



Minutes		Village of Tahsis
Meeting	Committee of the Whole- Budget Meeting #5	
Date	February 18, 2026	
Time	7 p.m.	
Place	Municipal Hall - Council Chambers and by electronic means	

Present	Mayor Martin Davis	
	Councillor Cheryl Northcott	by video
	Councillor Sarah Fowler	
	Councillor Brenda Lenahan	by video
	Councillor Ryan Moore	
Staff	Mark Tatchell, Chief Administrative Officer	by video
	Adia Mavrikos, CPA, CA, Director of Finance	by video
	Janet StDenis, Corporate Services Manager	
Public	12 members of the public	5 by video

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.

Introduction of Late Items

None.

Approval of the Agenda

Moore: COW 0017/2026

THAT the Agenda for the February 18, 2026 Committee of the Whole meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

M. New Business

- 1 2026-2030 Financial Plan/ Budget Meeting #5**

Moore: COW 0018/2026

THAT this presentation be received.

CARRIED

The Director of Finance presented to Council and the members of the public the proposed 2026-2030 Financial Plan and the 2026 Operating Budget, outlining the 2026 budget meeting schedule, the public consultation process and the budget adoption requirements.

The presentation of the 2026 Operating Budget highlighted the current deficit, the main cost drivers and options for balancing the budget. The options for balancing the budget included: reducing services, reducing transfers to reserves, increasing taxes or some combination of these options. Council discussed the implications of each option.

There was a lengthy discussion on the road maintenance budget. Council discussed the inadequacy of the current road maintenance budget, funding source limitations, recommended annual maintenance budget and addressing the backlog of repairs.

The budget presentation included a detailed overview of the current reserve balances and the proposed 2026 transfers to reserves.

The proposed 5 year capital plan presentation included a review of the ongoing and proposed projects.

For the benefit of members of the public who had not attended prior budget meetings, the Director of Finance explained the impact of BC Assessment value changes within each class and the use of tax multipliers to shift the tax burden among property classes. Adjustments to the tax multipliers to be explored at the April 8, 2026 Budget meeting.

Fowler: COW 0019/2026

THAT the meeting be opened up to public input.

CARRIED

Several Residents deemed Tahsis Days to be important and a priority.

Members of the public offered the following cost savings and revenue generation suggestions to Council: increasing volunteer engagement for Tahsis Days to save on staffing costs, reducing council and staff travel through more on-line meeting attendance and bringing back Recreation Centre user fees.

The CAO provided some history on the rec centre user fees, noting a substantial increase in usage after the fees were removed.

Several residents supported road repair even if it meant an increase in taxes.

There were questions regarding the East Wing School Project, The Library Project and Hangar Building repairs to which Council and Staff responded.

Moore: COW 0020/2026

THAT \$15,000 be budgeted for road repairs and cold patching, a total of \$3,500 (\$2,500 in addition to the \$1,000 presently budgeted) be budgeted for climbing wall operations and \$7,800 **CARRIED** be budgeted for staff wages and benefits to plan and execute Tahsis Days in 2026.

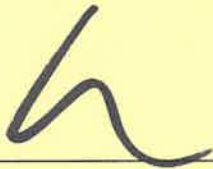
Adjournment

Fowler: COW 0021/2026

THAT the meeting adjourn at 9:58 p.m.

CARRIED

Certified correct this
3rd day of March, 2026



Corporate Officer