

Village of Masset Regular Council Meeting of September 13, 2021

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held September 13, 2021 in Council Chambers

Present:	Deputy Mayor	T. Carty
	Councillors:	R. Williams, J. Currie, B. Johnston
	CAO:	A. Smith
	CFO:	J. Brown
Regrets	Mayor:	B. Pages

**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 7:02 pm.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

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

CARRIED

**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**Council Meeting Minutes August 9, 2021**

Moved by Councillor Johnston, seconded by Councillor Williams that the August 9, 2021 Council meeting minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

**PETITIONS AND DELEGATES**

**1. Sgt. Damon MacDonald – RCMP Quarterly Update**

Sgt. Macdonald distributed and presented the quarterly update. In the second quarter there was 169 calls for service with alcohol related abuse being the largest issue. Sgt. Macdonald can be reached at [damon.macdonald@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:damon.macdonald@rcmp-grc.gc.ca)

Moved by Councillor Johnston, seconded by Councillor Currie that the quarterly update submitted by Sgt. Damon MacDonald be filed and received as information.

CARRIED

**MINUTES AND REPORTS OF OTHER ORGANIZATIONS**

**1. NCRD Board Highlights**

Moved by Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Johnston that the NCRD Board highlights be filed and received as information.

CARRIED

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**1. NCRD Press Release Re: National Day for Truth and Reconciliation**

Moved by Councillor Johnston, seconded by Councillor Williams that the correspondence from the NCRD be received and filed.

CARRIED

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

Councillor Johnston attended a Gwaii Trust audit committee meeting. On August 24<sup>th</sup> Councillor Williams attended a MIEDS board meeting; and, met with the Minister of Housing to discuss affordable housing issues in Masset. Councillor Williams also attended a meeting with the school to discuss the redesign update. The CFO continues to work on the tax sale – having one this year is doubtful. The CAO updated Council on the solar, Main Street plan, and asset management projects. All of them are on track. The CAO also met with: staff from the Ministry of Health regarding the current hospital debt; the Minister of Housing regarding affordable and attainable housing in Masset; and, the Minister of Transportation regarding the ferry service and erosion planning. The Deputy Mayor attended the All-Island Protocol meeting where the essential work permit presentation was given. Councillor Carty also attended the Gwaii Trust strategic planning session.

Moved by Councillor Johnston, seconded by Councillor Williams that the verbal reports be received as presented.

CARRIED

**NEW BUSINESS**

**NB-1 Letter of Support Kimball Davidson, Bernice Davidson, Arnold Anderson - Fisheries and Aquaculture Clean Technology Adoption Program (FACTAP)**

Moved by Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Currie that a letter of support be provided to Kimball Davidson, Bernice Davidson, Arnold Anderson for

the Fisheries and Aquaculture Clean Technology Adoption Program.

CARRIED

**NB-2 Electronic Resolution September 8<sup>th</sup> (RBA letter)**

Moved by Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Johnston that the electronic resolutions for September 8<sup>th</sup> pertaining to the RBA letter of support be ratified.

CARRIED

**NB-3 AP Cheque Listing July 1 to July 31, 2021**

Moved by Councillor Johnston, Seconded by Councillor Currie, that the accounts payable cheque listing for July 2021 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

**NB-4 AP Check Listing August 1 to August 31, 2021**

Moved by Councillor Williams, Seconded by Councillor Currie, that the accounts payable cheque listing for August 2021 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

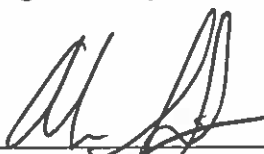
**ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED MEETING**

Moved by Councillor Johnston, seconded by Councillor Currie that the meeting be adjourned at 8:09 pm to a closed session of Council.

CARRIED

  
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Recording Secretary

  
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Mayor

  
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Certified Correct, Administrator

# Village of Masset

**\*\*Hand deliver original to Mayor and Council\*\***

## Community Policing Report

To: Mayor and Council Village of Masset 1668 Main Street P.O. Box 68 Masset, BC V0T 1M0	From: Sgt. Damon MacDonald Masset RCMP-GRC 2042 Collison Avenue P.O. Box 39 Masset, BC V0T 1M0	Month of July 2021 to September 2021
		Date Prepared: 2021-09-10
		Phone No. (250) 626-3991

### OFFENCES REPORTED AND/OR COMMITTED IN THE VILLAGE OF MASSET

<b>A) Criminal Code</b>		<b>C) Liquor</b>	
1. Sexual Assaults	0	1. Liquor offences	37
2. Assaults – Spousal/Other	3	2. Prevention efforts	13
3. Wilful Damage/Vandalism	0	<b>D) Traffic</b>	
4. Break & Enter & Theft	0	1. Accidents	1
5. Theft	5	2. Charges	3
6. Impaired Operation	2	<b>E) Assistance/Services</b>	
7. Disturbing the Peace	9	1. Missing Persons	2
8. Other Criminal Code Offences	6	2. Sudden Deaths	0
<b>B) Drugs</b>		3. Assistance-General Public	0
1. Possession of Drugs	0	4. Town By-laws	3
2. Trafficking	2	5. Other	0

Sgt. Damon MacDonald  
Detachment Commander

Mayor Barry Pages  
Mayor and Council

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Date

## NARRATIVE INTERPRETATION OF ABOVE STATISTICS

### **1. Crime trends / problems:**

Masset Detachment responded to 169 calls for service within the community of Masset between July 1<sup>st</sup> and the writing of this report (September 2021). Calls for service are monitored to identify any developing trends or issues.

During the second quarter the detachment received two reports of intoxicated drivers from reluctant callers. Members were unable to verify one of the calls as the vehicle reported could not be located. The second call was deemed to be unfounded. Members will respond to all complaints of impaired driving but encourage the public to provide as much detail as possible when reporting such crimes.

Alcohol abuse continues to be the single largest issue facing the Village of Masset with a regular group of individuals consuming liquor in the 'downtown core'. These abuse issues are typically an aggravating factor in other criminal code offences.

There were two persons reported missing to the Masset Detachment during the second quarter. Both individuals were located safe and the concerned callers were updated accordingly.

During the second quarter the detachment continued their proactive traffic enforcement initiatives. These initiatives resulted in numerous vehicles being stopped to ensure that the vehicle were insured and that the drivers were sober and properly licenced. As a result of these traffic enforcement efforts two separate individuals were found driving while provincially disqualified. The individuals were charged accordingly and in one of the incidents the vehicle was towed and impounded.

Other significant investigations included:

2021-07-06 – Masset RCMP members were on routine patrol when they observed a male individual known to be on no alcohol conditions on the roadside displaying obvious signs of intoxication. The male was arrested and charged for failing to comply with his conditions. He was held in custody until he was sober enough to care for himself. This matter is currently before the Courts.

2021-08-31 – Masset RCMP received a complaint of an assault with a weapon. Members attended and spoke with the male victim who reported that an intoxicated female acquaintance, that he was giving a ride home to, became angry and assaulted him. The male victim took himself to the hospital for treatment of his injuries. Members located the female, arrested her and charged her accordingly. This matter is currently before the Courts.

2021-09-03 – Masset RCMP members were investigating an assault with a weapon complaint where a male victim reported having been tasered. The male assailant was located and during his subsequent arrest a large amount of cash and drugs were located on his person. Charges of Trafficking are currently being sought.

## **2. Crime Prevention Initiatives:**

During the summer months there were no community events that the Masset RCMP members were made aware of. With school starting back up in September, numerous visits have already been made. Members enjoy meeting with staff and students alike.

Detachment members conduct proactive traffic enforcement when feasible and use these initiatives not only for enforcement efforts but also as educational opportunities.

Masset RCMP have continued their downtown foot patrols during the second quarter in an attempt to curb the public consumption of alcohol. Members have become very familiar with the usual crowd and often intervene early by giving the offenders rides home.

Curfew checks continue to be done by the detachment membership as part of our Offender Management Program.

## **3. Feed Back from Community Consultative Groups / Justice Committees / Community Leadership:**

Sgt. MacDonald arrived at the end of June 2021 and to his knowledge the Village of Masset does not have a CCG or a Justice Committee.

Sgt. MacDonald has had somewhat regular contact with Masset CAO Alan Smith and a number of topics have been discussed. Most recently, with the occurrence of the large magnitude earthquake in Alaska there was

discussion around revision of a Tsunami Preparedness Plan. Meetings are in the process of being scheduled.

**4. Other Significant Issues:**

Masset RCMP is currently fully staffed. Our full complement is 1 Sgt, 1 Cpl and 7 Csts with 2 of those positions being assigned to the FNP.

Sgt. MacDonald arrived as the detachment commander for the Masset Detachment at the end of June.

Cst. Jahn-Edwards filled the vacant FNP position in August and is adjusting well to the community.

**5. Document Feedback and indicate delivery method:**

Report hand delivered to Mayor and Council by Sgt. Damon MacDonald.

**6. APP update to community:**

Traffic enforcement and abuse of alcohol were identified as priorities after consultation with leadership. Update on these priorities are as follows:

1. Traffic Enforcement / Impaired Driving

3 # of MVA VT's  
0 # of impaired drivers

2. Crime Reduction Strategy

1 # of CDSA charges  
13 # of foot patrols

**7. Community Familiarization:**

A familiarization package is available at the detachment and is reviewed by all new incoming members.