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ANCIENT SPIRIT, MODERN MIND

MINUTES OF PEOPLES ASSEMBLY

Saturday, November 19, 2021

Best Western – Port Alberni

British Columbia

Attendance: Huu-ay-aht First Nations Citizens (Quorum is 117) we have 117 as of 10:20 a.m.

Resource: Alexis Young (Recording Secretary)

Call to Order

The People's Assembly was called to order at 10:20 a.m.

\$500 Grand Prize Winner – Kenneth Joe Sr

The Speaker started the meeting with a welcoming speech, Brandy the Chief councillor from the Hupačasath First Nation speaking to welcome Huu-ay-aht to the territory.

Yał luu a and Councilor Edward Johnson going over the traditional procedures with the assembly. A moment of silence was taken to acknowledge those that have passed away this year.

1) Adoption of Agenda

Housekeeping matters

- Change agenda item 3 to reflect that a draft version of the Annual Report, with draft audited financial statements is being presented.
- Under agenda item 4 Executive Council has rescinded its recommendation that BDO be appointed.

Addition of Citizens Motions

- Motion re Securing Elders' Benefit on a Permanent Basis proposed by Rita Dennis
- Motion re Implementation of Social Services Panel Recommendations proposed by Jennifer Thomas
- Motion re Dissolution of the Huu-ay-aht Group of Businesses by Louella Dennis
- Motion re Animal Control Officer proposed by Jacquie Dennis
- Motion re Anacla Dog Park proposed by Jacquie Dennis
- Motion re Heating in Huu-ay-aht Rental Housing proposed by Jacquie Dennis

- Motion re HUU-ay-aht Rental Housing Construction Standards proposed by Jacquie Dennis
- Motion re Construction of New Motel proposed by Jacquie Dennis

VERBAL MOTION PASSED re: Adoption of Agenda as Amended

Resolution #PA221119-01

2) Executive Council Report on 2021 Citizen Motions

Chief Councillor Robert Dennis is going over the 2021 Citizen Motion report to citizens, Councillor Edward Johnson is also providing an answer as it relates to his portfolio. The citizen who brought the initial motion forward requested to Executive Council to consider looking into the motion further, several citizens were able to speak on there agreement with Executive Council looking into the motion again. Chief Councillor Robert Dennis thanked everyone for there input and has agreed that Executive Council will put steps forward to further the investigation of the motion.

The meeting went on lunch break from 12:00 pm until 12:45 pm

\$500 Grand Prize winner- William Humchitch (Dennis)

Culture Prize (Beaded Eagle Earrings) winner – Sylvia Dennis

3) Presentation of HUU-ay-aht First Nations Annual Report

Chief Councillor Robert Dennis along with the rest of Executive Councilor gave a brief verbal report regarding the Annual Report, speaking on items in each of the different portfolios they hold. CFO Paul Rokeby-Thomas went over the Draft Audit portion of the Annual Report. Citizen concerns with why the Audit was late and requesting for a more detailed breakdown of information. Councilor John Jack explaining that the Audit is still in the hands of Auditor and that an investigation will be done in why it was not ready for the People’s Assembly.

4) Appointment of Auditor

Councilor John Jack going over the new appointment of auditor motion.

MOTION PASSED re: Appointment of Auditor

Resolution #PA221119-02

5) Tribunal Report

The speaker mentions that the report is in the kits for your review

a) Appointment of Alternate Tribunal Member

The Speaker reading out motion for the Appointment of Alternate Tribunal Member.

MOTION PASSED re: Appointment of Alternate Tribunal Member

Resolution #PA221119-03

6) Approval of Elections Act Amendment Act

Legal Council Natalia Sudeyko is going over the summary of the changes to the elections act that could be found in the package, as well as going over the proposed motion with the assembly. Discussion had regarding the terms of handing in the ballots, the pens down time frame and all concerns were addressed by Legal Council Natalia Sudeyko.

Called to a Vote- Crystal Clappis

Not in favour of Amendments: Zelta Clappis, Natane Mio, and Crystal Clappis

MOTION PASSED re: Approval of Amendments to the Election Act

Resolution #PA221119-04

7) Vision for Anacla Bamfield

Councilor John Jack gave a verbal presentation of the Vision for Anacla/Bamfield to the assembly, touching on points of entrepreneurial incentives, hotels, Parks, and other ideas. And that the road upgrade is huge for new business. The next steps will be conversations with citizens and residents while having continuing conversations with exclusive investment partners.

8) Huu-ay-aht Group of Businesses Report

Marty Eakins along with Teresa Gagnon and Sarah Johnson are presenting to the People's Assembly what the Huu-ay-aht Group of Businesses have been working on for 2021/2022.

9) Citizen Motions

i) Elders Benefits

Rita Dennis speaking on her citizen motion that was put forward regarding the Elders Benefits.

MOTION PASSED re: Elders Benefits

Resolution #PA221119-05

ii) Implementation of Social Services Panel

Jennifer Thomas speaking on her citizen motion that was put forward regarding the Implementation of Social Services Panel.

MOTION PASSED re: Implementation of Social Services Panel Recommendations

Resolution #PA221119-06

iii) Dissolution of Huu-ay-aht Group of Businesses

Ashely Shale speaking on behalf of her mother Louella Dennis' citizen motion that was put forward regarding the Dissolution of Huu-ay-aht Group of Businesses. Serval citizen raised concerns regarding the motion and the outcome of what would happen if the motion were passed.

MOTION PASSED re: Dissolution of the Huu-ay-aht Group of Businesses

Called to a Vote – Andy Clappis Vote called: 3 citizens in favour

Motion did no pass.

iv) Animal Control Officer

Jacque Dennis is speaking to her citizen motion that was put forward regarding an Animal Control Officer.

MOTION PASSED re: Animal Control Officer

Resolution #PA221119-07

v) Anacla Dog Park

Jacque Dennis is speaking to her citizen motion that was put forward regarding an Anacla Dog Park.

MOTION PASSED re: Anacla Dog Park

Resolution #PA221119-08

vi) Rental Housing Heating

Jacque Dennis is speaking to her citizen motion that was put forward regarding Rental Housing Heating.

MOTION PASSED re: Rental Housing Heating

Resolution #PA221119-09

vii) Huu-ay-aht Rental Housing Construction Standards

Jacque Dennis is speaking to her citizen motion that was put forward regarding the Huu-ay-aht Rental Housing Construction Standards. Discussion from citizens to investigate the warranty of the of the houses and holding the contractors accountable.

MOTION PASSED re: Huu-ay-aht Rental Housing Construction

Resolution #PA221119-10

viii) Construction of New Motel

Jacque Dennis is speaking to her citizen motion that was put forward for the construction of a New Motel.

MOTION PASSED re: Construction of New Motel

Resolution #PA221119-11

10) ADJOURN:

The People's Assembly was adjourned at **5:48pm**

Final \$500 Grand Prize Winner - Tammy Howard
Culture Prize Winner (Feather and Cedar Headband) – Brett Bowes
Culture Prize Winner (Drum) – Marty Malcomson
Culture Prize Winner (Drum) – Tyrell Ginger