MINUTES OF THE SPRING SESSION OF LEGISLATURE

1. OPENING OF THE SPRING SESSION OF LEGISLATURE

The Acting Speaker officially opened the Spring Session of Legislature at 10:38 am and welcomed everyone. A special thank you was extended to Zelta Clappis for attending.

2. AGENDA

MOTION:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Agenda was adopted as presented.

3. FIRST READING OF THE BUDGET ACT, 2013

Jack Cook introduced the Budget Act, 2013. The goal for 2013 is to have a balance budget.

MOTION:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE LEGISLATURE:

(1) hereby gives Budget Act, 2013 first reading;
(2) will proceed with discussion of Budget Act, 2013 in accordance with Government Act section 93(1)(c); and
(3) will give Budget Act, 2013 second reading at the sitting of the Legislatures scheduled for March 28, 2013 at 10:00 am.
MOTION:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE LEGISLATURE

(1) approves the necessary amendments to Section 7 of the Budget Act, 2013 to reallocate spending authority and establish borrowing authority as specified by the Director of Finance and Government Services;

(2) directs the Law Clerk to reallocate capital spending authorities so $100,000 is set aside for upper Anacla subdivision;

(3) directs the Law Clerk to incorporate these amendments in the Budget Act, 2013; and


Adopted by Consensus
Resolution #2013-063

A concern was raised by Tom Happynook regarding the lack of funds allocated to Treaty Implementation.

4. FIRST READY OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACT

John Jack introduced the Economic Act. The main goal with this Act is a separation between business and politics. John Jack asked that consideration be given to a proposed amendment to Section 16:

(3) Despite the requirement of Legislature approval of an economic development plan under section 5, a new business opportunity is deemed to be included in the economic development plan if:

(a) Executive Council reasonably believes it is not in the best interests of the Huu-ay-aht to delay the pursuit of the new business opportunity until a session of the Legislature considers Executive Council’s recommendation under section 6 (a), and

(b) Executive Council, by unanimous resolution, approves the inclusion of that new business opportunity in the economic development plan after considering
   i. the recommendation of the Economic Development Committee made under section 10 (d), and
   ii. the comments and recommendations provided by Finance Committee in respect of any financial implications for the Huu-ay-aht.

(4) Executive Council approval by unanimous resolution under subsection (3) is deemed to be approval in principle of the new business opportunity by the Legislature.
MOTION:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE LEGISLATURE:

(1) hereby gives Economic Development Act first reading;
(2) will proceed with discussion of Economic Development Act in accordance with Government Act section 93(1)(c); and
(3) will give Economic Development Act second reading at the sitting of the Legislatures scheduled for March 28, 2013 at 10:00 am.

Adopted by Consensus Resolution #2013-064

MOTION:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE LEGISLATURE approves the recommended amendments to Section 16 of the Economic Development Act as noted.

Adopted by Consensus Resolution #2013-065

5. FIRST READING OF MISCELLANEOUS STATUES ACT

Jeff Cook Introduced the Miscellaneous Statues Act. Rob Botterell provided details of the changes.

MOTION:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE LEGISLATURE:

(1) hereby gives Miscellaneous Statues Act first reading;
(2) will proceed with discussion of Miscellaneous Statues Act in accordance with Government Act section 93(1)(c); and
(3) will give Miscellaneous Statues Act second reading at the sitting of the Legislatures scheduled for March 28, 2013 at 10:00 am

Adopted by Consensus Resolution #2013-066

There being no further business, this session of the Spring Legislature adjourned at 11:35 am.