



AGENDA

**Regular Meeting of the Village of Tahsis Council
to be held on October 21, 2025 at 7 p.m. 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 **Mayor Davis will acknowledge and respect that we are meeting upon Mowachaht/Muchalaht territory.**

B. Introduction of Late Items None.

C. Approval of the Agenda

D. Petitions and Delegations None.

E. Public Input #1

F. Adoption of the Minutes **1 October 3, 2025 Standing Committee of Business Liaison Meeting Minutes**

2 October 7, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

G. Rise and Report

H. Business Arising 1 **Councillor Lenahan's Proposal Re: Tahsis Recreation Centre Accessibility Improvements.**

J. Council Reports 1 **Mayor Davis**
2 **Councillor Fowler**
3 **Councillor Northcott**
4 **Councillor Lenahan**
5 **Councillor Moore**

K. Bylaws None.

L. Correspondence 1 **October 2, 2025 letter from Allison Bond, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction to Mayor Davis and Council Re: Meeting at UBCM.**

2 **October 9, 2025 letter from Christine Boyle, Minister of Housing and Municipal Affairs to Mayor Davis Re: Implementation of SSMUH (Small-scale multi-unit Housing) Legislation.**

M. New Business 1 **Report to Council Re: Grant Opportunity- Volunteer and Composite Fire Department.**

2 **Report to Council Re: End of Season Report for the Tahsis Visitor Information Centre and Museum.**

3 **2026 UBCM Convention September 14-18, 2026- Vancouver BC**

Public Input # 2

Rise and Report

O. Adjournment



Village of
Tahsis

Minutes

Meeting Standing Committee of Business Liaison
Date October 3, 2025
Time 10:01 a.m.
Place Municipal Hall - Council Chambers and by electronic means

Committee Members Councillor Brenda Lenahan, Committee Vice Chair
 Linda Jordan, Local Business Community Representative
 Amit Sharma, Local Business Community Representative by video
 Sheryl Roger, Local Business Community Representative

Absent Councillor Ryan Moore, Committee Chair
 Dan Dahling, Local Business Community Representative

Staff Mark Tatchell, CEO (Ex Officio)
 Paige Sawyer, Economic Development Coordinator (Ex Officio)
 Amanda Knibbs, IT Coordinator by video

Public None.

Call to Order

Councillor Lenahan called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

Land Acknowledgement

Councillor Lenahan acknowledged and respected that the Standing Committee of Business Liaison is meeting upon Mowachaht/Muchalaht territory.

Introduction of Late Items

Under Business Arising as "H2" discussion of the necessity of the October 7th, 2025 meeting.

Approval of the Agenda

Rogers: COW 0107/2025

THAT the Agenda for the October 3, 2025 Standing Committee of Business Liaison be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

**H. Business
Arising**

**1 Report to Council Re: Results of the Community Consultation
Open House event and Survey.**

Jordan: COW 0108/2025

THAT the September 24, 2025 Report to the Standing Committee of Business Liaison be received for consideration and discussion.

CARRIED

The committee conducted a detailed review of the Community Consultation Open House and Survey Report. The committee discussed the need to clarify the following items in the report: the purpose, scope and aim of the community consultation/survey; the number of responses (individual surveys and aggregated open house responses) and the concept of "car stops" mentioned in the survey .

Other topics discussed included: the methodology for grouping survey responses under broader themes; aligning the terminology in the report with the Strategic Economic Development Plan; including comments in the report and the approval process for the amendments to the report. The committee decided to make real-time edits to the report.

Jordan: COW 0109/2025

THAT the September 23, 2025 Report to Council re: Standing Committee of Business Liaison Open House and Survey Feedback (Appendix B), Appendix A (Economic Development Analysis) and Appendix C (Community Engagement Survey) be approved as amended for Council's consideration at the October 7, 2025 Regular Council meeting.

CARRIED

The committee debated whether to provide Council with the full survey data, including comments. The consensus was to release only the quantitative data (graphs and priorities) .

Sharma: COW 0110/2025

THAT Staff be requested to create an Appendix D containing the quantitative survey data (excluding the individual comments) for Council's consideration at the October 7, 2025 Regular Council meeting.

CARRIED

2 Discussion of the necessity of the October 7th, 2025 meeting.

Jordan: COW 0111/2025

THAT this item of business be discussed.

CARRIED

The committee discussed the necessity of the October 7th, 2025 Standing Committee of Business liaison meeting, ultimately agreeing that, given the progress made and lack of additional agenda items, the meeting could be cancelled, with official notice to be provided by the committee chair.

Adjournment**Roger: COW 0112/2025****THAT** the Standing Committee of Business Liaison adjourn at 11:40 a.m.**CARRIED****Certified Correct this**

21st day of October, 2025.

Chief Administrative Officer



Minutes

<u>Meeting</u>	Regular Council Meeting
<u>Date</u>	October 7, 2025
<u>Time</u>	7:00 PM
<u>Place</u>	Municipal Hall - Council Chambers and by electronic means

Present

Mayor Martin Davis
 Councillor Sarah Fowler
 Councillor Brenda Lenahan
 Councillor Ryan Moore
 Councillor Cheryl Northcott by video

Staff

Mark Tatchell, Chief Administrative Officer by video
 Adia Mavrikos, CPA, CA, Director of Finance by video
 Janet StDenis, Corporate Services Manager

Public

2 members of the public. 2 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 None.

C. Approval of the Agenda

Moore/Fowler: VOT 0354/2025
THAT the Agenda for the October 7, 2025 Regular meeting of Council be adopted as presented. **CARRIED**

E. Public Input # 1 None.

F. Adoption of the Minutes ¹ September 11, 2025 Standing Committee of Business Liaison Meeting Minutes

Moore/Fowler: VOT 0355/2025

THAT the Standing Committee of Business Liaison Meeting minutes of September 11, 2025 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED**2 September 16, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Minutes****Moore/Fowler: VOT 0356/2025**

THAT the Regular Council Meeting minutes of September 16, 2025 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED**G. Rise and Report**

None.

H. Business Arising**1 Report to Council regarding Economic Development Survey and Open House Results****Moore/Fowler: VOT 0357/2025**

THAT this presentation be received.

CARRIED

Council reviewed the Economic Development Survey and Open House results, discussing community engagement, the process of compiling feedback and the integration of this input into the Strategic Economic Plan.

Fowler/Moore: VOT 0358/2025

THAT option #1 be approved (approve the survey analysis and community consultation report [attached as "Appendix A"] as presented and request staff to prepare an updated Strategic Economic Development Plan and Action Plan incorporating the results presented in the report and present the updated Strategic Economic Development Plan and Action Plan to the Standing Committee for Business Liaison for review and comment before submitting these documents to Council for consideration).

K. Bylaws

None.

J. Council Reports**Mayor Davis**

Since our last Council meeting, I have attended meetings of Strathcona Regional District and Comox Strathcona Solid Waste Management Board. The Regional District is considering a joint planning function for the region and we will be hearing more about this in future, including a visit from the SRD CAO to speak regarding benefits and risks of the proposal.

I recently attended the Union of BC Municipalities annual meeting. During this, I participated in meetings with government representatives where we discussed various Tahsis issues such as the road, clinic staffing, mental health supports, forestry and forest management, accessibility grants, funding for ongoing economic development between Tahsis and Mowachaht Muchalaht First Nation, maintenance funding for the Leiner campsite and housing issues. I also attended a Truck Loggers Association dinner where a fascinating video called BC is burning was shown. This video documents the serious wildfire situation in BC and proposes forest management practices to mitigate this. During UBCM I also did two CBC interviews regarding the state of our road and advocated for sealcoating and other improvements.

On September 28 we had our official opening of our new fire hall. It was well attended despite the rain. The Mayor of Zeballos, Mowachaht Muchalaht representatives, Zeballos and Campbell River Fire Departments, the Coast Guard, Members of BC EHS Station 133 Tahsis, Tahsis Fire Rescue and of course our Fire Chief were in attendance.

Councillor Northcott

No report.

Councillor Lenahan

I want to acknowledge the passing of Samuel Johnson Jr- a cultural leader and elder of the Mowachaht/ Muchalaht and a deeply loved grandfather, husband, uncle and father.

He was enamoured with Cole from the day he met him at Yuquot and invited him into many ceremonies and drum circles. He became a friend and we will miss his both the joy and wisdom he shared with us.

I walked the first piece of the Grease Trail today and thought of him as I did so. He told me of the many trail songs that his father had taught him. I am glad he had the opportunity to see the trail being brought back into use.

I also want to thank the many community volunteers from Gold River and Tahsis who have worked so hard to improve the first stretch of trail before it meets the river, so that it can be more accessible to more Tahsis residents.

Councillor Moore

At UBCM this year, we had the opportunity to have many conversations that my hope leads to positive changes within the Village. I have been very open and honest with my own personal experiences with the hopes that it changes processes for not only us, but communities across the island since quite obviously what was said, had not been heard before.

My personal high point was being stopped by Anna Kindy, our current MLA, who I took advantage of attending the Oppositions health round table with and then walking down town Victoria before getting a tour of the Legislature with. It's not often that these opportunities get presented, but I do look forward to working with her in the future.

Resolutions at UBCM are such an interesting process, and if I had to bring home one that hit home, it was a resolution from the floor seeking oversight on cost overrun for capital projects.

Northshore Vancouver brought this forward due to its waste water project which was originally estimated to be \$700m. Currently the project is nearing \$4b and that is dependant on meeting the new budget, which they have not only struggled with, but as council have not received any answers to their questions, have now raised utilities by \$590 a year for the next 30 years to cover the cost overrun. This is quite obviously an issue that is not specific to our own community, but to even the largest, and in a much larger scale. The resolution was defeated, due to its very specific wording to their own municipality, but I expect this to come forward again with the intent to protect everyone.

Weekend before last I got to attend the Fire Department's grand opening of our new fire hall, and would like to extend our thanks to not everyone already included, but our local school board SD84, but also our often forgotten School board trustee Allison Stiglitz for not only her tireless work to ensure we had a building for our fire department to call home but also for her care and concern for our students and teachers. We have one of the most supportive schools anywhere, and it is often missed. Most parents worry about class sizes while we are privileged to have not only small class sizes, but a phenomenal breakfast and lunch program, and field trips that are second to none.

All too often people get forgotten, and I hope that anyone who hears this takes a moment to realize that it is nearly impossible to list all the all the people responsible for how amazing Tahsis is, but they do deserve to be recognized, and shouldn't need an event for it to happen.

Councillor Fowler

It was very busy week at UBCM as I attended the following meetings:

the Ministry of Jobs and Economic Growth,

Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction, Ministry of Environment and Parks, Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs, and the Ministry of Health. And that was just the first day.

On behalf of the Village of Tahsis I also attended meetings with the Ministry of Forests, the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia (ICBC) and Regional Health authorities.

Additionally, I attended the following plenary discussions that may be of interest to our residents.

1 Modest Growth & Big Challenges: The Road Ahead for BC's Economy.

Recent figures from the provincial government reveal BC's finances are entering stormy waters with headlines about record deficits, spiraling debt, shrinking GDP, and credit downgrades in the news. This session will go beneath the surface to assess how serious the situation really is and look at what the challenges are to getting the economy – and provincial finances – back on course. Panelists will also consider how the current financial picture could affect provincial policy decisions, and what the knock-on impacts will be for the work and finances of local governments.

From Policy to Plate: Local Food Leadership.

- 2** As communities across B.C. face increasing pressures on food access, affordability, and sustainability, local, regional governments are uniquely positioned to lead transformative change. This session explores how municipalities can strengthen local food systems through robust policy development, strategic planning, and practical implementation. Drawing on real-world examples, panelists will share how food and agriculture initiatives—such as land use tools, procurement policies, and school meal programs—are being integrated into broader planning frameworks to improve community well-being. Learn how effective, place-based governance can reduce reliance on external food systems, increase resilience, and support long-term food security. Whether your community is urban or rural, large or small, this session offers actionable insights for delegates looking to chart a more sustainable, food-secure future.

- 3** Local Watershed Boards: empowering communities to build watershed security.

Across BC, momentum is building for local watershed solutions. In the face of increasing drought, wildfire, floods, source water degradation, and economic uncertainty, communities are stepping up to lead. More local governments are walking alongside First Nations, forming partnerships to advance shared water priorities.

With provincial commitments to advance shared watershed governance and the Watershed Security Fund, there is an opportunity to shape a made-in-B.C. model of local watershed boards that support community-driven watershed planning, management and governance.

Hear from elected leaders and policy experts about their experience advancing shared watershed governance in their communities, how your community can get started, what's still needed, and how local watershed boards can drive solutions to community water challenges in partnerships with First Nations.

- 4** Cowichan Tribes Aboriginal Title Court Decision: Implications for Local Governments.

In a recent landmark ruling, the BC Supreme Court granted Cowichan Tribes Aboriginal title to 780 acres in the City of Richmond including fee simple lands, setting important legal, political, and practical implications for local governments across BC. Join us to learn more from legal experts about this precedent setting decision and implications for local government. This session is designed for local elected officials seeking to understand how this landmark decision could affect municipal decision-making, land use authority, and relationships with First Nations.

Looking ahead, I have signed up for the attached conversation with Catherine McKenna but best of all was attending the grand opening of the Fire Hall. It was a sustained effort by many people over a long period of time to have this milestone to celebrate and at the event I spoke with both the Mayor and Fire Chief of Zeballos in addition to the many folks who came from far to share the day with our Village.

Submitted respectfully,

Councillor Fowler

Fowler/Moore: VOT 0359/2025

THAT the Council Reports be received.

CARRIED

L. Correspondence

1 September 17, 2025 email from Liz Charyna, Executive Director, Pathways Serious Mental Illness Society to Mayor Davis Re: Call for Mayors response- Regarding Charter Challenge to the BC Mental Health Act.

2 September 22, 2025 email from the Ombudsperson of British Columbia Re: Open Meetings: Best Practices for Local Governments, second edition.

3 September 24, 2025 email from Tejindar Parhar, Assistant Deputy Minister, Housing and Land Use Policy Division, Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs Re: Local Government Development Approval Program (LGDAP)- 3rd Intake.

4 September 23, 2025 Letter from Ambrose Yung, Registrar, Youth Parliament of BC Alumni Society Re: British Columbia Youth Parliament, 97th Parliament

Fowler/Moore: VOT 0360/2025

THAT these correspondence items be received.

CARRIED

Fowler/Moore: VOT 0361/2025

THAT correspondence items #1 and #3 be pulled for discussion.

CARRIED

**September 17, 2025 email from Liz Charyna, Executive Director, Pathways
L1 Serious Mental Illness Society to Mayor Davis Re: Call for Mayors response-
Regarding Charter Challenge to the BC Mental Health Act.**

Council debated a proposed letter to the BC government regarding involuntary mental health care, with council members expressing different views on the complexity of the issue and ultimately deciding not to support the letter as presented.

**September 24, 2025 email from Tejindar Parhar, Assistant Deputy Minister,
L3 Housing and Land Use Policy Division, Ministry of Housing and Municipal
Affairs Re: Local Government Development Approval Program (LGDAP)- 3rd
Intake.**

Councillor Fowler spoke briefly to this correspondence item noting the opening of program's 3rd intake.

M. New Business 1 2026 Budget Meeting Dates

Moore/Fowler: VOT 0362/2025

THAT the 2026 Budget Meeting dates be received.

CARRIED

Council agreed to move the November 19th meeting to November 21st to accommodate all members, with Adia confirming the new date and council members agreeing to remain flexible for future changes

Fowler/Moore: VOT 0363/2025

THAT the 2026 Budget Meeting dates be approved as amended.

CARRIED

2 Report to Council Re: REDIP Grant Application

Fowler/Moore: VOT 0364/2025

THAT this Report to Council be received.

CARRIED

The CAO summarized the four REDIP Grant Streams (Capacity, Development, Implementation and Transition) outlining the funding amounts, eligibility, and matching requirements for each.

Council members discussed the pros and cons of each grant option.

Capacity Stream grant option could provide up to \$50,000 per year for three years plus access to a one-time \$100,000 fund for future projects and avoids the requirement for matching funds.

Fowler/Moore: VOT 0365/2025

THAT option #1 be approved (submit an application for the Capacity Stream to fund a staff economic development position).

CARRIED

N. Public Input #2

None.

Fowler/Moore: VOT 0366/2025

Mayor – I wish to raise a point of order. I wish to speak to personnel matters which, under the Community Charter, should be addressed in an in camera meeting. Therefore, I move that this meeting recess in order to go into a closed meeting so that this matter can be considered under s. 90(1)(c) of the Community Charter - labour relations or other employee relations.

CARRIED

Recess

Fowler/Moore: VOT 0367/2025

THAT Council recess at 8:03 p.m.

CARRIED

Reconvene

Fowler/Moore: VOT 0368/2025

THAT council reconvene at 8:27 p.m.

CARRIED

O. Adjournment

Fowler/Moore: VOT 0369/2025

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

CARRIED

Certified Correct this

21st day of October, 2025

Chief Administrative Officer

Tahsis Recreation Centre Accessibility Improvement Proposal

Introduction

Through the Strathcona Regional District's accessibility feedback tool and in consultation with the local member of the Strathcona Accessibility & Inclusion Advisory Committee (SAIAC), several barriers to accessibility at the Tahsis Recreation Centre's pool facilities have been identified.

In early September 2025, the committee member spoke with several individuals with disabilities, mobility impairments; and local elders at the Seniors Centre to gather insights on how to remove these barriers and improve inclusion and participation at the pool.

Options

Option 1: Apply for the SPARC grant for a pool access ramp, an adult size change table and two privacy curtains. Use Rec Centre reserve funds to reconfigure the toilet stalls, replace the toilets, install grab bars and address the issue of water and air temps.

Option 2: Approve the SPARC grant proposal to apply for a pool access ramp, an adult size change table and two privacy curtains. Decide on the other barrier removal items at a later date.

Option 3: Do not proceed with a grant application.

Option 4: Any other option that Council deems appropriate.

Recommendation: Option 1

Identified Barriers

The following accessibility issues have been reported:

- **Heavy Double Doors:** Difficult for individuals with mobility impairments and wheelchair users.
- **Inaccessible Washroom Stalls:** Stalls are too small, lack grab bars, and the toilets are positioned too low for comfort and accessibility.
- **Inadequate Air and Shower Temperature:** The water and air temperature are too cold for individuals with poor circulation, such as seniors and those with disabilities.
- **Lack of Privacy:** No private or family-friendly spaces, and all facilities are gendered.
- **No Change Tables or Lifts:** There are no change tables or lifts for individuals who are physically dependent.
- **Pool Access:** The pool is only accessible by stairs, posing challenges for those with mobility issues, injuries, young children, or pregnant individuals.

Proposed Solutions & Request

Given the challenges of working with an older facility, it's important to aim to implement changes in consultation with those affected by the barriers. The goal is to maximize impact while minimizing resource expenditure.

Funding Request for SPARC Accessibility Grant

We propose applying for the SPARC Accessibility Grant to fund the following prioritized improvements, which are most likely to be eligible for grant support:

1. **Pool Access Ramp:** \$14,901 (including delivery)
2. **Adult-sized Change Table:** \$7,472 (including delivery)
3. **Privacy Curtains (2 sets):** \$711 (including shipping)

Total Proposed Grant Request: \$23,084

It is possible that staff could apply for the full \$25,000 and allot the \$1916 to labour for installing the ramp (approx. 4 hours labour) and the curtains (approximately 4 hours labour)

***All equipment is available for delivery within six weeks of orders being placed.

Additional Grant Support

The local member of the SRD Accessibility Advisory Committee, along with a representative from the Tahsis Seniors Society, are available to support the grant writing process (as needed) from the lens of lived expertise, ensuring the application reflects community needs and priorities.

The next Strathcona Regional District Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting is TBD but is expected to be scheduled in the coming weeks. A letter of support from the committee for the grant application could be requested at this meeting.

Next Steps

Additionally, we request that the following barriers be addressed as soon as possible using village resources:

- **Reconfiguration of Toilet Stalls:** Increase stall size and reduce the number of toilets in the women's change room (labour cost to be determined).
- **Purchase and Installation of Comfort Height or ADA-Compliant Toilets (4 units):** approx \$800 (labour cost to be determined).
- **Purchase of Grab Bars:** Add grab bars to the four toilets: approx. \$750 for equipment & labour

- **Adjustment of Air and Shower Temperatures:** Adjust to suitable levels for individuals with poor circulation (labour cost to be determined).

Procurement

This proposal aims to be aligned with the VOT procurement policy.

The pool access ramp is the only one that is readily available in Canada as several suppliers were approached.

The request for quotes for an appropriate adult size change table was also sent to a couple different suppliers and the only one that responded with a quote was through National Seating & Mobility. It is possible with some more time and follow up that another quote could possibly be acquired.

Conclusion

By addressing these barriers, we can significantly improve accessibility at the Tahsis Recreation Centre, ensuring that all members of the community, regardless of ability, can participate and benefit from the facility. Our hope is that council will consider the following



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19-97-72	Power Height Adjustable Mobile Change Table, Includes 2" Removable Mattress, Safety Belts and 5" Locking Casters Size: 72" x 28", weight capacity: 450 lbs	P	1.00	EA	6,510.00	6,510.00
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DV-82406	EYE BOLT ANCHOR 3/8"	2	Each	29,00	58,00
SHIP	SHIPPING AND HANDLING	1	Each	2 134,24	2 134,24
31526	PRICES ARE VALID FOR 30 DAYS				
Sous-total					14 191,24

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October 2, 2025

Ref: 228670

Their Worship Martin Davis
and Council
Village of Tahsis
mayor@villageoftahsis.com

Dear Mayor Davis and Council:

Thank you for meeting with me during the Union of British Columbia Municipalities Convention (the Convention) in Victoria last month.

Our conversation at the Convention included a discussion about how rural communities are meant to meet the requirements of the Accessibility BC Act Standards. It was great to hear that the Village of Tahsis is intending on applying for the [SPARC BC Local Community Accessibility Grant Program](#), and we applaud the work the village has done to advance accessibility priorities in the community as a part of the implementation of the Accessible BC Act. We are also heartened to hear that Councillor Brenda Lenahan is an advocate for accessibility on so many levels.

The ministry recognizes that smaller rural and remote communities like yours face additional barriers to securing funding for upgrades and improvements to the local built environment. The Act requirements are meant to give flexibility to communities in acknowledgement of the diverse ways the requirements can be approached, the differing needs and challenges between communities, and the varying levels of capacity that communities have to do this work.

As we discussed, meetings like these are instrumental in determining how to move the program forward while ensuring that funding is used as intended and in the most impactful way possible

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In our conversation, I heard the challenges your community is facing around accessibility of resources for seniors. As mentioned, the [Office of the Seniors Advocate](#) can support seniors to access the services they need. I also understand that Tahsis Senior's Society is hosting tax clinics at the Senior's Center—the ministry is partnering with the federal government to support seniors transitioning between federal and provincial benefits, and there may be an opportunity to collaborate. Please connect with SDPR.CISB.VancouverIslandCentralNorth@gov.bc.ca to explore what collaboration could look like.

Regarding the need for service navigators, the ministry has Community Integration Specialists (CI Specialists) who work closely with local agencies to connect vulnerable community members with services and supports. There are two CI Specialists located in Campbell River, as well as one CI Specialist in Port Hardy who is co-located with Sacred Wolf Friendship Centre. All three CI Specialists can provide virtual supports as needed and assist community members, including seniors, to access services.

In addition, if you have any questions about services provided by CI Specialists or would like to share concerns or complaints with the ministry, you can reach out to a Community Relations and Service Quality manager by email at SDD.ServiceInquiries@gov.bc.ca.

Finally, I want to let you know that there are [new supports](#) for people and communities impacted by tariffs being launched, which may be of interest to the community or to individuals in the workforce.

Thank you again for taking the time to meet with us at the Convention. Your dedication to your community and advocacy on behalf of your citizens is to be applauded.

Sincerely,



Allison Bond
Deputy Minister

Attachment (1)

UBCM 2025—Village of Tahsis
Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction

RESOURCES: Village of Tahsis

Funding for Built Environment Accessibility

- BC Accessibility Hub: <https://bcaccessibilityhub.ca/funding/>
- UBCM Funding and resources update: July 2025: www.ubcm.ca/about-ubcm/latest-news/funding-and-resources-update-july-2025

Community Integration (CI) Specialists

- There is no SDPR office in the Village of Tahsis. Services are provided in the Campbell River office.
- Nearest Local Office (SDPR): 833A 14th Ave, Campbell River, BC V9W 4H3
- CI Specialists are SDPR staff who work in community (i.e., outreach) to support people who are at risk of or experiencing homelessness by connecting them with financial assistance and helping them to navigate essential community and government supports and services.
- 2 CI Specialists in Campbell River and 1 in Port Hardy provide as-needed virtual support
- **CISB Email:** SDPR.CISB.VancouverIslandCentralNorth@gov.bc.ca

Community and Employer Partnerships (CEP)

- No previous or ongoing CEP projects in the community

WorkBC Employment Services

- There is no WorkBC Centre in the Village of Tahsis. Services are provided in the Campbell River office.
- Nearest Local WorkBC Centre: 920 Alder Street, Campbell River, BC V9W 2P8
 - **Phone:** 250-286-3441
 - **Email:** info-campbellriver@workbc.ca
 - Also provides outreach services via in-person appointments in Gold River
 - As of the end of FY 2024/25, ~4096 people have accessed employment services and supports

WorkBC Centre

Campbell River	FY 2019/20	FY 2020/21	FY 2021/22	FY 2022/23	FY 2023/24	FY 2024/25
Total WorkBC Clients	1,774	1,619	1,461	1,667	1,831	1,839

*Data Source: SDPR Employment Labour Market Service Division

**Client volumes are not cumulative as clients may access services in more than one fiscal year

Previous SDPR Funding

- No previous SDPR funding provided

CLBC Information

- Regional Offices:
 - #107-1742 Cliffe Ave, Courtenay, BC V9N 2K8
 - Initial outreach regarding services can be directed to this office
 - 2231 South Island Hwy, Campbell River, BC V9W 1C4
- 1 Individual Funding (IF) agreement to support an individual in the area



BRITISH COLUMBIA

October 9, 2025

Reference: 188648

Mayors of British Columbia

Dear Mayors:

Today, I introduced new legislation in the house to improve the implementation of small-scale multi-unit housing (SSMUH). Before I explain the details of this legislation, I want to acknowledge the hard work of local government Councils, Boards and staff in B.C. to implement the changes by adopting the SSMUH densities on time and as intended by the Province. Many communities are demonstrating leadership and innovation to fully enable SSMUH and deliver the type of homes that work for people and growing families.

This includes modernizing zoning bylaws and updating site standards (such as removing floor space ratios, increasing building heights and lot coverage for SSMUH level densities), as well as adopting and streamlining standardized housing designs, eliminating or waiving form and character development permit requirements, and providing educational tools to support SSMUH development including webinars, handbooks and webpages. Communities that fully enabled SSMUH, adopted many of the recommended site standards, and are actively supporting this type of development are starting to see meaningful uptake. This means more homes built in existing communities throughout B.C. that more people and families can afford.

Since June 30, 2024, a review of implementation has highlighted that barriers to the development of SSMUH still exist in a few communities throughout B.C. This inconsistency and barriers in some communities are creating challenging conditions for development and limiting SSMUH from being viable and getting built. Specifically, a small number of local governments have not fully enabled SSMUH in all areas with single-family and duplex housing due to differing interpretations of the requirements.

The legislation that was introduced today is intended to address these inconsistencies and ensure that all communities offer viable and consistent conditions for SSMUH development.

If passed, the changes will remove barriers to create consistent conditions across the Province for SSMUH by ensuring that municipalities allow the three to six units in all zones:

- with parcels restricted to single-family and duplex housing, even if higher residential density is allowed elsewhere in the zone,
- restricted to single detached homes with a secondary suite and an accessory dwelling unit.

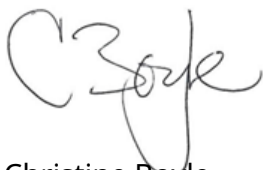
The small number of communities impacted by these changes will need to comply by June 30, 2026. An extension process will be established for upgrading infrastructure, lack of sufficient infrastructure to support additional residential density, and for extraordinary circumstances.

The updates aim to create uniform development opportunities across local governments, reducing barriers and uncertainty for builders and homeowners. Your planning staff will need to review your zoning bylaws for compliance with the new requirements. If the zoning bylaw already meets the requirements, no action is required.

I have also introduced changes to the legislation to ensure there is clear authority to establish site standards in regulations for off-street parking requirements, and housing unit “form” and “density”. However, I am not bringing forward any regulations at this time. I strongly encourage all local governments to align with the Provincial Policy Manual and Site Standards, which provides clear expectations for zoning amendments, site design, and development feasibility. The Province will continue to monitor implementation and uptake of SSMUH to ensure consistency and effectiveness across jurisdictions. If needed in the future, the Province may make regulations for minimum standards or introduce further legislation as needed.

I wish to extend my sincere appreciation to all local governments for your hard work to enable and facilitate housing development across British Columbia. Your work is beginning to show results, and together, we are making meaningful progress toward resolving the housing crisis. I look forward to working collaboratively with all of you to continue improving livability for residents.

Sincerely,



Christine Boyle
Minister of Housing and Municipal Affairs

Link: [BC Gov News](#)

CC: Chief Administrative Officers and City Managers

VILLAGE OF TAHSIS

Report to Council

To: Mayor and Council

From: M. Tatchell, Chief Administrative Officer
K. Wilkinson, Fire Chief

Date: October 21, 2025

Re: **Grant Opportunity – Volunteer & Composite Fire Department**

PURPOSE OF REPORT:

To consider a grant application to the Community Emergency Preparedness Fund 2025 Volunteer & Composite Fire Department grant program through the Union of BC Municipalities.

OPTIONS/ALTERNATIVES

1. *Provide a resolution as drafted*
2. *Decline to provide a resolution*

Staff recommends **Option 1**.

BACKGROUND:

The Community Emergency Preparedness Fund (CEPF) is a suite of funding programs intended to enhance the resiliency of local governments, First Nations and communities in responding to emergencies. The intent of the Volunteer and Composite Fire Department funding stream is to build the resiliency of volunteer and composite fire departments in preparing for and responding to emergencies through the purchase of new or replacement equipment and to facilitate the delivery of training. Eligible applicants can apply for a maximum of \$30,000. The deadline to submit an application is October 31, 2025. The Tahsis Fire and Rescue Department intends to utilize grant funding if successful, to begin a replacement program for outdated Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA), which are used by firefighters in smoke filled environments.

ITEM	BUDGET
MSA G1 SCBA Harness Qty. 2	\$ 20,102.00
MSA G1 Facepiece Qty. 2	\$ 1272.00
MSA G1 Cylinder Qty. 4	\$ 6976.00
MSA G1 Battery Bank Charger	\$ 1182.00
Batteries and accessories	\$ 468.00
TOTAL	\$30,000

POLICY/LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS:

None

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

The grant provides 100% funding for eligible items. In order to be considered for this grant the Village of Tahsis is required to submit a Council Resolution confirming its commitment to providing overall grant management if the application is successful.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the report from the Chief Administrative Officer be received.
2. THAT as part the Village of Tahsis' commitment to community fire safety that an application to the 2025 UBCM Volunteer & Composite Fire Department grant funding program be approved for submission; and

THAT the Village of Tahsis commit to overall grant management if the application is successful.

Respectfully submitted:

Mark Tatchell
Chief Administrative Officer



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 Abbotsford, BC V2T 6J3
 Phone: (888) 815 - 0500
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Quotation

Date Oct 3, 2025	M1 Page 1
Quote Number QT0076033	

Customer:

TAHSIS FIRE DEPARTMENT
 reception@villageoftahsis.com
 PO BOX 219
 TAHSIS, BC V0P 1X0
 CANADA

Quote To:

TAHSIS VOL FIRE DEPT
 285 ALPINE VIEW
 ATT: GRAHAM/KYLE
 PH# 250-203-9120
 TAHSIS, BC, V0P 1X0

Reference	PO Number	Customer No. TAH001	Salesperson Cam McArthur - Vancouver Island/Sunshine Coast	Ship Via
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Qty. Ord.	Item Number	Description	Unit Price	UOM	Extended Price
2	MSA-G1FS (ATO)	G1 HARNESS G1FS-224MA2C0LAR 2216/THRD/RECH	10,051.00	EA	20,102.00
2	MSA-10161810	G1 FACEPIECE MED 4 POINT W/NECKSTRAP	636.00	EA	1,272.00
4	MSA-10156422SP	G1 CYLINDER 30MIN/2216 CARBON FIBRE	1,744.00	EA	6,976.00
1	MSA-10158385	G1 BATTERY BANK CHARGER	1,182.00	EA	1,182.00
2	MSA-10148741SP	G1 RECHARGEABLE BATTERY	587.00	EA	1,174.00
	69002	FRT PPD & CHR, TO BE ADDED AT TIME OF SHIPPING			0.00

<p>Comments:</p> <p>RETURNED GOODS SUBJECT TO A 20% RESTOCKING FEE</p> <p>Quote valid until 11/2/2025.</p>	<p>Tax Summary:</p> <p>GST 1,535.30</p> <p>PSTBC 571.06</p>	<p>Less</p> <p>Included Tax 0.00</p> <p>Order Discount 0.00</p>	<p>Subtotal 30,706.00</p> <p>Total sales tax 2,106.36</p> <p>Total order 32,812.36</p>
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VILLAGE OF TAHSIS

Report to Council

To: Mayor and Council

From: Tahsis Tourist Information Centre Summer Representatives

Date: September 2, 2025

Re: End of season report for the Tahsis Visitor Information Centre and Museum

PURPOSE OF REPORT:

To provide Council with a summary of activity for the 2025 tourist season.

Row Labels	Sum of # Of People	Row Labels	Sum of # Of People	Row Labels	Sum of # Of People
Alberta	4	Sunday	12	1:00PM	29
Belgium	4	Monday	26	12:00PM	15
British Columbia	134	Tuesday	44	2:00PM	36
Germany	1	Friday	45	3:00PM	20
Idaho	2	Saturday	35	4:00PM	20
London	4	Grand Total		5:00PM	34
Manitoba	1	Total	162	6:00PM	8
New York	1			Grand Total	
Oregon	5			Total	162
Quebec	1				
Saskatchewan	1				
Washington	4				
Grand Total	162				
Row Labels	Sum of # Of People	Row Labels	Sum of # Of People		
June	1	Guest	128		
July	92	Resident	34		
August	65	Grand Total			
September	4	Total	162		
Grand Total	162				

Common questions were:

- Where can I buy merchandise (books, shirts, stickers, etc)?
- Do you have maps of local caves and the trails to the caves?
- Where are the trails located? Do you have trail maps?
- What is the main source of income for the village residents?
- What is the school like?
- How many people live in Tahsis year round and in the summer?
- What are the available restaurants in Tahsis?
- What activities are offered in the village?
- Where can I find information about the former sawmill and its history?
- Are fishing charters available?

Financial implications:

The total for Info center staff wages and benefits \$10,990.96 and \$18.17 is supplies. This year there was no off-setting revenue as the Village was not successful in getting the Canada Summer Jobs grant in 2025.

Strategic Priority:

Operation of the Tourist Information Centre and Museum aligns with The Council's strategic priority of promoting The Village of Tahsis as a tourist destination.

Respectfully submitted,

Sierra Jannise and Jade Moore

Tahsis Tourist Information Centre and Museum Summer Representatives

Future Conventions

Year	Dates	Location
2026	September 14 - 18	Vancouver (Vancouver Convention Centre)
2027	September 20 - 24	Whistler (Whistler Conference Centre)
2028	September 18 - 22	Vancouver (Vancouver Convention Centre)
2029	September 17 - 21	Whistler (Whistler Conference Centre)

2026 Convention Hotels

The UBCM room blocks for the 2026 Convention in Vancouver, BC will open on Wednesday, **November 5th at 9:00 AM**. Please note, the hotels will not accept reservations before this date and time and will not create waitlists. The hotels will also not be able to transfer reservations made before the release date into the UBCM group block at the UBCM rates.

Further details regarding the locations, room rates, cancellation policies, and reservation instructions will be added to the website closer to November 5th.