

A G E N D A
for

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
February 10, 2025

COUNCIL CHAMBERS 7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

The Village of Masset acknowledges the un-ceded traditional territory of the Haida Nation on which this meeting is held.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Council Meeting Minutes January 27, 2024

MINUTES AND REPORTS OF OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

- 1. NCRD Board Report January 2025**

CORRESPONDENCE

C-1 Big Tide Low Water Haida Title Lands Agreement

VERBAL REPORTS OF COUNCIL/CAO/CFO

BYLAWS

Bylaw No 672 A Bylaw to Amend Bylaw No. 422

NEW BUSINESS

NB-1 Masset Skatepark

NB-2 Hazard Risk Vulnerability Assessment

NB-3 Aid Grant Committee

NB-4 Proclamation – Purple Day

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

ADJOURNMENT

Village of Masset Regular Council Meeting of January 27, 2025

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held January 27, 2025 in the Council Chambers.

Present:	Mayor:	S. Disney
	Councillors:	J. Currie, T. Carty, B. Johnston, B. Pages
	CAO:	J. Humphries
	CFO:	J. Brown
	Corporate Officer:	D. Grosse

CALL TO ORDER

The Village of Masset acknowledges the un-ceded traditional territory of the Haida Nation on which this meeting is held.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Johnston , seconded by Councillor Currie to adopt the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Council Meeting Minutes January 13, 2025

Moved by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Johnston that the January 13, 2025 Council meeting minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

MINUTES AND REPORTS OF OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

Public Hearing for Rezoning Application for 2012, 2018, 2024 Swan Crescent

Moved by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Currie that the January 13, 2025 Public Hearing minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Swan Crescent / Withdraw of properties 2018 and 2024 from application

OMVC would like to remove 2018 and 2024 from the rezoning process and proceed with the 2012 Swan Crescent rezoning.

Moved by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Currie that 2018 and 2024 be removed from the application to rezone and leave 2012 on the application and amend the bylaw.

CARRIED

PETITIONS AND DELEGATES

Sgt. Jeff Lance Masset RCMP

Sgt. Lance reported on the following issues:

The file count was down in 2024 from 2023 by approximately 4%

Liquor offences totalled 82 for 2024.

Sgt. Lance gave council an update on the fentanyl crisis.

Assaults and charges are down but liquor offences have gone up.

A new corporal is coming in March from Dawson Creek and a recruit will be replacing one member that will be leaving.

The RCMP are looking forward to 2024 as the detachment plans to take part in all of the local activities and events.

North Arm – could not attend

Airport Fuel Proposal - Evan Putterill

Evan Putterill proposed the formation of a not-for-profit society owned by CHN and the communities of Haida Gwaii to purchase three identical fuel trucks to lease to the fuel providers Village of Masset and Sandspit. There would be two fuel trucks in ZMT and one in YZP.

VERBAL REPORTS OF COUNCIL/CAO/CFO

Councillor Johnston attended a meeting with OMVC's Chief Councillor and Dustin Rushworth regarding plans for Swan Crescent. He met with Terry Laidlaw, Haida Gwaii administrator for both hospitals and met with the Northern Haida Gwaii Hospital administrator.

Councillor Currie did not attend any meetings.

Councillor Pages attended a Northwest Hospital District meeting and a North Coast Regional District meeting.

CFO Brown attended an RBA meeting and has been working on year end reporting.

CAO Humphries attended a United Coast meeting, BC Cabinet and First Nations Leaders meetings in Vancouver and a meeting with OMVC.

Mayor Disney attended BC Cabinet and First Nations Leaders meetings in Vancouver.

Moved by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Johnston that the verbal reports be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

BYLAWS

Bylaw No 672 Amend Zoning Bylaw 422 - 2012, 2018, 2024 Swan Crescent

Moved by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Johnston that Amended Bylaw No. 672 with the removal of 2018 and 2024 Swan from the application leaving 2012 Swan be read a third time .

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

NB-1 Haida Gwaii Community Health Table

Moved by Councillor Currie, seconded by Councillor Carty that Councillor Johnston be appointed as the representative for the Village of Masset on the Haida Gwaii Community Health Table.

CARRIED

NB-2 Housing Needs Report

CAO Humphries reviewed the Housing Needs Report which shows Masset's five year need is 90 units.

Moved by Councillor Pages, seconded by Councillor Currie that the Housing Needs Report be received.

CARRIED

NB-3 WASCO Contract Renewal

CAO Humphres recommended to renew the contract with WASCO on a 5-year basis from \$30,000.00 in 2024 to \$36,285.00 for 2025.

Moved by Councillor Pages, seconded by Councillor Johnston that the WASCO contract be renewed for a further five years,

CARRIED

NB-4 Haida Gwaii Fitness Association's (HGFA) application to the Community Investment Fund

Moved by Councillor Pages, seconded by Councillor Currie that the Village of Masset write a letter of support for HGFA's funding applications.

CARRIED

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

Q: What was North Arm coming to present tonight?

A: They wanted to update Council on their future plans.

Q: Where did the airport security arise from?

A: This issue has come up with provincial ministers and Old Massett leaders in the past to discuss security at YVR South Terminal.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Carty the meeting be adjourned at 9:03 pm.

CARRIED

Recording Secretary

Mayor

Certified Correct, Administrator

Board Highlights

January 2025

Delegations:

The Ministry of Transportation and Transit delegation consisting of Lauren Bell, Nathan Voogd, and Michaela Yeo provided an update on 2024/25 Winter Maintenance Program. The Chair of the Board thanked the delegation.

The Northern Health delegation consisting of Lana Pestaluky provided an update on the Healthy Communities Program. The Chair of the Board thanked Ms. Pestaluky.

Board Business:

1. The Board resolved to send a letter to the Ministry of Transportation and Transit highlighting urban versus northern rural differences in housing development and local government autonomy in decision-making for subdivision approvals
2. The Board resolved to direct staff to prepare draft resolutions to be submitted for consideration by the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities in advance of the AVICC 2025 AGM & Convention.
3. The Board resolved to send a letter to the Premier of B.C. supporting the International Longshore and Warehouse Union on its recent position on the B.C. Port Cap Tax.
4. The Board scheduled a Parcel Tax Roll Review panel meeting for February 21, 2025 at 1:45 p.m. to review the Sandspit Water Parcel Tax Roll. The parcel tax roll will be available at the NCRD administration office and on the NCRD website starting on Wednesday February 5, 2025.
5. The Board adopted [the Sandspit Parks and Trails Advisory Committee Establishing Bylaw No. 697, 2025](#) and [Sandspit Emergency Planning Advisory Committee Establishing Bylaw No. 698, 2025](#). Advertising for Committee members will commence in February 2025.
6. The Board resolved to sign a joint letter with communities along BC Ferries' northern routes regarding collective advocacy for the Northern Ferry Routes and continuation of the Ferry Advisory Committees.
7. On January 24, 2025, the Board held its Round 1 Budget meeting to consider the NCRD's 2025-2029 Five-Year Financial Plan. The Round 2 Budget meeting is scheduled for February 21, 2025 at 10:00 A.M. To learn more about the NCRD's financial planning visit the [2025-2029 NCRD Financial Plan Consultation](#) webpage.

For complete details of NCRD Board meetings, the Agenda and Minutes are posted online at www.ncrdbc.com.



PLEASE JOIN US TO CELEBRATE THE

**Chiixuujin • Chaaw Kaawgaa
Big Tide (Low Water)
Haida Title Lands Agreement**

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Tuesday, February 17th 2025
Naa Gaagudgiikyagangs
George Brown Recreation Centre
HIGaagilda Skidegate
3:00 pm

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VILLAGE OF MASSET

BYLAW NO. 672

A bylaw to amend Zoning Bylaw No. 422

WHEREAS the Village of Masset has received an application to rezone Roll #2159775, Lot 88, District Lot 7, Land District 46 Plan PRP6425, PID 009-198-504, 2012, Swan Crescent; and

WHEREAS the Council for the Village of Masset has deemed it expedient to amend the zoning of Roll #2159775, Lot 88, District Lot 7, Land District 46 Plan PRP6425, PID 009-198-504, 2012 Swan Crescent, from R-1 Residential to R-3 Residential of Zoning Bylaw No. 422;

NOW THEREFORE the Council for the Village of Masset, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows;

1. Roll #2159775, Lots 88, District Lot 7, Land District 46 Plan PRP6425, PID 009-198-504, 2012 Swan Crescent, from R-1 Residential to R-3 Residential
2. This bylaw may be cited as “Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 672, 2024”.

READ A FIRST TIME THIS 9th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2024

READ A SECOND TIME THIS 9th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2024

PUBLIC HEARING HELD THIS 13th DAY OF JANUARY, 2025

READ A THIRD TIME THIS 27th DAY OF JANUARY, 2025

RECONSIDERED AND ADOPTED THIS 10th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2025

Administrator

Mayor

Certified a true copy of the “Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 672, 2024”

Administrator



Masset, BC Skatepark



- **Park**
- Beginner features
- Progressive features for growing skills
- Intermediate/advanced features
- Traditional street and bowl park
- Pump track within design

Process

- Site confirmed
- Geotechnical inspection performed
- Design obtained
- Funding to begin
 - (in-kind, donors, grants)

Users

- Approx 350 kids in Masset, Port Clements, Skidegate, Daajing Giids, Sandspit
- Beginner, intermediate, advanced. All age levels

Final Design Concept



VILLAGE OF MASSET

Staffing Report

To:	Council
From:	Josh Humphries, CAO
Date:	February 10, 2025
Subject:	Hazard, Risk Vulnerability Assessment (HRVA)

Description: B.C.'s new Emergency and Disaster Management Act (EDMA) is the modernized provincial emergency legislation inclusive of engagement provisions that promote relationship-building and collaboration across jurisdictions, specifically between neighboring municipalities and Indigenous Nations. This includes consultation and cooperation with Indigenous governing bodies, incorporating available Indigenous knowledge into emergency plans and risk assessments, and considering cultural safety across emergency management practices.

Daniel Fish, the CAO for the North Coast Regional District, has proposed a shared HRVA for Haida Gwaii communities that could be funded by the Indigenous Engagement Requirements Funding Program (IERFP) that communities received in 2024. The Village has an unallocated balance of \$30,000 that needs to be accounted for by March 31, 2025. Other communities have similar balances.

Also attached is Daniel Fish's proposal, CAO—North Coast Regional District, for a Joint Project to Develop a Shared HRVA for Haida Gwaii Communities.

Recommendation 1: Support the proposal for a Shared HRVA for Haida Gwaii Communities as proposed by Daniel Fish in principle, subject to it being supported by other communities (Village of Daajing Giids, Port Clements)

Recommendation 2: Look for other opportunities to use the balance of the Indigenous Engagement Requirements Funding Program (IERFP) grant.

The following proposal has been prepared by Daniel Fish, CAO, NCRD, for the Villages of Masset, Port Clements and Daajing Giids to consider. This project aims to utilize funding provided by the Province of B.C. (IERF) to meet requirements of legislative updates to EDMA. This draft is for discussion purposes only and it is acknowledged that additional planning between agencies would be undertaken if supported in principle.

Project Proposal: Shared Hazard, Risk, and Vulnerability Assessment for Haida Gwaii Communities

Project Overview:

The North Coast Regional District (NCRD), the Village of Daajing Giids, the Village of Masset, and the Village of Port Clements, in collaboration with the Haida Nation, will undertake a joint project to develop shared Hazard, Risk, and Vulnerability Assessments (HRVAs) for their communities. This project aims to assess and understand the key hazards, risks, and vulnerabilities within these regions and to develop actionable recommendations for emergency planning and response strategies.

The project will be contracted to a qualified consultant with expertise in hazard assessment, emergency planning, and indigenous engagement. The project will include key components of engagement and consultation with the Haida Nation to ensure their perspectives and priorities are included in the final assessments and recommendations, and that funding requirements of the IERF are met.

1. Project Objectives

- **Comprehensive Hazard and Risk Assessment:** Identify and analyze the primary hazards, risks, and vulnerabilities that impact the communities, including natural disasters, climate change, public health emergencies, and other localized threats.
- **Collaborative Community Input:** Facilitate collaboration among the NCRD, the Villages of Daajing Giids, Masset, and Port Clements, ensuring a holistic approach to the development of the assessments.
- **Haida Nation Consultation:** Ensure meaningful engagement and consultation with the Haida Nation, integrating their traditional and cultural knowledge and community concerns into the assessments.
- **Emergency Planning Enhancement:** Provide evidence-based recommendations for enhancing local emergency preparedness, response, and resilience strategies for all communities involved.
- **Shared Assessment Framework:** Develop a shared framework for HRVAs that can be used as a tool for future planning and response across all participating communities.

2. Project Scope

The project will be divided into the following phases:

Phase 1: Project Planning & Initiation

- Establish a steering committee with representatives from the NCRD, the three villages, and the Haida Nation.
- Define specific objectives and outcomes of the HRVA for each community.
- Select and hire a qualified consultant with experience in hazard assessments, indigenous engagement, and emergency management.

Phase 2: Hazard, Risk, and Vulnerability Identification

- Conduct a comprehensive review of each community's current hazard, risk, and vulnerability data.
- Identify both natural and human-made hazards (e.g., earthquakes, flooding, wildfires, tsunamis, industrial accidents, etc.).
- Collect and analyze data on community infrastructure, demographics, and local emergency response capacities.
- Engage stakeholders, including local residents, community leaders, emergency management practitioners and the Haida Nation, in identifying additional community-specific risks.

Phase 3: Risk Assessment and Analysis

- Analyze identified risks, their likelihood, potential impacts, and vulnerability of the communities.
- Assess the capacity of each community to respond to these risks and identify gaps in resources, planning, and resilience.
- Collaborate with the Haida Nation to ensure that traditional knowledge, historical knowledge of hazards, and community and cultural-specific concerns are integrated into the risk analysis.

Phase 4: Engagement and Consultation with Haida Nation

- Conduct culturally sensitive engagement with Haida Nation leadership, communities, and elders.
- Hold community workshops and meetings to gather input on risks, vulnerabilities, and emergency preparedness.
- Incorporate traditional knowledge and insights into the final assessments to ensure a comprehensive understanding of local hazards.

Phase 5: Development of Hazard, Risk, and Vulnerability Assessment Reports

- Prepare detailed HRVA reports for each community, including key findings, risk ratings, and a summary of consultation results.
- Include recommendations for improving local emergency planning and response capabilities.
- Provide a regional comparison of shared risks and develop coordinated strategies for inter-community response efforts.

Phase 6: Presentation and Final Reporting

- Organize presentations for stakeholders, including the NCRD, the Village of Daajing Giids, the Village of Masset, the Village of Port Clements, and the Haida Nation.
- Provide final reports and action plans that outline prioritized recommendations and timelines for implementation.

3. Key Deliverables

- Hazard, Risk, and Vulnerability Assessment Reports for each of the participating communities, including:
 - Overview of hazards and risks specific to each community.
 - A shared, regional hazard and risk profile.
 - Vulnerability assessments based on local infrastructure, population, and capacity.
 - Recommendations for improving emergency preparedness, response, and resilience.
- A community-specific action plan with timelines for implementation.
- A final project report that synthesizes the findings from all communities and offers actionable steps for regional cooperation.
- Detailed summaries of engagement and consultation outcomes with the Haida Nation.

4. Project Timeline

Phase	Timeline
Phase 1: Project Planning & Initiation	January – February 2025
Phase 2: Hazard and Risk Identification	March – April 2025
Phase 3: Risk Assessment & Analysis	May – June 2025

Phase	Timeline
Phase 4: Haida Nation Consultation	June – July 2025
Phase 5: HRVA Reports Development	August – September 2025
Phase 6: Presentation & Final Reporting	October 2025

5. Budget Estimate (Will need to be further refined)

A preliminary budget for this project will cover the costs of the consultant’s services, community consultations, reporting, and project management.

Category	Estimated Cost
Consultant Fees	\$100,000 - \$150,000
Community Engagement (including travel, materials)	\$30,000 - \$50,000
Workshop/Meeting Costs	\$10,000 - \$20,000
Reporting and Documentation	\$15,000 - \$25,000
Total Estimated Cost	\$155,000 - \$255,000

6. Project Governance & Roles

- **Steering Committee:** Representatives from the NCRD, the Village of Daajing Giids, the Village of Masset, the Village of Port Clements, and the Haida Nation will form a steering committee to guide the project and ensure community-specific needs are met.
- **Consultant Role:** The hired consultant will provide expertise in hazard assessment, facilitate community engagement, and ensure the integration of indigenous perspectives in the final reports.
- **Local Community Leaders:** Local representatives from each participating community will act as liaisons and facilitate communication between the consultant and their respective communities.

7. Risk Mitigation

- **Cultural Sensitivity:** Ensuring that all consultations with the Haida Nation are culturally sensitive, transparent, and respectful.

- **Community Participation:** Encouraging full participation from all affected stakeholders to ensure that no community's needs are overlooked.
 - **Data Privacy:** Respecting the confidentiality of sensitive data collected during community consultations.
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8. Conclusion

This collaborative HRVA project will significantly improve emergency preparedness and response across Haida Gwaii. By working together, including engagement with the Haida Nation, the project will develop tailored and actionable insights into the region's hazards, risks, and vulnerabilities. The outcome will lead to better-informed decision-making, enhanced resilience to hazards, and a stronger regional response to emergencies.

Date:	2025-01-15	Submitted to:	Haida Gwaii councils
Submitted by:	Mayor Lisa Pineault, All-Islands Protocol Table		
Subject:	Aid Grant Committee Proposal		
Attachments:	Template letter to donors (below)		

Background:

Occasionally large companies who do business on Haida Gwaii reach out to local governments to offer funds under their company "gifting" policies. Local governments work with many off-island contractors and corporations every year, and there is potential to access donations from them.

Local organisations spend valuable hours and resources chasing funding every year. Access to cash donations from companies could make a big difference for the vital work they do in our communities.

Key Issues:

The offers of donations are not always followed-through with; the goal would be to distribute funds to all-islands organizations (or between "helping" organizations supporting each community, or that provide services in common).

The aim is to seek funds for Haida Gwaii that are not currently being accessed, with a minimal admin burden on local councils and organisations.

Goals of the committee:

- To solicit and facilitate donations from companies year-round, to support local organizations for the benefit of all islands' communities.
- Cash donations are especially valuable to local non-profits/societies, and can be leveraged for grant funding. Depending on the scale of funding funds could also go to each local government.

Role of the committee:

- Circulate annual letters asking for donations to companies who have done work on Haida Gwaii that year.
- Accept applications/expressions of interest from local organisations.
- Distribute funds to local organisations.

Composition of the committee:

- Representatives designated by each local government (could be elected leadership, staff, community members, etc.)

Reporting:

- The committee could report to the Protocol Table with updates, and/or produce public reports every year.

What would be needed from each local government:

- Designating someone to participate in the committee, to meet semi-annually
- Sharing a list of companies/ contacts who have done work/ had large contracts, for the committee to reach out to.

All of the above is suggested; once the committee is established a terms of reference will be set, including discussion of structure and whether it needs to be a registered society/ program and recommendations returned to the Protocol Table for final approval.

Feedback is welcome mayor@daajinggiids.ca or protocoltable@haidanation.com

Recommendations for Action/ next steps (if any):

Next steps:

1. Protocol Table review/discussion at the January 29th meeting [COMPLETE]
2. To have the Protocol Table member share the "**Aid Grant Committee Proposal**" and template "**Letter to Donors**" with their individual councils for review and support motion.
3. If supported by PT membership and their respective individual councils, a request will follow for councils to nominate an individual for the committee.

Recommended Motion (if any):

1. To request the "**Aid Grant Committee Proposal**" and template "**Letter to Donors**" are shared with the individual councils for review so the individual councils can provide a motion of **support in principle of the Aid Grant Committee Proposal**.

All Islands Protocol Table Grant in Aid Service
- Sample to Donors Letter Template to be approved by councils

All Islands Protocol Table Grant in Aid Program

PO Box

January 14, 2025

Dear _____

I am writing to request a donation for our Grant in Aid program administered by the All-Islands Protocol Table.

Comprised of representatives from the Council of the Haida Nation, Old Masset Village Council, Village of Masset, Village of Port Clements, Skidegate Band Council, Village of Daajing Giids and the North Coast Regional District, The All-Islands Protocol Table have committed to work together in common cause for the benefit and betterment of the Island Community as a whole. As such, all Haida Gwaii governments have collaborated to create this pilot program for an *All-Islands Protocol Table Grant in Aid program* with a primary goal to create a formal process to solicit donations and distribute the contributions to our local Haida Gwaii helping groups, both registered societies and not-for profits. Our Protocol Table Grant in Aid Committee is committed to equitable and ethical administration practices, the disbursements have an accessible application process and once vetted are forwarded to the Protocol Table for final decision.

We are reaching out as one or more of our member governments has indicated your organization provides services to them and that your group has a gifting mandate. We appreciate our request being forwarded to be considered.

Our local not for profits and societies chase money to operate all year, they spend a great deal of time looking for grants and fundraising within our communities. Your gift would elevate some of the burden from them as well as from our constituents.

Your support is greatly needed and appreciated. Your organization's kindness will be highlighted in our annual newsletter which details the good works of the Haida Gwaii societies and not-for profits supported by our program and the generosity of businesses like yours.

Please contact us if you require clarification, additional information or assistance planning. Donations can be forwarded to the address above.

Sincerely,

All Islands Protocol Table Grant in Aid Committee Chair

All Islands Protocol representative communities logos

To Whom It May Concern,

As you may already be aware, epilepsy is one of the most common neurological conditions, however, it currently has the least recognition in society.

My name is Deirdre Syms, and I am the Executive Director of the BC Epilepsy Society, which is a provincially incorporated non-profit organization and a federally registered charitable organization. We support people living with epilepsy in BC and their families, friends and loved ones and work to raise awareness of epilepsy in the communities in which we live.

We are excited to let you know that International PURPLE DAY® for Epilepsy Awareness is coming up and will be taking place on March 26th, 2025. International PURPLE DAY® for Epilepsy Awareness is a time when people in countries around the world take part in events and activities to raise much-needed awareness of epilepsy.

We would like to request a Proclamation from the Village of Masset designating March 26th, 2025 as International PURPLE DAY® for Epilepsy Awareness in the Village of Masset. Included with this email correspondence is a document outlining our draft Proclamation.

Through your participation in International PURPLE DAY® for Epilepsy Awareness on March 26th, 2025, you will not only be able to show people living with epilepsy that they are not alone but will also get people talking about epilepsy in an effort to raise awareness of epilepsy across the Province of British Columbia.

We look forward to working with you on International PURPLE DAY® for Epilepsy Awareness on March 26th, 2025 and in the future. Please feel free to contact me via email at deirdre@bcepilepsy.com or via telephone at 1-788-533-0790 should you have any questions or require any additional information.

Sincerely,

Deirdre Syms

Executive Director

BC Epilepsy Society

Kind regards,

Sonia Velji, BA, MPH

Provincial Manager of Programs and Services

BC Epilepsy Society

Mailing Address: PO Box 30521, Burnaby RPO Madison, BC V5C 6J5

Office Phone: 604-875-6704

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Email: sonia@bcepilepsy.com

Website: www.bcepilepsy.com

2025 Proclamation Draft

"Purple Day"

WHEREAS Purple Day is celebrated on March 26th annually, during Epilepsy Awareness Month, to increase the knowledge and understanding of epilepsy in the community;

AND WHEREAS Purple Day was founded in 2008 by Cassidy Megan, a nine-year-old girl from Nova Scotia, who wanted people living with epilepsy that they were not alone;

AND WHEREAS On Purple Day, people in communities around the world are encouraged to wear purple and host events in support of epilepsy awareness;

AND WHEREAS increasing epilepsy awareness can help the public to recognize common seizure types or to respond with appropriate first aid, and

AND WHEREAS The onset of epilepsy can occur at any stage of life and does not discriminate against age, gender, race, ethnicity, religion, socioeconomic status, geographic location, or sexual orientation;

AND WHEREAS Purple Day can improve the quality of life of people living with epilepsy, create a society that embraces the beauty of difference and help us understand how we can all come together to make the world a better place:

NOW THEREFORE I **[Insert Name and Title]** DO HEREBY PROCLAIM Wednesday March 26th, 2025 as

"PURPLE DAY"

in the Village of Masset