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"Gateway to the Wilderness"

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AGENDA
Regular Meeting of Council Tuesday, May 22, 2012
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

- 1. ADOPT AGENDA.**
- 2. PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS & OPENING OF SEALED TENDERS**
- 3. MINUTES**
 - M-1- May 7, 2012 Regular Council Meeting
 - M-2- April 4, 2012 Tourism Committee Meeting
- 4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES & UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
- 5. ORIGINAL CORRESPONDENCE**
 - C1 – Historical Society – Grant Application
- 6. GOVERNMENT**
- 7. FINANCE**
 - F1 – Cheque Listing to May 16, 2012
 - F2 – CIBC Bank Statement April 2012
- 8. NEW BUSINESS**
 - NB1 – Set meeting date for COW for Barge Facility
- 9. REPORTS & DISCUSSIONS**
 - R1 – NCLGA Conference
- 10. ACTION ITEMS**
 - A – Industrial Park Road Users Meeting
- 11. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC & PRESS**

Motion to move into closed meeting under Section 90 (1) (g) & (j) of Community Charter

- 12. ADJOURNMENT**



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Minutes of the regular meeting of the Port Clements Council held Monday May 7, 2012 in the Council Chambers.

Present:

Acting Mayor Gould
Councillor Falconbridge
Councillor Thomas

Clerk/Treasurer Kim Mushynsky
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Sharon Ferretti

Acting Mayor Gould called the meeting to order at 7:35pm

1. ADOPT AGENDA.

2012-122 - Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Thomas
THAT the agenda be adopted.
CARRIED

2. PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS & OPENING OF SEALED TENDERS.

3. MINUTES.

M-1-Regular meeting of Council April 23, 2012

2012-123 - Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Thomas
THAT the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of April 23, 2012 be adopted as presented.
CARRIED

M-2-Court of Revision meeting April 23, 2012

2012-124 - Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Thomas
THAT the minutes of the Court of Revision meeting of April 23, 2012 be adopted as presented.
CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES & UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

BA-1- Town Beautification Report

2012-125 – Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Thomas
THAT the report be adopted with the addition of before and after pictures.
CARRIED

BA-2 – Industrial Park Road Users Meeting

2012-126 – Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Thomas
THAT we put on Action Items list for next agenda.
CARRIED

5. ORIGINAL CORRESPONDENCE.

6. GOVERNMENT.

G-1 – Bylaw 391 – 2012 Tax Rate Bylaw

2012-127 – Moved by Councilor Falconbridge, seconded by Councilor Thomas

THAT we have reconsidered and finally adopted Bylaw #391, 2012 – the 2012 Tax Rate Bylaw

CARRIED

7. FINANCE.

F-1-Alan K. Hooper Inc. Chartered Accountant

2012-128 – Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Thomas

THAT we receive and file as presented with administration to remind Councillor Gaspar and Mayor Cheer to read this document.

CARRIED

F-2-Consolidated Financial Statements for year ended December 31, 2011

2012-129- Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Thomas

THAT the Consolidated Financial Statements for year ended December 31, 2011 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

F-3-Cheque Listing May 2, 2012

2012-130- Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Thomas

THAT the cheque listing of May 2, 2012 be accepted.

CARRIED

8. NEW BUSINESS.

NB-1 – Request for Motion to support the application to the General Strategic Priorities Fund

2012-131– Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Thomas

THAT Council supports the application to the General Strategic Priorities Fund for funding to replace existing Sodium Vapour street lights in Port Clements with energy efficient LED streetlights. Further, Council agrees to cover, pro-rata with the co-applicants, cost over-runs should the project exceed the amount granted by GSPF.

CARRIED

9. REPORTS & DISCUSSIONS.

Councillor Falconbridge- Port Clements Fire Department will run the concession on Canada Days.

Councillor Thomas- CEC started working with basecamp software.

Acting Mayor Gould- COW meeting regarding Taan.

Clerk/Treasurer- 2nd quarter Utilities Billings going out this week; 2012 Tax Notices are ready; LED Application going ahead.

10. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC & PRESS.

ADJOURNMENT.

2012-132 - Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Thomas

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:30pm

CARRIED

Ian Gould,
Acting Mayor

Kim Mushynsky,
Clerk/Treasurer

PORT CLEMENTS TOURISM COMMITTEE
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
April 4, 2012

Members Present: Matt Gaspar, Ian Gould, Betty Stewart, Wally Cheer

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. and Matt Gaspar motioned to accept the agenda which was seconded by Ian Gould and passed.

Ian Gould motioned to accept the minutes of January 13, 2011, May 27, 2011, and the February 28, 2012 meetings. This motion was seconded by Betty Stewart and passed.

BA1: Wally Cheer gave the Committee an update of tourism related items from Council:

BA2: Signage locations was discussed and discussion of brochures was postponed until Wayne Nicol is consulted.

BA3: Wally has not met friends of the visitor centre in Queen Charlotte yet.

BA4: Event proposals for Canada Day were discussed.

Because of commitments by two participants, Matt Gaspar motioned for adjournment at 8:40 p.m. The following agenda items were tabled for the next meeting:

BA5: Laminated signs for trail

BA6: Action Plan

BA7: Trail

BA8: Sunset Park clean-up

BA9: Tablet Magazine

BA10: Web site

C1: MIEDS Social Media report

NB1: Lapel pins

NB2: 100th anniversary of naming Port Clements

NB3: St. Marks 100th anniversary celebration



Wally Cheer
Acting Chair

PORT CLEMENTS HISTORICAL SOCIETY
P. O. Box 417, Port Clements, B. C., V0T 1R0 Phone No. (250) 557-4576

May 16, 2012

The Village of Port Clements
P. O. Box 198
Port Clements, B. C.
V0T 1R0

Dear Council Members

The Port Clements Historical Society is grateful for the Village's financial support in the past and hopes to be a recipient of your support again in 2012. Your support is urgently needed to keep our museum operational. As you are aware, the museum is a vital component of our community and the grant from the Village enables us to operate year round. Our paid attendance to the museum in 2011 was 1,623 and, we believe, 2012 should bring more visitors to us.

We are continually striving to make the Port Clements museum more historically relevant and vital to keeping the Island's history alive as well as continually maintaining the equipment and artifacts on exhibit. Although we were able to do substantial work on our exhibits last year, there is still much more work to be done this year. We have two new exhibits this year which require substantial work to make them available for viewing. Local students or local people are usually hired to do this work for us as well as our employment of two people to work in the museum during the summer months.

Additionally, we have identified a need to install drainage on the museum grounds and we are currently getting some local people to look at it and tell us the best way to accomplish this. With our limited funding, we are challenged to getting this done. This is another reason your support is needed.

I have attached a copy of our budget for this year as well as our financial statements for the last year. We are asking for a grant from the Village of \$2,800.00 which is the amount granted last year and which helped us remain operational and effective.

Yours truly

Wally Cheer,
Treasurer,
Port Clements Historical Society

PORT CLEMENTS HISTORICAL SOCIETY
DRAFT BUDGET

	2011 - 2012 BUDGET	2010 - 2011 ACTUAL
October 1, 2011 Funds In All Accounts	\$12,350.00	\$21,561.00
INCOME		
Regional District Grant	8,700.00	6,500.00
Village of Port Clements Grant	2,800.00	2,800.00
Admission	3,200.00	3,107.00
Donations	250.00	125.00
Membership Fees	100.00	100.00
Misc. Grants		
Total Operating Funds	27,400.00	34,193.00
EXPENSES		
Payroll - Desk Attendant	8,900.00	8,936.00
Payroll - Museum Expense	810.00	854.00
Telephone	925.00	816.00
Electricity	900.00	1,381.00
Office Supplies and Postage	160.00	16.00
Professional Fees - Accounting	700.00	700.00
Service Charges, Licenses and Misc. Fees	250.00	350.00
Repair and Maintenance - Bldg and Lands	2,200.00	4,686.00
Artifact Restoration and Maintenance	3,200.00	2,355.00
Total Operating Expenses	18,045.00	20,094.00
Operating Funds Less Operating Expenses	9,355.00	14,099.00
CAPITAL EXPENSE		
Heat Pump		6,745.00
Computer and Software	2,000.00	
Total Capital Expense	2,000.00	6,745.00
Year End Funds In Accounts	\$7,355.00	\$7,354.00

PORT CLEMENTS HISTORICAL SOCIETY

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(UNAUDITED - SEE NOTICE TO READER)**

SEPTEMBER 30, 2011

Certified General Accountant

NOTICE TO READER

On the basis of information provided by the Society, I have compiled the balance sheet of Port Clements Historical Society as at September 30, 2011 and the statement of income and retained earnings for the year then ended.

I have not performed an audit or a review engagement in respect of these financial statements and, accordingly, I express no assurance thereon.

Readers are cautioned that these statements may not be appropriate for their purposes.

A.W. Vandermeer

A.W. Vandermeer & Associates
Certified General Accountant

Cloverdale, B.C.
March 15, 2012

**PORT CLEMENTS HISTORICAL SOCIETY
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
(UNAUDITED - SEE NOTICE TO READER)
AS AT SEPTEMBER 30, 2011**

	2011	2010
	\$	\$
Assets		
Current		
Cash	11,220	14,978
GST refund receivable	<u>247</u>	<u>72</u>
	<u>11,467</u>	<u>15,050</u>
Capital assets, at cost (Note 2)		
Museum building	139,372	139,372
Display and storage facility	16,093	16,093
Pavilion	18,590	18,590
Computer, camera, printer	<u>7,752</u>	<u>7,067</u>
	<u>181,807</u>	<u>181,122</u>
	<u>193,274</u>	<u>196,172</u>
Liabilities		
Current		
Accounts payable, accruals	<u>739</u>	<u>723</u>
	<u>739</u>	<u>723</u>
Net assets		
Capital	181,807	181,122
Reserve (Note 4)	5,406	5,406
Operating	<u>5,322</u>	<u>8,921</u>
	<u>192,535</u>	<u>195,449</u>
	<u>193,274</u>	<u>196,172</u>
Approved by the board		

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**PORT CLEMENTS HISTORICAL SOCIETY
STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
(UNAUDITED - SEE NOTICE TO READER)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2011**

	2011	2010
	\$	\$
Receipts		
Admissions	3,816	3,284
Grants (Note 3)	11,300	13,300
Donations, membership	351	422
Interest	3	317
	<u>15,470</u>	<u>17,323</u>
Expenditures		
Advertising	-	107
Artifact restoration	5,383	452
Accounting	700	700
Bank charges	16	39
Landscaping	386	-
Licenses, dues and taxes	25	25
Office, administration	31	265
Repairs and maintenance	440	1,729
Telephone	898	866
Utilities	545	676
Wages	9,655	9,944
Other expenses	210	70
	<u>18,289</u>	<u>14,873</u>
Excess(deficiency) of revenue over expenses	(2,819)	2,450
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses, beginning of year	<u>15,666</u>	<u>13,216</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenue ofver expenses, end of year	<u><u>12,847</u></u>	<u><u>15,666</u></u>

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**PORT CLEMENTS HISTORICAL SOCIETY
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
(UNAUDITED - SEE NOTICE TO READER)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2011**

	Operating \$	Capital \$	Internally Restricted Reserve	Total \$	2010
Balance, beginning of year	8,921	181,122	5,406	195,449	187,593
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	(2,914)	-	-	(2,914)	2,450
Additions to capital assets	<u>(685)</u>	<u>685</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Balance, end of year	<u><u>5,322</u></u>	<u><u>181,807</u></u>	<u><u>5,406</u></u>	<u><u>192,535</u></u>	<u><u>190,043</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**PORT CLEMENTS HISTORICAL SOCIETY
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(UNAUDITED - SEE NOTICE TO READER)
SEPTEMBER 30, 2011**

1. Purpose of organization

The Port Clements Historical Society operates a museum in Port Clements, BC. The Society is funded by operating grants from the Skeena Queen Charlotte Regional District and the Village of Port Clements. The Port Clements Historical Society is incorporated under the Canada Corporations Act as a not-for-profit organization and is a registered charity under the Income Tax Act.

2. Significant accounting policies

Revenue Recognition

The Port Clements Historical Society follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions. Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

Restricted investment income is recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted investment income is recognized as revenue when earned.

Capital assets

Purchased capital assets are recorded at cost. Contributed capital assets are recorded at fair value at the time of the contribution. Amortization is not provided. Artifact acquisitions are expensed when acquired and are not capitalized.

3. Grant receipts

	2011	2010
	\$	\$
Skeena Queen Charlotte Regional District	8,500	10,500
Village of Port Clements	<u>2,800</u>	<u>2,800</u>
	<u>11,300</u>	<u>13,300</u>

4. Reserves

The board of directors internally restricted \$10,406 of net operating assets to be used for building maintenance and the development of a website, \$5,000 of this was used in 2009. The balance of these internally restricted amounts are not available for other purposes without approval of the board of directors.

	2011	2010
	\$	\$
Building	<u>5,406</u>	<u>5,406</u>
	<u>5,406</u>	<u>5,406</u>

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Cheque Listing For Council With GL Numbers

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Cheque	Date	Name	Expense GL Number	Invoice	Description	Invoice Amount	Cheque Amount
20120920	2012-05-07	CIBC VISA			PAYMENT		793.45
			10-2-11-10-20	April 2012	VISA MARCH 22-APRIL 21 2012	250.00	
			10-2-52-00-00	April 2012	VISA MARCH 22-APRIL 21 2012	43.99	
			10-2-71-21-12	April 2012	VISA MARCH 22-APRIL 21 2012	78.16	
			10-2-71-21-30	April 2012	VISA MARCH 22-APRIL 21 2012	78.16	
			10-2-71-89-00	April 2012	VISA MARCH 22-APRIL 21 2012	78.17	
			10-2-71-89-00	April 2012	VISA MARCH 22-APRIL 21 2012	74.29	
			10-2-71-89-50	April 2012	VISA MARCH 22-APRIL 21 2012	78.16	
			10-2-81-90-00	April 2012	VISA MARCH 22-APRIL 21 2012	31.13	
			10-3-22-00-00	April 2012	VISA MARCH 22-APRIL 21 2012	8.91	
			10-3-22-00-01	April 2012	VISA MARCH 22-APRIL 21 2012	12.48	
			30-2-41-30-20	April 2012	VISA MARCH 22-APRIL 21 2012	60.00	
20120921	2012-05-07	DELMAS CO-OP			PAYMENT		149.87
			30-2-41-40-00	00271125E	CONTACT CEMENT;SCREWS;OIL;THRE	142.84	
20120922	2012-05-07	PRAXAIR DISTRIBUTION			PAYMENT		165.09
			10-2-32-31-00	13346198	CYL LEASE RENEWAL ONE YEAR	52.45	
			10-2-71-89-00	13346198	CYL LEASE RENEWAL ONE YEAR	52.45	
			40-2-42-90-50	13346198	CYL LEASE RENEWAL ONE YEAR	52.45	
20120923	2012-05-07	XEROX CANADA LTD.			PAYMENT		29.12
			10-2-12-11-30	F43378594	COPIES MAR 13-APR 12 2012	27.75	
20120924	2012-05-07	Chown Enterprises Inc.			PAYMENT		447.78
			10-2-71-89-00	562738	CLASSROOM KNOB KEYED ALIKE	426.79	
20120925	2012-05-07	DELMAS CO-OP			PAYMENT		6.00
			10-2-81-90-00	169515	ADMIN FEE	6.00	
20120926	2012-05-07	BC HYDRO			PAYMENT		1,065.52
			10-2-32-50-00	Apr 2012	OVERHEAD STREET LIGHTING APRIL 2	1,015.57	
20120927	2012-05-11	CHEER, JOHN WALLACE			PAYMENT		1,828.01
			10-2-11-10-20	May 8 2012	NCLGA TRAVEL MEAL EXPENSES	1,029.73	
			10-2-12-11-20	May 8 2012	NCLGA TRAVEL MEAL EXPENSES	798.28	
20120928	2012-05-11	Gaspar, Matt			PAYMENT		1,245.02
			10-2-11-10-20	May 8 2012	NCLGA TRAVEL EXPENSES	1,245.02	
Total						5,729.86	

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CIBC Business Operating Account™

Statement period ending
Apr 30, 2012

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Account summary

Balance forward		\$1,086,994.04
Debits (total of 27)	-	\$81,382.36
Credits (total of 13)	+	\$3,017.67
Closing balance	=	\$1,008,629.35
Your authorized overdraft limit		\$189,510.00
Vouchers Enclosed (total of 20)		

Account number

93-00813

Branch transit number
00180

Account fee type
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Transaction details

Date	Description	Debits (\$)	Credits (\$)	Balance (\$)
Apr 1	BALANCE FORWARD			1,086,994.04
Apr 2	GOVERNMENT PROVINCE OF B.C.		1,388.80	1,088,382.84
	CREDIT MEMO CREDIT UNION CENTRAL OF B.C.		230.00	1,088,612.84
	DEBIT MEMO <i>Payroll</i> SETTLEMENT: 0038 CIBC DATA CENTRE: 00	6,616.84		1,081,996.00
	CREDIT MEMO CREDIT UNION CENTRAL OF B.C.		200.00	1,082,196.00
	CREDIT MEMO CREDIT UNION CENTRAL OF B.C.		350.00	1,082,546.00

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CIBC Business Operating Account

Apr 30, 2012
Account number: 93-00813
Branch transit number: 00180

Transaction details (continued)

Date	Description	Debits (\$)	Credits (\$)	Balance (\$)
	BALANCE FORWARD			1,082,546.00
	CREDIT MEMO CREDIT UNION CENTRAL OF B.C.		130.00	1,082,676.00
	DEBIT MEMO CHARGE FOR MAR CIBC EFT SERVICE CHARGE	64.82		1,082,611.18
	CHEQUE 20120836 22165346	44.00		1,082,567.18
Apr 3	CREDIT MEMO CREDIT UNION CENTRAL OF B.C.		140.00	1,082,707.18
	CHEQUE 20120835 21465850	304.52		1,082,402.66
	CHEQUE 20120840 21496375	68.99		1,082,333.67
	CHEQUE 20120845 21582717	814.89		1,081,518.78
	CHEQUE 20120847 22353290	510.98		1,081,007.80
Apr 4	CREDIT MEMO CREDIT UNION CENTRAL OF B.C.		50.00	1,081,057.80
	CREDIT MEMO CREDIT UNION CENTRAL OF B.C.		50.00	1,081,107.80
	CHEQUE 20120831 22396085	208.32		1,080,899.48
Apr 5	CREDIT MEMO CREDIT UNION CENTRAL OF B.C.		132.87	1,081,032.35
	CHEQUE 20120852 21108812	160.61		1,080,871.74
	CHEQUE 20120851 21138143	35,000.00		1,045,871.74
	CHEQUE 20120858 21143057	467.99		1,045,403.75
Apr 9	CREDIT MEMO CREDIT UNION CENTRAL OF B.C.		100.00	1,045,503.75
Apr 10	DEBIT MEMO <i>Hydro March</i> CHEQUE 20120848 21169150	4,423.73		1,041,080.02
	CHEQUE 20120857 21180208	510.98		1,040,569.04
	CHEQUE 20120857 21180208	565.22		1,040,003.82
	CHEQUE 20120834 21203432	280.00		1,039,723.82
	CHEQUE 20120855 21287030	1,464.56		1,038,259.26
Apr 11	CREDIT MEMO CREDIT UNION CENTRAL OF B.C.		60.00	1,038,319.26
	CHEQUE 20120859 22055964	134.79		1,038,184.47
	CHEQUE 20120838 22088503	280.00		1,037,904.47
	CHEQUE 20120853 5536278 M	4,792.02		1,033,112.45
Apr 12	CHEQUE 20120856 21316676	90.29		1,033,022.16
Apr 13	DEBIT MEMO <i>Payroll</i> SETTLEMENT: 0039 CIBC DATA CENTRE: 00	6,690.17		1,026,331.99
	DEBIT MEMO <i>TELUS APRIL</i>	1,776.50		1,024,555.49
	CHEQUE 20120843 22250864	50.47		1,024,505.02
Apr 16	CREDIT MEMO CREDIT UNION CENTRAL OF B.C.		100.00	1,024,605.02
	CREDIT MEMO CREDIT UNION CENTRAL OF B.C.		86.00	1,024,691.02
	CHEQUE 20120854 22446902	14,559.00		1,010,132.02
Apr 24	CHEQUE 20120844 21246664	80.00		1,010,052.02
Apr 30	DEBIT MEMO Apr 30, 2012 Municipal Pensi	761.43		1,009,290.59

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CIBC Business Operating Account

Apr 30, 2012

Account number: 93-00813

Branch transit number: 00180

Transaction details (continued)

Date	Description	Debits (\$)	Credits (\$)	Balance (\$)
	BALANCE FORWARD			1,009,290.59
	DEBIT MEMO	661.24		1,008,629.35
	Apr 30, 2012 Municipal Pensi			
Apr 30	CLOSING BALANCE			1,008,629.35

Message centre

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REPORT TO COUNCIL

RE: NCLGA Conference

DATE: May 10, 2012

REPORT BY: Wally Cheer

Matt and I arrived in 100 Mile House on Wednesday afternoon and registered for the conference when we arrived. We attended a welcome reception at 108 Mile Heritage Site that evening but skipped the Enbridge reception.

We sat in on the opening ceremonies Thursday morning and listened to the resolutions and debate. At lunch, Vaughn Palmer, political reporter for the Vancouver Sun and Province gave the audience an hour long speech about the political landscape in Victoria today and discussed the possible outcomes of a provincial election.

That afternoon we sat in on a bioenergy presentation. Matt attended a presentation on carbon offsets and fuel efficiencies while I took part in a delegation meeting with Northern Health regarding issues with hospitals in northwest B. C.

On Friday morning, Matt participated in a workshop on BC Jobs Plan while I attended a workshop on Integrated Community Sustainability Planning in Rural BC. Later in the morning, Ida Chong, Minister of Community, Sport and Culture talked to the audience about grant programs for communities and why some grant applications were better than others. She also talked about sustainability in communities. This was followed by an unplanned visit and speech by Premier Christie Clark. Her focus was the mining industry in British Columbia. Later in the morning we sat in on NDI's presentation to the convention.

Tod Maffin talked to the audience at lunch about the value of Facebook and Twitter for elected officials. He detailed the advantages of the medium as well as the pitfalls and dangers which can be encountered. His hour long talk was full of humour and very insightful.

After lunch on Friday, Matt attended a workshop on Community and Economic Change while I attended a workshop on Impact of Climate Change on Natural Areas. These workshops were followed by a Forestry Panel Discussion about forests in B. C. and new products developed within the industry. Throughout the convention, both Matt and I stopped at most of the sponsor booths to talk to the reps who man the booths.

The next morning we drove to Quesnel and met with Cory Delves for a few hours. Specifically, we wanted to find out from him any details he could recall about the provincial government commitment to give the communities on Haida Gwaii \$250,000.00 in the way of crown land. Also, find out details of his meeting with Prince Rupert Port Authority reps regarding our barge facility.