



Binche Whut'en
Regular Council Meeting Minutes

June, 01, 2021
10:00 AM

Minute Recorder: Dawn Morris

Council Present: Dwayne Martin, Theresa Morris, Jarrod Tom, Stanley Tom, Jarrod Tom, Davis Monk, Tracy Anatole.

Staff Present: Dawn Morris, Kayla Pierre

Delegations: Liliana, Deborah, Jessica, Gerald, Dorie

Called to Order at 10:01 by Chair Chief Tracy Anatole

I. Approval of Minutes /Agenda for May.04.2021 and May.11.2021

Motion of approval 06.01.2021

Moved	Theresa Morris
Seconded	Jarrod Tom

II. Delegations to Council

- a) Buckley Nechako presenting the Launch of the Hazard, Risk, Vulnerability Analysis project in the Regional District of Buckley-Nechako 10:00AM
- b) Gerald Spooner Introducing himself to become a Binche Whut'en Member. 10:30

III. Unfinished Business

NONE

IV. Correspondence

Incoming

- i. 2021-04-09 and 2021-04-30 Letter from Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Recourse Operations and Rural Development.
- ii. Letter from Statistics Canada Re: 2021 Census of Population

- iii. Letter from British Columbia file: LAN 7407962 License of Occupation Assignment
- iv. Letter from FESBC Re: Forest Enhancement Society of BC Accomplishments Update Spring 2021
- v. Letter from Ecofor Re: Notice of Intent to Conduct AIAs Under Permit 2020-0134
- vi. Letter from British Columbia File:10455-50/21 A16826 ISI
- vii. Letter from British Columbia File:10455-50/2021 TEN Carrier Info share 002 2021 03
- viii. Letter from Tanizul Timber LTD Re: Remove Binche Reserve Lands (#2, 7, 7A, 8 and 12) from Community Forest Agreement K\$B (License) Schedule A Lands
- ix. Letter from British Columbia Re: BCTS cell selection MK NRD- end of 60-day consultations period
- x. Letter from Canadian Forest Products Ltd. Re: Houston Harvest Notification Summer 2021/Winter 2022 Referral
- xi. Letter from West Fraser Mills Ltd Re: Fraser Lake Sawmills: SN2021-2 Development Information Sharing
- xii. Letter from Fort St. James Medical Clinic Re: No sick notes (Employers must not mandate their employees obtain a physician's sick note to validate work absence)
- xiii. Letter from Nak'azdli Whut'en Re: Nak'azdli Whut'en will no longer be renting out their flags.
- xiv. Letter from Nezul Be Hunuyeh Child & Family Services Society Re: Welcome to Nezul Be Hunuyeh Child & Family Services Society & BOD Appointments.

Outgoing

V. New business

- a) BCR# 83 05.13.2021 Re: Making a Binche Whut'en Local Education Agreement (LEA) with School District 91
Motion of approval 06.01.2021

Moved	Jarrold Tom
Seconded	Dwayne Martin

- b) BCR#84 05.26.2021 Re: Binche Whut'en to keep MNP in the Binche Whut'en office and train Kayla Pierre during the next 12-18 months.
Motion of approval 06.01.2021

Moved	Theresa Morris
Seconded	Dwayne Martin

VI. Discussion Point

- a) BCTS letter Re: Working with First Nation Communities across the Stuart Nechako
 - i. Kayla was asked to send all the letter and any other information from BCTS to Binche Keyoh Bu Socitey
- b) Letter from Sharron (Lease Land member) Re: A light on Vic Lavallee's shop.
 - ii. Chief Tracy Anatole was asked by council to talk with Vic Lavallee to change the light from an industrial light to a lower wattage light.
- c) Email that was sent by Chief Tracy Anatole to all Council members and staff member Kayla Re: The destruction that seasonal Lease Land Members caused over the May long weekend
 - iii. Kayla was asked by Chief and Council to draft a letter asking the members of the lease lots to please follow speed regulations and to not drive inside the ball field.
- d) Appointing an Elder to be on the Nezul Be Hunyeh BOD (Board of Directors)
 - iv. Stanley Tom mentioned that would like to be on there BOD
 - v. Davis Monk also would like to be on their BOD
 - vi. Chief and Council will appoint the members next meeting and a drafted letter will also be made to send to Nezul Be appointed to the two members to sit on there BOD

a) VIII. Reports

a. Financials

MNP employee Dorie and Corina will be providing an update of the progress they made during the month of May.

- i. Dorie updated Chief and Council about the major changes that have been happening in office such as the new accounting system is ready to start putting GL (General Ledger) codes in and that the Binche Whut'en office should have a fully running accounting system in the next week or two.

a) **Administration**

Kayla Pierre will be providing a verbal update of what has been happening in office and the new changes that may come in the following months.

- i. Kayla was away from the office this day put attended over Via Google Meets. Kayla updated Chief and Council of the Governance Training that will be coming up at the end of month for not only her self but for Dawn Morris, Chief and Council. Kayla Mentioned that herself and Dawn Morris has been working on getting training through INAC from Rodney Hynes as well. Kayla had great feedback from all the training skills that MNP has been providing Dawn and herself over these past months.

b) **Health**

Carrie Nash, Shannon Soloman and Tracy Baldwin provided a report letter.

VII. Open Forum

Dave Birdi presented to Chief and Council about a funding opportunity that they will be applying for and had asked Chief and Council to sign a BCR (Band Council Resolution) as support from Chief and Council to secure this funding opportunity

VIII. In Camera

Motion to go In-Camera 06.01.2021-05

Moved	Theresa Morris
Seconded	Dwayne Martin

IX. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn at 1:07

Motion 06.01.2021-06

Moved	Stanley Tom
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June 03, 2021

Binche Whut'en First Nation
Chief Tracy Anatole and Council
PO Box 2039
Fort St. James, BC V0J 1P0

RE: Stuart Lake Hospital Redevelopment: Invitation to meet and to join the Stuart Lake Hospital Indigenous Advisory Working Group

Dear, Chief Anatole and Council:

Work continues on the new Stuart Lake Hospital Project. This is an exciting project for Northern Health as the existing hospital, originally built in 1972, is outdated and no longer able to best serve local communities.

In March 2021, a preferred proponent, Graham Design Builders LP, was chosen for the design phase of the project. This design phase offers significant opportunity for community input into the project.

A key objective of the hospital's development is to make sure the design, construction, and ongoing use of the hospital respects and reflects the communities it serves.

As valued partners for the project, we respectfully request a meeting to discuss how the Binche Whut'en First Nation would like to be involved to provide feedback, input, and also to have any questions answered about the Stuart Lake Hospital Redevelopment. This meeting would be with Greg Marr, Northern Interior Assistant Chief Operating Officer, and Dr. Shannon Douglas, Medical Director for the Lakes Omineca region.

During this meeting, we would like to hear about any ideas or areas of special interest your community has for the project. This could include questions about territory and cultural recognition, contracting or employment opportunities, or anything else that you would like us to look at.

This meeting will also give us an opportunity to share details with you about the creation of an Indigenous Advisory Working Group, for the design phase of the project. This working group will provide advice and recommendations to Northern Health on items such as:

- How to create a welcoming and inclusive environment in the hospital
- How to best support cultural health practices
- Establishing a culturally safe environment
- Design elements, including:
 - Wayfinding and language
 - Art and visual representation
 - Landscaping
- Creating effective gathering and spiritual spaces

Northern Health recognizes the importance of involving and partnering with local Indigenous people and the First Nations on whose territories our health facilities are located. We continue to learn, and are eager to have more Indigenous involvement in the design and construction of capital projects.

If you are interested in having a meeting to discuss how your community can be involved in the Stuart Lake Hospital Replacement project, please reply to Greg Marr, Assistant Chief Operating Officer, Northern Interior, by email at Gregory.Marr@northernhealth.ca or by phone at 250-640-8452.

Sincerely,

Greg Marr
Assistant Chief Operating Officer,
Northern Interior

Dr. Shannon Douglas
Medical Director, Lakes Omineca

cc: Cathy Ulrich, Chief Executive Officer, Northern Health Authority
Colleen Nyce, Board Chair, Northern Health Authority



File: 10455-44/2021 TEN N2P Infoshare Y01

June 15, 2021

Chief Tracy Anatole and Band Council
Binche Whut'en
PO BOX 2039
Fort St. James, BC
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Dear Chief Tracy Anatole and Band Council:

The Province of British Columbia has received an application and is initiating consultation on the following 2021 TEN N2P Infoshare Y01:

PROPOSAL: Yekooche First Nation has submitted an infoshare for the 4 blocks composing CP Y01. These shapes were originally provided to First Nations by KDL (acting on behalf of Yekooche) via infoshare in July 2019 alongside the Management Plan and Forest Stewardship Plan. Given the ongoing conversations about this tenure and operational concerns over the preceding two years, consultation is being proposed for 30 days and will incorporate any existing comments or concerns you've provided.

APPLICANT: Yekooche First Nation

LOCATION: In the area of Camsell Lake

RESPONSE: is requested by **July 15, 2021**. Your review and response is required within the time period so that potential adverse impacts to aboriginal rights and title (Aboriginal Interests) may be fully considered in the decision making process.

The following table lists the authorization(s) required for the proposed activity and the agency responsible to issuing the authorization(s).

Authorization	Agency responsible	Delegated Decision Maker
<i>Forest Act</i> Block Planning Package	FLNRORD	Regional Executive Director

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June 9, 2021

Dear Chief Anotole,

If your community-owned or member-owned First Nation businesses are among the 31% of businesses in Canada that are experiencing normal sales for this time of year, after COVID-19, **you deserve a medal!**

However ...

- If your entrepreneurs are part of the 69% who are experiencing challenges with their businesses.
- If your leaders are having trouble with engagement or accountability.
- If you feel that there is a lack of opportunity for community entrepreneurs

... you might want to read on.

Pivotleader is a Northern BC firm that supports First Nation leaders and their community businesses in reducing stress and improving outcomes. We have put together a free Executive Briefing titled **“The Five Ways First Nation Businesses can build prosperity in Northern BC, after Covid-19”**.

Thousands of dollars of research have gone into this Executive Briefing – an outstanding, fast-paced, 28-minute live education on how leaders like you can build prosperity during this challenging period of rising competition and diminishing engagement!

Chief Anotole, we want you to keep winning!

Call and schedule this free education offer, today! The information you learn will help you, your businesses, and your community keep winning through the rest of 2021 and into 2022,

Best wishes,

Pivotleader

Dave

Dave Fuller
Instructor

Brooke

Brooke Unger
Project Coordinator

Ken

Ken Edzerza
Instructor

Norm

Norm Adams
Instructor

To: Theresa Morris
Joshua Hallman
Binche Band Office

Date: June 14, 2021

From: Michelle Unger, Manager Environmental Performance

Cc:

Subject: Copy of Pinchi Mine Studies

As per your request I have uploaded the Pinchi studies onto two USB sticks. I have organized them into different categories as described below.

USB 1

- **2009 Closure Plan** – includes a description of Closure studies used to develop the final closure plan including ecological and human health risk assessment studies. These individual studies are provided in Pinchi Env Studies and on USB 2
- **2018-Dec-18 Closure Management Manual** – document outlining the comprehensive closure monitoring and management program. This document is currently being updated to reflect updated monitoring programs and permits received since 2018.
- **Pinchi Annual ENV 224 reports** - water quality reports as per the ENV discharge permit
- **Pinchi Annual geotechnical report** - submissions as per Ministry of Mines for the tailings storage facility
- **Pinchi Annual Reclamation reports** - submissions as per Ministry of Mines on reclamation and environmental studies
- **Pinchi Env. Studies** – comprehensive list of environmental studies pre and post closure. Many of these will be referenced in the Closure Plan
- **Pinchi Monitoring Manuals** – post closure monitoring plans developed including geotechnical, revegetation, groundwater, and invasive plants. The 2020-01-15 Pinchi Aquatic Long term monitoring plan outlines the Pinchi Lake fish and benthic studies program
- **Ed Creek Diversion Channel Studies** – studies to support the engineered diversion channel and habitat

USB 2 – Env. studies including the following:

- Surface water sampling reports,
- Groundwater sampling reports
- Aquatic studies including benthic and fish tissue sampling
- Terrestrial Risk assessment studies – addendums to the 2009 ERA (note that tissue sampling hasn't occurred post closure and is scheduled for 2022)
- 2009 Ecological Risk Assessment
- 2010 Human Health Risk Assessment



File: 10455-50/2021 TEN Goldway Road Restoration

June 3, 2021

Chief Tracy Anatole and Band Council
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Dear Chief Tracy Anatole and Band Council:

The Province of British Columbia has received an application and is initiating consultation on the following 2021 TEN Goldway Road Restoration:

PROPOSAL: -Intention: make this road less suitable for alternative prey species, predator travel, and enhance caribou seasonal range. This aligns with the Federal Recovery goals for the southern mountain caribou.

-Aligns with the recommendation: Undertake coordinated actions to reclaim southern mountain caribou habitat in all currently utilized seasonal ranges through restoration efforts (e.g. restore industrial landscape features such as roads, old seismic lines, pipelines, cut-lines, temporary roads, cleared areas; reconnect fragmented annual ranges) to make it less suitable for other prey species

APPLICANT: Chu Cho Environmental

LOCATION: E of Sustut Lake

RESPONSE: is requested by **July 5, 2021**. Your review and response is required within the time period so that potential adverse impacts to Aboriginal Rights and Title (Aboriginal Interests), may be fully considered in the decision making process.

The Province will consider all available information regarding Aboriginal Interests over the proposal area prior to making decisions. Therefore, in addition to any information you may

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File: 10455-50/2021 NOW 1300504-202101 Wedgemount

June 18, 2021

Chief Tracy Anatole and Band Council
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Dear Chief Tracy Anatole and Band Council:

The Province of British Columbia has received an application and is initiating consultation on the following 2021 NOW 1300504-202101 Wedgemount:

PROPOSAL: The project is centered approximately 95km northwest of Fort St. James just south of Tchentlo Lake. The application consists of up to 5.0 km of exploration trails. (2.0 ha); and up to 40 exploration drill sites (1.0 ha) for a total disturbance of 3.0h over an applied 5 years. Progressive reclamation will be required. A Free Use Permit for timber removal will also be required.

APPLICANT: Wedgemount Resources Corp

LOCATION: South of Tchentlo Lake

RESPONSE: is requested by **July 21, 2021**. Your review and response is required within the time period so that potential adverse impacts to Aboriginal Rights and Title (Aboriginal Interests), may be fully considered in the decision making process.

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<i>Mines Act</i>	MEM	Regional Inspectors of Mining

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REGIONAL DISTRICT
OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO
"A WORLD OF OPPORTUNITIES WITHIN OUR REGION"

June 1, 2021

Chief Tracy Anatole
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Fort St. James, BC V0J 1P0

Dear Chief Anatole,

The Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako wishes to extend our heartfelt condolences for the devastating news received last week regarding the remains of 215 children located at the former Kamloops Residential School. Our emotions are sickened by this huge part of our history as Canadians. Our hearts are with the families and community of Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc and all our First Nations neighbours, for whom this announcement is not news, but a confirmation of community knowledge that has been carried for generations.

The RDBN reiterates the Province of BC's recognition that meaningful reconciliation involves more than symbolic gestures and affirms our own commitment to doing this work. We will be sure to remain aware of and, wherever appropriate, to participate in solidarity with your community as you mourn these, as well as the thousands of children across this country, who did not come home from residential schools. We stand with you and honour the memories and stories of residential school survivors and recognize the impacts of generational trauma wrought by the purposeful destruction and degradation of community, language and culture through colonization of this land. We commit individually and corporately to continued education, advocacy and policy work to uphold the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action and implement the principles of DRIPA legislation in our work.

Your leadership and community members are in our thoughts and prayers as you continue to hold each other up.

In solidarity,

Gerry Thiessen
RDBN Board Chair

MUNICIPALITIES:

SMITHERS FT. ST. JAMES
VANDERHOOF FRASER LAKE
HOUSTON TELKWA

ELECTORAL AREAS:

A-SMITHERS RURAL F-VANDERHOOF RURAL
B-BURNS LAKE RURAL E-FRANCOIS & OOSTA LAKES
C-FORT ST. JAMES RURAL G-HOUSTON RURAL

HEALTH AND PLANNING REPORT

TO: Binche Whut'en Chief and Council
FROM: Carrie Nash, Health and Planning Coordinator
DATE: June 28th, 2021

BINCHE WHUT'EN MONTHLY HEALTH AND PLANNING REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Health plan will be fully underway as soon as the authorization agreement is signed between both parties of Binche Whut'en health and FNHA. The portion from participation from FNHA has helped tremendously. Will regroup in Mid July as FNHA team will be on holidays. Weekly meeting has been scheduled and will also be attenuative for the commonable disease control and emergency services plan will be conducted with a team from nurse lead FNHA.

On March 23, received an email from manager stating the entitlement role of the new health lead/manager and all employees ensure all request and reports to directly to Carrie. I have worked closely with Kayla Interim manager to reflect the proper process of supervisory roles to the health staff. Request a completion letter of reference to FNHA and FNHDA Carrie Nash is now the Health Director/Manager of Binche Whut'en – update BCR for signing authority

UBC – Indigenous Health Administration & Leadership Program Start date May 28th, 2021 End date March 18th, 2022. I will include the schedule in this report.

FSJ FNPCI – Primary care initiative regional funds with FNHA Host, Nakazdli, Tlazten, Binche, team meeting held in the month of April and May plans to organize a Community Aboriginal Wellness and Addictions Center. Plans to have professional medical teams to access proper care for members with wellness and addictions. Process will be achieved by 2023, we are planning for the center to be in Fort St James area.

Mental health Councillor will be set up with MOIS – medical office information system for better quality care for patients and communications with health physicians. Update the process is setup for suitable communication to Stuart Lake physicians this will enhance the mental health support.

Fathers' day Event - good amount of participation. A large portion of the food BBQ supplies was disbursed, each on reserve father received a \$50 gift card.

June 10 – supports the 215 survivors, sacred fire event and sharing circle was a success, health will continue to support Binche in the mental health supports initiative.

Aboriginal day – BBQ event and Rock your mocs. RYM was not successful no participation from membership.

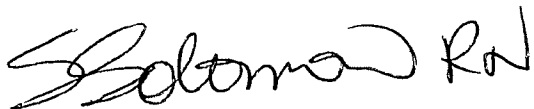
Will be providing clan flags and residents clan recognition to be ordered for Binche. Importance to recognize our clans for death, balhats etc. I will also be seeking for reflective house numbers for emergency services to recognize.

MONTHLY REPORT FOR BAND MANAGER

SHANNON, RN FOR NANCY TOM HEALTH CENTER

REPORTING PERIOD JUNE 1ST – JUNE 30TH

- COHI FOR 12 AND UNDER FLORIDE TREATMENT. CLINIC IS TENTATIVELY PLANNED FOR JULY 8TH AND AUGUST 3RD TO BE HELD AT NANCY TOM HEALTH CENTER
- COVID VACCINE DOCUMENTATION IS COMPLETE AND SENT IN
- PANORAMA MEETING WITH FNHA, CARRIE, KAYLA, AND PAUL
- HOME CARE VISITS AND WELLNESS CHECKS PERFORMED DAILY AND 3 X/PER WEEK AND AS NEEDED.
- PREPARING FOR FOOT CARE CERTIFICATION COURSE. MANDITORY IN ORDER TO PROVIDE DIABETIC FOOT CARE
- WE HAVE SHINGREX VACCINE AT CLINIC NOW FOR AGE 65 YR AND UP
- 4 DOCTOR DAY VISITS THIS MONTH
- SUTTER BROOK OPTOMETRY CLINIC HELD AT HEALTH CENTER
- BLOOD DRAWS X 5
- DRESSING CHANGES PROVIDED FOR 2 MEMBERS
- MEETING WITH MENTAL HEALTH FOR PLANNING EDUCATION ON HARM REDUCTION
- FOOD BANK PICK UP AND DELIVERY TO COMMUNITY MEMBERS IN NEED
- EDUCATION WITH FNHA ATTENDED ZOOM WEBINAR FOR "NOT JUST NALOXONE."
- ZOOM WEBINAR ON SUBSTANCE ABUSE / DIFFICULT CONVERSATIONS
- ATTENDED WEEKLY HUDDLE FOR DISCHARGE PLANNING WITH NH/STUART LAKE HOSPITAL
- MEETING WITH JAMIE AND DR. VAN ZYL AT NH CLINIC DISCUSSING NEEDS AND REVIEW OF CLIENT CARE PLANNING FOR NANCY TOM HEALTH CENTER
- ZOOM WEBINAR FOR DIABETES; FNHA

 Shannon RN

MONTHLY REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE/21
TRACY BALDWIN, COMMUNITY HEALTH REPRESENTATIVE/NANCY TOM HEALTH CENTER

* Suterbrook Optometry June 1/21 (as well as May 31/21). Both days were booked. Dr. Thom and staff were professional and were happy to offer this service to membership.

* June 7/21 - Doctor Day In Binche

* June 8/21 - Attended mandatory staff meeting @ Band Office

* June 4/21 "Remembering The Children" event

* June 9/21 - Doctor Day In Binche

* June 11/21 I connected with Carly from "Moon Time Sisters BC Chapter". Discussed with Carly how we have had situations where women are struggling to afford menstrual products. They were kind enough to send a box to us to distribute accordingly and to have on hand at the Nancy Tom Health Center

* June 14/21 - Brief Meeting with Angie Prince (Aboriginal Patient Liason) from Northern Health. Angie discussed and left informative information regarding her services.

* June 16/21 - Doctor Day In Binche

* June 23/21 - NO DOCTOR DAY IN BINCHE

* Picked up food hampers/dogfood and distributed to band members who were in need

* Arranged with assistance of Kayla and Dawn - van/Margo Maley to transport membership on Sunday, June 20/21 to "The Wiping of The Tears" ceremony, held at the site of the Lejac Residential School

*Participated in our "Father's Day" BBQ

Coordination of Medical Travel for numerous Band members done. Documentation will be sent to FNHA at month's end

The Nancy Tom Health Center has been consistantly busy. I continue to schedule medical professional appointments for membership as required. Vitals are taken/Home Care & Wellness checks are performed routinely.

Tracy Baldwin (CHR.)
June 25, 2021