

Greg's report to May 4, 2009 council meeting.

- 1) Cemetery: last week I spent two hours with a community volunteer who will do 10 hours of grounds maintenance each month in the cemetery. He has his own weedwhacker, which he used to good effect during our cemetery clean up last summer. We walked the entire area and established a prioritized workplan, focusing on the areas unsuitable for the VQC riding mower. I introduced him to our riding mower and then to our public works staff.
- 2) COW: I participated in our Committee of the Whole meeting on April 27.
- 3) Brown Bag Lunch: Along with Councillor Noddin, on May 1st I attended our monthly open session with the public.
- 4) Ferry: in the absence of Mayor Kulesha, I attended the May 3 BC Ferries open house for the new "Northern Expedition" and thanked BCF CEO David Hahn and public relations manager Deborah Marshall on behalf of our village.
- 5) UNBC: today I participated by telephone in a two hour meeting of the University of Northern BC's Northwestern Regional Advisory Committee. This is a 40 member group whose purpose is to provide input to the university on how it can better serve the needs of our community and which UNBC initiatives are working well here. Next month the Terrace Campus will convocate 60 graduates, while the Rupert Campus will convocate 18. This was UNBC President Charles Jago's final RAC meeting, as he will be replaced in July by new President George Iwama.

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