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CITY OF PORT ALBERNI

Heritage Commission Meeting
December 4th, 2024
Minutes

Location:

AV Museum

Attendees:

ACRD
City Council
Chamber of Commerce
Community Arts Council
Community at Large
Historical Society
Industrial Heritage
Maritime Heritage
McLean Mill
School District 70
Staff

Penny Cote
Charles Mealey
Jolleen Dick - Regrets
Claudia Romaniuk
Colin Schult
Gareth Flostrand
Richard Spencer - Regrets
Ken Watson
Elliot Drew -Regrets
Pam Craig
Sheila Perry

Regrets:

Hupačasath First Nation
čišaaʔath (Tseshaht) First Nation

Called to Order:

Before beginning the meeting, the Commission wishes it noted that it congratulates Richard Spencer on being presented the Citizen of the Year Award by the AV Chamber of Commerce. Congratulations Richard!

1. Moved by Pam Craig that the agenda of the December 4th, 2024 meeting be approved as amended.
2. Moved by Penny Cote that the minutes of the November 6th, 2024 meeting be approved as circulated.
3. Old Business

A. Train Station Update: In February 2024, the Commission received the following update from staff (from HC Minutes – 24.02.07):

- a. Relocation of the Two Spot Locomotive
 - i. At the Committee of the Whole meeting on January 15, Council considered staff's recommendation to include \$125,000 as part of the 2024 – 2028 Financial Plan discussion for the purpose of relocating the Two Spot locomotive to the Train Station.
 - ii. At the regular meeting on January 22, Council passed a motion to Include up to \$125,000 as part of the 2024 – 2028 Financial Plan for the purpose of relocating the Two Spot locomotive to the Train Station with costing to be determined in conjunction with the completion of the Parks, Recreation and Culture Master Plan.

☒ Council
☒ Mayor
☒ CAO
☐ Finance
☒ Corporate Services
☒ Agenda
File # 0540-20 AVMHC

☐ Economic Development
☐ Engineering/PW
☐ Parks, Rec. & Heritage
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This information remains accurate and the relocation will be an action item in the overall PRC Master Plan. The PRC Master Plan is scheduled for completion in 2025.

- B. Heritage Commission Roles & Responsibilities: Lively discussion regarding ways in which to ensure the Commission is inclusive and representative of our community and suggestions were made as to the areas that are under-represented in the current commission structure. Staff will develop options for potential membership expansion.
- 4. Correspondence – outgoing
 - i. čišaaʔath (Tseshaht) First Nation Election Letter of Congratulations was reviewed.
- 5. New Business
 - A. 2025 Meeting Dates & Location: Heritage Commission members discussed 2025 meeting locations. The Maritime Heritage Society will host the June 2025 meeting.
 - B. AV Museum: Staff distributed Calls for review. Suggested changes will be made.



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Reports

A. Community Arts Council

Community Arts Council Report
Heritage Commission
Wednesday December 4th
Alberni Valley Museum

1. Gallery - On at the gallery is the annual Mistletoe Market on until December 23
 - This year we have several new artists and crafters
 - Along with the market, we also have a silent auction of several arts pieces, and we will have tickets for our 2 baskets
 - the gallery is open late on Friday and Saturday, and this Friday and Saturday, December 6th and 7th, members only special discount of 20% on all items in the gift shop
2. Light up at the Quay went off without a hitch. Even the weather cooperated. And the tree lit up on cue at the end of the countdown.
 - performers included the ADSS Christmas band and a mixture of the Barclay Sound Community Band, Timbre! Choir, and the Urban Street Choir.
 - The event was sponsored by the CAC, Salmonberries and the Donut Shop.
3. The CAC is very excited to have applied for and received a grant of \$30,000 from the B.C. Arts Council for arts leadership training for an executive administrative assistant. The grant comes for a mentorship program. The applicant will work at the gallery upstairs and will learn how to do things such as preparing a budget, year end reports, grant writing, events planning, permissive tax applications, and how to evaluate our permanent collection.
The grant will be used to train our full time employee Hatchet Craig.
We have put out a call for a ten month temporary employee and are hoping this person will qualify for the Work B.C. program.



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B. School District

Pacific Rim SD Heritage Commission report Dec 4, 2024

The next Public Board Meeting is Dec 10 at 5pm at Tsuma-as Elementary.

1. ADSS Band is playing at many seasonal events. Concert dates are Dec 10 and Dec 11 at ADSS.
2. Preparations for Totem Tournament are underway for Jan 9, 10, & 11, 2025.
3. New name for Sports Teams at ADSS is "Wiigsii" / Storm/.
4. Recent water testing in Pacific Rim to determine lead levels. The safe level is 0.005 mg/L as set by Health Canada. All schools continue to have multiple unaffected tap locations available for drinking water. As recommended by Island Environmental Health and Safety Ltd in most tap locations, the implementation of daily flushing program is sufficient to reliably reduce the concentration of lead below accessible levels. The district also has installed a few years ago in-line filtration systems. We are presently installing more filtration systems where necessary. Signage has been placed at all affected taps. The district has contracted island EHS to conduct immediate testing across all district facilities that have not already been tested as part of the regular requirements. The ordinary course of testing is 1/3 of schools in the district tested each year on a rotating basis. We will have a 'new page' posted to the district website with the annual testing results.
5. The Winter Break is from Dec 23 – Jan 6 2025.



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C. Chamber of Commerce



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Chamber & Visitor Centre Report to Heritage Commission
Submitted by Jolleen Dick, Chief Executive Officer

Alberni Valley Chamber of Commerce (AVCOC)

This is our first opportunity to share the amazing success of our Chamber's Business Excellence Awards! Last Friday night we celebrated the outstanding businesses, individuals and organizations that make the Alberni Valley a great place to live, work and thrive. We shared many words of recognition and appreciation with our sponsors, supporters, finalists, nominees, judges and guests. The joint efforts and amazing attendance created a truly memorable evening. It proves that hard work and dedication behind the scenes, does inspire and motivate others toward a common goal. This inspiration will gain momentum as we strategize and plan the 2025 Business Excellence Awards.

The award recipients are:

- **Customer Service Excellence** – Sponsor, Robbins & Company – **Good Faith Pharmacy**
- **Sustainability & Stewardship** – Sponsor, Hupacasath First Nation – **Pinto Goods & Refillery**
- **Business Investment** – Sponsor, The Fenton Group – **Chims Motel**
- **Woman of Influence** – Sponsor, Rabinder Dhillon Mortgages – **Athena Ethier, Phoenix Acrobatics**
- **Community Builder** – Sponsor, the City of Port Alberni – **Jessica McGregor, 93.3 The Peak**
- **Inclusive Employer** – Sponsor, Port Alberni Association for Community Living (PAACL) – **Antidote Distilling Company - Nilo Du Plessis**
- **Volunteer of the Year** – Sponsor, Scotiabank – **Suzanne Dube (Edward Jones Financial)**
- **Chamber Award** – **Megan Warrender, Valley Vibe & Port Alberni Neighbourhood Welcome**
- **Rising Star Award** – Sponsor, Alberni Valley Tourism Association – **V9Y Culinary Services**
- **Business Excellence Award** – Sponsor, AVCOC - **Skytec Contracting Canada Limited**
- **Citizen of the Year Award** – Terry Deakin and Michael Ramsay of The Arrowsmith Rotary Club made a special presentation to **Richard Spencer**. They highlighted his passion, dedication and inspirational efforts at both McLean Mill and the Alberni Pacific Railway.

We warmly extend an invitation to consider participating in next year's awards through sponsorship or volunteerism. Our team has set the 2025 Awards Gala for Saturday, October 18th. Please save the date and plan to be involved as your availability allows. We welcome the assistance and various roles are available.



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Our Plans for 2025

We look forward to continue hosting a series of 2025 events comprised of five Chamber Breakfasts and five Chamber Luncheons. These are networking and educational opportunities for all Chamber members and future members.

We encourage and welcome new members into our growing business network, including not-for-profit organizations.

Port Alberni Visitor Information Centre

November 2024

November has been a quiet month at the Visitor Centre. We did see a few with more foot traffic due to the Highway 4 road closures after the "bomb cyclone" storm. Towards the end of the month, we noticed an increase in local visitors coming in for some early Christmas shopping.

Gift Shop

In November, we completed the process of moving the McLean Mill gift shop merchandise into the Visitor Centre. This has delighted our local holiday shoppers. We decorated the Chamber Christmas tree with a selection of ornaments that are indeed for sale! We have stocked up the shelves with popular stickers, jewellery and clothing for the season.

Visitor Centre Stats:

	Q3		October		November		December	
	Visitors	Parties	Visitors	Parties	Visitors	Parties	Visitors	Parties
2024	3,783	2,150	541	332	319	227	TBD	TBD
2023	4,461	2,279	585	335	309	197	220	160
2022	3,166	1,848	420	272	350	271	216	154
2021	5,040	3,001	799	495	408	276	237	180



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D. McLean Mill



McLean Mill National Historic Site Update, Dec 3rd, 2024

Prepared by Elliot Drew

With the conclusion of the One Mile project and subsequent reopening of the Site on Nov 1st we have returned, more or less, to business as usual for this time of year. While most of our year end data crunching has been completed and preliminary budgets done for 2025, there is still a lot of planning work to accomplish over the next few months.

Our last booking for 2024 took place on Nov 3rd with the Alberni Bowmen holding their One Day shoot. This will be our final event this year as we have no holiday bookings. As such we have put the Site into its winter storage state and have moved operations back to the Chamber office at the Visitor Center. For anyone looking for McLean Mill Merch for the Holidays it is now available at the Visitor Center Gift Shop.

We presented to Council at the COW on Nov 18th to update them on our activities and ask for a clear long-term vision of the Site to better align our plans and policies for the future. We also committed to providing an operations plan for the 2025 season by January 31, 2025, as long as we are provided that vision. I also was thrilled to have my first meeting with Manager of Culture Shella Perry and Kirsten Smith from the Museum to tour the Site and begin the discussion of how we can best work together to share this amazing piece of history with visitors.

The Cyclone Bomb that wreaked havoc out in Beaver Creek also had a major impact on the Site with multiple trees felled, power lines down and a forests worth of debris scattered everywhere. Luckily no damage was done to any historic assets. A huge thank you to city staff and contractors who rushed immediately to take care of things and our grounds team from PAACL who are doing clean up.

We continue to field booking requests for 2025 and 2026. They are slowing with the approach of the holidays, but we now have 10 weddings on the books for next season. We are hoping to add a couple more in the new year.

2024 has been a busy, productive and eye-opening year. An opportunity to truly start to see the real potential of our operations at the Mill and we are excited by what the future has in store for us. It is our hope that the hard work we have done to lay the foundation of a solid business model will be able to be built upon in the coming years to see this amazing destination thrive and inform visitors as it approaches its 100th Birthday.

Best of the season to all.





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E. Historical Society

ALBERNI DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY REPORT

December 4, 2024

- The Archives has some extra copies of Mt. Klitsa Secondary School Yearbooks 1971-1995. On sale for \$3 ea.
- Our very dedicated group of volunteers amassed 218 hours in the last month. Paper trail donations and research projects are coming in slowly.
- Our last Facebook article featured The Alberni Mall on upper Johnston Rd. which opened on May 30, 1979 with 42 stores & services and parking for 900 vehicles.
- The Archives are open Tues-Thur. 11am to 3 pm.



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F. Industrial Heritage Society

Richard Spencer emailed his regrets and included the following information:

The Santa Train is sold out for 2025 - 2,800 tickets!

The WVHHS's Christmas Art Show is Saturday, December 7th from 10 – 3 pm.



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G. Maritime Heritage Society



**Port Alberni Maritime Heritage Society
December 4, 2024 Report to the Heritage Commission**

Current Open Hours

The Gallery and the Lighthouse are now open Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday 11:00 to 2:30. Tours may be arranged with our Facility Coordinator, Dale Gross, by contacting him at the below-noted contact information.

2024 Annual General Meeting

The AGM was held at the Maritime Gallery on November 28th. The meeting included a review of our 2024 activities, financial report and the election of the Board for 2025. The election was conducted by Hugh Grist and the following slate of Board members was elected:

Ken Watson - President
Gareth Flostrand - Secretary
Don Jones - Treasurer
Bob Cole - Director
Chris Duncan - Director
Sandy Fitzpatrick - Director
Jean McIntosh - Director
Geo Monrufet - Director

Thanks to outgoing Directors; Lawrence Charnell, Dave Cox, and Pete Geddes for their years of service on the Board. Welcome to our two new directors Chris Duncan and Sandy Fitzpatrick..

Lighthouse Lightup

Our newly upgraded Lighthouse is now also trimmed with festive lights and a star to help celebrate the Christmas season. Thanks very much to Port Alberni Canadian Tire for donating the lights and to Bob Cole, Chris Duncan, Geo Monrufet and Dale Gross for undertaking installation.

Sailpast Opening

On the evening of December 15th the Gallery and Lighthouse will be open to the public before and during the annual "Sailpast" sponsored by the Blue Marlin Inn. Hot chocolate and treats will be available to help folks keep warm as they watch the boats go by.

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Respectfully Submitted

Ken Watson, PAMHS President



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H. City Council



CITY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY

An information report summarizing the Regular meeting of Council held November 25, 2024.
These are not the official minutes. For more information, please contact the Corporate Services
department at 250.723.2146 or email: corp_serv@portalberni.ca.

■ DELEGATIONS

Introduction | Deputy Director of Corporate Services

The Director of Corporate Services introduced the City's new Deputy Director of Corporate Services, Kim Motiuk.

■ UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Five Year Financial Plan Q&A Summary

Summary of questions and responses as it relates to the 2025 – 2029 Financial Planning process.

■ BYLAWS

Financial Plan Amendments

Council authorized amendments to the "2024-2028 Financial Plan Bylaw No. 5097, 2024" as follows:

- i) Line 22121 – Police Services Contract
 - a. 2025 – from \$7,622,452 to \$7,905,555
 - b. 2026 – from \$7,875,460 to \$8,247,382
 - c. 2027 – from \$8,141,534 to \$8,530,188
 - d. 2028 – from 8,401,662 to \$8,839,271
- ii) Line 27600 - Vancouver Island Regional Library
 - a. 2025 – from \$1,265,788 to \$1,139,722
- iii) Line 27530 – Industrial Collections – APR Insurance & Contingency, allocating \$60,000 from the Alberni Valley Community Forest (AVCF) Reserve
 - a. 2024 – from \$40,657 to \$100,657
- iv) 2024 Capital Plan – Cultural Services – Project - Athol Street Rail Crossing, allocating \$95,500 from the Alberni Valley Community Forest (AVCF) Reserve
 - a. From \$0 to \$95,500

"City of Port Alberni 2024-2028 Financial Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 5097-1, 2024" was introduced and given three readings. The amendment is provided to consolidate all changes made through Council resolution in 2024 within the 2024 – 2028 Five Year Financial Plan. Council will consider adoption at their December 9th Regular meeting.

"Fire Control Bylaw No. 5122, 2024" was

introduced and given three readings. The Fire Control Bylaw grants authority to the Fire Chief and other members of the Port Alberni Fire Department (PAFD), indemnifies members of the PAFD, specifies the services provided, and sets out rules for residents, owners and developers pertaining to fire safety.

"Nuisance Abatement Bylaw No. 4705-3, 2024"

was introduced and given three readings. Upon adoption this bylaw will reflect current language for the definitions, warding about prohibition on both private and public places, and an updated fee schedule.

■ CORRESPONDENCE

Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District | Grant Opportunity

Council directed staff to provide approval for the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District (ACRD) to apply for the Union of BC Municipalities Community Emergency Preparedness Fund for the Emergency Support Services Equipment and Training Grant and authorizes the ACRD to apply for, receive, and manage grant funding on behalf of the City of Port Alberni.

Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy | Five-Year Bear Smart Renewal Review
Council received the Five-Year Bear Smart Renewal Review dated October 7, 2024 from the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy.

Council also received their correspondence summary which included letters from:

- a. Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District | News Release – Preliminary 2024 Referendum Results
- b. Island Health | Medical Health Officers' Newsletter
- c. Ministry of Mental Health & Addictions | Follow up to the 2024 UBCM Convention Meeting
- d. Ministry of Citizens' Services | Grant-in-Lieu of Property Tax Payment and Report



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■ NEW BUSINESS

Flag Policy

Council rescinded the Flag Policy dated May 9, 2011. This policy has been updated and approved under the Chief Administrative Officer to provide direction and guidance to City staff in the display of flags inside and outside City facilities and at City ceremonies in conformance with accepted national protocols.

Echo Aquatic Centre Operations

Council postponed consideration to amend the 2025 Financial Plan to include \$110,000 in Aquatic Centre wages to facilitate daily operation of the Aquatic Centre in 2025 to permit staff to provide additional information at the December 9th Regular meeting.

Echo Aquatic Centre

Council has postponed the proposed motion to remove maintenance and upgrade projects for the Echo Aquatic Centre from the 2025-2030 Financial Plan, permitting only essential safety-related maintenance until a critical failure occurs or a decision on the new facility is made to a future Committee of the Whole Financial Plan meeting, allowing staff to gather more information.

3250 9th Avenue

Council directed staff to prepare a report outlining the history of the old civic complex at 3250 9th Avenue, along with potential options for Council to consider, aimed at minimizing fiscal investment in the building.

Multiplex Rink Board Replacement

Council directed staff to proceed with issuing a request for proposals for the following infrastructure on the Primary Sheet (Weyerhaeuser) at the Alberni Valley Multiplex in the spring of 2025:

- Replace all rink (dasher) boards and kick plates
- Replace all acrylic glass and fasteners on the front of rink boards
- Replace all perimeter glass 5' in height to 6' in height and install corresponding stanchions
- Install a custom double door at the corner adjacent to the home team's bench
- Clean perimeter vertical glass to like-new condition
- Re-certification of all components by the contractor who installed the original rink boards

Recognition of Service Policy

Council rescinded the Recognition of Service Policy dated September 30, 2008 and approved the updated Recognition of Service Policy No. 3002-7. The policy speaks to recognition of employees when they have achieved 10 years of continuous service with the City and at every subsequent 10 years of service, as well as upon

reaching the milestone of 25 years of service. It also provides recognition to employees upon their retirement from the City.

3rd Quarter | 2024 Procurement Summary

Council received an update/report on procurement contract awards and social procurement activities for the 3rd quarter.

MMBC Recycling Inc. Master Service Agreement

Council authorized the Mayor and Corporate Officer to enter into the Master Services Agreement with MMBC Recycling Inc., for a five-year term beginning January 1, 2025 and expiring December 31, 2029 for the purpose of collecting curbside recycling materials within the City.

Appointment of Deputy Corporate Officer

Council appointed Kim Motiuk, Deputy Director of Corporate Services, as Deputy Corporate Officer, to fulfill the responsibility of corporate administration in accordance with s. 148 of the *Community Charter for the City of Port Alberni* during vacation, leaves or other absences of the appointed Corporate Officer effective November 25, 2024.

■ QUESTION PERIOD

Mike

Inquired regarding the financial implications associated with the previous five years of operations for the Echo Aquatic Centre.

B. Randles

Inquired regarding the status of Echo Aquatic Centre infrastructure.

J. Leskosek

Inquired regarding the Multiplex rink board replacement costs, financial implications [tax increases] related to new initiatives such as Samass Lands and Connect the Quays.

■ COUNCIL MEETINGS

The City of Port Alberni now offers hybrid Council and Committee of the Whole meetings.

We encourage you to remain informed on City business and community topics through the following options:

- Attend in-person in City Hall, Council Chambers, located at 4850 Argyle Street
- Livestream @ www.portalberni.ca
- Join online or by phone using MS Teams

Regular Council meetings are held at 2:00 pm on the second and fourth Monday of each month. All meeting recordings are posted on the City website for viewing.

Complete Council agendas including all correspondence and reports are available at portalberni.ca. Generally, these are posted the Friday before each Regular Council meeting and are archived on the site.

The Council Summary is prepared following each regular Council meeting and posted on the City's website. You can also visit the City website and



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■ **MEETINGS AT A GLANCE**

Tuesday, November 26th

9:30 am – Audit Committee
Council Chambers

Tuesday, December 3rd

6:00 pm | Committee of the Whole: Interim
Housing Needs Report
Council Chambers

Wednesday, December 4th

7:00 pm – Alberni Valley Heritage Commission
Alberni Valley Museum

Monday, December 9th

2:00 pm – Annual Organizational Meeting
Council Chambers

Monday, December 9th

6:00 pm – Committee of the Whole: Financial
Plan
Council Chambers

Thursday, December 19th

12:00 pm | Advisory Planning Commission
Council Chambers



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I. Regional District



ALBERNI-CLAYOQUOT REGIONAL DISTRICT

KEEPING YOU CONNECTED

Highlights from the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District (ACRD) Board of Directors Meetings - September 2024

SEPTEMBER 11 AND 25 MEETINGS

INCLUSIVE REGIONAL GOVERNANCE

The Directors received the ACRD Inclusive Regional Governance Orientation Guide which is a living document that provides an overview of the Inclusive Regional Governance Initiative, background on the process of Treaty First Nations joining the ACRD and highlights the different governance systems and processes in the region (ACRD, Treaty and non-Treaty First Nations).

SURVEILLANCE POLICY

ACRD Surveillance Policy was adopted by the Board of Directors, and a motion was passed to direct staff to conduct a review of current surveillance systems being used in the ACRD and ensure they are in compliance with the policy.

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN ENGAGEMENT

The Solid Waste Management Plan Update and Engagement Plan was referred to an Electoral Area Directors Committee meeting held on September 24, 2024.

UBCM FUNDING APPLICATION MOVES FORWARD

Support was provided for the UBCM funding application to the Community-to-Community Program for the development of Equitable Employment policies and programs at the ACRD.

PARTNERING IN FIRE SUPPRESSION

Huu-ay-aht Government and ACRD Fire Suppression and First Responder Service Agreement was finalized for the Bamfield Volunteer Fire Department to provide this service to Anacla/Grappier Inlet for five years.

PERMITS

Will be considered at a future meeting subject to notifying neighbouring properties:

- Temporary Use Permit: TUP19006- Sproat Lake, TUP24007- Sproat Lake
- Development Variance Permit: DVC24010- Long Beach

Permits issued

- Temporary Use Permits: TUP24006- Beaufort

REZONING AND BYLAWS

- Rezoning Applications: RE24001- Beaver Creek (Bylaw P1493 Zoning Atlas Amendment Bylaw was adopted), RE24006-Beaver Creek (Bylaw P1511 Zoning Atlas Amendment Bylaw received three readings)
- Bylaw R1033-7 West Coast Landfill Tipping Fee and Regulation Bylaw was amended to reflect an increase in tipping fees.

LETTERS OF SUPPORT

- The ACRD Board of Directors responded to the Nuuchah-nulth Tribal Council's Declaration of a State of Emergency for the ongoing opioid crisis and mental health, by providing a letter of support and news release.
- West Coast Multiplex Society will receive a letter of support for their application to the Green and Inclusive Communities Building Grant with Housing, Infrastructure, and Communities Canada to support a portion of the capital costs for the West Coast Multiplex.
- A letter of support to Synergy Foundation's VI-Coast Ecosystem (VICE) Project.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Chair: John Jack

Huu-ay-aht First Nations

Councillor Debbie Haggard

City of Port Alberni (vice-chair)

Director Bob Beckett

Electoral Area "A" Bamfield

Director Fred Boyko

Electoral Area "B" Beaufort

Director Vaida Siga

Electoral Area "C" Long Beach

Director Penny Cote

Electoral Area "D" Sproat Lake

Director Susan Roth

Electoral Area "E" Beaver Creek

Director Mike Sparrow

Electoral Area "F" Cherry Creek

Mayor Sharie Minions

City of Port Alberni

Councillor Tom Stere

District of Tofino

Mayor Marilyn McEwen

District of Ucluelet

Councillor Kirsten Johnsen

Toquaht Nation

Councillor Moriah Cootes

Uchucklesaht Tribe Government

Levana Mastrangelo - Executive Legislator

Yuulwih?ath Government

For more information, visit the ACRD Website (www.acrd.bc.ca) or contact the Manager of Administrative Services at 250-720-2731 or e-mail hzenner@acrd.bc.ca.



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**Highlights from the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District (ACRD)
Board of Directors Meetings - September 2024**

SEPTEMBER 11 AND 25 MEETINGS

TRANSIT EXPANSION INITIATIVE

The Board of Directors confirmed their support for the BC Transit three-year Expansion Initiatives to 2027-2028.

LONG-TERM FINANCIAL PLANNING

Support was provided for the grant funding application to the Union of BC Municipalities Asset Management Planning program for the development of the long-term financial plan program for the ACRD.

CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS:

- Long Beach Airport - Septic System Upgrades and Award: amendment was required for Bylaw F1165-2, 2024 to 2028 Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Financial Plan Amendment to increase the funding allocated. The Long Beach Airport Septic System Upgrade contract for Part A was awarded to Denis Francoeur Backhoeing Ltd.
- The Geographic Information System- Next Generation 911 contract was awarded to Caslys Consulting Ltd.
- Long-term lease agreement with Registered Company 1454235 BC Ltd. (Jamie Pleune) for lease lot LS-L2024010 at the Long Beach Airport effective November 1, 2024 to July 1, 2064 at market rate plus applicable taxes and yearly BC CPI increases.
- Parks Linear Asset (Bridges, Wharfs, Gangways/Ramps) Assessment and Mapping contract awarded to Coastal Resource Mapping Ltd. for a nine-month term.

MEETINGS

Board of Directors -

October 23, 1:30 pm -
ACRD Board Room/Zoom
Salmon Beach

Committee - October 24,
1:30 pm - Zoom

Board of Directors -
November 13, 1:30 pm -
followed by the Regional
Hospital District Meeting -
ACRD Board Room/Zoom

Board of Directors -
November 27, 1:30 pm -
ACRD Board Room/Zoom

**Board meetings are
typically held in the
ACRD boardroom and
virtually. Join by:**

1. Attend in person at
the ACRD
boardroom
2. Apply to appear as
a delegate
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participate in a
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Committee
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Webinar
4. Submit questions
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J. Community at Large

Community-At-Large Report

December Activities Around Town

Regular Community Events/Meetings

- Skysong Community Choir meets @ Char's every Tuesday from 6-8pm
- Grief Care Sundays @ 2pm @ Southside Church of the Nazarene
- CCO Blind meets 10am first Wednesday of each month @ Abbeyfield
- TOPS meets @ RCL Tuesdays 8-10am
- Spirit Square Farmers Market Saturdays 9-12 at Harbour Quay
- AV Coin Club 3rd Thursday @ 7pm craft room A @ Echo Centre
- AV Rock and Gem Club meet 1st Sunday @ 2pm at the Clubhouse Tebo RD
- AV Grief Care Group Sundays 2-3pm @ Southside Comm Church of the Nazarene
- AV Museum – Knit Nights Thursdays 6-8pm
- Golden Oldies Car Club – 1st Thursday @ RCL 7pm
- AV Photography Club 2nd and 4th Wednesdays @ Abbeyfield House 7pm
- Skysong Community Choir @ Char's every Tuesday 6-8pm
- Postpartum and Baby Group 1030-12 – Meet and engage with other postpartum families, all pieces of the family are invited – Bi-weekly Nov 13/27/Dec 11
- MISTLETOE MARKET @ THE GROVE NOV 6 to DEC 23
- WINTER WONDERLAND @ Multiplex free skating and skate rental, see City's leisure guide for full schedule of events

December Events

7-8 and 14-15 Santa's Steam Express 11, 12, 2 and 3

7 Christmas Art Show and Market @ IHC 10-3

- Neighbourhood Welcome Meetup @ Bombers Café and Creperie 11am
- Christmas Vendor Fair Market 4731 Burke 930-2 – AV Catholic Women's League
- A Spooky Mysterious Christmas by Stages Youth Theatre @ Capitol Theatre 2pm and 730pm
- Santa Pictures @ Little Bavaria 10-2 by donation, proceeds to Ty Watson House
- Christmas at the Market – Spirit Square 9-12

8 Sing a Merry Christmas with Timbre Choir @ ADSS Theatre 230

11 By-Election Advance voting @ Echo Community Centre 8am

Haahuupayak School Craft Fair 5-8pm

Santa is coming to REMAX – pics with the Big Guy 3-4pm

14 Christmas Craft Fair @ BC Comm Hall 10-3, with Christmas Photos

Urbanstreet Choir annual concert 730pm AV United Church, tix required

14 Santa Pictures @ Little Bavaria 10-2 by donation, proceeds to Ty Watson House

Focus on Fixed Income – fee financial seminar at AV Literacy 11-1230

By-Election General voting day @ Echo Community Centre 8am

Watercolour Drop-In Session @ United Church 10am min donation \$10

15 Sail Past is back 5-730 @ Harbour Quay, awards at 8pm at the Blue Marlin, hot dogs, cocoa, music, fireworks and

Santa. Any donations towards Salvation Army

Toquaht Citizens Christmas Lunch 11-3pm @ Barclay Hotel

19 Fundraiser paint party for 1st PA Scouts @ CCC Hall 630-9 – support local Scout troop

20 Sing your Heart out! – 7pm @ Anglican/Lutheran Church Angus St

25 Santas for Seniors 2024 9am – collecting gifts for Seniors – check Discussion on FB Page for lists

26 Boxing Day Dance Fundraiser – CCC Hall 730 – fundraiser for ?? Maybe the hall or Rec Commission?

27 2024 Zattzo Memorial Cup @ Multiplex starting at 2pm – free to the public

31 New Year's Eve Dance @ Italian Hall 7pm by PA Picklers Assoc.

NYE Party @ RCL 8-1am



Heritage Commission Meeting
December 4th, 2024
Minutes

K. Museum

November Programming:

- Exhibition | Aquaculture | Extended till March 2025
- Exhibit | Remembrance Day | Through November 11th
- Lecture | Researching Your Family Tree: War Edition | Nov. 7th
- Public Program | Christmas Night Market | Nov. 21st | Attendance: 90
- Pre-K Program | Dinovember | Nov. 23 | 210 pre-K kids and parents
- Workshop | Exploring Aquaculture: Fish | Nov. 30
- Birthday Parties | 11 Birthday Parties since being reinstated mid September. All dates available are fully booked into January.
- SD 70 | Grasses to Cedar Bark | Grade 2 | 27 students & 10 adults

Upcoming:

- Shop | AVM Shop@ IHC Market | Dec. 7 | 10-3pm
- Workshop | Back in time for Christmas | Ages 7+ | Dec 14 | 90 minutes
- Workshop | Holidays Around the World – Iceland & Spain | Ages 7+ | Dec 7 | 90 minutes
- Drop In | Knit Nights at the Museum | All Ages | alternating Thursdays
- Drop In | Spinning & Fibre Night at the Museum | All Ages | alternating Thursdays

L. Hupačasath First Nation – no report

M. čičaaʔath (Tseshaht) First Nation – no report

6. Next Meeting

A. January 8th, 7pm (AV Museum)

7. Moved by Pam Craig to adjourn at 8:30 pm.