with our village on economic development initiatives in Nootka Sound. We have had many informal discussions during my first term as Mayor and are about to sign an agreement to work closely with them on plans that will be mutually beneficial for both. Topics discussed included potential tourism infrastructure investment in Tahsis, initiating trail programs to attract more ecotourism, aquaculture and the proposed community forest. They have access to funding streams as do we, and as I said at the meeting, we are stronger working together.

I also attended the first Strathcona Regional District meeting at the new year. There are many new faces at the Board table, new energy and ideas. One discussion of interest is around our plans to install an earthquake sensor array along the coast as part of the Connected Coast project. I am advocating for enhancing this array by installing tsunami sensors along the protected channels of the region, which would benefit Tahsis directly. As this coast is very dynamic, localized tsunamis can potentially be caused by non-seismically generated events such as rockslides or the collapse of deltas such as at Tsowwin Narrows, known as subsea slumping.

Another item of interest is that the SRD has commissioned a report on developing a regional fire service administration for unincorporated areas and communities that struggle to maintain a fire service, such as Zeballos. We are in good shape in this respect but will be in much better condition once we get our new fire hall off the ground. It will be interesting to see this report when it is completed, for review.

Councillor Joseph

Local spotlight- Ruth Russell of the Senior's Society has been such a great asset to our community, and I want to thank her for all her volunteer coordination within our community. Thank you, Ruth, for being such a wonderful person and always going above and beyond.

I want to bring some light to few things I have been hearing.

The garbage cans- around the community garbage cans have been removed. I can only hope this is temporary. I also would like to point out that some of the members of this community have added hardware to help prevent bears from gaining access and this has worked in my neighbourhood. I would like to see this addressed sooner than later as members are noticing and missing them around town. There seems to be a bit of an issue with dog droppings also. It seems since the garbage cans have been removed, people are neglecting to pick up after their pets. I would like to remind everyone to please pick up after your pets. The cans at the public works yard are still there and accessible for your household needs.

In Our last meeting speed bumps were brought to the attention of council with many concerned members who would like to see the addition to Alpine View Road.

In just 15 minutes while writing this, I have witnessed 3 people speeding down Alpine View Road. I stand with the parents and members of this community who have concerns. It would be great if the RCMP could be more present also to perhaps help us with reminding people of our local speed limits as they do exist. I intend on speaking up to this matter also.

Last but not least the road.

I have had the opportunity to travel our road 6 times in the past two weeks. I understand the rains bring pot wholes but the bridge between 50-51k was almost impassable for me. The pot holes could eat my vehicle and I'm pretty sure I am now in need of repairs.

Out of those 6 times going over our road, only once did I see the grader who was attempting to fix the whole on each end of the bridge making it a muddy mess. I wish I could say I was impressed with the maintenance but right now I would rate the road maybe a 5 out of 10 simply because the homeward stretch is a little easier now with the work that was done this summer.

I hope to start advocating for a little more maintenance on our road again. As we all know it's needed. We are louder together.

I know we all know but please be cautious of landslides. Rocks are falling and there are small shifts happening. This can be seen as we travel.

Stay safe and Happy everyone.

Meggan

Councillor Fowler

Around the final corner on my BCCDC Food Cost & Climate Impact Story project I will be waiting for the Good Food Box, Tahsis Buyers Club's village veggies, to be delivered at the rec centre tomorrow, January 18, 2023. My hope is to have this terms participants in our biweekly program fetch them from there while I bowl from 3-5pm. I expect to hand deliver any leftovers after that for those who are unable to access them at the hub.

Upon the wall I will have the following group questions, with post it notes, to allow input from the public as part of my last submission.

1. What are your experiences in accessing or gathering food, including hunting, fishing and or purchasing groceries from a store?
2. Can you describe some challenges with accessing, gathering or buying food and how you overcame them or how do you think you could?
3. How has climate change impacted your own and your communities ability to access, gather and afford food ?

4. What are your experiences with the cost and affordability of food?

Any contributions are welcome to be added before my meeting with Rebecca Thursday January 19th at 10:00 a.m.

Looking down the road 6 months, I have prepared a draft schedule for the other food security days coming up.

They are as follows...

January 18th

February 1st, 3rd & 15th

March 1, 3, 15, 29

April 12, 14, 26

May 10, 12, 24

The days that are Wednesdays are for the good food box distribution hub between 3-5pm at the rec centre. The vegetable ordering dates are:

January 24th

February 7th & 21st

March 7th and 21st

April 4th and 18th

May 2nd 16th and 30th

June 13th and 27th

These dates are subject to change. Please reach out to my email

[farnevery foot@gmail.com](mailto:farneveryfoot@gmail.com)

or [250 202 8416](tel:2502028416)

The other days are "food bank Fridays" are when we expect the loaves and fishes truck to arrive in our Village.

Thank you for your consideration and attention.

Submitted respectfully,

Councillor Fowler

Councillor Northcott

No report.

Councillor Elliott

Ladies and gentlemen,

Now that the holiday season has come to a close, I have been extremely active in the past two weeks concerning the affairs of the village. One of my first actions was a conversation with the Corporal of the RCMP detachment in Gold River. This conversation went very well and we are fortunate to have such a dedicated individual serving our community. I was very pleased to hear that he wishes our village success with the challenges that we face. I apologized that he was invited to our last council meeting under false pretence.

I am also overwhelmed with the positive response from my last mail out. I engaged with former councillors and received great advice concerning the affairs of the village. They also shared with me their past experiences giving me historical insights on how to overcome the obstacles that I will face in the future. I am committed to following *the Robert's Rules of Order* as I believe that public officials are obligated to keep the electors informed and address their concerns. I support great ideas, regardless of the origin and believe that the public have a lot to contribute when they are passionate concerning the future of their community. My inspiration to serve this community has been constantly fueled by the support extended to me by intelligent, open minded individuals that are committed to enhancing the quality of life to the entire community.

The Robert's Rules of Order promotes discussion and debate of opposing views. When properly followed, individuals are given fair opportunities to share their opinions and ideas. When the Chair maintains a position of impartiality and fairness, they ensure that opposing views are voiced and discussed in a civil manner. They only vote when the council has a tied vote. They don't allow the phrase Point of Order to be used as a weapon to censor an individual. They acknowledge that the laws of the land need to be followed and that the Canadian Constitution be adhered to. To discriminate against any member of the public or council, to censor an opposing view and to violate the Community Charter is to conduct oneself in an unethical manner that violates their oath of office. I hope to see improvements concerning this matter. I realize that we are all human and we make mistakes however, how we deal with our mistakes measures our integrity.

The Mayor and Council were invited to Gold River to discuss the investment opportunities from the First Nations community. After a warm welcome, our Mayor conducted himself as a true statesman and conveyed appreciation that Tahsis was included in their economic plans. The First Nations have indicated that their priority is to create economic development in Gold River, Friendly Cove and Tahsis area. They are looking to market this region throughout the world and create employment opportunities for the entire community. Our mayor also discussed working together in creating a Community Forest program that would revolutionize a new level of sustainable forest practices that would involve more processing of the wood products within our region. If successful, this could amount to more profits that would remain within our region while protecting old growth and watersheds. The mayor has my complete support and I hope that his skills will lead to a successful partnership with the First Nation community. Aquaculture opportunities were also discussed and I believe that the First Nations will be open minded concerning profitable ventures.

My contributions to the meeting pointed out to the Chiefs that the reserve at the entrance of Tahsis is a prime location for commercial development. The waterfront area has incredible potential for tourist accommodations with plenty of room for residential development. I also indicated that the Leiner River is also a prime location for a Hatchery and that the estuary would also require repairs to enhance fish production for future generations. This was well received by Chief Maquinna and I hope to see progress in the near future. I also brought up the need for our mill site to be developed. I believe that if the community forest program and potential aquaculture developments are successful, there will be a need to open up the mill site to accommodate the economic development that will soon follow.

Chief Jerry Jack also explained to the Council that the First Nations have been working towards having artifacts returned to their community. These artifacts have been spread throughout the world and they have had success in having their property returned to them. I hope to discuss with the council that any artifacts that are in the possession of the Village be returned to the First Nations as a sign of good will.

Concerning the budget, I have still not received the information that I requested from the CAO. I'm in communication with the authorities concerning this matter and will update the community in my next mail out. The last two budget meetings are on January 23rd and February 6 at 1pm. You are all welcome.

Council has already discussed having the lots on Alpine Road put on the market to raise funds and promote residential development. I have not seen any signs indicating that the properties are for sale. I'm curious why the CAO has not completed this task and hope to receive an update concerning this matter.

I have received the petition from the electors of this community concerning their perception of a conflict of Interest pertaining to the re-elected councillors. Since I was expecting the motion for the referendum to be on tonight's agenda, I can only speculate that the two councillors are seeking legal advice before this motion is put forth. I look forward to receiving a copy of the legal advice. Past motions may need to be reconsidered and we need to move forward with the referendum to resolve this issue once and for all.

If the community supports the fire hall plan, I will follow the will of this community and not interfere with any aspect of the plan. It is no secret that I do not support this plan and believe that there is an affordable solution that includes the necessary repairs of the existing facility and the use of the Marine Centre as a temporary fire hall while the repairs are conducted. I believe that the grant application can be updated to support this alternative plan but it is important that the community be part of the decision. After all, it concerns our assets and the appearance of the commercial entrance to our village.

Another positive development that has taken place is the formation of the Tahsis Ratepayers Association. It has been very apparent that the citizens of our community are concerned with the large tax increases that took place last year. After a considerable amount of research and pleasant discussions, the Ratepayers Association is moving forward full steam. I believe that well informed citizens, that are well organised, can hold any government to be accountable and transparent. I was very impressed with individuals who have come forward and wish them success. The next meeting is on January 25, 1pm at the Senior Centre.

Thank you for taking time out of your schedules and participating in our council meeting tonight. I look forward to your input.

Northcott/Fowler: VOT 0042/2023

THAT the Council Reports be received.

CARRIED

K. Bylaws

None.

L. Correspondence

Letter from Murray Peavoy to Mayor Council and the Fire Department Re:

- 1 Regret signing petition regarding the alleged conflict of interest pertaining to the Firehall Relocation Project.**
- 2 Letter from Derrick Kasper to Mayor and Council Re: Meeting with Mowachaht/Muchalaht First Nation.**
- 3 Letter to Council from Michaela Arruda, Executive Director, Campbell River Community Foundation Re: Community Services Recovery Fund.**

Joseph/Northcott: VOT 0043/2023

THAT these correspondence items including the late item "L3" be received.

CARRIED

Fowler/Northcott: VOT 0044/2023

THAT correspondence items 1,2, and 3 be pulled for discussion.

CARRIED

Letter from Murray Peavoy to Mayor Council and the Fire Department Re:

- L1 Regret signing petition regarding the alleged conflict of interest pertaining to the Firehall Relocation Project.**

Councillor Fowler spoke to this correspondence item.

- L2 Letter from Derrick Kasper to Mayor and Council Re: Meeting with Mowachaht/Muchalaht First Nation.**

Council had a brief discussion on this correspondence item.

- L3 Letter to Council from Michaela Arruda, Executive Director, Campbell River Community Foundation Re: Community Services Recovery Fund.**

This letter will be posted on social media by staff.

M. New Business

- 1 Report to Council Re: Outdoor Metal Tsunami Information Sign**

Fowler/Northcott: VOT 0045/2023

THAT this Report to Council be received.

CARRIED

Shaun Koopman spoke to his report and responded to questions from Council.

Fowler/Northcott: VOT 0046/2023

THAT as part of the Village of Tahsis' ongoing work in relation to tsunami preparedness that the proposed design for the Tahsis tsunami evacuation information sign be approved.

CARRIED

Public Input #2

Comment on the Tsunami evacuation routes in regards to gates and private property

A member of the public commented about Council's response to questions being brought forward.

There was a comment on food security.

Adjournment

Fowler/Northcott: VOT 0047/2023

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:11pm

CARRIED

Certified Correct this

the 7th day of February, 2023

Chief Administrative Officer

January 16, 2023

To City Council,

I hope this letter finds you well as we embark on this new year. On behalf of The Campbell River Community Foundation, I am writing to notify you that our foundation will be helping to lead the Community Services Recovery Fund. This fund is a \$400 million investment from the Government of Canada to support registered charities, non-profits, and Indigenous Governing Bodies as they adapt their organizations for pandemic recovery.

We will be taking part alongside community foundations from coast to coast to coast and our partners at the Canadian Red Cross and United Way Centraide Canada. Together, we will support organizations as they build their **internal capacity** to meet the immediate and long-term impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and become more resilient.

As leaders and champions in our communities, we respectfully request you to share information about the Fund with potential applicants in your community. **Please note that applications are now open and will remain open until February 21, 2023. Our Foundation will be accepting applications for projects with a minimum ask of \$10,000 from organizations within the boundaries of School Districts #72, #84, and #85.** Applicants are encouraged to visit www.communityservicesrecoveryfund.ca to explore resources and apply.

We are grateful for your community leadership in supporting and promoting this program. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions about our participation in the Community Services Recovery Fund or the work of the Campbell River Community Foundation more broadly.

Sincerely,
Michaela Arruda
Executive Director
Campbell River Community Foundation



Minutes

Village of Tahsis

Meeting	Committee of the Whole
Date	January 23, 2023
Time	1:00 p.m.
Place	Municipal Hall - Council Chambers and by electronic means

Present	Mayor Martin Davis Councillor Meggan Joseph Councillor Sarah Fowler Councillor Cheryl Northcott Councillor Doug Elliott	by video
Staff	Mark Tatchell, Chief Administrative Officer Adia Mavrikos, CPA,CA, Director of Finance Janet StDenis, Finance and Corporate Services Manager	by video by video
Public	2 members of the public.	(1 online)

Call to Order

Mayor Davis called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

Land Acknowledgement

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

Introduction of Late Items

None

Approval of the Agenda

Joseph: COW 007/2023

THAT the Agenda for the January 23, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

H. Business Arising

1 2023-2027 Financial Plan/ Budget Meeting #4

Fowler: COW 008/2023

THAT this presentation be received.

CARRIED

The Director of Finance reviewed updates since the last budget meeting.

Proposed 2023 water utility rates were presented and a discussion on balancing the water utility budget followed.

The Director of Finance noted that proceeds of land must go into a reserve fund.

An overview of BC Assessment's 2023 Completed Roll totals was presented and changes within the residential class types were noted.

The Director of Finance presented the second draft of the 2023-2027 Proposed Capital Plan. Council to receive spreadsheet detailing the breakdown within the funding sources prior to the next budget meeting.

Staff to provide proposals for balancing the budget.

Proposed Budget to include \$1000 for climbing wall operations.

Fowler: COW 009/2023

THAT Council approve increasing the water utility rates as proposed in the Director of Finance presentation.

CARRIED

1 "no vote"
Registered to
Councillor
Elliott
1 "no vote"
Registered to
Councillor
Joseph

Adjournment

Fowler: COW 010/2023

THAT the meeting adjourn at 2:35 p.m.

CARRIED

Certified correct this
 7th day of February, 2023

Corporate Officer



Budget Presentation #4

2023 Operations Budget Plan
Village of Tahsis

Topics covered today

- ▶ Review changes since the last meeting
- ▶ Proposed Water Utility Rates increases
- ▶ Overview of 2023 Proposed Operating Budget
- ▶ Review Draft#2 – Capital Plan
- ▶ Overview of BC Assessment's 2023 Completed Roll Totals

- ▶ **General Fund Operations**
 - Administration, Fire Department, Public Works (Roads, Parks, Solid Waste), Recreation

- ▶ **Water Utility Operations**

- ▶ **Sewer Utility Operations**

- ▶ **Capital Fund (General, Water and Sewer)**

Budget Considerations and Assumptions

- ▶ Ensure adequate funding for existing services and infrastructure – level of service delivery
- ▶ Considered a status quo budget from an operations perspective– minor increase in Recreation
- ▶ No tax increase proposed at this time – future meeting discussion– Completed BC Assessment Roll to be discussed at the February 6, 2023 Budget meeting

- ▶ Proposed 2023 Water Utility User rates
- ▶ Moved bridge inspections to operating
- ▶ Minor Changes Benefits
- ▶ Reduction in Fire Budget expenditures by \$15k
- ▶ Addition of Food Box to projects
- ▶ Revenue from sale of land is to be transferred to a reserve fund

		2023	2022	
		Budget	Actual (12 months)	Budget
Revenue				
	Water User Fees	209,000	194,461	193,500
	Other	1,000	19,521	
Total Revenue		210,000	213,981	193,500
Expenditures				
	Admin Support	31,350	31,350.00	31,350
	Asset Replacement	32,000	32,000.00	32,000
	Vehicle Costs	2,000	2,000.00	2,000
	Salaries	53,300	45,569.33	61,595
	Payroll Benefits	11,056	8,526.88	19,660
	Insurance	13,500	13,345.69	13,300
	Dues & Permits	1,500	1,495.01	1,500
	Courses & Seminars	1,500	563.45	1,000
	Travel	500	0.00	500
	Supplies & Freight	3,500	3,101.29	500
	Contract Services	10,000	17,800.71	1,000
	Utilities	26,000	25,827.14	25,000
	Alarm Monitoring	1,200	1,198.68	1,300
	Chlorine	8,500	8,298.79	5,000
	Supplies - Other	2,000	1,250.29	6,000
	Repair & Maintenance	10,000	19,266.42	12,500
Total Expenditures		207,906	211,594	214,204
Operating Surplus / (Deficit)		2,094	2,388	-20,704
# of users residnetial customers		363		
Current User Fee 2022		\$375		
Previous rate		\$346		
Proposed \$ increase to balance C/Y utility		\$400		
Proposed 10% increase to commercial Users				

		2022 Actuals - unaudited			Final 2023 Budget		
		<u>Approved</u>	<u>Actual 12</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>2023 Final</u>	<u>Change in</u>	
		<u>Budget</u>	<u>month-</u>	<u>Variance</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Budget Fav</u>	<u>%</u>
			<u>Unaudited</u>	<u>Fav (Unfav)</u>	<u>Unfav)</u>	<u>(Unfav)</u>	<u>Change</u>
Operating Revenues							
Taxation	Property taxes	823,034	816,311	(6,723)	818,554	(4,480)	-1%
	Grants in lieu of taxes	47,100	82,086	34,986	80,000	32,900	70%
Fees	User fees and charges	121,530	155,293	33,763	146,689	25,159	21%
	Water	193,500	213,981	20,481	210,000	16,500	9%
	Sewer	197,000	197,548	548	197,000	-	0%
	Environmental Health	155,500	157,562	2,062	157,500	2,000	1%
	Protective Services	4,000	2,206	(1,794)	4,000	-	0%
Other	Interest and penalties on taxes	27,000	25,096	(1,904)	22,750	(4,250)	0%
	Grants and other governments	607,360	982,834	375,474	480,265	(127,095)	-21%
	Investment income	7,000	4,460	(2,540)	7,000	-	0%
	Other	-	4,306	4,306	-	-	
	Transfer from reserves	3,500		(3,500)		(3,500)	-100%
Total Operating Revenue		2,186,524	2,641,683	455,159	2,123,758	(62,766)	-3%
Operating Expenditures							
	General Government - Council	38,640	49,294	(10,654)	67,031	(28,391)	73%
	General Government - Admin	777,343	698,717	78,625	760,799	16,544	-2%
	Protective Services	145,555	130,397	15,158	163,968	(18,413)	13%
	Environmental Health	106,065	58,261	47,804	116,370	(10,305)	10%
	Public Works Services	280,524	286,946	(6,421)	323,426	(42,902)	15%
	Recreation, Cultural & Dev.	264,599	265,872	(1,273)	286,049	(21,449)	8%
	Projects	215,500	394,948	(179,448)	103,400	112,100	-52%
	Water Services	214,204	211,594	2,610	207,302	6,902	-3%
	Sewer Services	186,005	163,493	22,512	190,137	(4,132)	2%
	Transfer to reserve funds			-		-	
	Amortization	-		-		-	
Total Operating Expenditures		2,228,436	2,259,522	(31,086)	2,218,483	9,953	0%
Net Operating Deficit		(41,912)	382,161	424,073	(94,724)	(52,812)	

Local governments must place the proceeds of sales of land and improvements in a reserve fund. In most cases that reserve fund must have as its purpose the purchase of other land, improvements or other capital assets.

Per Section 188 of the Community Charter

- ▶ New Server
- ▶ Flood Protection & Improvement
- ▶ Firehall Relocation
- ▶ Waste Water Treatment Reconfiguration & Upgrade
- ▶ Community Pier & Dock Project
- ▶ Hangar Building Repairs
- ▶ Capital Revenue– Sale of Lots– \$50K

Capital Plan – Draft #2

Village of Tahsis

2023 - 2027 Capital Plan Final Version

Revised January 18, 2023

Funding Sources:			2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	Total
Capital Grants			1,670,376	3,384,012	6,301,809	2,325,725	0	13,681,921
Fire Hall Reserve			25,000	200,000	20,000	0	0	245,000
Capital Reserves			17,500	672,000	55,000	55,000	20,000	819,500
Recreation Reserves			0	150,000	0	0	0	150,000
Operations Reserve				370,000	170,000	0	0	540,000
Long-term Borrowing			26,670	536,120	1,173,430	176,764	0	1,912,984
Total			1,739,546	5,312,132	7,720,239	2,557,488	20,000	17,349,405

Questions?



Minutes

Village of Tahsis

Meeting	Committee of the Whole
Date	January 23, 2023
Time	2:45 p.m.
Place	Municipal Hall - Council Chambers and by electronic means

Present	Mayor Martin Davis Councillor Meggan Joseph Councillor Sarah Fowler Councillor Cheryl Northcott	by video
Regrets	Councillor Doug Elliott	
Staff	Mark Tatchell, Chief Administrative Officer Janet StDenis, Finance and Corporate Services Manager	by video
Guests	Michael Pearson, Vancouver Island Regional Director, Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Amanda Price, Lower Mainland Regional Director, Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Ashley Cousens, Area Manager, Vancouver Island District, Courtenay Office, Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Kellen Truant, Operations Manager, Courtenay Office, Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Lesley Fettes, District Manager, Campbell River, Ministry of Forests Greg Goldstone, Resource Manager, Regional Operations Division, Coast Area, Ministry of Forests Chris Petersen, Engineering Officer, Regional Operations Division, Coast Area, Manager, Ministry of Forests	by video
Public	1 member of the public.	

Call to Order

Mayor Davis called the meeting to order at 2:48 p.m.

Land Acknowledgement

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

Introduction of Late Items

None

Approval of the Agenda**Fowler: COW 011/2023****THAT** the Agenda for the January 23, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting be adopted as presented.**CARRIED****M. New
Business****1****Presentation by Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure staff followed by discussion.****Fowler: COW 012/2023****THAT** this presentation be received.**CARRIED**

Following introductions a discussion around road maintenance issues and topics ensued.

Topics discussed included bridges, drainage, brushing, snow removal at the summit, chipseal quality and specific problem areas of the HBFSR.

A recap/ update on the work that was done was provided along with plans to meet with Mainroad in the next few weeks to discuss specific problem areas.

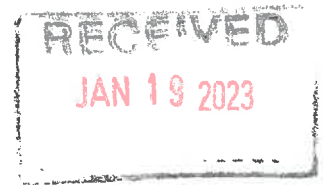
There was a discussion regarding improved communications. Ministry Staff committed to share inspection reports and audits of the HBFSR with the Village at least twice per year during a face to face meeting.

Ministry Staff to arrange a meeting with Tahsis Council with Rodrigo Disegni, Director of Rehabilitation and Maintenance.

Adjournment**Northcott: 013/2023****THAT** the meeting adjourn at 4:06 p.m.**CARRIED**

Certified correct this
7th day of February, 2023

Corporate Officer



Jan.19/23

To the Mayor and Council,

During the Jan.17 council Meeting, Counsellor Fowler said that I was under duress when I signed the petition.

This suggests that threats were made to force me to sign.

I wish to make it clear to the Mayor and Council that this did not occur.

Murray Peavoy

Murray Peavoy

From:
Sent:
To:
Subject: FW: Community dock project

From: Nigel Hogarth <nigelhogarth@icloud.com>
Date: January 30, 2023 at 11:42:32 PM PST
To: mayor@villageoftahsis.com
Cc: delliott@villageoftahsis.com. sfowler@villageoftahsis.com. mjoseph@villageoftahsis.com.
northcott@villageoftahsis.com.
Subject: Community dock project

This letter is to the Mayor and council members of Tahsis and to the Village management.

Hello,

In regards to the open council meeting to discuss the revised proposal for community docks, I have some comments and some follow up. Thank you for taking the time to read this.

A number of concerns and issues were raised by those who attended the meeting - these included the lack of parking, the seeming lack of protection from storms from other than the south direction, the lack of any form of revenue and expense operating budget and the manner in which the proposed plan renders any additional uses of the village owned waterfront area impossible. Other issues that came up were the lack of any float plane docking on what many has thought was the replacement for the float plane dock, and the lack of facility for large boats such as the MV Uchuck, which no longer includes Tahsis in its schedule because of our lack of facilities.

In addition there seemed to be little in the way of clarity as to whether the grant is adequate to complete the project without either an additional sum of \$500,000.00 being raised by the village or without the deletion of the boat launch portion of the project (something which seemed to have suddenly become an "extra" as opposed to an integral part of the project). Both councillor Elliot and members of the public asked for clarity on this, but it was never clearly addressed by staff or by the contractors. In fact, both the mayor and councillor Elliott both listened to all of the concerns of the public and were active in questioning the contractor and staff on the public's concerns.

I believe that most of the attendees were stunned that, after so many obvious issues were raised and without solutions being proposed to those issues, that the majority of council simply ignored the ignored the mayor's proposal to ask the contractor for solutions and simply voted to go forward as is and without any attempt to address any of the issues.

In my opinion (that of somebody who has a dock and breakwater in this area) the idea of building moorage spots at more than \$200,000.00 each is bizarre. That cost would make no sense even in Vancouver harbour. No marina in British Columbia would consider adding spots at this price and they would not consider using such a large and valuable piece of waterfront for 12 moorage spots. It must be the most expensive and worst thought out small community dock project on the coast and there seems to be no plan as to how to pay for the very considerable operating costs. If the proposal was for 50

spots, parking and other issues were worked out, I would be excited for the village. However, operating a marina with 12 spots makes no long or short term financial sense since the operating costs cannot possibly break even on 12 spots and it is not enough to help the economy of the village. Revenue on 12 spots = max \$24,000.00 - if the village can work out how to collect - costs = several times that and loss to be paid for by the taxpayers. Furthermore, given that the entire project competes directly with the only truly viable operating business in Tahsis - by far the largest employer and by far the largest promoter and advertiser of the village - one has to question just what the motive was for using such a massive grant opportunity in such a useless manner.

This project started with grand ideas - read the website and remember all the talk about a "dock to service the community". Slowly it has fizzled to 12 lousy moorage spots, only a partial break water, no parking, no floatplane dock, no dock space for commercial vessels? The website described "increased access to the village, the service for larger boats, the access to school, transport of goods, ensuring 1st responder access, replacement of the airline float and all of the other talking points seem to have disappeared. I would at least advise that it would be best to remove them from the website. The price has however remained constant, except that there appeared to be a caution that the grant would not cover an expected \$500,000.00 in Other costs. In essence we have a 12 boat dock at 10 times the price of the boats that will tie up there and which will cost 100 times the price of the moorage revenue - even if we do not place any value on the waterfront property on which we will place it.

It reminds me of another project that the Tahsis village council put so much support into that, even when the entire world realized that it would be a disaster, they were so far committed that they simply had to keep going. Before the village hires Bif Naked to perform at opening day of the Tahsis community dock, I believe that we need to see an operating budget and a solution to the very obvious shortcomings of this proposal.

Please address the issues that were brought up. Please provide an operating budget and a justification for the loss that the project will incur each year and a solution as to how this additional loss will be paid.

As a council, please swallow your pride and insist that the senior staff go back to the federal government and beg to change the grant to something that does indeed benefit the entire community. A 12 boat dock does not provide a benefit that justifies the use of the waterfront that the village owns let alone the use of a \$2.5 million grant.

Thank you for reading this letter.

Nigel Hogarth

Nigelhogarth@icloud.com

RECEIVED
JAN 19 2023

Dear Neighbour,

I'm writing to provide you with some exciting news about the progress we are making on the NDP plan to bring dental care to millions of Canadians. **Please see the reverse side of this letter for information on how you may qualify for the first stage of dental care negotiated by the NDP.**

Through our efforts, we secured the federal government's agreement to provide dental care for all children under 12 this year, expanding to children under 18, seniors over 65 and people living with disabilities next year, and finally to everyone who does not have dental coverage and whose income is less than \$90,000 by the end of 2024.

We are delivering this in stages. The first step will start on December 1 with payments up to \$1300 to all parents with children under 12 who have no dental coverage and earn under \$90,000 per year. This is a temporary measure that will allow children to go to the dentist immediately while we finalize the permanent dental plan which we expect to be in place by the end of 2023.

This means some 520,000 children will be able to go to the dentist immediately. To put this in perspective, \$650 will generally pay for a dental examination, teeth cleaning, set of diagnostic x-rays and one or two fillings.

I can also report that we are making solid progress toward the permanent dental plan. This will be a typical dental plan that has an excellent range of services. There will be no cost for those with family incomes under \$70,000, and incremental co-payments up to the \$90,000 limit.

Once in place, this plan will cover some 9 million Canadians. It will represent the single biggest expansion of our public health system in over 50 years.

The NDP is dedicated to building and strengthening our universal, public health care system. We won't stop until everyone can get the care they need, regardless of the size of their bank account.

Please contact my office for any additional information on how you can access these dental benefits or for any questions or feedback you may have.

Best wishes,



HOUSE OF COMMONS
CHAMBRE DES COMMUNES
CANADA



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Canada Dental Benefit

HOW TO APPLY



Who qualifies?

Families with children under 12 and an adjusted family net income under \$90,000 without employer-provided dental insurance.

Where to apply?

Scan the QR code above, or visit:
www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency.
You will need a My CRA account in order to apply online.

What do I receive?

Depending on your income, up to \$1300 per child.

IMPORTANT INFO:

- The payment will not reduce other federal income-tested benefits such as the Canada Workers Benefit, the Canada Child Benefit, and the Goods and Services Tax Credit.
- You must keep receipts in case you are ever asked to prove you actually went to the dentist.
- You must have filed your 2021 income tax return.
- You must receive the Canada Child Benefit.

INCOME UNDER \$70,000:

- \$650 for dental care services received between Oct 1, 2022 and June 30, 2023
- \$650 for dental care services received between July 1, 2023 and June 30, 2024

Total: \$1300 per child

INCOME BETWEEN \$70,000 - \$79,999:

- \$390 for dental care services received between Oct 1, 2022 and June 30, 2023
- \$390 for dental care services received between July 1, 2023 and June 30, 2024

Total: \$780 per child

INCOME BETWEEN \$80,000 - \$89,999:

- \$260 for dental care services received between Oct 1, 2022 and June 30, 2023
- \$260 for dental care services received between July 1, 2023 and June 30, 2024

Total: \$520 per child

FOR QUESTIONS AND ASSISTANCE, CONTACT MY CONSTITUENCY OFFICES:

- POWELL RIVER: 604 489 2286
- CAMPBELL RIVER: 250 287 9388

From:
To:
Subject:
Date:

From: Erin Turton <erin@bcepilepsy.com>
Sent: January 18, 2023 8:06 AM
To: Reception Account <Reception@villageoftahsis.com>
Subject: Proclamation Request

To: Mayor and Council,

Epilepsy is one of the most common neurological conditions, however, it has the least recognition in society. The BC Epilepsy Society is a provincially incorporated non-profit organization and a federally registered charitable organization that serves the over 50,000 people living with epilepsy in BC and their families, friends and loved ones and works to raise awareness of epilepsy in the communities in which we live.

We are excited to let you know that International PURPLE DAY® for Epilepsy Awareness is coming up and will take place on March 26th, 2023. International PURPLE DAY® for Epilepsy Awareness is a time when people in countries around the world take part in events and activities to raise much-needed awareness of epilepsy.

We would like to request a Proclamation from the Mayor and Council designating March 26th, 2023, as International PURPLE DAY® for Epilepsy Awareness in Tahsis. Included with this letter is a document outlining our draft Proclamation.

Through your participation in International PURPLE DAY® for Epilepsy Awareness on March 26th, 2023, you will not only be able to show people living with epilepsy that they are not alone but will also get people talking about epilepsy in an effort to raise awareness of epilepsy in the community.

We look forward to working with you on International PURPLE DAY® for Epilepsy Awareness on March 26th, 2023, and in the future. Please feel free to contact me via email at deirdre@bcepilepsy.com or via telephone at 1-788-533-0790 should you have any questions or require any additional information.

Sincerely,
Deirdre Syms
Executive Director
BC Epilepsy Society

Thanks!

Kind regards,
Sonia Ali
Provincial Manager of Programs and Services
BC Epilepsy Society

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Email: sonia@bcepilepsy.com
Website: www.bcepilepsy.com

Social Media:

Instagram: [BCEpilepsySociety](#)

Facebook: [BC Epilepsy Society](#)

Twitter: [BCEpilepsy](#)

The BC Epilepsy Society empowers, educates, and supports British Columbians living with epilepsy.

2023 Proclamation Draft

“Purple Day”

WHEREAS Purple Day is celebrated on March 26 annually, during Epilepsy Awareness Month, to increase knowledge and understanding of epilepsy in the community;

AND WHEREAS Purple Day was founded in 2008 by Cassidy Megan, a nine-year-old girl from Nova Scotia, who wanted people living with epilepsy that they were not alone;

AND WHEREAS On Purple Day, people in communities around the world are encouraged to wear purple and host events in support of epilepsy awareness;

AND WHEREAS There are over 50,000 people in British Columbia, over 380,000 people in Canada and over 65 Million people worldwide living with epilepsy;

AND WHEREAS The onset of epilepsy can occur at any stage of life and does not discriminate against age, gender, race, ethnicity, religion, socioeconomic status, geographic location, or sexual orientation;

AND WHEREAS Purple Day can improve the quality of life of people living with epilepsy, create a society that embraces the beauty of difference and help us understand how we can all come together to make the world a better place:

NOW THEREFORE I **[Insert Name and Title]** DO HEREBY PROCLAIM Sunday March 26th, 2023 as

“PURPLE DAY”

in the **[City/Municipality/Town/Village]** of **[Insert Name of City/Municipality/Town/Village]**.

VILLAGE OF TAHSIS

Report to Council

To: Mayor and Council
From: Chief Administrative Officer
Date: January 20, 2023
Re: Webcasting Council Meetings on Demand

PURPOSE OF REPORT:

To inform Council of the opportunity to webcast Council meetings on demand.

OPTIONS/ALTERNATIVES

1. Approve webcasting on demand all open Council meetings, including committee meetings, special Council meetings, Budget meetings, and regular Council meetings, on the Village website using the MS Teams platform.
2. Do not approve webcasting on demand all open Council meetings, including committee meetings, special Council meetings, Budget meetings and regular Council meetings, on the Village website using the MS Team platform.
3. Any other option that Council deems appropriate.

BACKGROUND:

During the COVID State of Provincial Emergency, the provincial government amended the *Community Charter* (s. 128) to permit municipal councils to convene electronic meetings. The amendments permit members of Council to attend and participate electronically and permit the public to attend electronically. As a result, most municipal councils adopted either Zoom or MS Teams as the platform for their electronic meetings. The Village of Tahsis has adopted MS Teams as it synchronizes with the Village's Microsoft Office software which is used for email and other office functions.

MS Teams includes recording and transcription functions which are utilized by staff in preparing meeting minutes. The meeting recordings are saved to SharePoint and stored on the Cloud using our managed enterprise-wide solution (Datto) to backup, store, protect and recover all Village data on the Cloud. Our Cloud-based data storage solution is compliant with provincial records management and privacy protection statutory requirements.

The MS Teams software facilitates simple and accurate posting of meeting recordings on the Village website. The meeting recordings broadcast the screen image and accompanying

audio. Subject to Council's decision, the meeting recordings would be available on the Village website on demand 24/7/365. As members of Council are likely aware, many municipal councils and regional district boards make meeting recordings available on demand to the public as a means for increasing transparency and engagement.

It is proposed that the staff develop rules for archiving meeting videos after a certain period of time (e.g., one year), as is the case with meeting minutes and agendas.

POLICY/LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS:

1. *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (RSBC 1996, Ch. 165)*
2. *Community Charter (SBC 2003, Ch. 26)*
3. *Council Procedure Bylaw No. 495, Consolidated 2012.*

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

There are no direct financial implications. Some staff time is required to manage this work.

STRATEGIC PRIORITY:

This is not a 2023 Council Strategic Priority.

RECOMMENDATION:

Option 1

Respectfully submitted:



Mark Tatchell, CAO