

Report to council
Monday, June 20, 2011
Councillor Gladys Noddin

I viewed the Jacks Creek compensation area with Mayor Kulesha, Bill Beamish (CAO), Ben Greenough (PW), Brian Walker (D & K) and Rick McDiarmid (Streamkeepers).

Wednesday, June 8 – 4:00 p.m. Special meeting of council re: fire department by-law
7:00 p.m. – MLA Gary Coons & Jennifer Rice (Friends of the Wild Salmon) hosted a public meeting re: Enbridge

Tuesday, June 20, 2011 – 2:00 p.m.
Toured the water treatment plant with the Queen Charlotte Secondary School's grade 8 class.

Friday, June 20, 2011 -- 2:00 p.m.
Attended the protocol mtg. hosted by MIMIC in Sandspit. Others present were: **All the following statements are from my personal notes of the meeting and should be verified by the participants before anything is acted upon.**

Guujaaw	CHN	Robert Russ	SBC
Barry Pages	Masset	Jamie Cowpar	SBC
Evan Putterill	Sandpit		
Wally Cheer	Port Clements	Heather Nelson-Smith	Port Clements
Carol Kulesha	QC	Jeff King	QC Observer
Brad Setso	Area D	Patrick Marshall -- keynote speaker	
Leslie Johnson	QC	7 members of the public	

Sandspit reported that 1) their community hall renovations are progressing nicely. They will all be very relieved when they are finally allowed to resume the use of it. 2) the community is not happy with the manner in which Teal Jones has processed the government sponsored buy-out programme to their local employees.

Skidegate Band Council reported that 1) they are pleased to announce that they have finally emerged from the imposed remediation programme that they have been working hard to manage responsibly 2) Taan Forestry is talking about a pole project and if it 'happens', there will be work for island loggers 3) Hai-co is moving forward with its aquaculture ventures 4) Gwaii Trust has moved into the old long house in Skidegate (the one beside the carving shed). They have already noticed an increased accessibility by the public. 4) The teen centre on Front Street will be operational by this summer. 5) Concern re: road closure in Rennel Sound.

CHN reported that 1) the Haida Gwaii Management & Solutions Table is up and running 2) they are talking with a Tennessee company re: a biodiesel proposal as an alternative form of energy and that the CHN and the National Research Council are producing a collaborative report about its feasibility. That report will be made public when it is available.

Port Clements announced that Canada Day celebrations in their community will be held on Friday, July 1, 2011 this year. It will be a one-day event instead of the customary 3 days it has been. (or Monday, the 4th? ... I'm not sure at the time of typing this report)

Masset had nothing to report.

Queen Charlotte told those present that 1) MIEDS has a new Ec. Dev. officer 2) Gwaii Trust has announced that it will fund youth centres in every community 3) CST has money to train displaced forestry workers. 4) Mayor Kulesha briefly explained about 'intervener' status for the Enbridge issue. 5) Mayor Kulesha introduced the Haida Gwaii Revolving Energy Efficiency Fund concept to the assembled.

Patrick Marshall spoke about economic development & CCN

Quote, "Economic development officers should be using 98% of their time working with existing businesses in their region and only spending 2% of their time developing and/or recruiting new businesses."

Quote #2, "Great people talk about ideas. Average people talk about things. And, small people talk about other people." As community leaders we should all strive to be great people.

Minutes adopted from January 28, 2011 are available to the public.