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***Report of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL for the month of
June 2016***

**For review and consideration at the
Regular Executive Council Meeting
On Thursday, July 14th, 2016**

Chief Councillor Robert Dennis:

The Chief Councillor, each member of Executive Council with portfolio, and the Executive Director must deliver a progress report to Executive Council at least 4 working days before a regular Executive Council meeting.

- I. Progress on achieving key initiatives in my area of responsibility.
 - 1) Hahoulthee Committee achieved the following
 - meet monthly and will revert to meeting quarterly after the June 17, 2016 meeting.
 - Fish plan and budget are approved and ready to implement. Fish plan to be reviewed after July 6 to determine our sockeye allocation catch. Unfortunately we are last again in the Maa-nulth fishery. Ucluelet and Toquaht have caught their full Somas Sockeye allocation as of June 28. And it is anticipated that Kyuquot/Checklisaht and Uchucklesaht will have caught their full Somas sockeye allocation by June 30, 2016. This is real disturbing that we are continuously last. We obviously need to improve our method of fishing.
 - Rejoining Maa-nulth First Nations Treaty Society is finalized and approved by Executive Council.
 - Enforcement and monitoring remains a priority item.
 - Resource documentation for all food fish and wildlife remains a priority item.
 - Tawney Lim of the West Coast Aquatic done a presentation at our meeting.
 - Botterell briefed HC on Me Too clause and brief summary of what our approach can be.
 - Land Director Issue remains a big concern for the HC because its called for in the land act. We are awaiting for the official decision that enabled Executive Council to eliminate the Land Director positions
 - Land registry issue
 - Land use permits
 - Land use planning and zoning
 - 1.2 million cubic meters uplift proposal that will enable us to sustainable harvest this volume over a 5 year period.
 - Market based approach by creating incentives
 - 2) LNG
 - Consultation and engagement sessions launched with very good success.
 - Agreements required for our ongoing LNG participation/exploration are in place.
 - BC contributed Capacity Funding in the amount of \$100,000.
 - 3) NTC
 - Supporting NCN people to hold FNS positions
 - Homeless Protocol is being considered for development with NTC participation.
 - Children and Family protocol being considered but remains under review.
 - 4) MFN – this is John’s area of responsibility but I wish to discuss the following so that we can develop a plan of action.
 - Fiscal Financing preparation is now on the radar.
 - Me too clause has the collective interest of all MFN, however not on planning table as of yet.
 - The 5 Year Celebration showed that we have a huge economic opportunity and MFN is seizing the opportunity.
 - As soon as practical we will provide required notice to BC and Canada on HFN intentions to pursue Pre-approved crown and private lands as in Appendix F of the Maa-nulth Final agreement.
 - 5) UBC Report

- Review recommendations and plot plan of action.
- 6) Team Charter
- Review and complete by August 22, 2016.
- II. Emerging issues to be considered for review and consideration by Executive Council.
- 1) Council Pay or incentive – raised by Executive Council member Trevor Cootes and Connie Waddell but not introduced for discussion and review at Executive Council. Anticipate this will be done prior to next budget cycle.
 - 2) Political strategy – now that the Strategic Plan, Economic Development Plan and Budget are done I anticipate to proceed with a full court press on the HFN Political Strategy. I want to discuss this more at our Executive Council meeting on August 22, 2016 to review and consider a strategy.
 - 3) Committee Review suggest that this happen beginning August 22. In my view we have committee overlapping issues.
 - 4) Invest in infrastructure to attract HFN people to move home.
 - Housing is a very serious issue if we are encouraging HUU-ay-aht to work at home. There is not enough housing. We need to develop a plan.
 - Request that Steven Rayner give an update on the sub-division, the four-plex and trail.
 - 5) Other Issues requiring our review and consideration
 - Housing – like to propose we have discussion on houses owned by HUU-ay-aht and come up with an action plan.
 - Fish license – like to suggest we open discussion on the funds allocated for a fish license. I suggest we utilize the services of Larry Johnson to come up with an action plan. Payment of his services could come from the license portion.
 - We need to call the legislator to approve the proposed Forestry Uplift of 1.2 million cubic meters supported by the HUU-ay-aht Hawiih.
 - Lower Anacla Community Building, formalize an Action Plan moving forward.

Councillor Sheila Charles:

A. Emerging Issues

B. Progress on Key Initiatives

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CMB

- On July 23rd, George Green the new Vice President for Parks Heritage Conservation and Commemoration his branch includes the Indigenous Affairs Branch, along with Helen Davies, Field Unit Superintendent will be visiting Kiix?in with an HFN guide. This will be a great opportunity to receive advise, ideas, tips when we apply for the 2nd phase funding for Kiix?in
- Revised the TOR vision statement and added guiding principles to update
- 2015 Annual Board Review Draft is complete
- Next CMB meeting scheduled for September 14th in Port Alberni. At this meeting we plan to focus on reviewing the CMB why it was formed, if it's doing what was first intended, discuss if

its vision needs to be adjusted. We hope for Robert and Derek to participate so the board can hear in their words their vision for creating the CMB pre-treaty

- There is a funding source that could be applied for by First Nations. It's called the Aboriginal Species at Risk Funding. That is something that could be worked on but the HFN would have to apply for it. It is applicable to lands that are managed by First Nations. PC could potentially assist with the creation of an application. The dune where the planting is located on HFN Traditional Territory. In the front there still is some evasive grasses growing.

Citizen Development Social Services

- 2 more committee members will be attending the next CDC meeting and welcomed officially to the committee. Looking forward to gaining momentum again and moving forward on projects
- Plans for the Canoe Project are in progress
- Council will be revisiting the Social Services Jurisdiction Motion

~ Attended the Anacla, Port Alberni and Victoria Community Engagement Sessions: LNG Update

~ Attended EJ Dunn Elementary School Potlatch. Anacla/Bamfield students did an **amazing** job singing and drumming our songs. We are so proud of them. It was also wonderful to see most of Executive Council attend and witness the performance(s) in support and empowering our children and youth to continue keeping our culture and traditions alive

Councillor Ben Clappis:

Portfolio:

- **Education/training/employment**

June 1st-3rd I'd gone to the Union of BC Indian Chiefs in or on Seabird Island 1st nation reserve in Sto;lo Territory

I have put in my report the resolutions for FYI which what was in the on the agenda for this 3 day meeting But during the three days hearing some dissatisfaction from a couple of the lady chiefs that sit at this table About its fine doing the resolutions but to follow through with them and having a report saying its done or work

In progress

But as I've report through the month at some meetings the friendship center being the first place about how I was quite impressed with how seabird island 1st nation has been moving forward in all areas At the start of this meeting I had someone tap me on my shoulder and here its Shirley that had worked with us On a break she offered to take me on a tour of their complex starting in there for the first part being there pharmacy Then she tell me they got Doctors office opened Monday -Friday then we went through their social services department Where I meant a councilor of social services she start telling me of how they had 42 children in care 5 years before And that's when they decided to take on their own service in this area taking on the responsibility themselves Since then they have gone from 42 children in care to 2 children in care after 5 years very impressive They have their own school a college and in there school cultural criteria with this there success rate is very high in Completing school with good grades Through the touring Chief

Clement Seymour offered there protocol agreement that they have with the government Which I'll pass to the proper person

First Nation Summit

Same as above but more on moving forward in starting there treaty negotiations Have kit FYI Community engagement sessions the ones I went to Port Alberni there was a good crowd and involvement Lots of good questions Nanaimo Victoria and Vancouver were all good people asked questions and were quit involved These had to do with the LNG project do you have any concerns or issues with it do we carry on going training been working at small vessel operators course in Bamfield this will be happing in August We have 4 workers plus myself that will be doing this course Ongoing executive council meetings and committee meetings I had just gone to the NTC scholarship awards where we had about 8 awards given to are people Athletic hall was a full house That's it for now Chuu till next month

Councillor John Jack:

Treaty Implementation – Progress Report

Federal Fiscal Approach: With Donna Tourand attending the first day, HFN was represented at the first of these meetings between self-governing indigenous communities, and it has continued on since then. With meetings each week in June, it was decided at these meetings to partition the work into four categories: (1) Policy Statement, Principles and Scope; (2) Program Comparability and True Service Population; (3) Cost of Government; and (4) Revenue Sources and Cost-Sharing. After taking part in this partitioning discussion, I elected successfully to have a place in the first group. So far, we have coordinated the overall joint approach with the federal government, but the true work won't begin until the first week of July.

Real Property Tax: HFN Executive Council has decided to enact the Real Property Tax Act, we have also selected a Tax Authority of three members: Robert Dennis Sr. as Chair, Connie Waddell from Finance, and myself due to experience in both Local Government and Treaty Implementation. We have a meeting scheduled to reckon the details in Mid-July.

Groundwater Negotiation Team: I have been selected as the tentative representative. We have our first meeting coming up into July.

Treaty Implementation – Emerging Issues

Voluntary Initiatives: Due to our legal arrangements being fairly different than the other Maa-nulth member-nations, I have elected to simply inform the Chairs of the other committees of what's on offer from Maa-nulth's legal counsel. If I do not hear from them on any of these opportunities before the next Board meeting, then I will state that HFN isn't interested in participating in any of them.

Federal Fiscal Approach: No emerging issues just yet, but it's important to note that this work is being done at a senior administrative level and is subject to at least two upper levels of review before it can be approved – Ministerial (and Deputy-Ministerial) and finally Cabinet. This isn't a negotiation, per se, but rather a good faith initiative that might get us some positive notoriety with the federal government at the higher Gatekeeper levels.

Groundwater Negotiation Team: I am a part of the negotiation team, we'll see what happens after our first meeting.

Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District – Progress Report

ACRD-SD70 AVRA Negotiation: ACRD's negotiations with SD70 on the AVRA Lands continue.

Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District – Emerging Issues

West Island Woodlands Advisory Group (WIWAG) Involvement: Incidentally, I had to skip out on the WIWAG meeting due to other HFN-related concerns. Time allotment has become an issue.

LNG Advisory Committee – Progress Report

I attended and presented at all of the Community Engagement Sessions: Anacla, Port Alberni, Nanaimo, Victoria and Vancouver. They went reasonably well, but Anacla could have been better-attended.

LNG Advisory Committee – Emerging Issues

No emerging issues on my end. Next LNG Advisory Committee meeting slated for July.

Law & Policy Development Committee – Progress Report

Policy Backlog: We did not meet our target of late June for a policy list for Council, mostly due to the time needed for the LNG CESessions.

Law & Policy Development Committee – Emerging Issues

HR Policy Regulation: The adoption of the Regulation for the HR Policy, including the changes to the Org. Structure, should be in place for this meeting.

John Jack: Special Assignments or Projects

Port Alberni Port Authority: PAPA requested a letter of support, has it been completed? Also, we have been invited to the opening of the Port's new harbourside.

Councillor Connie Waddell:

Portfolio:

- Finance
- Capital and Infrastructure

- Participate on the LNG Negotiating Team

Overview:

- Consultation, planning and construction of subdivision in upper Anacla
- Ensure water quality in Anacla consistently meets Canadian drinking water standards
- Maintain and improve Anacla citizen's septic systems on TSL
- Design and build Bamfield sewage system treatment plant and outfall for upper Anacla
- Improve existing cemeteries on TSL
- Secure funding for Sewer and Sub-division
- Maintain balanced budgets

Progress on Key Initiatives:

- We have slowed down on our subdivision and third phase of the project. This is partly due to some administration difficulties. For the sewer project it has become an obstacle to have the ACRD commit to a meeting date. The lawyer has flagged a few problems regarding the right of way.
- The subdivision has slowed down and lost its momentum. A meeting was held to look at next steps to in order for us to stay on target and within our time line as presented.
- Work with Meridian is continuing for the Sarita cemetery. A separate access road is currently on the scope of work. Putting this road in will be at a much lower cost than brining the old road up to standard. It will also provide for a quick emergency evacuation for the residents that currently live there.
- The trail from Anacla to Bamfield has been made a priority and work has commenced to see this initiative through.
- A concern was flagged regarding a dangerous road in the Lower Anacla community. The Executive Director is working to fix the road asap.
- My participation on the weekly LNG team meetings has become very beneficial to both of my portfolios. It has enabled me to bring meaningful updates to the Finance Committee. If there are questions from the committee I am not able to answer, it provides a direct line for me to get the answers. My Capital Portfolio is beneficial to the team as I am able to provide reports on a regular basis.
- Currently in Finance I am working on the budget to identify where the potential shortfalls are. This work is going to continue with myself and Donna for the Executive Directors review.
- The RFP has gone out for the selection of an auditor for the People's Assembly this fall. Donna and I will be providing an information session for them build a proposal that includes our requests.
- It is a continuing practice for me to meet with Citizens. I find this a very important role to hear the Citizens concerns, thoughts and suggestions they have for the Nation. These discussions are very informal but always very frank.

Emerging Issues:

- Legal Counsel will be required to finalize the details of the Right of Wa

Councillor Trevor Cootes:

Portfolio:

- Economic Development

- CMB co-chair

Overview:

- Grow and diversify new and existing businesses in Huu-ay-aht traditional territory
- Expand the economic potential of tourism within the Huu-ay-aht traditional territory (hahuuḷi)
- Support citizen entrepreneurship
- Develop business partnerships and joint venture agreements
- Promote employment of Huu-ay-aht citizens in secure, high paying jobs
- Explore economic potential in natural resource research and development

Progress on Key Initiatives:

- Sarita Run of the River , Chief Councillor Robert Dennis, Tliishin, Trevor C Ec Dev Portfolio, Cynthia Rayner EDO, Ian Benoit Economic Policy Analysis, Stan Coleman and the Barclay group met with Tseshaht chief councillor Cynthia Dick to talk about each FN run of the river projects. HUUAYAHT is ready to move forward. Tseshaht new chief councillor needs to get brought up to speed on her project but has no issue with HFN moving forward. Barclay group spoke with Dididaht FN and they also have no issue with HFN moving forward
- Sarita Run of the River project, Barclay Group, Stan C are working closely with HUUAYAHT EDO bringing Cynthia up to speed on project and on securing funds through NEDC for Impact Study, Interconnection study, and a Testhole study
- EDC has directed Motel Feasibility study and Business plan go through consultation process and to come back to EDC on July 22, 2016
- Met with Anette Thingsted, MFLNR (Ministry Forest Lands Natural Resources) will take Executive Council out for a tour of the float house in the inlet on June 28th
- Ken Tourand been working HGB on templates on structure to improve how we go about doing business, around compliance issues
- EDO developing Business Plan for Pawaats
- EDC directed EDO in March 2016 to develop Prospectus and Executive Summary to EDP, EDO is currently completing final draft.
- EDO is currently completing selection criteria for New Business Opportunity
- EDO is has first draft of selection criteria for Citizen Entrepreneurship Grant
- PAPA – negotiations ongoing
- LNG – negotiations ongoing
- WFP 1.2m3 – negotiations ongoing

Emerging Issues:

- Motel Feasibility Plan & Business Plan: is going through consultation process with Hawaii, Hahouthlee and Finance