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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council, Monday, August 17, 2026

Present:

Councillor Brigid Cumming
Councillor Kazamir Falconbridge
Councillor Dennis Reindl
Councillor Wayne Nicol via Teams
Mayor Scott Cabianca via Teams

Absent:

CAO Marjorie Dobson
Contractor, Ruby Decock
Public Works Foreman, Chris Doyle

Members of the public:

Greg & Betty Stewart, Michael Miller

Meeting Called to order at 6:05 PM

Councillor Cumming: 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

2026-08-121 –Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Reindl, THAT Council adopts August 17, 2026, Regular Council Meeting Agenda with the removal of D-1 and the addition of G-1- Commercial/Enterprise Water Meters; G-2- Fire Inspection Policy; and G-3 – Public Communications Record Policy.

CARRIED

2. PETITIONS, DELEGATIONS & OPENING OF SEALED TENDERS

3. MINUTES

M-1 – June 15, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes.

2026-08-122–Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Reindl, THAT Council adopts the June 15, 2026, Regular Council Meeting Minutes.

CARRIED

M-2 – July 20, 2026, Regular Council Meeting Minutes.

2026-08-123–Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Reindl, THAT Council adopts the July 20, 2026, Regular Council Meeting Minutes with amendments to include spelling and space corrections and the revision of Council resolution 2026-08-111.

CARRIED

M-3 – July 22, 2026, Special Council Meeting Minutes.

2026-08-124–Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Reindl, THAT Council adopts the July 22, 2026, Special Council Meeting Minutes with amendments to Council resolution 2026-07-119.

CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES & UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5. ORIGINAL CORRESPONDENCE

C-1–REQUEST–RECYCLE BINS FOR PORT CLEMENTS – MEREWYN NICOL

2026-08-125–Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Reindl, THAT Council receives the July 20, 2026, email correspondence from Merewyn Nicol.

CARRIED

2026-08-126–Moved by Councillor Reindl, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge, THAT Staff investigate whether recycling bins can be reinstalled and the recycling opportunities for the Village.

CARRIED

ACTION: Staff to investigate recycling options for Village and bring back to Council

6. FINANCE

7. GOVERNMENT

G-1 – COMMERCIAL/ENTERPRISE WATER METERS

2026-08-127–Moved by Councillor Reindl, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge, THAT Staff investigate the costs and ramifications of installing water meters through a feasibility study for commercial and residential along with the cost benefits of installing the meters.

CARRIED

ACTION: Staff to investigate the cost and feasibility of installing water meters through a feasibility study for commercial and residential, along with the cost benefits of installing the meters.

G-2- FIRE INSPECTION POLICY #26

2026-08-128–Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Reindl, THAT Council receives Fire Inspection Policy #26.

CARRIED

Councillor Falconbridge declared that he is a trained fire inspector and hasn't been designated as such, and does not have any financial or fiduciary benefit relating to the Fire Inspection Policy #26.

ACTION: CAO Dobson to review the *Fire Inspection Policy #26* with Councillor Falconbridge.

G-3 - PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS RECORD POLICY

2026-08-129–Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Falconbridge, THAT Council defers G-3 – Public Communications Record Policy to the next Council meeting.

CARRIED

8. NEW BUSINESS

Councillor Wayne Nicol joined the meeting via Teams at 6:41 pm.

Mayor Cabianca joined the meeting via Teams at 6:46 pm and left the meeting at 6:50 pm.

9. REPORTS & DISCUSSIONS

R-1 – REGULAR REPORT ON CURRENT OPERATIONS – CAO MARJORIE DOBSON

CAO Dobson provided an additional update:

- Hired Lori Wiedeman for grant writing support services.
- Fencing on the wastewater lagoon has started.
- An assessment was completed on the health clinic facilities, and public works determined it requires extensive plumbing repairs and new fixtures before medical staff can use it.

R-2 – 2026 2ND QUARTER REPORT TO COUNCIL – PWWF CHRIS DOYLE

PWWF Doyle was present to provide any clarification to his written report and answer any questions from Council.

Discussion ensued on whether another Public Works Assistant for operations is required and it was noted that a job posting will be advertised in the near future.

Councillor Falconbridge – Attended July 22, 2026 Special Council meeting; Edge of the World Music Festival, August 11th Port Clements Historical Society meeting, and met with PC Volunteer Fire Dept. to review pumper truck specifications. Indicated several concerns regarding Public Works ditching and identified Industrial Road requires brushing.

Councillor Cumming – Attended July 22, 2026 Special Council meeting and August 4th Community Futures AGM.

Councillor Nicols – Nothing to report.

Councillor Reindl - Attended July 22, 2026 Special Council meeting; monitored the paving on Cedar Avenue West and was very grateful for the generous gift of fish and potatoes from Old Masset Village Council.

2026-08-130—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Reindl,
THAT Council receives the written and oral reports.

CARRIED

10. ACTION ITEMS

11. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC & PRESS

Question: What prompted the need for water meters again?

Answer: Installing sectional water meters will track localized usage spikes, which will assist in reducing the time it takes to find hidden leaks.

Comment From the Public: Recycling was taken away because of COVID19 and because garbage was being placed in the bins.

12. IN-CAMERA

Community Charter s.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;
- (d) the security of the property of the municipality;

2026-08-131—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, seconded by Councillor Reindl, THAT Council moves the meeting in-camera as per section 90 (1) (a) & (d) of the *Community Charter* at 6:58 pm.

CARRIED

13. RISE AND REPORT

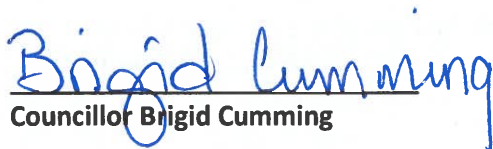
Council rose and reported THAT pursuant to Section 58(1) and (2) of the Local Government Act, Ruby Decock be appointed Chief Election Officer for conduction of the 2026 General Local Election and assent voting with the power to appoint other Election Officials as required for the administration and conduct of the 2026 General Local Election for the Village of Port Clements.

AND THAT Marjorie Dobson be appointed Deputy Chief Election Officer for the 2026 General Local Election.

14. ADJOURNMENT

2026-08-132—Moved by Councillor Falconbridge, THAT Council adjourns this meeting at 7:12 PM.

CARRIED


Councillor Brigid Cumming


CAO Marjorie Dobson