

**SBC Public Meeting
January 24, 2011**

**Skidegate Band Council
Public Meeting Held January 24, 2011
At Skidegate Community Hall**

PRESENT:

Chief Councillor	Robert Mills	
Councillors	James Cowpar	Duane Alsop
	Bill Yovanovich	Godfrey Williams
	Robert Williams	David Crosby

Absent:

Councillor Willard Wilson @ Van, wife's medical

Staff:

Band Manager	Barbara Stevens
Executive Assistant	Marcia Piercey

Public (from sign in sheet):

Susan Gladstone	Erica Ryan-Gagne	Nicole Funk
Lisa Dignard	Carol Crosby	Phil Gladstone
Ruth Gladstone-Davies	Grace Jones	Roy Jones Sr.
Herman Collinson	Gladys Vandal	Golie Hans
Pat Gellerman	Betty Richardson	Harvey Williams
Betty Douglas	Lonnie Young	Shelley Gladstone
Susan Ellis	Mary Russ	Walter Russ
Vanessa Whiteknife	Kathy Williams	Nelson Cross
Bea Harley	Roy Jones Jr.	

Meeting was called to order at 7:20 p.m. by chairperson Robert Mills. Opening prayer done by Barbara Stevens.

Additions/Deletions to Agenda: Roy Jones Jr. wanted to add 9.1 Fire Protection and 9.2 Home Insurance to the agenda.

MOTION: 24-01-11(01pmtg) moved by Ruth Gladstone-Davies that the agenda be adopted with additions. Second Roy Jones Jr. CARRIED.

Adoption of Minutes: MOTION: 24-01-11(02pmtg) moved by Carol Crosby that the October 29, 2010 public meeting minutes be adopted. Second Erica Ryan-Gagne. One abstention. CARRIED.

SBC Update: Education: Robert Williams reported that Council has followed up with a letter to both schools to meet regarding students learning capabilities, the school has a tendency to push our students through, when our students get to high school they have a hard time. It was recommended that Council start a home work club, this was started several months ago. This Council has a willingness to meet with Skaadga Naay again. On Nov. 19th Council had an informal meeting with the principal at the high school, and spoke with the students in various classes, Council is committed to continue with these

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visits. On Nov. 30th, 2010 Council made a motion and signed a BCR in support for a Smartboard in the library, with funds from INAC. Additional proposals for funding for education will be done by our education coordinator Lisa Shoop. On Dec 15, 2010 the Haida Education Council (HEC) felt there was a need for one Haida Elder Representative, from Skidegate and Old Massett, and a call-out was done, the deadline to apply for this position is January 31, 2011. Elders are to submit their letter to Council and Council will forward to the HEC, we have three applications to date. The education committee will do a review of the education policies next month, this policy is available on our website, would appreciate if you would submit recommendations to Lisa Shoop. We want to publicly welcome Tana Hooper to the education committee. The summer funding deadline is February 15, 2011.

Haida Child & Family Services (HCFS): Robert Williams gave a brief overview of the Touch Stone Conference, held at Massett. Policies and services are to be developed. There are four phases: 1) process of truth telling, 2) acknowledge what you've done-look back at the past, 3) restoring and relating principles and 4) take ownership of your mistakes, i.e. report finances of Council to public. The emphasis being placed on "Jordan's Principle" which means the child first principle, put issues aside if a child is involved, put the welfare of the child in the forefront, this is yet to be adopted in Canada. Touch Stone will develop a book called "Being Haida" would recommend the public watch for this book. The HCFS AGM was held on Nov 6th, 2010, which Robert Williams attended, the AGM was fairly standard, but lacked a quorum for resolutions, so the AGM was adjourned. The HCFS AGM will reconvene this Saturday at Old Massett, if you're interested please attend.

Communications: This Council is open and transparent and continues with our open door policy, we're always there to listen and to try to help. Council met with the Village of Queen Charlotte on Nov. 4, 2010 and will meet formally with the Village of Queen Charlotte on February 3, 2011. Council will report back to the public. At a Council meeting held November 17, 2010, Council wanted to develop a Community Consultation Group, we received two applicants. Internal Operations-Council sent a letter to GNC requesting a 10% administration fee be deducted for time spent meeting with the Great Bear Initiative (GBI), this has been outstanding for one year, GBI promised funds to assist with the project, that got held up and the funds were sent back. Council is working with GBI and CHN to try have the funds released. Council is working with OMVC on the scallop farm, try to make sure it's sustainable. Council met with the OMVC to better services, i.e. forestry, the discussions are in the infancy. A letter was jointly signed to CHN to request a meeting for all three Councils. We want to work with one another for the betterment of our Nation, this meeting is being held tomorrow. Skidegate is hosting an All Island Protocol meeting on January 28th at the Haida Heritage Center, with the Village of Queen Charlotte, Port Clements, Massett, Sandspit, Old Massett and Skidegate. This is open to the public, and you're welcome to attend.

Great Bear Initiative: On Nov. 25, 2010, Robert Williams attended a meeting at Vancouver, to do an overview of the agenda for the GBI board meeting. Council wanted open communication, need better communications. A lands/resource committee was

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formed, the purpose of the meeting was to listen to the executive, provide a report to Council then Council would decide as a group to “yay or nay” at Council’s table. At the board meeting on Dec. 8th, 2010, had the opportunity to meet with Premier Gordon Campbell, felt the whole session was “ass kissing”, but Campbell committed to visit Haida Gwaii, in January or February of this year.

Youth/Recreation: Robert Williams reported he attended the Haida Health Hub at Port Clements on Nov. 20-21, 2010. There was a low youth attendance, but the youth did bring up some issues, some youth thought it should be mandatory to have the Haida language taught in all schools, for health care should adopt a holistic approach, wanted a voice at the political tables, the Skidegate Youth Council is very well represented, some youth notices the Health Hub process was identical to CHN and HCFS, youth felt there should be more participation and workshops on HIV and drug use and thought there was a lack of work on “things to do” wanted structured youth programs. Youth were requesting activities outside of basketball, there is a need for improvement for structured recreation programs. What was working for the youth was the Canoe Journey, the Skidegate Youth Council, the youth were thankful for Kris Olsen, for what he’s done at Queen Charlotte and Skidegate and for the Teen Center. The common theme was youth engagement. Robert Williams wanted to congratulate Erica Ryan-Gagne and Vanessa Whiteknife their team beat out 150 youth at the Youth Entrepreneur Gala. The Youth Council held the Christmas at the George Brown Rec. Center on Nov. 30th, 2010, thanks to Rose Russ and crew for helping with this. On Dec. 16th, 2010, \$2000 was applied for, if successful the funds will be transferred to the Youth Council to determine how to spend this. Alcohol and Drug Awareness, it was hoped Alvin Powell would come to Haida Gwaii to speak to the youth, will work with the high school to get him up here. Will meet with Harmony Williams to develop strategy for Island wide, to increase youth involvement in each community, a strategic plan for Haida Gwaii. Youth Center: On Dec. 01st, Council received an \$180,000 contribution from INAC, which has to be spent by the end of this fiscal year. It was decided to modify the design of the youth center. On January 11-12th, Robert Williams attended the HIV Task Force meeting at Prince George, which was uneventful, there is a proposal to host a series of workshop in three regions, Prince George, Iskut and Haida Gwaii, these will be held in March in both Skidegate and Old Masset.

Erica Ryan-Gagne stated Alvin Powell will be at Prince Rupert and she had secured all the funds to get him here, they are trying to figure out where we’ll fit in with his travel plans to come to Haida Gwaii. This will also be open to community members. Erica Ryan-Gagne will keep everyone updated. He’ll be here in March. Will need to secure funds for his hotel.

Duane Alsop asked that the information be forwarded to Council. For the youth center, we’re looking at deviating from the original plans, from the youth input, we are allowed to deviate from the original design to a traditional style longhouse. Now we have to talk to Syd Crosby to see which company we’ll work with. The Youth Council has been lacking turn out, we need input from the youth. We welcome Erica Ryan-Gagne who has joined the youth council.

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Finance Statements: Robert Williams explained the finance manager, Sue Wood could not be here tonight, she is off on medical and explained from the financial spectre, things are looking better, two years ago we needed a line of credit to help with payroll, it is not as bleak as it once was. The capital group has done much work, would like to thank them. We are in no danger of third party or losing our block funding. We have been able to keep up with the School District payments. We also thank the public for helping, i.e. Gary Russ Sr. suggesting we go after the Haida parity funds, which is done. Also we would like to thank our staff for the hard work they've been doing.

Kaay: Robert Mills stated Duane Alsop, James Cowpar and Robert Mills are on the Kaay board, the Council held a meeting with the Kaay board. For the Northern Initiative Trust monies, there is a suggestion that the board purchase one of the canoes. We've had two extensions, but this has to be spent by March 31, 2011 so we are exploring selling one or two of the small canoes and the Looplex. The Kaay board hired an interim operations manager, Tanu Lusignan, who started January 10, 2011, he is doing a phenomenal job putting order to the place. Duane Alsop added Jason Alsop took an internship at Victoria for the last several months Duane Alsop has been sitting in with assistance from Robert Mills and James Cowpar. Tanu Lusignan was hired in the interim and is doing a good job there, all the time Duane Alsop spent at Kaay, missed out on his work, there was a need for someone in charge. The Kaay board is functioning and moving toward independence, and moving in the right direction. We're working on getting the heat pump replaced, this will benefit us in the long run, we're hoping to have the geo thermal back up in the near future. Robert Mills added Parks will help us with some of the installment costs. We had to register the Lootaas with Transportation Canada, because we take people out on the canoe, we are working on an application to the Royal Bank of Canada for a safety boat, which would go out with the Lootaas.

Robert Mills stated the Skidegate Band Council will cover the cost of the hotel for Alvin Powell's visit.

Break at 8:40 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Housing: James Cowpar stated Duane Alsop, Robert Williams and James Cowpar were on the housing portfolio. Council has a crime free housing policy, and in the next months will be implementing this, Council was looking for public support when this is implemented. We're all tired of the drug issue. In the near future will be implementing the three strikes you're out. Would like to thank the members of the housing committee. There are budget restrictions for the emergency funding. For policy development, there are several options, one was income testing, this will provide a better structure. We've been mandated to follow up on the empty houses, how can we deal with this, we can meet with the individuals, they can finish the houses or pass the house onto another Band member to finish. We are approaching the rental arrears in a positive way with due process. We help as much as we can with that member, two years ago it was 20% arrears, its getting better. Mortgages with RBC, there are 33 loans, when people have default loans we bring the people in to work out a repayment process, we help to the best of our ability. The housing committee will explore the insurance i.e. the Band getting

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blanket insurance for every home, but there's still work to be done, we hope to explore this and we welcome public input. The lot sizes are quite small, we are looking at the lot issue, i.e. members with 2 lots, we hope to make it fair and get more information on this. Condemned houses-we've been getting requests to fix these, but the houses are condemned, we can look at building new houses, there's a process to follow with condemned houses. We are trying to make the housing process transparent, we try our best with no budget, through further work we can develop a model. A lady from INAC drove through Skidegate, saw four unfinished houses, those four will have to meet with Council to plan what to do, we have to rectify this to get off the freeze list. There are members waiting, we sent the list to INAC, INAC sends the list of names back, of people that are approved, some people on that list for a long time. We hope to meet with INAC once we have a structure in place. We've been operating on a limited budget for the emergency and Elder's requests, for roofs, we work with housing and those in need, we have a proposal into INAC. Our bid process is a thorough bid process, we do exercise fair process and advertise, sometimes we get one result. The housing committee is voluntary, and the housing department has no money, we are going to work on a business plan, i.e. what percentage to take out of capital to put toward housing, what comes from rents, and what portion goes back into housing. We're working hard to correct the Elder's problems, keep sending letters in. We ask that you spread the word about the bid process, we expect people to put bids in. We lost out on \$150,000 because of the bid process, none of our contractors but a bid in. We can't go door to door to offer the jobs, we can ask you to put your bid in.

Duane Alsop added Council continued with the positive relationship with the Skidegate Haida Immersion Program (SHIP), Council recently met with the School District #50 board of directors to try come to an agreement for long term security, and a five year contract to have Kevin Borsario stay with SHIP. The language is important to our culture. In Council's dedication to SHIP, a call out has been done for repairs to the SHIP building, we received a bid, and we are moving forward on this. They will be off to Vancouver then Hawaii, we're hoping when they return their building will be fixed up for them. Bill Yovanovich attended a language conference with SHIP and is going to attend the conference at Vancouver with SHIP.

Bill Yovanovich reported he will be attending the language conference in early February, was invited to go to Hawaii, but can't attend, timing doesn't work out. Informed that Willard Wilson was at Vancouver with his wife who is on medical. Council met with Vicki Ives regarding the bullying at school, this is quite a concern, some kids were scared to go to school. Encourage everyone to attend the next meeting regarding bullying. There was a need for counseling in the school, Lisa Shoop gave Vicki Ives the information, this was worked on, now there a counsellor was hired for Sk'aadga Naay. If you hear of any reports of bullying, please pass it on, there is going to be a committee started, this is quite a serious issue at the elementary school.

BC Ferries was granted an extension to our sewer and water, but this is going to happen, this is going forward. They are going to get water for their building, this will generate some revenue.

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Wood Lot: We've had this wood lot for 11 years, now there is road access 300 meters from our wood lot, once we get a management plan, we are ready to go ahead.

HEC: The Haida Education Council wants Councils to appoint the Elders. Bill Yovanovich explained the RMP is the Remedial Management Plan which is a plan to address our debt.

Dam: we had two reports done, one from Province and one from Trow & Associates, both had safety concerns, we had a meeting with INAC to upgrade our dam and get a road put in to access the dam. Barbara Stevens, Sue Wood and David Nairne & Associates are working diligently on getting year end money.

David Crosby congratulated Erica Ryan-Gagne on winning an award at the youth conference, they attended this conference without help from the Band, secured their funding.

We receive \$630,000 for capital from INAC, we have to say where it's going, i.e \$200,000 for housing, so much for the youth center. We had a \$1.8 million dollar deficit at the start of the fiscal year, were on the freeze list in housing since 2004, we can't get anymore funding until this is cleaned up. We should be reporting on the \$40,000 that we get from INAC, it cost \$100,000 to finish a house, we shouldn't have to report on the whole amount, just the \$40,000.

For the rental arrears, we are dealing with one person, people should get better deals, maybe get welfare to pay for some housing, we should be looking after our people. We're not getting any funds for the damage from the storms, we applied for emergency roofs, we just found out we're going to get some of that money, don't know how much.

The O&M budget is always in the red, there wasn't a completion report done, we negotiated to keep that going, now getting \$80,000 per year, they wanted to give \$20,000, we said no.

Our Council backs SHIP 100% but there's people that don't want to back it, people in high positions. Haida should be our second language. The Elders are doing the best they can to keep our language, it's something we need to do. We can pull all our kids out of school, if they don't want to listen to us. With the new Bill C31 coming in, we will get more money, we have to live in our budgets.

The province did an assessment, INAC said hire an expert, we hired Trow & Associates, they said open the valve, now the dam is almost drained. Now we have to keep an eye on it, now we need to build a new dam. Council is very effective in balancing the budgets, we are trying to get half a million from different organizations, i.e. Parks, we should be OK with what we got from Gwaii Trust, we should be OK for this fiscal year.

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We have a budget of \$30,000 for the WOP, to hire people from Social Assistance, we're still doing this, they've cleaned up the subdivision and around the village, hopefully they'll clean up Copper Bay.

Robert Mills explained the debt to Kaay was \$4 million, thought the \$4 million would clear our books, in consultation with Mel Woolley money was freed up, \$8 million, so we asked for \$8 million, INAC to provide \$4 million and \$4 million from Parks, then we found out the debt was only \$2.4 million, so were looking for smaller amounts from other organizations. We're doing the same for the endowment fund, asking for smaller amounts. Council is working to get us out of the RMP, there's been a team approach, we're a team and we're all doing this together, it's not Kaay and SBC, it's all of us. We have an awesome team to bring us out of RMP, and looks very promising, thanks to this team.

Economic Development: Godfrey Williams reported Council got the building GNC is in appraised at \$134,000 and that doesn't include the land. Council is exploring options for that building because of our debt. The economic development manager is on medical leave until March 31, 2011. The GNC board consists of Russ Jones, Sasha Jones, James Cowpar and Godfrey Williams, who deal with the issues once per month, in the near future we'll have a CEO in place.

Fisheries: Godfrey Williams reported for the HROK, we got 8800 pounds through Conrad Collinson, we sold that for \$4.50 per pound, the Japanese had 300,000 pounds in their warehouses. So when they put in the bid we had to take \$4.50 per pound, there was too much product in Japan. Alaska had 400,000 pounds, BC coast had 100,000 pounds, we couldn't compete with that amount. The BC coast worked until May or June and sold for \$2-4 per pound, was a tough year for the coast. This year is going to be the same because too much product and the older generation have passed on and the younger generation like fast food, so the product isn't selling. This year Skidegate is not going out this year. Conrad Collinson is going out food fishing, we wish him luck. Council tried to generate money for the Band, we tried last year, but we went in the hole. There is a HROK committee to negotiate with fisheries, five license holders were picked, Godfrey Williams is on the committee. There hasn't been a meeting yet, the committee will negotiate on all license holders' behalf.

DFO wants to do a sea cucumber fishery in September- October, Haida Gwaii has been shut down for 15 years, now they want to come back, this raised up flags. We asked what do we get out of this, their reply was nothing, we want a license, there's 85 licenses on the coast, we were told no. We replied we won't let people on our territory, DFO said they'll come anyway. We told them we're not going to stand by, when we say no, we're not being consulted, we're being told. We'll come back and we'll be better prepared, we'll stand up for our rights.

The boat Ocean Pearle phoned Old Massett and asked them if they wanted food fish, ling cod and red snapper, the Haida Fisheries Committee discussed this, there is policy in place, and decided one time only. They'll give Skidegate and Old Massett fish. At the

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end of the day we passed a motion, the next time it'll be our community member that does this.

Godfrey Williams wanted to thank the employees for working through the few very tough years of RMP, would love to get back to five days, hopefully soon.

Robert Mills reported they attended the QCSS Christmas luncheon, was fortunate to travel to Ottawa, in Montreal met with Matthew Cuncome, he said he'd love to come out here. Robert Mills has moved his daughter here in November, is not doing the commuting anymore. Robert Mills explained Jordan's Principle, Judy Blackshaw put together the funding, this will state who's financially responsible for the child. Jordan was a child that dies in a hospital. Premier Campbell said they'd adopt Jordan's Principle.

Thompson River University was willing to assist with a business plan for the scallop farm, would like to use the students from the aquaculture class.

Band Manager's Report: Barbara Stevens acknowledged staff, and thanked Marcia Piercey and Sheila Williams for organizing the staff Christmas party. All staff took a cut to a four day work week, over the last two years, and a 20% wage cut, this helped the Band's finances, but was not an easy thing, we are getting close where we can go back to five days per week.

O&M: this was the first year we're not in a deficit, on December 31, there was a \$360,000 deficit, three years of waste water, we now get \$80,000 per year from INAC for a total of \$240,000. SQCRD increased our tipping fees, we applied to INAC and they will give us \$191,000 this year, for a total of \$481,000, so we'll be good this year.

We received the \$1.666 million from Gwaii Trust, so our finances to the end of December we're in the black, our year isn't over yet, March 31 is the end of our fiscal year.

Would like to thank Marlon Williams and Rick Wilson, who do our road winterization, they are up all night doing our roads, to keep us all safe.

Willard Wilson is a Skeena Native Development Society (SNDS) board member, SNDS funding was halted since the summer, now they have over \$2 million to allocate before March 31st. We received an email they will fund apprenticeships and short term training.

George Martynuik is overseeing the WOP crew, the WOP is good for our community and the few people that we employ.

The Band is on a CFNFA we will have a new five year agreement on April 1st. We are updating the Skidegate Band Council Policy and Procedures, Council has added new policies. Would like to remind everyone to check out our website, that's where the job posting are advertised.

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The Haida Health Hub talks about our plan for wellness, there is a wish list for funding, hopefully a lot of them will be realized.

All staff only use reimbursable travel and Council uses mostly reimbursable travel.

Working with the Skidegate Band Council has been awesome, everyone has their own area of expertise. Would like to commend the Council.

Robert Mills informed on January 31st at 1:00 p.m. the GBI will be hosting a forum on Diesel Energy at the small hall. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Questions:

Roy Jones Jr: The two dragon boats at Kaay are sitting outside full of water. The trees at Kaay, thank Council for cleaning these up, but there has to be more clean up. Can see the hardships our people face, with the mold and renovations, his house has tar paper, no mold. Made a presentation at Prince Rupert, the Tsimsian asked him to work for them on the seals, it's an industry to create revenue. You have to work on this. Can get the report on the seal impact to Council. In the minutes, it talks about dogs, I reported pit bulls up by the school, there are vicious dogs running loose, these have to be addressed. Council put dangerous dogs properties in this, there is a difference between a lab retriever and a pit bull, can't trust a pit bull.

Robert Mills replied now that we have more space at Kaay, we can move those dragon boats. For the clean up, we can do an assessment of danger trees, this is still in the works. For the renovations/mold, tyvek was designed for houses on the prairies, in order for those to work, need air exchangers. The pit bulls is still an ongoing issue, we're doing what we can, we're in a financial bind, can't afford a dog catcher, this is something still in the works.

Lisa Dignard didn't use the mike so couldn't hear most of what she said, regarding the unfinished and condemned homes, tourists come through Skidegate.

Betty Richardson still needs a new roof, now getting cracks in her ceiling. Robert Mills replied her house was part on the list for the money that was coming in.

Lisa Dignard asked about cleaning up Copper Bay, and the old trailers, ____ was willing to use their Hiab to clean up the trailers, if his gas and fees were paid. Robert Mills explained Richard Russ applied and received funding to clean up Copper Bay, but we can't take things out of there without the owner's permission. James Cowpar added Council did discuss Copper Bay, we'll put signs up, there is also a lot of wind fall to be dealt with and the derelict buildings.

Erica Ryan-Gagne didn't use the mike, couldn't hear most of what she said. Spoke about the National Aboriginal Role Model for ages 14-30 years, have to be nominated by

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someone within that age group as well and someone of aboriginal descent. Erica Ryan-Gagne was willing to take this on, think of young people and get them recognized.

Ruth Gladstone-Davies stated for policy development, be consistent, one thing not talked about is appealing decisions made by Council or committees. Should try to build that into the policies so it's consistent. Is there an appeal process for housing, education, etc. Robert Williams replied the education policies does have an appeals process, the student will apply, the application is reviewed by the education committee, recommendations go to the Council, if the education committee decides not to fund, a letter is written to the applicant, there is a 30 day window for an appeal via letter, the letter is forwarded to the appeals committee, the appeals group has a timeline to reply. For housing a clear appeals policy has to be developed and also with Council decisions. Ruth Gladstone-Davies replied for the S/A appeals committee with one person is appointed by S/A or SBC one person appointed by the client with a neutral chairperson, that's fair. James Cowpar added we're looking at developing concrete structure, we'll put that on the agenda.

Betty Douglas asked for help regarding her son's Douglas Crosby's house, Douglas Crosby left his house to his little boy but everyone is fighting over it. Betty Douglas didn't want to get involved because these are her grandchildren. That house is going to get moldy. Betty Douglas wanted help from Council to talk with INAC. Robert Mills replied he was in conflict because Douglas Crosby was his first cousin. Council discussed this and received documents, Council recognizes the will, but the claim of the other family is the will was done before the last child was born, INAC is looking at the legality of the last child born. Mary Russ explained the executor has the right to look after the house. Robert Mills added the executor has the power to maintain the house, interim control of the house, Calvin Crosby is the executor and has interim control of the house. James Cowpar added the executor is the landlord of that property, Council is seeking legal advice and this can't be discussed in a public meeting. Robert Mills added in the interim as executor he's to do what's necessary to keep the house in good shape and the rent collected is used for maintenance.

Roy Jones Jr. stated the fire department started practices in Queen Charlotte, they said if you can't hold up your end, we can't come down here if there is a fire in Queen Charlotte. We have a core group of 5-6 firemen, we're short on fire men. Roy Jones Jr did a questionnaire regarding insurance and fire protection. Fire practice is Tuesday nights. Talked with Lisa Shoop to access funds for training. In the questionnaire it was asked if people agreed to call outs to Miller Creek and Lawn Hill, 98.8 % said yes. The Tlell Fire Department's boundary is Lawn Hill, and is 16.5 km from Tlell, Skidegate to Lawn Hill is 16.5 km. The numbers from the surveys will be sent to Council. The fire department needs people, for call-outs, traffic control, etc. Lisa Shoop will seek out funding to get training. 48% of our homes have no insurance, Musqueam has blanket insurance that covers the whole community. If Council buys into this insurance will go down and this will make it affordable. Old Massett has 35 homes with damaged roofs, the costs to replace those roofs alone, the insurance will be saving in the long run. Will put the information from the survey on a data base and get the demographics of our

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whole community. Has a survey for every home in Skidegate, will take awhile to do them all. If Councillors on the housing portfolio are at Vancouver, maybe we can set up a meeting with the people that could provide the insurance. Robert Mills replied Council is definitely interested.

Robert Mills stated Council is doing all we can to get out of RMP. WOP is extended for another month. The committees are community volunteers, thank you. We're not blaming anyone for the predicament we're in. We're looking good for this fiscal year.

Roy Jones Jr stated talk to your families-join the SVFD there is a need for more fire fighters.

Next meeting: April 25, 2011.

Closing prayer: Barbara Stevens

Meeting was adjourned at 11:00 p.m.