



Tla'amin Day Celebration Brings Families Together

By Steve Gallagher
Neh Motl Editor

On April 5th, nearly 200 people gathered at the Salish Center to witness the celebration of our third year of self-government. A day recognized as Tla'amin Day. Our cultural dancers and singers entertained our elders, legislators and distant relatives that traveled from as far as the United States to be part of Tla'amin day. Our youth displayed a vibrant performance that had many people moving to the beat of our drum in their seats. The friendship dance had more than enough participants to circle around the entire gymnasium to close the event.

As part of a policy of assimilation, the federal government banned the potlatch from 1884 to 1951 (nearly 70 years) in an amendment to the Indian Act. The government and its supporters saw the potlatch ceremony as anti-Christian, reckless and evil. This was the first in a long series of attempts by Parliament to protect Indians from themselves, which ultimately drove the potlatch system to go underground.

In that vein, in carrying out our cultural activities on April 5th, we would have been found guilty of giving speeches, celebrating, dancing, and distributing wealth. Our masks and regalia would have also been immediately confiscated and dispersed to non-native collectors and museums. We would have been deemed punishable by jail sentences and charged.

"Happy Tla'amin Day! It has been three years without the Indian Act, and our nation has never been in a finer place financially," said Hegus Clint Williams opening the Gen-



Youth take centre stage during the performances at the Salish Centre

eral Assembly. "We recognize the need to build capacity within our departments to move ahead and help our nation grow. In the next while we will be prioritizing key positions to be filled to meet the challenges of transitioning into the future," explained the Hegus.

"Having our budget in on time always creates new opportunities. By the end of March, we had four different sources of forestry revenue totalling approximately 400 thousand dollars. Through our strategic planning process in 2017, leadership identified a mapping system, a 5-ton flat deck truck with a hydraulic lift, and a roadside brush cutter for our public works as priorities. As a

treaty nation, we now have the ability to use this extra revenue towards the purchase of these assets, where before self-government this was impossible," – Hegus Clint Williams

Here are some additional highlights announced at our General Assembly:

As a result of the commitment in the recent budget announcement in March, over 11 million dollars will remain with the Tla'amin nation. 1.4 billion was forgiven for treaty loans across Canada.

Tla'amin will receive approximately 500 thousand per year for the next 25 years as part of the BC Gaming revenue sharing. These funds are to support self-govern-

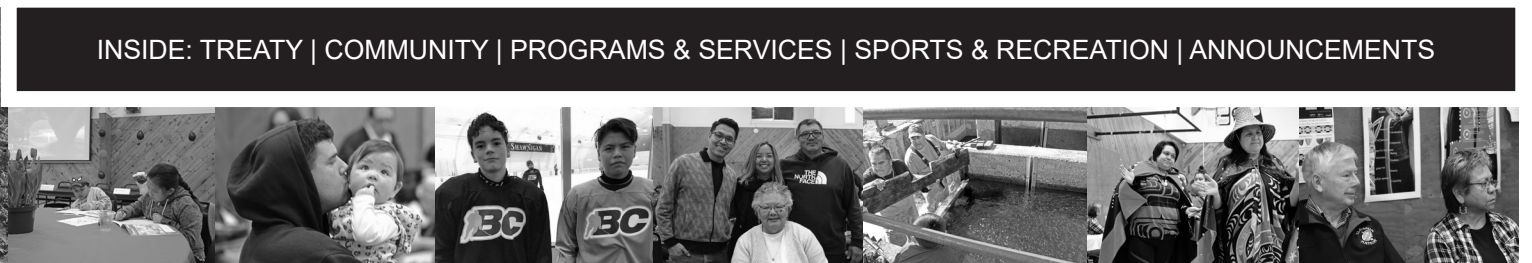
ment, build healthy communities and services. This funding is a central piece to support reconciliation.

Canada has offered Tla'amin \$22,830,516 as a result of the Klahanie Specific Claim breaching their fiduciary obligation in 1972. Tla'amin will be heading to the polls for an upcoming referendum to either accept or reject this offer. Once the referendum process is developed, a referendum date will be announced.

The Nation has been offered to negotiate an early renewal of our fiscal financing agreement (FFA). This is the funding agreement that provides money to the nation from

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Announcements from the Qames ʔəms tala Settlement Trust “Our money is put away safely”

On Saturday May 18th, 2019, the Annual General Meeting of the Trust will be convened at 10 AM. A light breakfast will be available for citizens at the Governance Building in the main lobby, beginning at 9:00 AM.

The financial reporting for the 2018 fiscal year will be reviewed. Our Financial Advisors, Financial Managers, Guardian for the Trust and the Trustees will be in attendance to present information on the status of the Trust and answer your questions. Please come out for this important meeting and information session.

For any community members wishing to learn more about operating a Trust or have interest in submitting an expression

of interest in becoming a Trustee, there is an online Trustee course offered through the National Aboriginal Trust Officers Association (NATOA). This will begin in the fall of 2019, date to be announced. Interested community members can email Kristi.thiele@tn-bc.ca imote

The Trustees for the Qames ʔəms tala Settlement Trust

Ann Paul Chair, Kristi Thiele Treasurer, Alisha Point Secretary, Alex Hugschmidt, Beth Harry Youth Trustee

Elders' Treaty Benefit Notice

The Elders' Benefit that has been discussed will be paid in June. Please note the following important information:

- The application form is available on the website (tlaaminnation.com), or at the Tla'amin Nation Office (4779 Klahanie Road)
- We can also e-mail the form to you for you to print. Please send an e-mail to dividends@tn-bc.ca requesting this, if it is your preference.
- To receive the benefit, the application form **must** be **RECEIVED BY** the Tla'amin Nation by **May 31, 2019 at 4:30 pm**
- The exact amount of the benefit will not be known until June 1st, after all applications have been received.
- There will be **ONE** distribution date – June 20th, 2019.

For questions, please call Pam Wilson at 604.483.9646 or 1.877.483.964 Extension 114



Lori and Jolene Search for Herring Spawn

The Joint Fisheries Committee is made up of representatives from Tla'amin Nation, Provincial Government and Federal Government. The Joint Fisheries Committee invited Tla'amin along on 3 Herring Spawn Survey Fly-Over's in March. These aerial surveys are done each year by the Department of Fisheries and Ocean across all



coastal oceans in British Columbia. Lori Wilson and Jolene Sutcliffe participated in the fly-over survey from Jervis Inlet to Desolation Sound.

MEMBERSHIP (STATUS) AND CITIZENSHIP SERVICES IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT



Please note that all enquiries and services to do with 554 status or Tla'amin citizenship are now being managed by Pam Wilson in the Tla'amin Nation office at 4779 Klahanie Road.

Pam's contact information is as follows:
Phone: 604.483.9646 – Extension 114
Toll Free: 1.877.483.9646 – Extension 114
E.mail: membership@tn-bc.ca
Fax: 778.762.5245



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the province and the federal government to support agreed upon government services, and treaty implementation activities. As a result of an early renewal, newly available revenue will be negotiated sooner than March 31st, 2021 to increase revenue for our programs and services.

Elders to Receive One-Time Treaty Benefit

The biggest highlight of the General Assembly was the much anticipated announcement of a one-time elder's treaty benefit. On January 21st legislators made a recommendation for elders who had reached the age of 60 years by midnight on April 5, 2016, to receive a one-time treaty benefit to be set at approximately \$18,867.

Another event on Tla'amin Day was in Victoria. A flag ceremony was held at the BC Parliament buildings where the Tla'amin flag was raised in the building, marking the three-year anniversary of Tla'amin treaty effective date. Former Chiefs Maynard Harry and Walter Paul attended, along with Former Chief Treaty Negotiator Roy Francis.

When you witness our children dancing and singing in their regalia with their distant relatives on a day of celebration, there is something really special going on. To put this in perspective, our ancestors Indian Act way of life compared to just three years of self-government, we have turned the page on "Just surviving - to regaining control of our lands and resources." What a brighter Tla'amin future, for generations to come. Now that is something to dance and sing about.

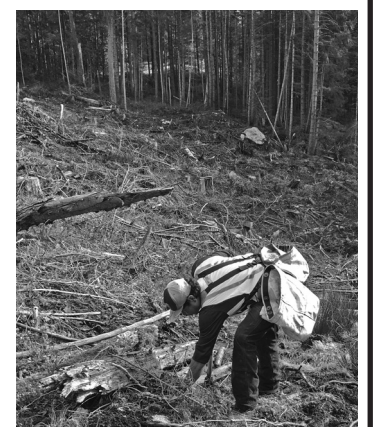


Thichum Forest Products Spring Planting

by Lori Wilson, RPF

This Spring we planted 80,750 seedlings in our Community Forest Licence. We planted 17,820 seedlings in our Woodlot Licence. We planted 26,000 seedlings in our Private Forest Treaty Settlement Lands.

Our silviculture crew has approximately 100ha of brushing work lined up for 2019. I wish them good luck and safe work shifts for the 2019 silviculture season!



Canoe Season Has Arrived

Culture Update

Wednesday: Culture Night at the Tla'amin Salish Centre. Pulling Together Canoe Journey & Tribal Journeys are just around the corner, so come on out and learn some of the traditional songs and dances of the Tla'amin people. Everyone is welcome to attend this event. 4:30-6:00

Thursday: Carving Night with Randy Timothy Sr. & Charlie Timothy. Come on out and learn from two great carvers. Students are learning to carve small paddles, eagle masks, rattles and more! 4:30-6:00

Awaken the Canoes: May 17-20, Cotes Island, BC

Pulling Together July 5th-13th 2019

This is a youth based canoe journey which will take participants through Tla'amin traditional territory. There are 19 canoes expected to come in from different first nations around British Columbia. This is a great opportunity for youth, so if you wish to have your child involved, please contact one of the Tla'amin Nation youth workers, or Drew Blaney. We are also in search of volunteers for this event, so if you would like to volunteer, please fill out a volunteer form which are available on the Tla'amin Nation website, or at the front desk at the Tla'amin Governance House.

Tribal Journeys July 15th – 24th 2019

The Cheechlem Chi-Chia canoe family will be representing the Tla'amin Nation on the Paddle to Lummi 2019. Please come out to Culture Nights on Wednesdays to learn about how you can be involved!



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Tla'amin Nation is excited to welcome the Pulling Together Canoe Journey to our traditional territory July 5th - 13th 2019



Tribal Journey - July 15 - 24th

Louie Continues to Excel on the Ice

The sun may be shining more and summer feels like it is just around the corner but Braedyn Louie continues to be most comfortable in an ice arena. Louie just wrapped up a Spring Hockey Tournament in Burnaby, BC this past weekend as a member of the BC Outlaws. The team finished up in 4th place and Louie was finished up second in team scoring. His knack for finding the net, coupled with his bone-crushing physical play make him a valuable asset for the Outlaws. Louie and his close friend Tanner Burt are the only two players from the Powell River area. The rest of the team is comprised of players from all over the Lower Mainland and the Lower Sunshine Coast.

Louie was a key member of the Powell River Bantam Rep team this year. As a first year Bantam he quickly adjusted to the speed of the game and



was comfortable and effective playing all positions. His versatility and hockey sense was a big reason why the Bantam Kings made it to the Island Finals. After winning the first game at home, the Kings couldn't finish off the Alberni Bulldogs on the road in their best of 3 series. It was disappointing but the team really did overachieve.

started to excel at the physical aspect. Bantam is the first year in minor hockey that players are allowed to body check. In the first game of the year Louie laid out an opponent with a clean open ice hit and that sent out a clear message to opponents that they better have their heads up when he is on the ice. A natural centre, Louie was one of the only players who

At the end of the season, Louie continued pursuing his hockey dreams by attending the BC Program of Excellence U-15 Regional Camp at Shawnigan Lake. Louie and Burt were two of only 5 Tier 3 players who attending the three day event. There they were placed on separate teams and went head to head against the other top 2005 born players on the Island. Both boys took a game or two to adjust to the quicker pace and by the end of the weekend they were gaining more and more confidence. It was a great experience and the boys left with the desire to continue improving to become better players.

The future is very bright for Braedyn. He will be the go to guy for the Bantam Rep team next year. If he continues to develop at the rate he has been and work hard, hockey could create a lot of opportunities for him!

Jamie Burt
Principal
Westview Elementary School
Powell River, B.C

KLAHOOSE FIRST NATION

AWAKEN THE CANOES

MAY 17-20, 2019

Cortes Island. BC



awakenthecanoes@klahoose.org



TENTATIVE SCHEDULE	Thursday, May 16 2019	Saturday May 18	Sunday May 19	Monday May 20
	Little River Ferry Terminal to Power River PULL to Sliammon (7hrs)	Breakfast Safety Meeting Coast Guard Presentation	Breakfast Safety Meeting	Breakfast Camp Breakdown
	Or Drive or Walk-on BC Ferry Shuttle will pick-up	No Skipper - No Problem Race Around Protection Island	Pull from Squirrel Cove to Smelt Bay	Pull from Squirrel Cove to Lund
	CAMP in Sliammon	No Crew - No Problem Race from the Point to Squirrel Cove	Break @ Hollyhock BBQ Lunch at Smelt Bay	BC Ferries from Powell River to Little River
	Friday, May 17	Cold Water Training - Squirrel Cove	Return Pull to Squirrel Cove	
Pull Lund to Squirrel Cove (4hrs)	Dinner Awards Presentation	Dinner Evening Presentations	For information visit... klahoose.org	

Tla'amin Justice Update

“Assist with: Transportation to and from court, apply for legal aid, navigate clients through the justice system, meetings with crown/prosecutor, probation/victim service appointments, family case conferences, lawyer referrals, dialogue circles/conflict resolution, Restorative Justice Forums, referrals to justice program for Alternative Measures Wellness Plan.”

-Verna Francis-

Criminal & Family Court

Next Court Days:

First Appearance/Provincial Court

May 7, 8, 2019 – 9:00 am

(please bring court documents)

Family Court: May 21, 22, 2019 – 9:30



Sixties Scoop _Deadline for Sixties Scoop Application is August 30, 2019

The **Sixties Scoop** refers to a practice that occurred in Canada of taking, or «scooping up», Indigenous children from their families and communities for placement in foster homes or adoption. Despite the reference to one decade, the **Sixties Scoop** began in the late 1950s and persisted into the 1980s.

- If you or anyone you know that has been in Foster Care or Adopted into **“Non – Indigenous” home** (only) you are eligible for compensation.
- I have been providing assistance in filling out forms, faxing, emailing and or mailing original copies to: Collectiva: sixtiesscoop@collectiva.ca
- Contact Number: 1 844 287 4270 – Request more information.
- Add proof to your claim: Fill out **“Freedom of Information Form”** records of your adoption file back in 50's to 90's I do have the Freedom of Info Forms at my office or you call MCFD – 604 485 0600 to request the forms.



Indian Day Schools

Day Schools built by government in Tla'amin Community

Q: What are Indian Day Schools?

“Indian Day Schools” were schools established, funded, and operated by the Federal Department of Indian Affairs. After 1920, Aboriginal students across Canada were forced to attend these schools by law, under the Indian Act.

Q: Can the relatives of a day school survivor who has died apply for the settlement?

Estates can make claims. This will go back as far as November 2007. If a person has passed away between November of 2007 and today, the estate of that person can still make a claim on that person's behalf. So conceivably family members would share in the proceeds of those compensation on behalf of the estate. In total I have assisted with 60 applications since 2009 to 2019, the 2009 applications have been confirmed and are registered but may need updated contact information, Gowling will be contacting each applicant for updates and more information re: extent of abuse.

I have confirmed with Gowling WLG that Assumption Catholic School is not included on the list of Indian Day Schools.

Please contact:

- Justice Worker anytime if you require more information or need assistance in filling out your form: 778 762 5246.
- Gowling WLG @ 1 844 539 3815

Ministry of Children and Family Development Contact Agency



(MCFD)

- Working in collaboration/networking with social workers from Powell River, Vancouver BC, Chetwynd BC, Vancouver Island: organizing family and group case conferencing, Family Case Conference, Family Planning Case Conference
- Assisting and supporting our nation re: contact from the MCFD. (Meetings with the client and social workers.)
- Assisting and navigating MCFD clients through justice system: Legal Aid, Lawyers, Wellness Plan Resources, and Counsellors/Treatment Programs.
- Provide clients and MCFD resources re: traditional wellness practices and culturally sensitive program services within our Tla'amin community.
- Recruiting Foster Parents/Adoptive Parents: please contact Verna Francis @ 778 762 5246 or Angela Skilbeck 604 485 0613 for more information.

- Ensure that MCFD following protocol agreement between the Tla'amin Nation and Ministry and exhaust all resources in community re: temporary/adoption process. (Contact all immediate/extended family members.)
- Organizing Home Coming Ceremony for 2 children originally from Tla'amin Nation going through permanent adoption in Vancouver.

***Important Notice: Please call in advance for transportation to and from court and please bring your court documents particulars to court for duty counsel or lawyers to be able to assist.**

Crime Stoppers - Building a Healthy and Safe Community

“We Want Your Information Not Your Name”

1-800-222- TIPS (8477)
Powell River Detachment: 604 485 6255



Tla'amin Liaison Officer: 604 414 3853
Programs

SAM Program – Substance Abuse Management program for clients going through justice system and court ordered to participate in this 12 week group or one on one sessions with the justice worker, SAM program is for people who are struggling with drug and alcohol issues that is result of charges. Please call Verna 604 483 9646 Ext. 113 to book appointment for orientation to the program.

Tla'amin Traditional Wellness Team Completed Healthy Relationship Program Training

9 Session Program March 25, 26, 27, 28, 2019 – Tla'amin Health: Family Support Worker: Sally Louie, Elders Coordinator: Doreen Hopkins, Tla'amin Public Nurse: Sheila Paquette, Men's Support: Frank Osawamick, Tla'amin Justice Worker: Verna Francis and Social Development: Maureen Adams.

Facilitators: Genesis Hunt: Justice Coordinator from Alert Bay and Terry Wells and her daughter: Cheyllynn Paumau from WeWaiKai – Laichwiltach Territories.

Intake Conversation Questions – Most Aboriginal communities have experienced

historical trauma and are struggling with such issues as alcohol and drug abuse, family violence, youth in crisis, suicide, chronic poverty, and social assistance dependency. All of these challenges can be traced back to colonization tactics of the Canadian government. Awareness of these challenges and their origins will go long way to remedy them. One of the statements you will hear a lot is: **“awareness creates change”**.

The first step in the Healthy Relationship Program [HR] is creating an awareness of your, and /or your partner's challenges. Later you will go through sessions that will provide new **“tools”** to deal with those challenges or change your behavior with the goal of creating healthy relationships.

These tools can be used in all aspects of your life, not just with your partner. They will help you: at work, school, groups (like church or community organizations) and teams. In short, these tools can be used in any situation where you relate to or interact with another person.

You cannot change another person, your partner, adult children – you can only change how you react and respond to challenges in any relationships.

Program Screening Questionnaire:

1. What brings you to Healthy Relationship?
2. Will your partner be attending? If answer is no, please describe the circumstances (i.e. No contact order)
3. Is/has there been any violence or abusive behavior in your present or past relationships?
4. Was there violence or abusive behavior in your family while growing up? If yes, how many generations do you believe this behavior has occurred?
5. What is your knowledge of the colonization of First Nations people? Like the Residential School system, 60's Scoop, Indian Act (Potlatch Ban) etc.
6. What is your knowledge around Residential Syndrome, Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, Attachment Disorder, Abandonment Issues, and Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder?
7. Are there drug and/or alcohol issues for either of you and /or your partner? Were there drug and /or alcohol issues for either of your parents?
8. Has or is the Ministry of Children & Family Development (MCFD) involved with your family? Are your children in care of the Ministry?
9. Are there pending court requirements/obligations?
10. Are you here for the betterment of yourself, your partner, and your relationship?

11. Can you identify problem areas for yourself when it comes to relationships? (i.e. jealousy, obsession, or possessiveness)

12. Can you identify past traumas in your life that effect your well- being?

13. Can you identify supports that you can use during your healing journey?

We are not professional counsellors “but” can help provide you with new tools to deal with conflict/challenges in relationships.

We are in the process of organizing Healthy Relationship group and one on one sessions in near future, if you are interested and require further information please call Tla'amin Health: 604 483 3009 ask for: Sally Louie, Sheila Paquette, Doreen Hopkins, Frank Osawamick or Tla'amin Govt. House: Verna Francis ext. 113 or Maureen Adams: ext. 116.

If you have any questions pertaining to Tla'amin Justice Program Services please drop by the Governance House or give me a call @ 604 483 9646 Ext. 113 and I will be happy to provide any updates and assist in best way I can.

Hat'lahnan, Verna Francis

Tla'amin Justice Program Hours and Contact Information:

Days: Monday – Friday
Time: 8:30 – 4:30
Location: Government House
Work: 604 483 9646
Cell: 604 578 8850
Fax: 778 762 5246

Tla'amin Policing Program Officer:

Cst. Chris Bakker

Location: Tla'amin Governance House

If you have concerns or want to make a report please contact Cst. Chris Bakker at phone number listed below or contact Verna Francis and I will pass your message to Tla'amin Liaison officer.

Cst. Chris Bakker Contact: 604 414 3853





Fish Food for Thought

By Sachi

Yelloweye rockfish, or red snapper, are aptly named due to their vibrant red colour and bright yellow eyes. They are one of the largest species of rockfish with a maximum recorded weight in BC of just under 25 lbs. In addition to their large size, red snapper can live well over 100 years. Since they live such a long life, females do not reach reproductive maturity until they are 32.5 years old on average. In other words, they do not have babies until their early thirties. In

addition, females are able to produce more eggs as they get older and larger.

At the same time, people love to fish for red snapper and other kinds of rockfish because they are so tasty and they are relatively easy to catch. This demand creates a dilemma because the slow-maturing fish are being caught and eaten long before they are ready to reproduce to keep the population going. This means they are vulnerable to being over-harvested since fish that have not yet spawned are being removed from the population before they can replace themselves.

Currently, red snapper is listed as a species of Special Concern under the Species at Risk Act (SARA). They are not Threatened or Endangered but they are at risk of becoming that in the future due to their late reproductive maturity and human-caused threats. To put it in perspective, red snapper populations in the Salish Sea were estimated to be 780 metric tonnes in 2009, approximately one tenth of the estimated

population size in the early 1900's.

Looking forward, researchers at UBC found that the ability to harvest red snapper, or the catch potential for red snapper, is projected to decrease by 2.1 to 6.2% by 2050. Compared to other species in the area, this decrease is relatively small which might suggest a higher reliance on red snapper in the future as other fish are no longer available. This future projection might reinforce the current clash between conservation of red snapper populations and human demand. The three largest threats to red snapper include fishing, pollution and habitat loss. Since all of these threats can be attributed to humans, adaptation strategies can be targeted to our actions to directly address the threats. If managed properly, red snapper populations have the potential to be harvested sustainably thus we can continue to enjoy fish and chips for years to come.

Congratulations Tyra and Michelle



The Tla'amin Nation would like to congratulate the following students on achieving their educational goals and wish them well on future endeavors:

For the month of April 2019:

Tyra Louie
Sports Science Diploma

Michelle Washington-
Bachelor of Anthropology
Major in Biological and Archaeological Studies
Minor in Indigenous Studies

Louise Dominick
Post Secondary Coordinator

Tla'amin Nation Notice FISHER PERSONS NOTICE – IMPORTANT April 26, 2019

Due to Conservation purposes for the Fraser River Chinook run and to promote recovery of at risk Chinook, effective immediately, important fisheries management measures for the 2019 fishing season are in place. ALL persons, including Tla'amin Nation citizens and all First Nations persons are not permitted to retain any Chinook Salmon (Spring Salmon) from now until July 14th.

From July 15th to August 29th, you are permitted to retain 1 Chinook per day.

From August 30th to December 31st, you are permitted to retain 2 Chinook per day.

If you are fishing for other species, and you catch a Chinook, please keep it alive and release.

If you are caught with a Chinook on board your boat between now and July 14th, you will be fined. **Please co-operate with this Conservation Regulation issued by the Minister.**

This closure is in effect in several locations in British Columbia. This notice is to clarify to the Tla'amin people that the closure is applicable to us as well. We are not permitted to retain for Food, Social and Ceremonial purposes due to the severe endangerment of the decline of the Fraser River Chinook.

Although we are a Treaty Nation, Chapter 9 – Fisheries of our final agreement states:

"2. The Tla'amin Fishing Right is limited by measures necessary for conservation, public health or public safety. ...

5. The Minister retains the authority for managing and conserving Fish, Aquatic Plants and Fish habitat."

Thank you for your co-operation and understanding.

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Mother's Day Breakfast

When: May 9, 2019
 Time: 9am-11am
 Where: CDRC



May your days be as colorful as the flowers of May.

May is the time when we think of our mothers, and remember all the love and care our mothers gave us when we were young and growing up at home. My heart goes out to those members in our community who have lost their mothers. My wish for you is that you will have some time on Mother's Day to think about some fond memories of this special person in your life, and to remember how much your mother loved you. As adults, if our mother is still alive in this physical world, we are so lucky and thankful.

If you are a mother, I hope you

will take some time to celebrate yourself. Take some time for some self-care, as well, such as a nice bubble bath, a quiet walk along the beach, time to be creative with a craft or song, or time to get some extra rest. Give yourself a hug and a pat on the back for all the times when you:

- Got up in the middle of the night to soothe a crying baby
- Cooked breakfast, lunch, and supper day after day
- Washed the clothes, changed diapers
- Washed the floor, did the vacuuming and other housework
- Planted beautiful flowers in the garden
- Took care of the family pet
- Drove your children to hockey practice, soccer practice, dance practice, band practice
- Took your child on the bus to go get groceries or to bring your child to an activity
- Went to your child's school to watch a play or attend a meeting
- Went to school, yourself, and provided a good role model for your child
- Shared a traditional teaching from our culture with your child
- Soothed a sick child, or put a band aid on a cut knee
- Planned a wonderful birthday party
- Played with your child
- Took your child for a walk on the beach or in the forest
- Looked at a book, sang a song, or did some drumming with your child
- Shared words in our traditional language with your child
- Gave a hug, kiss, and a loving smile to your child
- Shared an encouraging word with your child
- Made sure your child learned who his or her relatives are
- Gave lots of love and tenderness to your child.

With all the wonderful things mothers do the list could go on and on. Thank you to all of the grandmothers and elders in the community who taught women younger than themselves how to be a mother. Thank you to all the youth, women, and men who may not be mothers, themselves, but who share nurturing words and caring actions with our very young children. Giving love to a child helps to increase a child's self-esteem. This is the greatest gift of all. Happy Mother's Day!

Brenda Pielle



Elders Corner

Tla'Amin Elder's Calendar

Location: Tla'Amin Health

Tla'Amin Elders Coordinator, Doreen Hopkins
 Phone Number: 604-483-3009 Extension: 126

May 7th - Elders Care Facility Review

Time: 10:00a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

May 8th, Service Canada – Annie

Location: Government Building – all day – 8:30 to 4:30

May 14th, Guest Speaker – Jason Min – Guest Speaker from UBC Time: 11:00am to 1:00pm

May 21st, 2019 – No Elders Day Program

May 28th, 2019 – Bingo 11:00a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Congratulations to the Winners of the April 16th, 2019 Raffle Draw

V. Tait - \$500.00 (works for BC Ferries)

Judy Mitchell - \$300.00 (works for FNHA)

Brent Tom - \$200.00 (works for FNHA)

A big "Thank You" to Judy and Brent, they donated 1/2 of their winnings back to the Tla'Amin Elders.

Andy George sold the most, 90 sleeves of tickets – great job!

Next 50/50 Sales will begin on May 1st, 2019 and will be drawn on Aboriginal Day 2019. A big "thank you" to all those that participated!

Come on May 8th between 1:30 -4:00 at Health to share your ideas and stories

We want to hear success stories and challenges of those living with diabetes. What has worked for you? What hasn't worked for you? Come share your experiences so the whole community can learn! Snacks and refreshments provided.

Tla'amin Community Diabetes Questionnaire Results

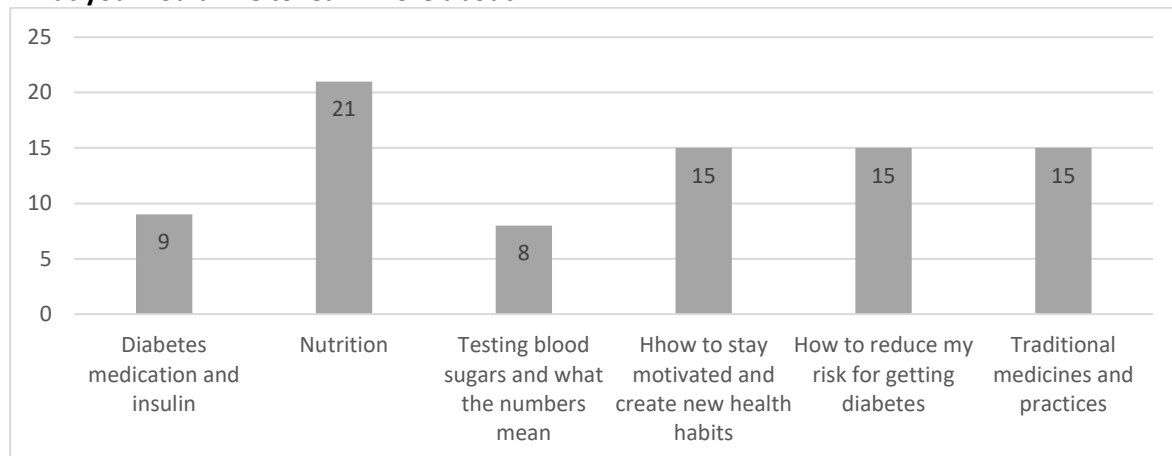
We'd like to send out a big Thank You! to everyone who took the time to complete our survey. Your answers provided a lot of great information about diabetes management in this community.

We had 27 surveys returned:

- 5 respondents had diabetes,
- 3 were told they are at risk for developing diabetes,
- 11 of you care for someone with diabetes,
- 5 of you chose "other"

Here is what we've learned...

What you would like to learn more about:



The services and support you would like us to provide:



Other important points:

- Include caregivers/support people in workshops/education/services
- ½ of respondents do not agree that they are able to access health care services that they need in the community
- Most of you feel comfortable and able to share your health needs and concerns with your health care team
- Mixed results on who felt they had a good understanding of diabetes and its risk factors.
- Room for improvement on perceived quality of life for people living with diabetes
- Half of respondents felt that the food they eat supports their health
- Great interest in incorporating traditional medicines and practices to help manage your diabetes and overall wellness
- Requests for workshops and learning in group settings

Here is what we are going to do with what we've learned...

- Workshops on nutrition, reducing your risk for developing diabetes, traditional medicines and practices, how to feel confident managing your diabetes and living a full, happy life
- Workshops at various times during the day and in the evenings
- Increase access to healthy food that support your health i.e. Good Food Box

We would like to hear more!

Vancouver Island University will be offering the Early Childhood Education certificate program at our local Powell River campus in September 2019. Please call VIU for more information.





**WALK FOR
ALZHEIMER'S
MAKE MEMORIES
MATTER™**

Sunday, May 5th

10:00 am - 12 Noon
Tla'amin Health Services

The walk is a way to celebrate and remember people in our lives that have been affected

10:00 am: Walk begins at Tla'amin Health Services around Klahanie and return

11:00 am: Guest speaker on Alzheimer's
Malleri Meeker

Noon: Snacks and beverages.

Together we make memories matter!

Family Support Programs

Sunday May 4th Walk for Alzheimer's

Tuesdays Walking Group 430 – 530
Meet at Tla'amin Health
Draws for Good Food Box (one per household)

Wednesdays Grief & Loss Support Group
530 pm – 730 Light dinner
Every 2nd Wednesday beginning May 1st
May 15th Guest Speaker, Mary White Pastor, United Church

Thursday Grandparents Support Group - May 2nd and May 30th
530 – 730 Light Dinner

Fridays Social Support & Crafts 10 – 2 pm
Prevention Quilt for Violence Against Women making quilt patches
Guest Speaker – May 3 Cyndi Pallen
Stopping the Violence
May 31st - Elder

Any questions call Sally at 604.483-3009 ext. 228



You are invited.

Safeteen Parent Presentation

(also for caregivers, other family members & people who work with kids)

RSVP: Email: peacepr@telus.net or call: 604-485-6968

Come learn skills to help your teens deal with personal challenges with power, dignity and safety. Light refreshments will be provided.



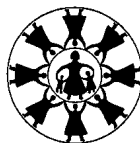
Navigating Adolescence

- Check out this internationally acclaimed violence prevention program
- Learn powerful alternatives to violence
- Acquire concrete skills to use and pass on to teens we live and work with
- Safeteen addresses adolescents at their own level

Tuesday May 7, 2019 - 6:00 pm – 7:00pm

Tla'amin Salish Centre (Gym)
Powell River, BC

This is a free community event. Registration required. To register or for more information email: peacepr@telus.net or call: 604-485-6968



Powell River &
Region Transition
House Society



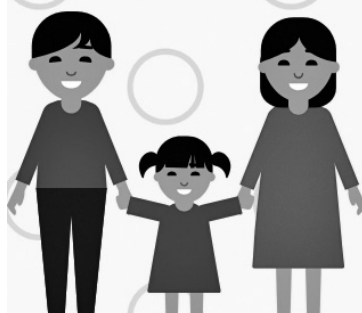
Parent \ Tot Drop in

Parents and children 1-3 years of age

Every Thursday!

Where: CDRC-multipurpose room

Time: 9:30-11:00am



***children snacks are provided**
***Come find out how to win a \$25 gift card!**

STRONGER TOGETHER NAVIGATING A LOVED ONE'S SUBSTANCE USE

At the Stronger Together community discussion on April 5th, there was a need identified for support for family and friends of those struggling with substance use. This group is a response to that request.



IN THIS SELF-HELP GROUP YOU WILL:

- Learn ways to take care of yourself
- Examine the biases and stigma around addiction
- Talk about a harm reduction approach to addiction
- Treat yourself with compassion
- Learn coping and de-stressing skills

Wednesdays from 10am – 12pm in May and June
Tla'amin Health Centre 4895 Salish Drive

For more information contact Mika Miyaoka, Sally Louie or Amy Vaughan at
Tla'amin Health
604 483-3009



MEN'S CIRCLE

A place where men can share as an equal and be heard in a compassionate manner with dignity and respect. Learn how to cope and manage stress, life skills, or need a sounding board, then this circle is for you.

Pre-registration is required.

CULTURAL LODGE

Every other Wednesday
7:30 – 9:00 pm.
Contact Frank Osawamick @ Tla'amin Health to pre-register. 604-483-3009 ext. 113

Family Support & Wellness Program

The Family Support & Wellness worker provides referrals, 1:1 support, transportation and advocacy for families to help and promote healthy family development and strengthen family life.

Mondays Emish' Walking Group
1:30 – 3:00 pm

Spring is here! We will continue track walking where it is safe as part of our wellness. Keeping physically active helps relieve stress, keeps blood pressure down and have healthy heart. Transportation provided

Have you heard about the Kuu-us Crisis Line?

Did you know that there is a 24/7 crisis line in BC for aboriginal youth, adults and elders? It was established in 1993 due to the high incidents of suicide. It has now evolved to provide much more support, and does services such as risk assessments, safety monitoring, and twenty-four hour phone support for any type of difficult situation. Reasons for calling can include (but are not limited to):

- Employment/education
- Residential school
- Child welfare
- Addiction and/or mental health
- Suicide ideation
- Grief/loss
- Abuse
- Divorce/separation
- Peer pressure

Crisis Services are available at:
Adult/Elder Line: 250-723-4050
Child/Youth Line: 250-723-2040
Or Toll Free Line: 1-800-588-8717

Ciara Knapp

Home and Community Care Coordinator
Tla'amin Health
Ciara.knapp@tn-bc.ca
778.657.5902



Parent/tot program



May Activities

Parent/tot group @ CDRC from 9:30-11:00am (every Thursday. Gift cards available based on attendance)

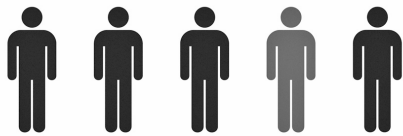
9th - Mother's Day breakfast @ CDRC from 9-11am

16th-Orca bus @ CDRC upper parking lot from 10-11:30am

May 7, 2019 is National Child and Youth Mental Health Day

This is the twelfth year that this day has been set aside to recognize the mental health needs of our children and youth. It used to be believed that mental health was something only for adults to be concerned with. We now know that mental health is something to pay attention to throughout the whole life span of an individual.

Only **one in five youth** with a mental illness will receive the mental health services they need.



Children and youth can experience mental health challenges such as anxiety, depression, eating disorders, mood disorders, addictions, and so on. The more we as adults can learn about these health concerns, the more we can be there to support our young people as they grow and move along their journey of development.

At a youth mental health event in 2016, sponsored by the Institute for Families, high school students were asked how they wanted adults to talk to them about their mental health.

The following are a few examples of what teens said they **would not like** to hear: you're doing it for attention

- you'll grow out of it
- it's not a big deal, get over it
- other people have it worse than you
- you're too young to know
- you are messed up because of your friends
- you're not trying hard enough
- what's wrong with you

Here are some things that young people said they **would like** to hear from us adults:

- I'm here for you when you're ready to talk
- I'll support you in any way I can
- How can I help you
- I love you and I believe in you
- I know it's hard, but you'll be okay
- It's okay to feel the way you feel, and we'll get through this
- It's okay to not be okay sometimes

If you would like to read more ideas from these lists, you can find them on the Family Smart Together Centered website at www.FamilySmart.ca. Also on this website you can watch a video called "Be that Caring Adult".

Having a connected relationship with a caring adult is very important to our children and youth and it is very good for their mental health. This is wisdom that is known by our elders today, and has been known by our ancestors in the past. The traditional teachings of informing young people who they are related to, informing them of the way Mother Earth takes care of all of their needs, the practice of coming of age ceremonies, and informing young people about respecting all living things, including themselves, are ways that the culture of this Nation demonstrates this knowledge.

When we have concerns about our children and youth, we are fortunate in Powell River to have a Child and Youth Mental Health team who offer an open intake day each Tuesday. You can go to their office on Alberni any Tuesday and wait for a turn to speak with someone about starting counselling for the young person in your life, if you feel there is a need for this service. If you would like to talk further about this topic, please give me a call at 604-483-3009.

On May 7th and every day, let's remember to make sure our children and youth know how much we care about them.

Brenda Pielle, Youth and Family Advocate

Quick list resources for family and friends of those struggling with substance misuse



Support in Powell River

- SMART recovery for family and friends

Where: 3rd floor Powell River General Hospital

When: Every 2nd and 4th Monday of the month at 6:30-8:30pm

What: SMART Recovery Family & Friends helps those who are affected by the substance abuse, drug abuse, alcohol abuse, or other addictions of a loved one.

- Al-anon

Where: United church at 6932 Crofton St

When: 7:00pm-8:00 Monday and 2:00-3:00pm Thursday

What is it: Help and support and hope for families and friends of alcoholics.

- Nar-anon

Where: Alano Club at 5903 Arbutus Street

When: Meetings: 7:30 – 9 pm Tuesdays

Club Hours: 10 am – 3 pm; 7 – 11 pm

What is it: For relatives and families whose lives have been affected by someone else's drug addiction. 604 483 3800

Support in Tla'amin

Tuxahmiy Traditional wellness group

Where: Health Center at 4895 Salish Drive

When: Every Tuesday-Friday 10:00-12:00 with lunch included

What: The sacred circle is a place for people to come for support, whether they are struggling with addiction or not

- AA at Tla'amin

Where: Health Center at 4895 Salish Drive

When: Meeting: 8:00 pm Tuesdays

- Kuu-us line (Indigenous Help line in BC)

Where: Throughout BC

When: any time of day or night 24/7

What: If you are facing a difficult situation, call us now. We can help.

Adult/Elder Crisis Line: 250-723-4050

Child/Youth Crisis Line: 250-723-2040

1-800-588-8717

Tla'amin Nation Executive Council Minutes

March 6, 2019
School District #47 Office

Attendance: All Executive Council

Resource: Rod Allan, Losa Luaifoa

Guests: Arthur Arnold, Rachel Rocco, Jane Waterman, Chris Roddan, Roy Francis, Troy Marshall, Brad Irvine, Maynard Harry, Grace Adams

Hegus Williams called the meeting to order at 9:07 am.

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA: Motion to adopt the amended Executive Council to add: Fiscal Financial Agreement Renewal under Finance and Administration.

Moved by Councillor J. Hackett

Seconded by Councillor T. Wilson

CARRIED

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to adopt the February 20, 2019 Executive Council minutes.

*Moved by Councillor J. Hackett
Seconded by Councillor L. Louie
CARRIED*

C. PRESENTATIONS:

1. PRISMA Festival – June 22, 2019

Arthur Arnold, Music Director, PRISMA, provided Executive Council (EC) a brief overview of the PRISMA Festival noting that the opening of the festival will include the Hehewsin song. The Hehewsin canoe will paddle into Willingdon Beach and then be carried out of the water and onto the stage. It was also noted that the Hehewsin group will be working to teach the Hehewsin song in schools in preparation for the opening ceremony.

The delegation is seeking sponsorship in the amount of \$7500.

Consensus of EC is to approve request for \$7500.

2. Janet Waterman, Program Coordinator, Powell River Region Community Justice

Janet addressed EC explaining the restorative justice program noting that it is based on old principles.

The delegation is seeking approval to use the name "qathet Community Justice". Following EC's approval, qathet Region District (qRD) will be consulted with for the use of the name "qathet" as well.

EC supports the use of the name qathet. Staff will send Al Radke (qRD) an email to advise that the name has been approved by EC.

Hegus Williams thanked Janet for the acknowledgement and requesting the name change in person.

3. RBC Revolving Line of Credit

Chris Roddan, CAO, Tla'amin Management Services LP (TMSLP), provided a brief Power-Point presentation and highlighted the following:

- The TMSLP Board has been in negotiations to establish a source of bank financing for various projects. TMSLP has reached an agreement with



Minister of Forests Doug Donaldson visited Tla'amin on April 25th

RBC to provide a 4-million-dollar revolving plan pledged against the RBC Wealth portfolio.

- In response to a question asked about why the land cannot be used as collateral, it was noted that land can be used for only 30%.

Motion to support the establishment of a Line of Credit in the amount of 4 million dollars with RBC, secured against the RBC Dominion portfolio in the name of Tla'amin Capital Assets Inc.

*Moved by Councillor T. Wilson
Seconded by Councillor L. Louie*

Discussion ensued and the following comments were provided:

- Cllr. L. Louie: requested a recommendation from the CAO or CFO on the request and further suggested EC hear from the Boards. Noted that staffing matters raises concerns.

- CAO: noted that he has great trepidation pledging 4 million dollars and noted that the process regarding projects is laid out in the Economic Development Law. The CAO recommended as a minimum, that projects are brought forward individually to EC, first, with a concept study and if approved, then a business plan will follow.

- It was noted that the RBC portfolio is a Nation asset and it is a concern that the liability for the proponent isn't the same as the Nation's.

- Hegus Williams: noted that TMS is structured differently as a separate entity intentionally to ensure that TN will not be politically involved with business. Also noted that the concerns raised are valid and will be worked through.

- Cllr. L. Wilson: does not support the request and will not put 4 million dollars at risk for TMSLP.

- Cllr. L. Louie: noted that we have to move forward and take a chance and that he agrees with review of projects individually, project by project.

After comments from Roy Francis and Maynard Harry were heard, question was called on the motion.

MOTION CARRIED with Councillor L. Wilson and Councillor J. Hackett opposed.

D. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Administration & Finance:

i) **Staff Annual Pay Increase:** Executive Council (EC) reviewed the request from the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) for the annual pay increase of 2.5% for all full-time employees. The total increase for the year totals 27k and had been budgeted for.

EC consensus to approve the annual pay increase of 2.5% for April 1, 2019 was reached.

ii) **TNO-EC # 02-2019 re: Klahanie Subdivision Specific Claim**

EC endorsed Order #02-2019 to accept the final settlement offer from the Government of Canada in the amount of \$22,830,516.

*Moved by Councillor J. Hackett
Seconded by Councillor T. Wilson
CARRIED*

iii) **Fiscal Financing Agreement:** The Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) provided a breakdown of potential funding if a 10-year term was accepted for the FFA. The current FFA is a 5-year term and is valid for another two years for Tla'amin.

Dillon Johnson, Consultant recommended moving to a 10-year term to lock-in the governance funding for longer which can also allow the addition of new funding. Dillon will continue to work internally with the Government of Canada on this.

EC supports moving to a 10-year agreement if offered, pending responses to inquiries regarding population and consideration for additional funding for 554's.

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Motion to support a 10-year FFA agreement with the condition an "us too" clause is included and consideration of funding for new 554's.

**Moved by Councillor T. Wilson
Seconded by Councillor L. Wilson
CARRIED**

2. Citizenship & Membership: Hegus Williams advised that the summary of the February 16 meeting has not been received by EC.

3. Education: Hegus Williams noted that there has been no appointment yet for the Student Support Worker job. The closing date was extended to March 22, 2019.

The Education Visioning Session is scheduled for March 11 4 pm-6 pm.

4. Elders & Youth: Hegus Williams extended an invitation to EC to attend an extended facility group tour from April 1 to 3. Alofi Consulting will have more specific details.

5. Emergency Services: Firefighting training program will be completed soon. The program has been successful and has 13 students.

6. Public Works: Hegus Williams noted that a new community freezer/cooler (for storing game) will be added into next year's budget. It was further noted that the repairs to the current freezer is getting costly.

Councillor T. Wilson noted that all the Chinook have buttoned up earlier this year so they will be ponded next week for the feeding process to get them up to weight for release in late May /June 2019.

7. Lands:

Life Estates: The Lands Manager is seeking approval of the draft Life Estates form document.

Motion to approve the Life Estates form with the condition that a clause is included to clarify that the life estate holder has the authority to sell or lease the home to a Tla'amin citizen/member.

**Moved by Councillor T. Wilson
Seconded by Councillor J. Hackett
CARRIED**

F. HOUSE POSTS:

1. Lands & Resources – Councillor L. Wilson reported the following:

- Natural Resources Committee meeting is scheduled for March 18, 2019.
- Several submissions have been received for the prawn bid. A contractor has been selected.
- Weekly reports of the herring testing have been received from the Department of Fisheries and Oceans.
- Attended an ad hoc meeting to address lands matters.

2. Finance – Councillor John Hackett reported the following:

- Completing the budget for presentation at the General Assembly on April 5.
- T4 slips are almost complete.
- The Nation is working with vendors to switch over to EFT (electronic funds transfer) for payment.
- In response to a request for the minutes "approving a treaty benefit for elders", EC directed staff to respond that there has been no commitment and recommended that a copy of any EC minutes discussing a proposed treaty benefit for

elders, be included. It was noted that a potential treaty benefit for elders will be raised at the budget meeting on April 5.

3. Community Services – Councillor L. Louie reported that the Community Services meeting, was cancelled for March 1 and the new proposed date is Friday, March 8.

4. Public Works – It was noted that a meeting of the Housing Committee will be scheduled. The property at 5196 Beach Road is now empty.

G. HEGUS' REPORT:

• Meetings/events attended in February/March:

- Conference call with William Cheung and Patricia Angkiriwang (UBC students). Tla'amin is supportive of their application for a 3-year project they are applying for additional funding for.
- Land Claims Agreement Coalition (LCAC) meeting in Ottawa. 2 days were spent at the leadership gathering to discuss the various topics: potential election of co-chairs, updates on implementation issues and litigation, working groups and priority action areas, Prime Minister's Forum, LCAC priorities for 2019. Met with Minister Bennett and team to discuss the forgiveness of treaty loan and the Implementation policy and other matters. Some communities had youth representation at the session.
- Westview Lands subcommittee meeting to discuss the potential transfer of lands to TMSLP. The session was productive.
- Referendum date will need to be revisited. Federal government has to be involved.

- TN received invitation for sessions on April 11, 12 and 13.

- There are three separate forest initiatives – 1. Strategic Forestry Initiative - 150k funding for lidar mapping and future acquisitions 2. Second initiative is related to ticketed and licensing for 60k, and 3. Part 2 of the Strategic Forestry Initiative funding - 200k for heavy equipment. The agreement is still in the process of being signed off.

H. OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Executive Council Meeting Dates

The following dates are confirmed for EC meetings: April 10 & 24 and May 8 & 22.

2. Request to use Tla'amin Flag

EC reviewed a request for permission to use the Tla'amin flag while boats are on Tla'amin waters. EC noted that this may impose an issue because the Tla'amin flags are used to identify sports fisherman (the Nation has requested that harvesters post the Tla'amin flag on the boats). Staff to clarify the details with the requestor.

3. Community Children's Charter

Prior to the delegation presentations, Hegus Williams signed the Community Children's Charter. The Charter is endorsed by the Tla'amin Nation, the City of Powell River and the qathet Regional District.

ADJOURNMENT

**Moved by Councillor J. Hackett
Seconded by Councillor T. Wilson
CARRIED**

Powell River RCMP Non-Emergency (604)485-6255		In Case of Emergency Call 911
MAR 01	HWY 101	Police responded to a traffic complaint with a vehicle hauling an insecure load.
MAR 01	HWY 101	Police responded to an abandoned 911 call. Police attended and determined it to be false.
MAR 01	HARWOOD DR	Police responded to a report of a vehicle collision.
MAR 02	RIVER RD	Police responded to a disturbance at a residence.
MAR 02	WATERFRONT RD	Police responded to report of loud music playing at a residence.
MAR 03	EAGLE DR	Police responded to an abandoned 911 call. Police attended and determined it to be false.
MAR 08	SALISH DR	Police responded to a report of a suspicious occurrence. Police attended but were unable to locate anything suspicious.
MAR 13	WATERFRONT RD	Police responded to a report of possible elder abuse. The report was determined to be unfounded.
MAR 15	RIVER RD	Police responded to a report of an aggressive dog.
MAR 16	RIVER RD	Police conducted a curfew check, which resulted in a breach charge.
MAR 17	WATERFRONT RD	Police responded to a check welfare request.
MAR 18	KLAHANIE DR	Police responded to a report of a suspicious boat chasing dolphins in front of Harwood Island.
MAR 18	SALISH DR	Police responded to an alarm at the Tla'amin Health building. It was determined to be false.
MAR 20	RIVER RD	Police responded to a report of youth partying at a residence.
MAR 20	RIVER RD	Police responded to a disturbance.
MAR 21	WATERFRONT RD	Police responded to a report of an assault that had taken place previously.
MAR 21	WATERFRONT RD	Police responded to a disturbance.
MAR 24	EAGLE DR	Police responded to a report of an assault in progress. A suspect was arrested, and is facing charges including aggravated assault and assault with a weapon.
MAR 24	RIVER RD	Police responded to an abandoned 911 call. Police attended and determined it to be false.
MAR 24	RIVER RD	Police responded to a report of a disturbance at a residence. When Police arrived, the caller was not co-operative with Police.
MAR 28	EAGLE DR	Police assisted Saanich Police Department with serving a document in regards to an impaired driving investigation.
MAR 30	KLAHANIE DR	Police responded to a report of a suspicious person. The person was located by Police and provided assistance.
APR 01	HWY 101	Police responded to an abandoned 911 call. Police attended and determined it to be false.
APR 07	HARWOOD DR	Police responded to a disturbance at a residence.
APR 09	WATERFRONT RD	Police investigated a report of an assault causing bodily harm. This matter is still under investigation.
APR 11	EAGLE DR	Police assisted Saanich Police Department in executing a warrant.
APR 14	BEACH RD	Police responded to a report of a possible impaired driver. Extensive patrols were made, but the vehicle was not located.
APR 16	RIVER RD	Police assisted MCFD with checking on a child's welfare.
APR 17	RIVER RD	Police responded to a report of a disturbance. The report was determined to be false.
APR 17	RIVER RD	Police responded to a report of an assault. The report was determined to be false.
APR 18	BEACH RD	While making patrols Police stopped a vehicle driving erratically. An impaired investigation was started and the driver is now facing impaired driving charges.
APR 22	WATERFRONT RD	Police responded to a disturbance at a residence.
APR 22	RIVER RD	Police responded to a disturbance at a residence.

Tla'amin Nation Executive Council Minutes

March 27, 2019

Council Chambers, Governance House

Attendance: Hegus Clint Williams, Tyrone Wilson, Lori Wilson, Larry Louie (via conference call)

Resource: Rod Allan, Losa Luaifoa

Guests: Christine Kaaij

Hegus Williams called the meeting to order at 10:06 am.

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA: Motion to adopt the amended agenda with the following additions: RFP for Future Acquisition Lands and TMSLP Line of Credit under D.1; Legislative Assembly under H.1 and Rental Deductions under D.6.

*Moved by Councillor T. Wilson
Seconded by Councillor L. Wilson
CARRIED*

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to adopt the March 6, 2019 Executive Council minutes – TABLED.

C. PRESENTATIONS:

1. Elders Care Facility Study

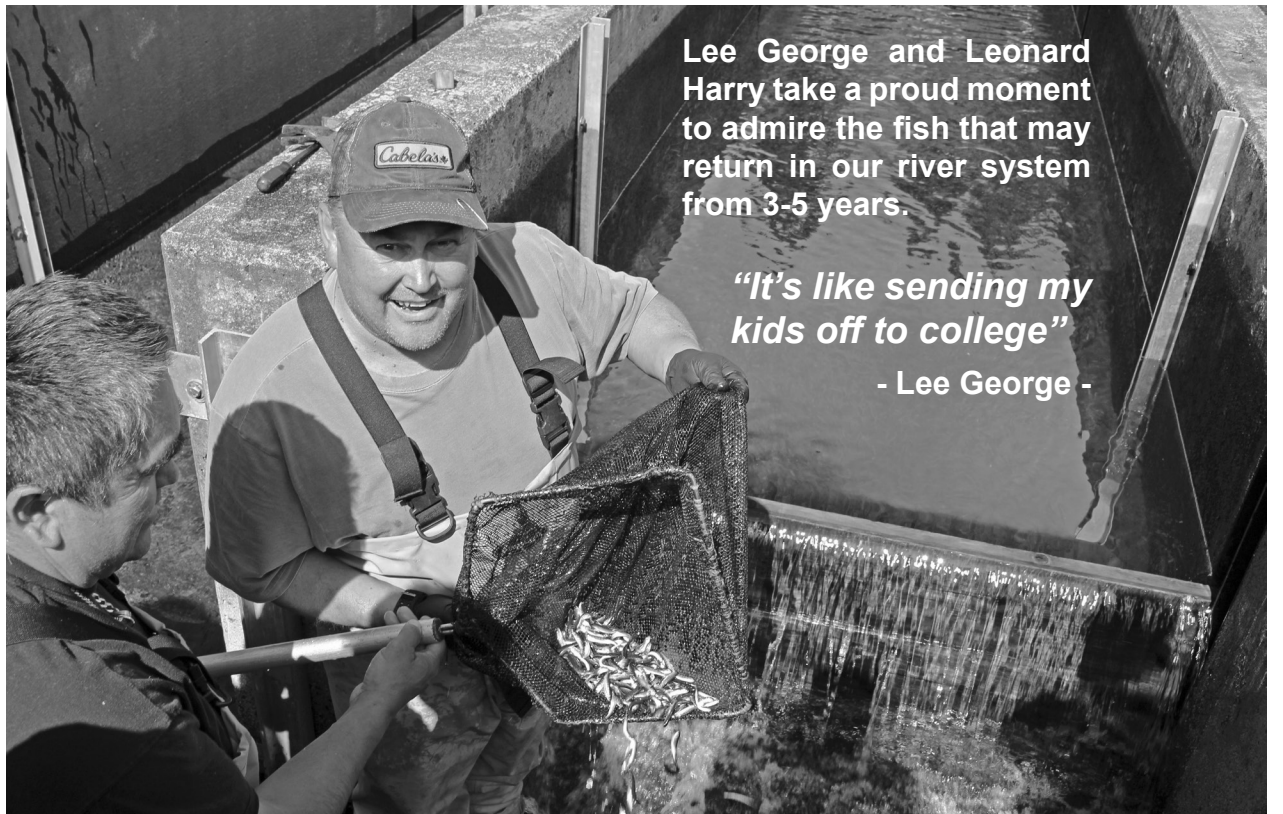
Christine Kaaij, Alofli Consultant, provided an update on the Elders Care Facility study.

- Executive Council (EC) requested that throughout the current consultation stage, the questioned be raised of how costs are expected to be covered for the facility (i.e. subsidized funding or free etc.)
- EC inquired if there are plans for other services to be provided at the facility for example, dialysis and/or other services that patients currently have to travel out of town for.

2. 2019-2020 Budget Presentation

Steve Hunter, Chief Financial Officer (CFO), provided a presentation of the proposed 2019-2020 Budget. The presentation highlighted the following points:

- New positions in the budget include: Financial/Administrator Assistant, Enforcement Officer (2nd position), Aboriginal Fisheries Strategy (3rd position, currently filled) GIS Technician and Natural Resources Coordinator/Fish Biologist.
- New to the budget is the 50% contribution to the salary of the Museum Curator position.
- The biggest change to the budget is the proposed Elders Benefit. The Finance Committee strongly recommended that the distribution be funded from the Klahanie Settlement Claim monies. The CFO advised that the



Lee George and Leonard Harry take a proud moment to admire the fish that may return in our river system from 3-5 years.

"It's like sending my kids off to college"

- Lee George -

budget will be out of balance and show a deficit until the settlement claim has been received.

- The CFO provided clarification on the equipment approval from the Specific Forestry agreement explaining how it will be reflected in the budget.
- The CAO requested that a Language Coordinator position be added to the budget (as a variance) and EC supported the request.

D. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Administration & Finance:

i) **Request for Proposal - Future Acquisition Lands -** The Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) provided EC a copy of the two proposals received for the bid and advised that copies will be forwarded to the Province for review prior to the official award of the bid.

EC consensus is to award the contract to Altus (\$150k) pending the Province's review of the bids.

ii) **TMSLP Line of Credit -** Councillor L. Louie raised concerns about the partnership between Tla'amin Management Services LP (TMSLP) and Complete Construction Services noting that he would like to rescind his support (Resolution #05-2019) for a line of credit with RBC in the amount of \$4 million dollars. The resolution was passed at the March 6 EC meeting.

Hegus Williams provided clarification regarding the misunderstanding that the line of credit is a loan and noted that a concept plan and business plan presented to EC is required prior to access of the line of credit. The TMSLP Board meeting is scheduled for March 28 and Hegus Williams will reiterate the concerns raised, to the Board.

Councillor T. Wilson requested a summary of TMSLP activities be provided and a meeting be scheduled with the TMSLP Boards and EC to ensure the entire group is on the same page and informed.

2 Citizenship & Membership: No reports have been received from the Citizenship Committee.

3. Culture:

i) **Delegation Request:** Colin Osmond, University of Saskatchewan. EC agreed to a presentation from Colin Osmond at the April 10 EC meeting.

ii) **Wellness Weekend Invitation:** An invitation was forwarded to the Nation for April 12-14, 2019 in Homalco Nation.

Action: This item to be forwarded to the Culture Coordinator.

4. Education: Hegus Williams reported that the Education Open House held on March 4 at the Governance House was a success.

5. Environment: Hegus Williams inquired about forwarding a letter regarding the Sliammon Lake dam and the project with BC Hydro. Action: CAO to request that the Lands Direc-

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tor draft a letter and share information that has been gathered regarding the Sliammon Lake dam and inquire about a program with BC Hydro.

6. Forestry: Councillor L. Wilson reported the following:

- Advised that planting started at the TSL on Friday, March 22 and will be completed within a week.
- Upcoming meetings: April 4 - Forestry meeting is scheduled to discuss the next TSL block. April 2 – Lands meeting on various lands matters.

7. Housing: Hegus Williams raised the topic of rent deductions from employees of the Nation who have an outstanding debt to the Nation. To ensure deductions are reasonable, it was suggested that a set percentage rate be implemented.

A discussion ensued and EC by consensus, resolved that 10% be set as the maximum percentage that can be deducted for arrears from full time or part time employees.

8. Lands: Life Estates Form - This item was tabled to the April 10, 2019 meeting.

9. Public Works: Staff will clear space to provide additional parking for Tla'amin Day - April 5. It was advised that there is also plans to create a trail from the highway to the parking lot.

10. Taxation: Hegus Williams advised that a letter was sent to provincial ministers addressing the change in the Mill Tax Rate even though Tla'amin was not responsible for the change.

F. HOUSE POSTS:

1. Lands & Resources – Councillor Lori Wilson reported that the Natural Resources Committee (NRC) met regarding the prawn contract for Tla'amin. It was advised that the contract is scheduled to be signed soon.

2. Public Works – Councillor T. Wilson reported that the firefighting training program was completed with 100% participation.

3. Economic Development – Hegus Williams reported that Lund Resort is hosting a grand opening for the season on March 29. The open house portion of the event is scheduled for 3 pm to 6 pm and the entertainment portion will commence at 6 pm to late. It was further noted that the hotel is busy with renovations which includes the addition of over 3000 sq. ft. for staff accommodations. Other plans include re-locating the general store and a candy/coffee shop.

G. HEGUS' REPORT:

- Meetings/events attended in March:
 - 3 Information Sessions were held in Tla'amin, Victoria and Vancouver regarding the Elders Benefit distribution/Klahanie Specific Claim. Questions were asked about the other items including the canoe journey. Members expressed the need for more regular out of town meetings. EC discussed hosting 4 meetings out of town in collaboration with other meetings that may be planned.
 - The Federal Government announced in its 2019 budget that treaty loans will be forgiven or reimbursed which is great news for Tla'amin.
 - Attended Nausamawt conference and heard a presentation by David Suzuki.

H. OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Appointment to qathet Regional District Regional Public Transportation Service Exploration Working Group

EC appointed Councillor Tyrone Wilson as the Tla'amin representative to the working group.

2. **Legislative Assembly** – Call for April 5, 2019 @ 9:00 am meeting in Council Chambers.

*Moved by Councillor L. Wilson
Seconded by Councillor T. Wilson
CARRIED*

I. ADJOURNMENT

*Moved by Councillor L. Wilson
Seconded by Councillor T. Wilson
CARRIED*

**James Thomson
CALENDAR OF
EVENTS**

- May 1-2** Mr. Gee's class off to Science World overnight trip
- May 6** Kindergarten screenings, Music Monday
- May 8** Community forum on Education at Brooks (details to come)
- May 13** French Kindergarten Open House
- May 15** Kindergarten screenings
- May 16** Grade 7 dance at Edgehill 6-8pm
- May 17 MAY DAY!**
- May 20** Victoria Day Holiday
- May 22** Grade 6 vaccinations
- May 24/25** French OLC leadership camp, grades 7,8,9
- May 29/30** Grade 7 OLC Div 1 & 2 camp
- May 30** Celebration of Success (Tla'amin)
- May 31** Track Meet (Grades 3-7)
- June 3** District Pro D Day



**Indian Hospitals Class Action
Indian Hospital Class Action will include: "Coqualeetza Indian Hospital"**

Koskie Minsky LLP along with Cooper Regal (a member of Masuch Albert LLP), commenced a class action on January 25, 2018 against the Attorney General of Canada alleging that its operation of "Indian Hospitals" was negligent and breached fiduciary duties owed to Indigenous People.

The statement of claim alleges, among other things, that between 1945 and 1981 Canada transported Indigenous people to dilapidated facilities converted into hospitals where they were isolated from their family, friends and communities. The hospitals were substandard, overcrowded, and rife with physical and sexual abuse. Patients were tied to their beds, placed in full body casts and not afforded the ability to be educated or retain their Indigenous culture and heritage. Patients left these hospitals physically and psychologically traumatized.



The proposed class includes Indigenous people who were admitted to an Indian Hospital operated by Canada from November 1, 1945 until 1981 as well as certain family members.

If you believe you may be a class member, please contact us at 1-866-777-6308 or email us at indianhospitalsclassaction@kmlaw.ca. Note: Indian Hospital Action is in the very early stages in court proceedings.

Tla'amin Nation Executive Council Minutes

April 10, 2019

Tla'amin Management Services Boardroom

Attendance: All Executive Council
Resource: Rod Allan, Losa Luaifoa
Guests: Colin Osmond, Abby McLennan, Tai Uhlmann, Dillon Johnson

Hegus Williams called the meeting to order at 10:05 am. Councillor L. Louie provided an Opening Prayer.

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA: Motion to adopt the amended agenda to include: TMSLP RBC Revolving Line of Credit, under D.1.

*Moved by Councillor T. Wilson
 Seconded by Councillor L. Wilson
 CARRIED*

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Motion to adopt the March 6, 2019 Executive Council (EC) minutes.

*Moved by Councillor J. Hackett
 Seconded by Councillor T. Wilson
 CARRIED*

2. Motion to adopt the March 27, 2019 Executive Council minutes – TABLED.

C. PRESENTATIONS:

1. History of the Crossroads of Colonialism
 Colin Osmond, University of Saskatchewan, provided an update to EC on his project titled, "History from the Crossroads of Colonialism".

Colin explained that his work with Tla'amin began in 2012 when he was an undergrad at the University of Saskatchewan. While working on his thesis (Giant Tree, Iron Men: Masculinity and Colonialism in Coast Salish Loggers' Identity), Colin felt prompted to do more research expanding off of the logging industry.

Once the current project is complete, an update will be presented to EC.

2. Wood Stove Exchange Program

Abby McLennan, Let's Talk Trash, made a presentation to EC regarding the Wood Stove Exchange program. Abby noted the following:

- Due to high emissions from older wood stoves (pre-1994), the program was enacted and the Province of British Columbia agreed to give a \$550 rebate to qualified applicants.
- Application forms and information are available at: Rona, Valley Building, Powell River Heating, Tempco and Cadam Construction.

3. i) Waste Proposal Concept Plan

Dillon Johnson, Consultant, provided a presentation to EC regarding a Waste Proposal Concept Plan. The plan is for a waste facility on Treaty Settlement Lands to service the upper Sunshine Coast.

Motion to support the Concept Plan for a Waste Management Facility on TSL.

*Moved by Councillor L. Wilson
 Seconded by Councillor T. Wilson
 CARRIED*

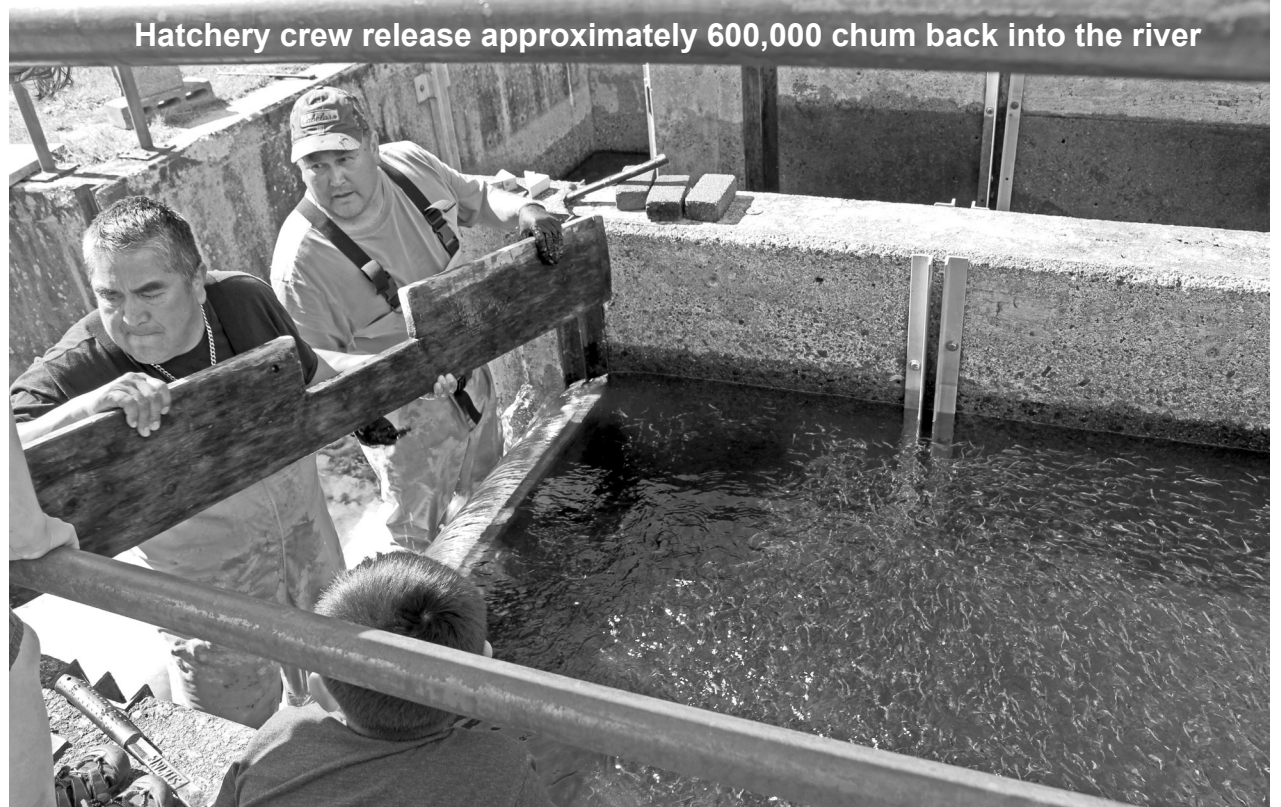
ii) Fiscal Financing Agreement

Dillon Johnson, Consultant, provided an overview of the funding through the agreement and requested EC's approval of the final draft.

EC consensus supports the Fiscal Financing Agreement, as negotiated.

D. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Administration & Finance:



Hatchery crew release approximately 600,000 chum back into the river

Councillor L. Louie requested that EC re-visit Resolution #05-2019 which authorized a line of credit with RBC in the amount of \$4 million dollars, for Tla'amin Management Services LP (TMSLP). The resolution was passed at the March 6, 2019 EC meeting.

EC engaged in discussion and the following points were made:

- A request for a report from Complete Construction Services detailing work history and plans for the Nation, specifically the hiring of Tla'amin members. Additional concerns were raised about TMSLP's Chief Executive Officer and an alleged law suit against him.
- Concerns were expressed regarding the stop work order on the renovations at Lund Resort and protocol not being followed (application of appropriate building permits).
- A copy of the former accountant's resignation letter is requested for review.
- It was suggested that all of the Legislature and TMSLP meet to review the TMSLP Annual Report and for the group to have a discussion and answer any questions there may be, prior to the withdrawal of support of Resolution #05-2019.
- Councillor L. Wilson spoke up against the resolution noting that the risk is too high. Councillor L. Louie inquired about withdrawal of his support of the resolution.
- It was noted that Councillors L. Wilson and J. Hackett are employees of Thichum. Councillor L. Wilson clarified that she does not have decision-making authority, therefore, there is no conflict of interest.
- Hegus Williams advised that withdrawing support of the resolution can be made if the mover and seconder of the motion are in agreement, then another motion can be made to start the process of cancelling the account (line of credit).

EC consensus is to table discussions of a backstop of the resolution until after a presentation of the TMSLP Annual Plan is made to the Legislators. A copy of the resignation letter from the former accountant is to be added to "In-Camera" business at the meeting for review. All Legislators are to be invited to attend.

Action: CAO/Secretary to organize a meeting with all Legislators and TMSLP.

2. Culture: EC discussed the Tla'amin Language program and requested that monthly reports be submitted to the Nehmotl.

Action: Create the job posting for the Language Coordinator as soon as possible (approved in the 2019-2020 Budget).

3. Education: Executive Council Resolution #06-2019 re: 2019 Summer Student Program. Motion to endorse Resolution #06-2019, to support of the 2019 Summer Student Program.

*Moved by Councillor T. Wilson
 Seconded by Councillor L. Wilson
 CARRIED*

4. Elders & Youth: Elder's Distribution List – EC reviewed the list of eligible elders for the treaty benefit. Councillor L. Louie noted that inquiries have been received requesting the cutoff date for eligibility be extended from April 5, 2016 to December 31, 2016.

EC consensus is to re-confirm the eligibility criteria for the treaty benefit which was jointly developed and agreed to, by the Legislators and by those in attendance at the April 5 General Assembly. EC wishes to maintain the parameters set for the distribution as follows: a) 60 years of age as of April 5, 2016 and, b) enrolled as citizen/members as of April 5, 2016.

EC suggested that a memorial plaque for elders that have passed away be placed in the community.

Action: Staff to research a memorial plaque for EC's review.

5. Environment: Action: CAO to direct staff to draft a letter to Clean Energy BC regarding the Sliammon Lake dam.

6. Forestry: Councillor L. Wilson noted that a request for bids for engineering the next block is planned for. EC agreed that Thichum is capable of engineering the block and noted that the contract should be awarded in-house unless there is a reason Thichum is not able to. Action: The CAO to convey EC's comments to the Director of Lands.

7. Justice and Enforcement: Hegus Williams provided a brief summary on a recent meeting with Staff Stg. Wiebe, Constable Bakker and staff to discuss the Policing agreement with Tla'amin. Hegus Williams advised that

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the Nation would like to prioritize engagement with our youth. Other items discussed in the meeting were the: Pulling Together journey (commemorative piece), traffic issues, the potential for elders abuse with the upcoming distribution, the D.A.R.E program at James Thompson, cross cultural training for police officers, the traditional wellness team and the need to create a program similar to crime stoppers with involvement from the qRD and the City of Powell River. It was reported that assaults have increased in the community. It was suggested that an invitation be sent to the BC Lions bullying group to talk to all grade 6 & 7 students.

8. **Lands:** Life Estates Form - This item was tabled from the March 27, 2019 meeting. An updated version of the form was provided to EC for approval.

EC consensus is to approve the Life Estates Form.

F. HOUSE POSTS:

1. **Lands & Resources:** Councillor Lori Wilson reported the following:

- Land subcommittee meeting to address Westview parcel of land and encroachments
- Prawn fishing for General Assembly
- Joint Fisheries Committee meeting

2. **Finance:** Councillor J. Hackett reported the following:

- The Finance Committee completed their review of the Administration and Finance policy and provided their endorsement of the policy.
- The Finance Committee recommended the development of a Procurement policy for purchasing and strengthening of the Whistle Blower policy.

3. **Public Works:** Councillor T. Wilson reported the following:

- Staff are currently working on replacing 6 fire hydrants along Klahanie Drive.
- The fire department crew visited Northside Firehall to have a discussion regarding the dry season and deployment, if needed.
- The new fire truck (#34) received a traditional brushing on April 5.

4. **Economic Development:** Hegus Williams reported that a delegation from Indigenous Tourism BC visited Tla'amin on Monday. The organization is excited to promote the Lund Resort in its magazine. Hegus Williams advised that positive feedback was also received from VIU students who have been participating in a program and are staying at the Lund Resort.

G. HEGUS' REPORT:

- Meetings/events attended in April:
 - April 1-3 - Alofli tour of Assisted Living Care facilities – Chilliwack, Burnaby, Langford and Duncan.
 - Tsawwassen 10-year celebration
 - April 5 – Tla'amin General Assembly (budget meeting) and Tla'amin Day celebration.
 - Treaty Alliance meeting in Vancouver
 - Chamber of Commerce luncheon with keynote speakers: Gord Borgstrom, BC Rural Centre and Peter Kenyon, Bank of IDEAS and also Mayor Formosa.
 - April 9 - Culture meeting. Group is seeking two-year funding for language.
 - Attended family meeting regarding property lines.
 - April 9 – Police meeting to discuss our Police Agreement with Staff Sgt. Wiebe and Constable Bakker and staff.
 - Upcoming meeting: April 12, AVICC – will be providing an update on the Tla'amin treaty, recent developments and the relationship between Tla'amin and the qathet Regional District and the City of Powell River.
- Would like to see a group identified to help with the design and build of a town home building in our community, either a 4-plex or 6-plex. EC discussed and agreed there is a need for more housing, especially 2-bedroom homes.
- The 6 fire hydrants purchased for Klahanie are more modern than the pipes, therefore parts have been ordered to complete the installation.

H. OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Powell River Sports Hall of Fame – EC discussed a request for sponsorship from the PRSHF. It was noted that Leslie Adams will be inducted into the Sports Hall of Fame at the June 14-15 event.

EC consensus is to approve the Platinum Sponsorship for a cost of \$7500.

I. ADJOURNMENT

*Moved by Councillor J. Hackett
Seconded by Councillor L. Wilson
CARRIED*

Meeting adjourned at 12:32 pm. The next EC meeting is Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at 9:00 am.

Call for Interest: Member of Review & Appeal Panel

The Review and Appeal Panel plays an important role in the governance of the Tla'amin Nation. Members of the Panel will be recognized, appreciated and compensated for their time. Being a member of the Panel is not expected to be a significant time commitment. Members of the Panel will be provided honoraria for their time, along with reimbursement of reasonable expenses.

In accordance with the Tla'amin *Review and Appeal Law* ("the Law"), the Tla'amin Nation is seeking interested persons to replace a member of the Panel who is stepping down.

The Law describes the composition of the Panel, how members are appointed, removed, their term, and the duties of the chairperson. The Law also identifies the specific decisions that the Panel may be requested to review and hear appeals on:

- (a) Appeals of certain Citizenship, enrolment and election decisions;
- (b) Disputes regarding removal of members of the Economic Development Committee or the Operating Board(s);
- (c) Determination with respect to conflicts of interest of elected officials;
- (d) Appeals of findings with respect to wrongdoings of elected officials;
- (e) Reviews of dispositions and trespass respecting Tla'amin Lands;
- (f) Reviews of compensation for expropriation respecting Tla'amin Lands;
- (g) Determinations with respect to recall of elected official petitions;
- (h) Resolution of disputes among Tla'amin entities; and,
- (i) Additional responsibilities as may be assigned by the Tla'amin Government.

How do I apply?

Please submit an application by May 24, 2019 at 4 P.M. to Rod Allan, CAO, Tla'amin Nation at rod.allan@tn-bc.ca or at the Tla'amin Nation office – 4779 Klahanie Road. Please include the following:

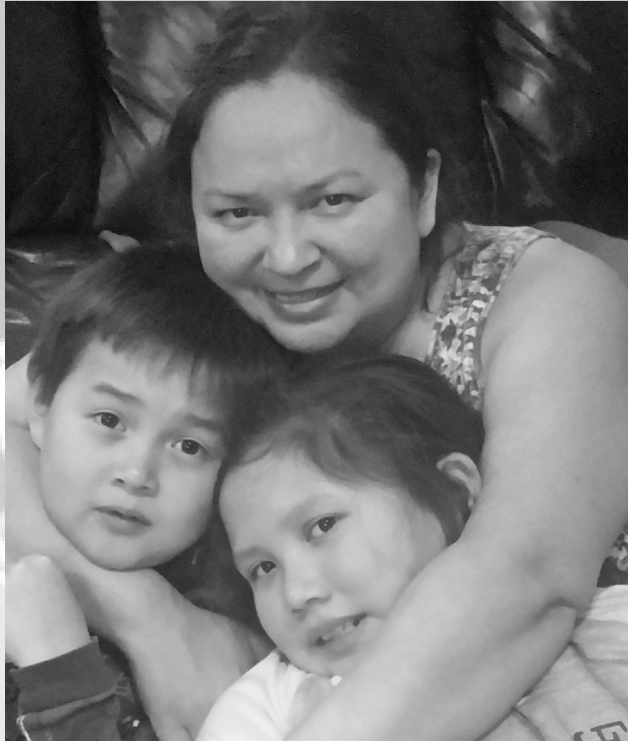
- (a) A cover letter that explains why you think you would be a good candidate;
- (b) Your resume.

Selected candidates must undergo a satisfactory criminal record check, at the Nation's cost. If you have any questions, please contact Losa Luaifoa, Executive Assistant, at 604-483-9646, Ext 124 or losa.luaifoa@tn-bc.ca.

Thank you for your interest.



Allison, Connie and Frisk



*Jodie Gallagher, Mattias
and Makaela*



Patricia



*Vangie, Doreen, Diane
Elsie and Doris*



Mothers Day wishes were submitted by families
in response to a request for submissions



Joan and Andy Whiskers



Annie Dominic



*Emily, Louise, Margaret
and Dorothyuy*



Marilyn George