PORT CLEMENTS TOURISM COMMITTEE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES March 17, 2011

Members Present: Germain Vigneault, Urs Thomas, Wally Cheer

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m. and Wally Cheer motioned to accept the agenda which was seconded by Germain Vigneault and passed.

Wally Cheer motioned to accept the February 10, 2011 minutes. This motion was seconded by Germain Vigneault and passed.

BA-1 - Council Update: Wally Cheer gave the Committee an update of tourism related items from Council:

- The Minister of Transportation will be in Old Masset to discuss Islander concerns for BC Ferries fare hikes and other ferry concerns. Wally Cheer could not attend but perhaps another Committee member could atternd.
- The Village ownership status of the cemetery was updated.
- The Committee was apprised of BC Parks work on the Golden Spruce Trail.
- The progress for erection of the Welcome to Port Clements sign was given to the Committee. Germain Vigneault and Wally Cheer volunteered to help with the erection.

BA-2 – Trail Extention: Motion made by Wally Cheer to receive and file, seconded by Germain Vigneault.

BA-3 - Action Plan:

- (a) Welcome to Port Clements sign discussed previously
- (b) Kiosk south of town discussed procurement of plexiglass by Village administration was part of the discussion.
- (c) The Open for Business flyer and Beyond the Pavement brochure items were tabled again.
- (d) Details for cleanup of Sunset Park in May will be discussed at the April, 2011 meeting
- (e) Wally Cheer will talk to Garth Johnson about having WFP prepared a 4 x 8 ft map for mounting at Bayview Market Christmas Card board. The map will show lakes, rivers, mainline roads and Masset and Juskatla Inlets. The Committee will add tourist oriented sites on the map. Wally should try to also get a PDF file for the map.
- (f) The plant and tree species signs for the Sunset Trail are ready except for obtaining the plexiglass for the signs. The signs should be ready for installation during the park cleanup day.
- (g) Solar lighting for the Welcome to Port Clements sign tabled until the sign has been put up.

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- (h) Wally Cheer told the Committee he had made little progress on the flora and fauna policy. He detailed some of the issues and difficulties with formalizing such a policy.
- **BA-4 Conservancies and Golden Spruce Trail:** Discussion
- **BA-5 Tourism Advisory Board Update:** Urs Thomas updated the Committee on developments from the Tourism Advisory Board.

With no further business, Germain Vigneault motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 p.m. and this motion was seconded by Wally Cheer and duly passed.