

Village of Masset Regular Council Meeting of September 11, 2023

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held September 11, 2023 in the Council Chambers.

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

**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 Pages, seconded by Councillor Johnston to adopt the agenda as presented as amended by the addition of NB-8.

CARRIED

**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**Council Meeting Minutes August 28, 2023**

Moved by Councillor Pages, seconded by Councillor Johnston that the August 28, 2023 Council meeting minutes be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

**Public Hearing Development Variance Application Minutes, August 28, 2023**

Moved by Councillor Pages, seconded by Councillor Carty that the August 28, 2023 Development Variance Minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**1. Jack Thorgeirson**

Moved by Councillor Pages, seconded by Councillor Johnston that the discussion be tabled until after the New Year.

CARRIED

**PETITIONS AND DELEGATES**

**Alissa MacMullin HG Rec (movies)**

Haida Gwaii Recreation Director Alissa MacMullin presented ideas regarding youth engagement. Some ideas were fundraising theme movie nights which would require grants from Gwaii Trust or other agencies for licensing fees, escape room nights at the library and art instruction from interested individuals willing to run programs.

Council thanked Ms. MacMullin for her ongoing efforts and initiative and agreed that youth programs are an important part of the community, and the following motion was passed:

Moved by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Pages that the Village of Masset write a letter of support for Haida Gwaii Recreation to apply for funding to sponsor youth activities island wide.

CARRIED

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**C-1 BC Farmers' Market**

Councillor Carty suggested that the Village of Masset write a letter of response to the Masset Market.

Moved by Councillor Pages, seconded by Councillor Carty that the BC Farmers' Market report be received.

CARRIED

**C-2 Work Safe Magazine**

Moved by Councillor Pages, seconded by Councillor Carty that the Work Safe article referencing the Village of Masset staff and the water treatment plant safety upgrades be received.

CARRIED

**VERBAL REPORTS OF COUNCIL/CAO/CFO**

Councillor Johnston reported that Gwaii Trust has started a charitable donations foundation partnering with Hope Air for medical travel and expenses. Information on how to access this funding will be distributed to municipalities and available on the Gwaii Trust website. He attended a meeting with Jennifer Rice.

Councillor Pages attended a meeting with Jennifer Rice.

CFO Brown is back from vacation and is working on the tax sale and catching up on reports.

CAO Humphries attended a meeting with Jennifer Rice. He reported the solar project is almost completed. The airport manager and public works superintendent are taking upcoming training courses. The used equipment auction raised \$21,263.00. The new harbour fees were put into place starting August 1<sup>st</sup>. The UBCM meetings are scheduled. The summer students and airport intern have all finished for the season.

Councillor Carty attended a meeting with Jennifer Rice.

Mayor Disney attended a meeting with Jennifer Rice and the opening of the Skidegate Health Centre.

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

CARRIED

**NEW BUSINESS**

**NB-1 MIEDS Rural Diversification and Infrastructure Program Letter of Support**

Moved by Councillor Pages, seconded by Councillor Carty that the Village of Masset Council supports an application by the Misty Isles Economic Development Society (MIEDS) to the Rural Economic Diversification and Infrastructure Program for up to \$50,000 towards the 2024 MIEDS Comprehensive Review and Strategic Plan.

CARRIED

**NB-2 WASCO Quarterly Report**

Moved by Councillor Pages, seconded by Councillor Carty that the WASCO Quarterly Report be received based on staff recommendation.

CARRIED

**NB-3 Siting and Use North Arm Application**

Mayor Disney expressed concerns about her potential conflict of interest in this matter and would be abstaining if she were required to vote. Moved by Councillor Pages, seconded by Councillor Johnston that Council approve the North Arm siting and use application.

CARRIED

**NB-4 Painting Village Buildings**

Painting of municipal buildings is underway and staff will look into painting the fire hall doors and the fire department signage. Moved by Councillor Pages, seconded by Councillor Carty that the painting contract already in place be ratified.

CARRIED

**NB-5 AP Cheque Listing - June 1-30, 2023**

Moved by Councillor Pages, seconded by Councillor Carty that the cheque listing for June 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023 be approved.

CARRIED

**NB-6 AP Cheque Listing - July 1-31, 2023**

Moved by Councillor Pages, seconded by Councillor Johnston that the cheque listing for July 1<sup>st</sup> to July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023 be approved.

CARRIED

**NB-7 AP Cheque Listing - August 1-31, 2023**

Moved by Councillor Pages, seconded by Councillor Carty that the cheque listing for August 1<sup>st</sup> to August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023 be approved.

CARRIED

**NB-8 National Day for Truth and Reconciliation**

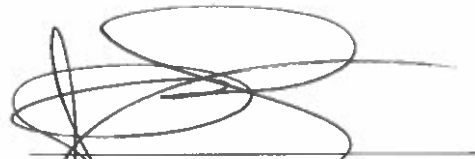
Moved by Councillor Pages, seconded by Councillor Carty that the Village of Masset donate \$500.00 towards the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation to Old Massett to be used as needed.

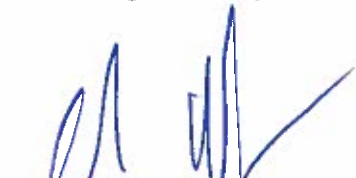
CARRIED

**ADJOURNMENT/TO CLOSED MEETING**

Moved by Councillor Pages the meeting be adjourned at 7:51 pm.

  
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Recording Secretary

  
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Mayor

  
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Certified Correct, Administrator