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"Gateway to the Wilderness"

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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council, Monday, April 20, 2026

Present:

Mayor Scott Cabianca
Councillor Dennis Reindl
Councillor Kazamir Falconbridge
Councillor Brigid Cumming (via TEAMS)
Councillor Wayne Nicol (arrived at 7:00 pm)

CAO Marjorie Dobson
PWWF Chris Doyle
Contractor, Lori Wiedeman (via TEAMS)

Members of the public: Betty & Greg Stewart (via TEAMS); Doris Fischer

Meeting Called to order at 6:06 PM

Mayor Cabianca: I call to order this Regular Council Meeting of the Council of the Village of Port Clements being held on the traditional territory of the Haida People.

1. ADOPT AGENDA

2026-04-053—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Cummings THAT Council adopts the April 20th, 2026, Regular Council Meeting Agenda as amended.

CARRIED

2. PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS & OPENING OF SEALED TENDERS

MINUTES

M-1—March 16, 2026, Regular Council Meeting Minutes

M-2—March 26, 2026, Special Council Meeting Minutes

M-3—April 9, 2026, Special Council Meeting Minutes

2026-04-054—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge, THAT Council adopts the March 16, 2026, Regular Council Meeting Minutes.

CARRIED

2026-04-055—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Cumming, THAT Council adopts the March 26, 2026, Special Council Meeting Minutes.

CARRIED

2026-04-056—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Cumming, THAT Council adopts the April 9, 2026, Special Council Meeting Minutes.

CARRIED

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES & UNFINISHED BUSINESS

4. ORIGINAL CORRESPONDENCE

C-1—INFORMATION—Gloria O'Brien—Waterfront Remediation of 117 Bayview Drive

2026-04-057—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Cumming, THAT Council receives item C-1, for information.

CARRIED

2026-04-058—Moved by Mayor Ciabianca, seconded by Councillor Cumming, THAT Council direct staff to conduct further research and respond to the property owner with a letter providing comprehensive details, and then report back to the Council with recommendations related to any remediation required for/on Village sewer easements.

CARRIED

ACTION: Staff to respond to the letter with the information that has been gathered from legal and the insurance company, the Coastal Erosion Study, and site inspections. Staff to report back to Council with recommendations for the Village sewer easements in the area.

5. FINANCE

F-1—1st Quarter Financial Report—Sr. Finance Manager Bell

2026-04-059—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Cumming, THAT Council approves receive the report.

CARRIED

6. GOVERNMENT

G-1—2026 Annual Budget Discussion/Approval

2026-04-060—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Cumming, THAT Council approves the 2026 budget as amended.

CARRIED

ACTION: Staff correct the date from 2025 to 2026 in the documents. Staff to set up a COTW meeting to discuss Tourism as a budget item and what needs to be done to promote tourism in the community. Staff to set up a Strategic Planning session for Council in 2026. Staff to DRAFT Financial Plan Bylaw for adoption.

G-2—Village Annual Spring Clean-up

2026-04-061—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge, THAT Council approves the plan to hold the Village Annual Spring Clean-up in May as outlined in the report.

CARRIED

ACTION: Staff to arrange a sign-up list for people requiring assistance in the community.

G-3—Dog owners Responsibilities in the Community Park

ACTION: PW Staff to monitor issues and develop options for clean-up such as ensuring we have bags available in bag dispensers, signage, garbage bins and perhaps designated shovels.

7. NEW BUSINESS

8. REPORTS & DISCUSSIONS

Councillor Cummings—Community Futures just had another loan application put forward for a tourism related business in Masset, attended Council meetings except for the Budget Meeting as had a conflict. Congratulations to Madison Gaspar who has been helping at the Museum, and the Board who has been assisting with the workload.

Councillor Falconbridge— Met with Housing Society last week, another meeting tomorrow. They had their AGM and elected a Board with a quorum of 3. They will be proceeding with a feasibility study and will hold another meeting soon. If anyone wants to support the Housing Society, be on the lookout for posters around town.

Attended the March 31 Protocol Table, discussed creating an all-island emergency and social dashboard. They wanted a Canadian supplier which I found and will present at the next meeting. Attended the Special Council meetings, and on the second week of April I participated in a training course for Joint Task Force Pacific.

Councillor Reindl—Attended Council meetings. Looking forward to paving being done.

Mayor Cabianca—Would like to recognize the passing of Nadine, Adele, and Tammy's father, Ronald (Dez) Decembrini Sr., long time Secretary/Treasurer of Firemen's association. Attended NCRD meeting this past Friday. It was held in Port Clements. An NCRD COTW meeting was held at the Firehall Saturday. The next Protocol Table meeting is planned for next Wednesday April 29th.

R-1—INFO—Regular Report on Current Operations—CAO Dobson

CAO Dobson—Nothing to add to written report. Capital Project list to be updated every 3 months.

R-2—INFO—Report from Public Works Working Foreman—Christopher Doyle

PWWF Doyle—Responded to questions from Council.

2026-04-062—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Cumming, THAT Council receives the written and verbal reports from Council and Staff.

CARRIED

9. ACTION ITEMS

10. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC & PRESS

Councillor Nichol joined the meeting at 7:00 pm.

Elizabeth Stewart

Question: What is happening at Yakoun Lane tomorrow?

Answer: The contractor will start working to grade, gravel, and pack the lane, and then the Village will put calcium on it once product arrives in town. A notice will be going up on Facebook.

Question: What about ditching the lane again?

Answer: There was a call put out to local contractors today. If we cannot find a contractor, the Village is getting a small excavator and will be able to do the ditching in the future.

Question: Will the Village be ditching Yakoun street – a lot of standing water is piled up.

Answer: Yes, the Village will definite address Yakoun street ditching.

Question: What is happening with Chevron bulk plant? Remediating again? Still? Is contamination widespread?

Answer: We don't know. The Mayor spoke to a representative about a month ago. They are taking steps to evaluate what is needed with their environmental firm. Didn't provide further information on their plan.

Question: Special Meeting times. 3 pm in afternoon may be a good time for some, but if you are working or at an appointment you can't make it to the special meeting no matter where they are. Is it not more appropriate to have at 6 pm meetings. You won't get public input if you have the meetings during the day.

Answer: Usually when we have Special Meetings we are accommodating things, in that case it was for staff and the budget. We typically have low attendance at meetings no matter the time of day. Council and staff will consider changing the time in future.

11. IN-CAMERA

90(1) a part of a council meeting may be closed to the public if the subject matter being considered relates to or is one or more of the following:

- (a) personal information about an identifiable individual who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee or agent of the municipality or another position appointed by the municipality
- (m) a matter that, under another enactment, is such that the public may be excluded from the meeting
- (k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a municipal service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality if they were held in public

2026-04-063—Moved by Councillor Cumming, seconded by Councillor Reindl THAT Council moves in-camera as per section 90(1)(a), (m), and (k) of the *Community Charter* at 7:25 PM
CARRIED

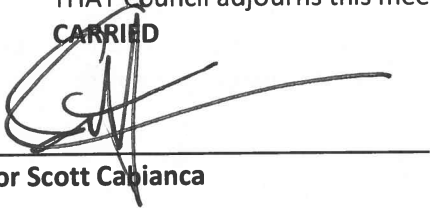
NOTE: Contractor, Lori Wiedeman, left the meeting at 7:25 PM.

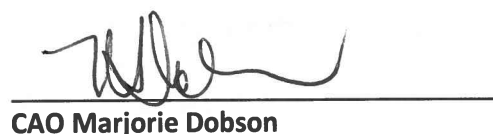
12. RISE AND REPORT

13. ADJOURNMENT

2026-04-064—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge THAT Council adjourns this meeting at 8:15 PM.

CARRIED



Mayor Scott Cabianca

CAO Marjorie Dobson