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**Meeting** Regular Council Meeting  
**Date** May 16, 2023  
**Time** 7:00 PM  
**Place** Municipal Hall - Council Chambers and by electronic means

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**Present** Mayor Martin Davis  
 Councillor Meggan Joseph  
 Councillor Sarah Fowler  
 Councillor Cheryl Northcott

**Regrets** Councillor Douglas Elliott

**Staff** Mark Tatchell, Chief Administrative Officer  
 Adia Mavrikos, CPA, CA, Director of Finance  
 Janet St-Denis, Corporate Services Manager  
 Wanda Waksdale, Admin Assistant

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**Public** 6 Members of the public.

(4 by video)

### **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**

A letter to Mayor and Council on behalf of the Board of Education for School District 84 regarding the Tahsis Fire Hall Project under Correspondence as "L1".

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

**Fowler/Northcott: VOT 0235/2023**

**THAT** the Agenda for the May 16, 2023 Regular meeting of Council be adopted as amended.

**CARRIED**

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

None.

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

A member of the public requested that the vegetation (Lily of the Valley) along the Tahsis River bank not be cut until the plants have finished fruiting.

Staff was directed to follow up with Public Works.

**F. Adoption of the Minutes**

**1 Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on May 2, 2023.**

**Fowler/Northcott: VOT 0236/2023**

**THAT** the Regular Council Meeting minutes of May 2, 2023 be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**G. Rise and Report**

**1** At the May 9th in camera meeting, Council approved disclosing to the public at the May 16th, 2023 Regular Council meeting the February 7, 2023 letter from Mark Tatchell to Councillor Douglas Elliott and the February 7, 2023 letter from the Village of Tahsis to Councillor Douglas Elliott (attachment G1).

**2** At the May 9, 2023 in camera meeting, Council approved publicly releasing the May 2, 2023 staff report on Council Procedure Bylaw at the May 16, 2023 Regular Council meeting (attachment G2)

**3** At the May 9th in camera meeting, Council approved publicly releasing the Strategic Economic Development Plan, except for those sections which are deemed to be confidential under s. 90(1)(e), (g), (i) and (k) of the Community Charter. Council also agreed to publicly release the brochure inviting input from Tahsis residents and businesses. The brochure will be mailed to all Tahsis residents and businesses. The plan and the brochure will be posted on the Village website.

**H. Business Arising**

None.

**J. Council Reports**

**Mayor Davis -**

No report.

**Councillor Joseph (verbal report)**

I just wanted to point out that I think the brochure looking for public input is amazing and I look forward to hearing feedback.

I also wanted to bring up fire season. I went camping this weekend and it's pretty dry out there, even though there isn't a fire ban yet. I just want to remind people to be cautious.

**Councillor Fowler -**

May 16 2023

We had a great community event with the PAC CMESS spring Bazaar on May 13, 2023. Thanks to everyone who could make it.

I have included 4 attachments for your information. The first two are regarding a successful grant application for NSWS proposal decision around regional watershed prioritization. (BCSRIF)

The others are to celebrate Local Government Awareness week May 14-20. Notably is a poster from the Town of Gibson's for a Youth Councillor position and the BC Ministry Youth Engagement Toolkit. Since tomorrow May 17 is Asset Management Day (#AMDAY2023) I want to use my time at today's meeting to celebrate the contributions of young people as human resource and great assets.

Submitted respectfully,  
Councillor Fowler

**Attachment #1** BC Salmon Restoration and Innovation Fund (BCSRIF) - Nootka Sound Watershed Society Successful Application

**Attachment #2** BC Salmon and Restoration Innovation Fund

**Attachment #3** Town of Gibson's- Alternate Youth Councillor Position

**Attachment #4** BC - Youth Engagement Toolkit

**Councillor Northcott-** verbal report

I attended the library executive meeting on Friday May 5th.

**Councillor Elliott-** -no report

**Fowler/Northcott: VOT 0237/2023**

**THAT** the Council Reports be received.

**CARRIED**

**Bylaws**

**1 Tahsis Wastewater Treatment & Reconfiguration & Upgrade Project Temporary**

**Borrowing Bylaw, No.658, 2023.**

**1st, 2nd and 3rd Readings**

**Fowler/Northcott: VOT 0238/2023**

**THAT** the Tahsis Wastewater Treatment & Reconfiguration & Upgrade Project Temporary Borrowing Bylaw, No.658, 2023 be received for consideration

**CARRIED**

The CAO spoke to the purpose of this bylaw and responded to questions from Council.

**Fowler/Northcott: VOT 0239/2023**

**THAT** the Tahsis Wastewater Treatment & Reconfiguration & Upgrade Project Temporary Borrowing Bylaw, No.658, 2023 receive a first reading this 16th day of May 2023.

**CARRIED**

**Northcott/Joseph: VOT 0240/2023**

**THAT** the Tahsis Wastewater Treatment & Reconfiguration & Upgrade Project Temporary Borrowing Bylaw, No.658, 2023 receive a second reading this 16th day of May 2023.

**CARRIED**

**Joseph/Northcott: VOT 0241/2023**

**THAT** the Tahsis Wastewater Treatment & Reconfiguration & Upgrade Project Temporary Borrowing Bylaw, No.658, 2023 receive a third reading this 16th day of May 2023.

**CARRIED**

**L. Correspondence**

- 1 A letter to Mayor and Council on behalf of the Board of Education for School District 84 regarding the Tahsis Fire Hall Project.**

**Fowler/Northcott: VOT 0242/2023**

**THAT** this correspondence item be received.

**CARRIED**

**Fowler/Northcott: VOT 0243/2023**

**THAT** correspondence item # 1 be pulled for discussion.

**CARRIED**

- 1 A letter to Mayor and Council on behalf of the Board of Education for School District 84 regarding the Tahsis Fire Hall Project.**

The CAO spoke to this letter of support from the Board of Education, Vancouver Island School District 84 and responded to questions from Council.

**M. New Business**

None.

**Public Input #2**

There was a question regarding the status of the Waste Water Upgrade Project to which the CAO responded and provided an update.

A member of the public asked for an update on the Community Dock and Pier Project. The CAO responded with information on the status on this project noting it is on budget, on time and within scope.

**Adjournment**

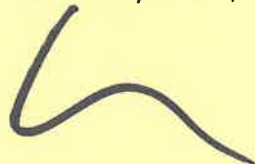
**Fowler/Northcott: VOT 0244/2023**

**THAT** the meeting be adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**Certified Correct this**

the 6th day of June, 2023



**Chief Administrative Officer**