

A G E N D A
for

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
May 13, 2024

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

April 29, 2024 Council Meeting Minutes

CORRESPONDENCE

C-1 BC Ferry Authority

C-2 BC Ferries

VERBAL REPORTS OF COUNCIL/CAO/CFO

BYLAWS

Bylaw No. 668 5 Year Financial Plan

Bylaw No. 669 Tax Rates Bylaw 2024

NEW BUSINESS

NB-1 Hope Air Day Proclamation

NB-2 Haida Gwaii Accessibility Committee Delegate Change

NB-3 Gwaii Trust Harbour Day Funding Resolution

NB-4 OMVC Beer Tent for Harbour Day

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

ADJOURNMENT

Village of Masset Regular Council Meeting of April 29, 2024

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held April 29, 2024 in the Council Chambers.

Present:	Mayor:	S. Disney
	Councillors:	J. Currie, T. Carty, B. Johnston, B. Pages
	CAO:	J. Humphries
	CFO:	J. Brown
	Intern:	A. Olee

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 April 8, 2024

Moved by Councillor Pages, seconded by Councillor Currie that the April 8, 2024 Council meeting minutes be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

MINUTES AND REPORTS OF OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

NCRD Board Highlights April 2024

Moved by Councillor Pages, seconded by Councillor Carty that the NCRD Board report be received and filed.

CARRIED

PETITIONS AND DELEGATES

Audit Report – Ryan Broughton, FBB Chartered Professional Accountants LLP

The Village of Masset auditor reviewed the 2023 draft financials statements with council. The ending surplus as of December 31, 2023 was \$1,366,635. He stated that the Village of Masset is in a healthy financial position with regards to reserves and cash flow and that

the financial internal accounting controls are being met in conjunction with the Canadian Public Sector Accounting Standards.

Moved by Councillor Johnston, seconded by Councillor Carty that the 2023 draft audited financial statements be received and approved.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

C-1 Minister of Housing

Moved by Councillor Pages, seconded by Councillor Currie that the correspondence from the Minister of Housing be received and filed.

CARRIED

VERBAL REPORTS OF COUNCIL/CAO/CFO

Councillor Johnston attended a Gwaii Trust allocation meeting, a Gwaii Trust meeting with NSCU, a Gwaii Trust meeting regarding Athlii Gwaii and the budget meeting.

Councillor Carty attended the budget meeting.

Councillor Currie attended the budget meeting.

CFO Brown has been working on budgets, post audit work and the 5 year financial plan.

Councillor Pages attended a meeting with ministers regarding Haida Title, a NCRD meeting, the budget meeting and a Haida Title meeting at the legislature.

CAO Humphries attended Haida Title meetings, a CAOs meeting and met with OMVC's Band Manager.

Mayor Disney attended the Haida Title event in Skidegate, had a tour of the amalgamated school, attended the budget meeting, attended the Haida Title bill presentation in Victoria and has fielded calls regarding Haida Title. Mayor Disney reported that there is a library groundbreaking ceremony April 30th.

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

CARRIED

BYLAWS

Bylaw No. 668 5 Year Financial Plan

Moved by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Pages that Bylaw No. 668 be read a first time.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Johnston that Bylaw No. 668 be read a second time.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Johnston, seconded by Councillor Carty that Bylaw No. 668 be read a third time.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

NB-1 RCMP Priority Initiatives for the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year

Council would like the work to continue with the RCMP to prioritize derelict vehicles.

NB-2 Chain of Office

Moved by Councillor Pages, seconded by Councillor Carty that the quote for a chain of office be received and filed.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT/TO CLOSED MEETING

Moved by Councillor Johnson the meeting be adjourned at 8:19 pm to a closed session.

Recording Secretary

Mayor

Certified Correct, Administrator

B.C. Ferry Authority

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April 24, 2024

Haida Gwaii Protocol Table

Email: protocoltable@haidanation.com

Dear Haida Gwaii Protocol Table,

Thank you for writing to the BC Ferry Authority and BC Ferry Services Inc. We appreciate the time and commitment that was put into illustrating the concerns regarding ferry service and our Charting The Course visioning engagement. We acknowledge the importance of the northern routes and their role as vital lifelines for the communities they serve, providing essential access to services, healthcare, and supporting local economies. We share your commitment to ensuring that the needs of the northern and central coast communities are fully represented and addressed. It is imperative that the Charting The Course visioning project accurately reflects the realities in all regions.

In response to your request, I am pleased to confirm my attendance as the Chair of the BC Ferry Authority to meet with representatives from The Haida Protocol Table. I appreciate the opportunity to engage directly with leadership to discuss your concerns and share further information regarding Charting The Course engagement.

The Authority will work with the BC Ferries Services staff and Board of Directors to coordinate a meeting for June 12th. BC Ferry Services staff will reach out in the coming weeks with more information.

Thank you once again for reaching out to us and we appreciate your ongoing advocacy and dedication to improving ferry services for all residents of the northern and central coast.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'DL', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

David Levi,
Chair, Board of Directors
BC Ferry Authority

CC:

B.C. Ferries Services Board of Directors, attn. Chair Joy MacPhail
BC Ferries Services Executive Team, attn. CEO Nicolas Jimenez
British Columbia Ferry Commissioner Eva Hage
Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure att. Minister Rob Fleming



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April 23, 2024

To: Haida Gwaii Protocol Table
Via E-mail

Re: BC Ferries Service to Haida Gwaii, North & Central Coast Communities

Dear respected Leaders,

Thank you for your letter dated March 18. I acknowledge and appreciate the unique considerations for Northern communities, particularly regarding transportation and the role of coastal ferries. A long-term vision for the ferry system must appropriately consider these unique challenges.

The project team would be pleased to host an in-person workshop to learn about your perspectives and your needs, and so that we can share in more detail how the vision is being developed.

This would be a facilitated workshop to provide more information about *Charting the Course*, to hear from you directly on policy work we have underway, and to gather feedback about how we can best reflect your perspectives in the Vision.

The project team is available between May 29 and June 7 to travel to Northern BC to meet with you at a time and place that is most convenient. I would propose the timing and location of the workshop be something we work together to confirm. Please let me know who would be your best point of contact to work through logistics for an in-person workshop. They can reach me directly at Brian.Anderson@bcferries.com.

In addition, the BC Ferry Services Board of Directors will be holding their upcoming quarterly meeting in Skidegate. There will be an opportunity to follow up with them and representatives of the BC Ferry Authority Board on the evening of June 12. You will be hearing from them shortly with more details.

I look forward to exploring this opportunity with you.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B. Anderson', written in a cursive style.

Brian Anderson
Vice President, Strategy & Planning
British Columbia Ferry Services Inc.

CC:

B.C. Ferry Authority Board of Directors, attn. Chair David Levi
BC Ferries Services Executive Team, attn. CEO Nicolas Jimenez
British Columbia Ferry Commissioner Eva Hage
Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure attn. Minister Rob Fleming

VILLAGE OF MASSET

BYLAW NO. 668

A Bylaw of the Village of Masset respecting the
5 Year Financial Plan for the year starting 2024.

The Council for the Village of Masset in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. General Operating Fund Schedule, Water and Sewer Utility Operating Fund Schedule and Capital Expenditure Plan Schedule attached hereto and made part of this Bylaw comprise the Village of Masset 5 Year Financial Plan for the year ending 31 December 2024.
2. This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as "Village of Masset 5 Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 668, 2024".

READ A FIRST TIME THIS 29th DAY OF APRIL 2024.

READ A SECOND TIME THIS 29th DAY OF APRIL 2024.

READ A THIRD TIME THIS 29th DAY OF APRIL 2024.

RECONSIDERED AND ADOPTED THIS 13th DAY OF MAY, 2024.

Chief Financial Officer

Mayor

Certified a true copy of "VOM 5 Year
Financial Plan Bylaw No. 668 2024".
Chief Financial Officer

VILLAGE OF MASSET

Schedule “B” to Bylaw No. 668, 2024

Proportion of Revenues By Funding Source:

The following table outlines the proportion of total revenue that comes from each funding source in the Village of Masset’s 2024 Financial Plan. The Village of Masset has an ambitious budget this year which plans to repave a portion of the municipal roads in Masset as well as complete the waterline upgrade project. This accounts for the two largest portions of the 2024 budget which are transfers from reserves and other grants. Other projects and capital expenditures for 2024 include repairs to the Park Drive lift station, a dump trailer for Public Works, airport runway rehabilitation and solar system upgrades, the Masset Covered Plaza and some work on the Park to Pier project. The Village of Masset continues to also work on the asset management plan and bylaw reform. The next highest revenue source for 2024 is from Airports. In 2024 the Masset Airport is expected to be running at a normal operating capacity, which includes a regular schedule of flights with Pacific Coastal as well as a busy summer season for lodge charters. The remaining categories of funding are property taxes and collections for other governments, fixed grants, user fees and sales of services for water.

Revenue Source	% Total Revenue
Reserves	31%
Other Grants	30%
Airports	15%
Property Taxes	8%
Collections for Other Gov’ts	5%
Other Revenue	4%
User Fees, Sales of Services	4%
Fixed Grants	3%
	100%

Distribution of Property Taxes Between Property Classes

The Village of Masset is a small community that has the majority of its taxes based on a residential and business tax base. The Village does have access to other funding and revenue sources such as The Small Community Grant that has allowed the council to keep the tax rate increases minimal and not put an extra burden on residents and business owners. The Village of Masset has increased the tax rate by 3% in 2024 which has been applied to all of the property tax classes.

Class	Property Class	% Tax Burden
1	Residential	73%
2	Utilities	1%
5	Light Industry	< 1%
6	Business	26%
8	Recreation	< 1%
		100%

Use of Permissive Tax Exemptions

The Village of Masset does not issue permissive tax exemptions.

Village of Masset



Five Year Financial Plan
2024

Village of Masset
Five Year Financial Plan
"2024"

	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
Revenues					
Property Taxes/PILT	1,242,928	1,267,787	1,280,464	1,306,074	1,325,665
Utility Taxes	22,880	23,338	23,804	24,280	24,766
Garbage Fees/Misc charges	191,000	194,820	196,768	198,736	201,717
Sales of Services (water/sewer)	410,114	419,391	428,881	438,588	448,517
Airports	2,337,650	2,440,632	2,538,257	2,639,788	2,745,379
Other Revenue From Own Sources	191,450	195,279	138,373	141,141	143,258
User Fees	10,500	10,710	10,924	11,361	11,532
Borrowing Proceeds	0	0	0	0	0
Interest/Penalties	284,000	289,680	295,474	301,382	307,410
Fixed Grants	400,000	408,000	416,160	424,483	432,973
Other	388,863	388,863	388,863	388,863	388,863
Collections for Other Gov'ts.	717,634	724,810	732,058	739,379	746,773
Transfers from Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Reserve Funds	4,902,000	4,612,000	5,000	0	0
Other Grants & Loans	4,722,313	2,240,000	10,000	950,000	200,000
Accumulated Surplus	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	15,821,332	13,215,309	6,465,027	7,564,075	6,976,852
Expenditures					
Debt Interest	115,000	122,650	122,650	122,650	122,650
Debt Principal	220,000	220,000	220,000	220,000	220,000
Capital Expenditure	8,274,885	6,852,000	15,000	950,000	200,000
Transfers to Reserves (GOF)	1,331,428	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Airports	2,122,580	2,144,655	2,230,441	2,319,659	2,412,445
General Municipal	2,494,441	2,583,848	2,681,259	2,737,406	2,788,373
Emergency/Fire Protection	135,250	137,955	140,714	143,528	146,399
Collections for Other Gov'ts.	717,634	724,810	616,083	622,244	628,467
Water	215,000	220,375	225,884	231,531	237,320
Sewer	195,114	199,016	202,997	207,057	211,198
TOTAL	15,821,332	13,215,309	6,465,028	7,564,075	6,976,852

**Village of Masset
Five Year Financial Plan
2024**

General Operating Fund

Revenues		
Taxes		1,265,808
Misc. Revenue - own sources		9,750
Garbage Fees & Misc.		191,000
Airports		2,337,650
Other Revenue From Own Sources		433,700
Licenses and Permits		10,500
Transfer from Water/Sewer Funds		0
Penalties and Interest on Taxes		32,000
Transfers from Other Governments		400,000
Grants		4,722,313
Transfers from Own Reserve Accounts & Surplus		5,290,863
Collections for Other Governments		717,634
		15,411,218
Expenditure		
General Government Services		11,327,254
Protective Services		135,250
Transportation Services		2,743,580
Environmental Health Services (garbage)		192,000
Tourism, Recreational & Development		295,500
Collections from Other Governments		717,634
		15,411,218

**Village of Masset
Five Year Financial Plan
2024**

Water and Sewer Utility Operating Funds

Water Utility Operating Fund		
Water Use Charges (net of discount)		202,500
Return on Investments		0
Transfer from Sewer Operating		7,500
Other Transfers: Surplus from Previous Year's Appropriated		0
Reserve Funds		5,000
General Operating Fund		0
Other		
Total		215,000
Expenditure		
Water Supply		215,000
Debt Charges		0
Transfers to: Reserve Accounts		0
	Water Capital Fund	
	General Operating Fund	0
	Other Funds	
Conditional Transfers to Other Government		
Total		215,000
Sewer Utility Operating Fund		
Revenue		
User Charges (net of discount)		120,114
Return on Investments		0
Transfers from Other Governments		0
Other Transfers:		0
Surplus		0
Reserve Funds		75000
General Operating Fund (Frontage/Parcel Tax)		
Other		
Total		195,114
Expenditure		
Sewage Collection and Disposal		195,114
Debt Charges		0
Transfers to:		
Reserve Accounts		0
Sewer Capital Fund		0
General Operating Fund		0
Other Funds		0
Conditional Transfers to Other Governments		
Total		195,114

**Village of Masset
Five Year Financial Plan
Capital Expenditure Plan**

	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	Total	Operating	Reserves: Other	Grants	Debt
General Capital Fund										
Transportation Services	4,684,000	4,700,000	0	0	0	9,384,000	0	9,197,000	187,000	0
Fire protection	0	0	0	850,000	0	850,000	0	0	850,000	0
Parks & Recreation	1,354,885	15,000	10,000	100,000	0	1,479,885	0	250,000	1,229,885	0
Municipal buildings	218,000	137,000	0	0	200,000	555,000	0	47,000	508,000	0
Sewer Capital Fund										
Lift station, Sewer Lines	75,000	0	5,000	0	0	80,000	0	80,000	0	0
Water Capital fund										
Water Projects	2,000,000	2,000,000	0	0	0	4,000,000	0	0	0	4,000,000
Total	8,331,885	6,852,000	15,000	950,000	200,000	16,348,885	0	9,574,000	2,774,885	4,000,000
Source of funds										
General revenue	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Reserve accounts	4,977,000	4,612,000	5,000	0	0	9,594,000				
Grants	1,354,885	240,000	10,000	950,000	200,000	2,754,885				
Debt	2,000,000	2,000,000	0	0	0	4,000,000				
Totals	8,331,885	6,852,000	15,000	950,000	200,000	16,348,885				

**VILLAGE OF MASSET
BYLAW NO. 669**

The Council for the Corporation of the Village of Masset, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. The following rates are hereby imposed and levied for the year 2024:
 - a. For all lawful general purposes of the municipality on the assessed value of land and improvements taxable for general municipal purposes, rates appearing in Column "A" of the Schedule attached hereto and forming part hereof.
 - b. For purposes of the North Coast Regional District on the assessed value of land and improvements taxable for general municipal purposes, rates appearing in Column "B" of the Schedule attached hereto and forming part hereof.
 - c. For purposes on the assessed value of land and improvements taxable for BC Assessment purposes, rates appearing in Column "C" of the Schedule attached hereto and forming a part hereof.
 - d. For Northwest Regional Hospital retirement of debt on the assessed value of land and improvements taxable for Regional District Hospital purposes, rates appearing in Column "D" of the Schedule attached hereto and forming part hereof.

2. This Bylaw may be cited as "Tax Rates Bylaw No. 669, 2024."

READ A FIRST TIME THIS 13th DAY OF MAY, 2024
READ A SECOND TIME THIS 13th DAY OF MAY, 2024
READ A THIRD TIME THIS 13th DAY OF MAY, 2024

RECONSIDERED AND ADOPTED THIS 14th DAY OF MAY, 2024.

Chief Financial Officer

Mayor

Certified a true copy of "Tax
Rates Bylaw No. 669, 2024"
Chief Financial Officer

VILLAGE OF MASSET

SCHEDULE "A"

TAX RATES (DOLLARS OF TAX PER \$1,000 ASSESSED VALUE)

PROPERTY CLASS	"A" GENERAL MUNICIPAL	"B" REGIONAL DISTRICT	"C" BCAA	"D" NW REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT
1	6.9668	0.8275	0.0347	0.5077
2	24.3839	2.8963	0.4359	1.7770
5	23.6872	2.8136	0.0963	1.7262
6	17.0687	2.0274	0.0963	1.2439
8	6.9668	0.8275	0.0347	0.5077

admin@masset.ca

From: cao@masset.ca
Sent: May 1, 2024 9:15 AM
To: admin@masset.ca
Subject: FW: Declaring June 17th Hope Air Day
Attachments: Municipal Proclamation BC.docx; HA_fllpg_BC_8.375x10.875_CMYK_final (1).pdf

Hi
Lets add to the next council meeting.

Joshua Humphries
Chief Administrative Officer
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From: Phoebe Lazier <phoebe.lazier@bcruralhealth.org>
Sent: Wednesday, May 1, 2024 9:09 AM
Subject: Declaring June 17th Hope Air Day

Good morning,

I am reaching out to you today to request your assistance and support for Hope Air.

Hope Air provides essential services to rural and remote communities across the country and the majority of their work is done here in British Columbia. Not only does Hope Air provide air transportation to patients and their caregivers but also provides accommodations, meals and ground transportation. Their charitable services need to continue and to be enhanced, to ensure equitable access to care for all of us who are forced to leave our communities for care and treatments.

In 2023, Hope Air supported over 14,100 travel arrangements for patients across British Columbia. Hope Air had an infusion of support from the Government of B.C. to support the needs of cancer patients and steadfast support from the Provincial Health Service Authority, community foundations, and corporate and individual donors. And yet, the demand continues to soar.

The BC Rural Health Network has been working closely with Hope Air and promoting their services to many who haven't been aware of their significant and essential services. Their no patient left behind policy could be jeopardized if their funding is not sufficient or stable. Over the past year, we have been promoting the services of Hope Air and as people become aware of what services they can provide, the more these services are utilized.

On June 17th, Hope Air is working with municipalities across the province to declare this day, "Hope Air Day" in British Columbia. They are choosing this day to shine the spotlight on the unique medical travel needs of thousands of residents each year. In turn, we must continue to bring awareness to the issue of equitable access to health care for all.

I am writing to request your consideration that your Municipality adopt the attached proclamation declaring June 17th, Hope Air Day. We would be grateful for this support, in joining cities and towns across B.C. to recognize the impact of Hope Air.

I have attached a draft of the proclamation for your review.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this proclamation.

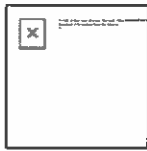
Yours in health and wellness,

Phoebe Lazier

Community Engagement

BC Rural Health Network

Phoebe Lazier || She/Her || Community Outreach || **BC Rural Health Network** ||




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The BCRHN is the healthcare voice of the rural residents of British Columbia and seeks better health outcomes for all people, through solutions-based approaches with governments, and information provision to residents.

The BCRHN is grateful to live, work, and be in relation with people from across many traditional and unceded territories, covering all regions of British Columbia. We are honoured to live on this land and are committed to reconciliation, decolonization, and building relationships in our communities

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JUNE 17TH IS
HOPE AIR
DAY

Join us on June 17 as we shine a light on the medical travel needs of people living in B.C., and our commitment to equitable access to health care regardless of distance or cost.



Pledge your support at hopeair.ca/bc



Municipal Proclamation

Hope Air Day

June 17, 2024

Whereas, access to healthcare is a fundamental right for all citizens, regardless of their geographic location;

Whereas, Hope Air, a charitable organization, has been tirelessly dedicated to providing access to healthcare by facilitating free flights and other services for patients living in rural and under-served communities in British Columbia, ensuring they can receive vital medical treatment regardless of distance or financial means;

Whereas, Hope Air has been instrumental in bridging the gap between smaller communities and hospitals far from home, reducing the barriers that often prevent individuals from reaching medical care;

Whereas, the impact of Hope Air extends beyond the individual patients served, positively affecting families, communities, and the healthcare system as a whole by promoting wellness and reducing the burden of untreated medical conditions;

Whereas, the compassion, dedication, and commitment demonstrated by Hope Air and its volunteers embody the spirit of community and the belief in the inherent value of every individual's well-being;

Now, therefore, be it proclaimed by the [Name of Municipality] that June 17th, 2024, shall be known as "Hope Air Day" in recognition of the invaluable contributions made by Hope Air to the health and well-being of individuals in British Columbia's remote, rural and underserved communities.

We urge all citizens to join us in celebrating Hope Air Day and to reflect on the significance of ensuring equitable access to healthcare for all members of our society. Let us reaffirm our commitment to supporting initiatives that promote health equity and extend our gratitude to Hope Air for their unwavering dedication to serving those in need.

Signed,

[Mayor's Signature]

[Mayor's Name]

Mayor of [Name of Municipality]

[Seal of the Municipality]