**Council Meeting Minutes:** **March 8, 2023 4:30 PM**

**Attendance: Michael Sampson, Brandon Campbell, Tony Sampare, Jen Sampare, Robert Sampson**

**Staff: Velma Sutherland, Mary-Jane Maitland**

**Opening Prayer: Mary-Jane Maitland**

1. **Review of Agenda for March 8, 2023**

**Motion to accept the agenda for March 8, 2023 with Additions..**

**MOVED, SECONDED, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

1. **Review of the minutes of February 22, 2023**

**Motion to accept the minutes from February 22, 2023, with all names removed.**

**MOVED, SECONDED, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

1. **Review of Finances—Finance Manager**

**Motion to accept the finance report for March 8, 2023**

**MOVED, SECONDED, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

1. **Band Manager and Staff Reports-** Read by **Band Manager**

**Motion to accept the Band Manager and Staff Reports for March 8, 2023**

**MOVED, SECONDED, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Agenda items:**

1. **5:00 Under 13 BBall Coach- CW-** update on the basketball team. Junior all-native is March 19-27 in Nanaimo. Spring League happening after all Native. 15 kids from GV attended yesterday’s practice. Not all children invested in Basketball. $15000 budget. Couple thousand coming in soon… 3 kids that are GV band members. 3 are Hagwilget members, but live in GV. Wants to use the prevention budget to pay for the rooms as it is a experience. Other bands of players have not contributed yet. Prevention dollars will not be used. Each player will receive $500, as per the GV annual sports bursary. The Hagwilget players on the GV team will be included…$3000.00.
2. **RHI 7 Plex- Lawyer’s notes**- Reviewed the lawyers notes and will follow up with the subcontractor on the deficiencies they have promised to correct at no cost.
3. **Tiny Homes-** Waiting for the Heat Pumps and the HRV units. HRV units are now need to exchange the air from inside and outside, as the more air tight these units are, the more risk of mold growth. BC Building Code is now requiring HRV.
4. **New 4 X 4 Multiplex-** The final design plan is almost complete. As soon as it is received, it will be put to tender.
5. **2 Bedroom Units- build 2…RHI…**BM is working on application to build 2- 2 Bedroom Units. This is the RHI3 competition and is very competitive, but will work on submitting a very strong application that has the Band contributing 40% of the costs.
6. **Staffing- Finance Manager-** MJ is still following up on references for the two applicants.
7. **CEC Grant-** Received grant for $166,000 over two years that will pay for 2 positions. One is an Community Energy Coordinator (Richard Joseph) who will mentor a Community Energy Champion. The position will be posted and Richard will help with interviews. If no one applies, we will look at the existing O & M staff to see if there is interest.
8. **Inflation Relief Funding-** More funding has been sent for IA clients. It can be used retroactively back to May 2022. It will be distrubted as follows: 50 % cash/50% Dry Goods.
9. **Totem Raising-April 21 1-5…**on schedule. Goods are being ordered. The EmCee has been confirmed. The refreshing of the totem is underway. One more meeting before the event.
10. **RCMP Update-** Reviewed the monthly statistics. Crime is down in GV according to the RCMP. The Gate has been working an extra hours on weekends.
11. **GCFSS Prevention Funds-** GV has been informed that they will receive 0 $ this year. BM will pursue this issue with ISC to see if funds can come directly to GV.
12. **Dog Problem-** 2 dogs per unit. offer to buy run lines.Housing will write a letter and deliver it to all older rentals.
13. **Youth Council-** donation to Titan JANT Trip…The Youth Council approved $500.00
14. **Spiritual Centre for Traditional Practices-** Would be great to build one here in Sik-E-Dakh. Rehab centres are being built around the province.

**Letters/Requests from Community:**

1. **PT—**letter of response indicating that his radio was from Gitsegukla Fire Department and has been returned there.
2. **DP—**Request for Band Membership has been approved.

**Positive Moments:** GHS invite to baby honoring, completion of stiny homes , celebration for MJ,

Next Meeting Date: **April 5, 2023**