

MAYORS REPORT JUNE 20 2011

#### STANLEY LAKE

Councillor Noddin staff and contractors were out to see the project at Jacks Creek. The objective is to increase the productivity of the stream by contributing fixed logs to the natural debris. Island Timberlands is contributing the logs and we will supply the labour and contractor services towards our share of the environmental improvement exchange (DFO requirement). We continue to look towards hiring locally for as much as possible.

#### MIEDS

I met with our new economic development officer of MIEDS. She has found housing and seems very excited to get started. You will see her on island in another week. Introduce yourselves.

#### NH

As vice chair of the NWRHD I traveled to PR to meet with the NH board. Our hospital is their priority and so I brought diagrams, floor plans and artist representations. Our health centre is a replacement facility with all services in one building (approximately 4000 sq meters). Designed with input from staff from the very beginning, its aim is to optimize function for our small number of staff and utilization of the topography which puts us above tsunami zones and allows for 2 entrances by road – upper and lower levels

#### JOINT REVIEW PANEL

I attended the Joint Review Panel as discussed earlier on the agenda

#### SQCRD

The RD met in Sandspit and at the meeting agreed to take back the Jungle Beach property that was their lease before it was mistakenly transferred to Queen Charlotte when we incorporated. All islanders enjoy Jungle Beach. The Island Directors met earlier and asked for detailed explanation of how recycling was being addressed. Next RD meeting should have more information. Recreation facilities for the islands was discussed but there is nothing new in either available funding, staff time or Island Recreation staff that changes the situation. Despite a community champion and steady advocacy, a swimming pool does not appear to be in the near future.

The Area D OCP hearing was held and the OCP given 3<sup>rd</sup> reading. Changes from the hearing were incorporated. The SBC fire department accord was released from in camera and LOS for MIEDS agricultural support commissioner confirmed

## PROTOCOL Meeting

Councillors Noddin, Johnson and myself attended. One item addressed was the permanent road closure in Rennell Sound by Skidegate. This is detrimental to the communities and tourism. Large boat launching and some camping will be impacted. Ask that we support them and request that MoNRS take the road over.

On the BC Ferries front the suggestion was to utilize MIEDS for economic impact data, develop a task force and exchange data. Evan Putterill is taking this on and Greg Martin will need to work with him.

I brought up the Revolving Energy Efficiency Fund which was supported by Port and Masset and appeared to be of interest to the CHN. Bill can continue to look into it.

Changing the times of the meetings to evenings and weekends was not acceptable to Guujaaw though someone else could attend. Therefore we are continuing during the day.

## HOSPITAL DAY

The parade had great participation and our sales of bricks engraved with your name or design was quite successful. A good idea that we can continue and use for some additional funding for the park.