

# Umacuk

October 2017

## Celebrating Our Culture

Coming together  
for the hišinqwił  
regional gathering

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Chief Clarence  
Louie visited Hitacu

Honouring the  
legacy of the late  
Chief Bert Mack

Our Warriors  
continue to serve  
the community

# Message from the President

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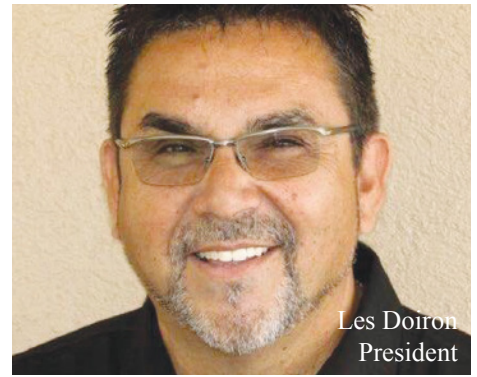
Labor Day weekend, we hosted Chief Clarence Louie and 10 members of the OIB. Debbie Mundy cooked a feast of seafood that was truly amazing.

I attended a school BBQ which was the opening of 2017 school year, it was great seeing some of our nation's youth and parents in attendance.

We met with Min Carole James (finance) at the BC Cabinet Ministers and First Nations Leaders meeting.

In August we met with the PM and requested a meeting in Ottawa, just days ago we confirmed the meeting. We are looking for proper funding for infrastructure, housing, culture and governance which was not provided in the Treaty.

Numerous members attended the potlatch for the late Bert Mack, kleco, kleco, kleco to Chief Anne Mack for her hospitality and the most amazing meal. Truly a day I will never forget.



We continue in our community to hurt and suffer with numerous losses of loved ones. The Nuuchahnulth nations have lost several of their members as well.

We support Constable Marcel Midlane in his campaign for tour de rocks fight against cancer.

Stay safe, stay healthy. Chuu kleco.

# YG's Accomplishments

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Have you ever wondered what the YG has accomplished? Quite a bit actually; here are just some of what we have accomplished:

- The Ucluelet First Nation is the second First Nation in Canada to adopt a Living Wage Policy.
- We have opened an urban office in Port Alberni, delivering on a promise of equality of all members and better contact with our urban members who compose approximately 70% of our Nation.
- Established and refined processes for responding to Freedom of Information requests;
- Enacted the Zoning and Structures Act, bringing greater certainty to land use decisions for Yuulu?il?ath treaty lands;
- Enacted the Public Order, Peace and Safety (Animal Control) Amendment Act and related Regulation to provide the Yuulu?il?ath Administration with the tools to deal with dangerous dogs;
- Enacted the Subsurface Resources Act and related Regulation to provide guidelines for extraction of subsurface resources, particularly gravel, and ensuring the Yuulu?il?ath receives royalties for that extraction;
- Developed better and more direct working relationship with RCMP to increase their presence, and therefore safety, on Yuulu?il?ath treaty lands;
- Participated in the purchase of St. Jean's Cannery to create vertical integration of Yuulu?il?ath fisheries to maximize benefits from that Maa-nulth Treaty right and resource;
- Established and refined processes for transferring full ownership of homes and related Yuulu?il?ath treaty lands to Yuulu?il?ath citizens so they can access the capital value of their lands and improve their lives (11 transfers completed so far);
- Retained individuals with professional designations applicable to their job descriptions (Director of Operations; Chief Financial Officer; Lands Manager; Community Services Manager; Public Relations Officer);
- Arranged for education sessions for Yuulu?il?ath citizens on property ownership and taxation under the Maa-nulth Treaty;
- Arranged for education sessions for Yuulu?il?ath citizens on Wills and Estates with an opportunity to have a professional Will prepared at reduced legal fees;
- Construction of additional social housing (duplexes and triplexes);
- Worked with the Canadian Coast Guard to allow the re-alignment of the Mt. Ozzard access road to a safer location with the decommissioning, rehabilitation and stabilization of the unsafe portion;
- We developed a great working relationship with Interfor for road access at Effingham which netted the nation 300k with an Impact Benefit Agreement – which has provided the funding for the Port Alberni office, additional funding for youth and elder programs;
- Finalized the reforestation and siculture cleanup in the Nahmint Valley from previous logging;
- Secondary road access was negotiated with Probyn and clean up from previous logging practices. We faced a \$600k loss if not done in a timely fashion.

# Message from the Director of Operations



## Director of Operations

*Rhonda Knockwood*

Four (4) legislature meetings were held during the fiscal year and the following seventeen (17) Executive Meetings were held during the fiscal year:

April 12, 2016	August 19, 2016
April 14, 2016	September 2, 2016
April 22, 2016	October 20, 2016
May 10, 2016	November 15, 2016
May 17, 2016	December 15, 2016
June 14, 2016	January 10, 2017
June 23, 2016	January 12, 2017
July 12, 2016	March 7, 2017
August 9, 2016	

The following Acts, Regulations and Orders were passed or amended during the fiscal year:

## Acts

YFNS 47/2016  
Annual Budget Act, 2016-2017

YFNS 48/2016  
Zoning and Structures Act - REPEALED

YFNS 49/2016  
Land Act (Licence of Occupation) Amendment Act

YFNS 50/2016  
Public Order, Peace and Safety Act (Animal Control) Amendment Act

YFNS 51/2016  
Zoning and Structures Act

YFNS 52/2016  
Official Community Plan Amendment Act No.1

YFNS 53/2016  
Subsurface Resources Act

YFNS 54/2017  
Official Community Plan Act and Zoning and Structures Act Amendment Act

YFNS 55/2017  
Building and Development Authorization Amendment Act No.2

YFNS 56/2017  
Annual Budget Act, 2017-2018

YFNS 57/2017  
Responsible Access to Information Amendment Act

## Regulations

YFNR 33/2016  
Animal Control Regulation

YFNR 34/2016  
Annual Rates Regulation, 2016

YFNR 35/2016  
Freedom of Information Forms and Fees Regulation

YFNR 36/2017  
Subsurface Resources Regulation

YFNR 37/2017  
Annual Rates Regulation, 2017

YFNR 38/2017  
Building Forms Regulation Amendment Regulation

YFNR 39/2017  
Lands Registry Forms and Fees Amendment Regulation

YFNR 40/2017  
Compliance Notice and Ticket Regulation

## Orders

YFNO 11/2017  
Law Clerk Order re: OCP & Zoning and Structures Act Amendment Act YFNS 54/2017

YFNO 12/2016  
Executive Order re: Appointment of RCMP as Enforcement Officers

YFNO 13/2017  
Executive Order re: Zoning and Structures Act YFNS 51/2016

YFNO 14/2017  
Law Clerk Order re: Responsible Access to Information Amendment Act YFNS 57/2017

# Talking with our Legislative Representatives

## Richard Mundy



Earlier this month, the YG Finance Committee reviewed the audit results of the consolidated financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2017. The findings report also included an audit of Implementation fund financial statements, CMHC Housing reporting, and a review of the Schedule of Remuneration. Accounting firm KPMG LLP presented their findings to committee members, who scrutinized the management report and discussed audit risks and results, adjustments and differences, and control observation. The Finance Committee subsequently passed a resolution to formally recommend acceptance of the audit report by the Legislature and the consolidated financial statements were presented at the last Assembly.

Understandably, accounting procedures don't excite too many people, so here are the main points you need to know:

- YG financial statements are a fair representation of YG's financial position;
- YG operations and cash flow are in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards;
- Collectively, our investments (Settlement trust, Implementation fund)

have increased by almost 2.5 million dollars this year;

- YFN Holdings Limited Partnership financial statements have been brought up to date;
- YG remains in good, overall financial health.

In coming months, the YG Finance Committee will be undergoing capacity building and improving financial literacy skills to further our role in providing strategic direction to the Legislature on decisions that have the potential to impact YG finances.

During the first week of September, a small delegation including myself, President Doiron and Director of Operations Rhonda Knockwood attended the BC First Nations Leadership and Cabinet Ministers Gathering to meet with BC Finance Minister Carole James. The conversation centred on tax revenue sharing and the need for YG to have increased taxation authorities in our new fiscal relationship agreement. As we approach critical dates with respect to existing status Indian tax benefits and YG's authority to collect taxes from citizens and non-citizens, this government is committed to ensuring the transition is as smooth as possible, and that our citizens are not negatively impacted as we draw down these taxation authorities in our Treaty. Currently, extensive preparations are underway to roll out a comprehensive communication strategy on taxation to citizens; stay tuned.

## Melody Charlie

Not a whole lot new to report here from me, still running around harvesting with our Warriors, teaching where and when I can with spiritual connections and respect,

learning language with elders and helping who I can where and when I can.

Manifesting healing for those in need and programs and services for those in need. Addictions and mental health support & cultural healing continues to be my force. Am looking forward to our youth programs getting back up and running, so much opportunity awaits them & we need the best leader to lead and inspire them!



## Gordon Taylor

I want to share with you some of the things I have communicated with my fellow Executive members:

- Legislators and Executive, it is important that we work as a team. I have been researching water sewage, hydro, maintenance and repairs since I was elected. I cannot proceed or start planning a five year housing plan without all of your input. We really need to work together - as other nations have - to help our people achieve their dreams, including bringing in more homes.
- We need Land and Resources to help identify future sub-divisions, lot sizes, road building, type of utilities (B.C. Hydro), alternative energy, gravel pits, forester to access trees, hydrologist, etc.
- We need the Finance department to help with infrastructure money, training funds etc.
- We need Social Services to help with job creation and training; for example, we do have members with survey experience & carpenters, training plumbers, electricians, equipment operators, solar panel installation training, etc.
- We need a full-time building maintenance person to operate and maintain our buildings.

- We really need to meet with the District of Ucluelet regarding a mutual aid agreement for fire coverage.
- We need help with training. What about having a community BBQ at our fire hall and sign up volunteers?
- We need to help Spencer and Jeremy with problems our Nation faces with our water pump system that was 95% complete when we got elected, yet two years later it is still not running as it should.
- We need to ask tough questions: Who or what is causing faulty service? Is it the installation work of our contractors or faulty equipment or location?
- Why don't we have a grant writer, to search for funding? I need support from each of you to get all of our government building using renewable energy. From my research it starts with us the elected officials and we must also form a committee to gather input from our community on renewable energy.
- We have 30 ICF (insulated concrete foundation) homes; all of them need complete hardy plank replacement as the underside is not treated. The previous Lands and Resource Manager agreed settlement over hardy planks is not even enough to repair even one unit.
- The last seven units built, the plumbing does not meet code. The floors are poor quality.

Please understand this is not about me or you, we are an elected body that must work as one in order to move to a better future.

*Al McCarthy, Jeneva Touchie, and Jordan Touchie – Failed to submit*



# Upcoming Events

October 6

**Regional Working Group on Human-Wildlife Coexistence**  
10:00am-3:00pm Cix<sup>w</sup>atin Centre

October 9

**Thanksgiving Day**  
Government Offices (Hitacu and Port Alberni) Closed

November 13

**Remembrance Day**  
Government Offices (Hitacu and Port Alberni) Closed

December 25

**Christmas Day**  
Government Offices (Hitacu and Port Alberni) Closed

December 26

**Boxing Day**  
Government Offices (Hitacu and Port Alberni) Closed

## Language & Culture Corner

The Name of our Government Building / Community Centre is: Cix<sup>w</sup>atin Centre

Pronounced: tsix-watin. Cix<sup>w</sup>atin means Eagle.

Our gym can be referred to as Cix<sup>w</sup>atin Gym or Hitacu Gym.

# Managers' Reports

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## Department of Social Services

*Suzanne Williams*

**Youth Programming:** As previously communicated to the parents of youth who might have attended the Summer Youth Program, the 2017 Summer Youth Program did not carry on as planned earlier in the year. This is in part due to staffing changes and changes in demographics of those children and youth that were eligible to attend the program. The Social Services Department analyzed data from previous years and recognized that an overall assessment of the program needed to take place in order to determine how we could better meet the needs of our young citizens. We are now taking a strategic and analytical approach with how we deliver programs and have started by offering age-appropriate programming as opposed to programming that was open to all age categories. We would like to thank those parents that came out to our first parent engagement session earlier in the spring and look forward to inviting more parents out to hear what you would like us to focus on in terms of program development and the needs of your children.

**New Daycare:** The Assets and Social Services Departments are working on a funding proposal to the Ministry of Children and Family Development for the creation of a new licensed daycare facility. The Yuułu?if?ath Government – Ucluelet First Nation has been selected to participate in Stage Two of the 2017/18 Major Capital Funding Intake Four. Our goal is that the new facility will serve as a cultural centre, a youth centre, and a daycare centre. For parents, caregivers, and expecting parents only please take some time to complete our Daycare Needs Assessment Survey, which can be found by contacting Suzanne Williams or Michelle Ralston in person or by email ([suzanne.williams@ufn.ca](mailto:suzanne.williams@ufn.ca) or [michelle.ralston@ufn.ca](mailto:michelle.ralston@ufn.ca)); alternatively, you can complete the survey at: [www.surveymonkey.com/r/PRTKGF2](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PRTKGF2).

**Social Development/Mental Health and Addictions:** Currently there are 30 clients receiving social assistance from the Yuułu?if?ath Government – Ucluelet First Nation (14 of which are employable). Per the 2016 Strategic Plan, the Social Services Department would focus on the completion of the *SEEDS (Social Education Employment Development Support)* Policy; however, more focus must be given to support our citizens with mental health and addiction services. At present, we will continue to encourage citizens to contact the NTC Mental Health Team staff as well as Addictions Counsellor, Deb Botting. In addition, arrangements will be made to have the Tsow-Tun-Le-Lum Society come to Hitacu regularly for traditional cleansing and healing.

**Emergency Preparedness:** On Friday September 8th the Yuułu?if?ath Emergency Operations Team hosted a Community-wide Drill to provide an opportunity for community citizens to practice getting to the safe zone in Hitacu. Approximately 30 community citizens participated and the ER Operations Team took away some useful tips to help improve the flow of handling an emergency situation (i.e. equipment needed, how and when to set up an official Emergency Operations Centre, and how much help we would need in the event of a disaster). We still have a lot of work to do and we will be participating in the 2017 Province-wide ShakeOut. Please stay tuned for more information.

**Concerns:** If you have any concerns with regard to Social Services and the Programming that is offered, please do not hesitate to contact Suzanne Williams at 250-726-7342, ext. 204, or by email at [suzanne.williams@ufn.ca](mailto:suzanne.williams@ufn.ca).

## Department of Lands & Resources

*Marina Rayner*

September has been a time of transition for the Lands and Natural Resources department. The Coordinator for the Department, Levana Maestrangelo, has returned to school. YG thanks her for all of her support during the time YG was without a Manager of Lands and Resources. We all wish Levana well in her upcoming year of studies. The department has now filled the position of Manager of Lands and Resources for the interim.

This month the Nahmint V was put back in the water and returned to Hitacu after maintenance was performed in Port Alberni. Central West Coast Forest has been using the Nahmint V for phase II of the Effingham in-stream riparian restoration project. That project is now complete for the season and the Nahmint V will be utilized again by our department.

This summer has been plentiful with the annual food fish distribution for our Nation. We have successfully distributed Halibut and Sockeye to all of our citizens, local and urban. This would not have been possible without the tireless effort by all in the department and the much appreciated help from Law Clerk Christina Klotz. Two more fish deliveries to the Nation are in process and another distribution is expected for citizens in late September or early October.

There was a meeting planned in September for the regional working group on Human-Wildlife Coexistence but due to the transitions in the department it has been postponed until the 6th of October. Citizens are welcome and encouraged to attend. See the YG Facebook page for more information.

## Department of Asset Management *Spencer Touchie*

Finishing off this summer the assets department has had a few projects ongoing, we recently held a BBQ after the community emergency response drill, to drum up volunteers to the volunteer fire department, and as many of you are aware we are beginning the process of doing inspections on all the Nation's rental units to create 5 year housing plans, update our assets registry, and maintenance plans to go along with them.

We have been also working with a team from multiple departments to get the second

stage of funding to build a new daycare in the community, which will also include a cultural component, and other functions.

The nation has also come into the possession of wood from the clearing of land from the new parks Pacific Traverse Trail, approximately five hundred cubic meters of wood from almost all the coastal species mix. We have begun stockpiling the Red Alder by the Cix<sup>o</sup>atin Centre for community use for smoking fish, and other uses. These Red Alder logs are available for any of our citizens to access.

Work is also moving ahead as planned with the seven new housing units. I would like to call out again to our community members

with any construction experience looking for employment to submit a resume or even just some contact information on a note of what kind of construction experience you have.

I would also like to start working with the community on better managing our community wharf, throughout this summer we have had people utilizing the wharf from outside the community, putting our own members out of a spot to park their boat. Lands and Resources and Assets Departments will both be working together on a better way to identify our member's boats.

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# New YG Staff

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## Meet Marina Rayner, YG's new interim Manager of Lands and Resources

Ukthlamah Nux'ge'jeh and Yakudlasamega and my English name is Marina Rayner. I am a Huu-ay-aht citizen but also descend from Tseshaht and Gitksan Nations. My parents are Russ and Cynthia Rayner and Grandparents are Tom Watts and Ken and Dolly McRae on my maternal side and Sydney and Gladys Rayner on my paternal side. I have two wonderful taatne?is; T'hi linxw (Taylor) is nine and Y'axyaga (Sydney) is three. My

Čakup, Noah, and I spend part of our time in Macoah and the rest in Parksville where the girls go to school.

My passion for the last seven years has been forestry with the focus being on First Nations tenures. I have worked with nations all along the coast and have been privileged to work with my Nation on our forestry tenures for the last two years. My previous experience has taken me on adventures globally to work for organizations such as the United States Air Force, Manitoba Hydro and the Hudson's Bay Company.



I am very excited to hold the interim position of Manager of Lands and Resources. Being from a fellow Maa-nulth nation, I bring a solid understanding of what it means for the land base, as well as the citizens, to be under Treaty. I hope to aid the Yuułu?ił?ath however I can in the management of your lands and resources.

## Status Cards

YG is receiving forty status cards from AANDC at one time. Once we have issued all forty cards we will receive another forty. At this time, YG would like to begin a list of all of our citizens who require a status card. YG will set up appointments with our citizens – in Hitacu and our Port Alberni Satellite Office – who have recorded their name(s) on this list. If you have any questions or if you reside outside of Hitacu and Port Alberni and need a status card, please contact Debbie Mundy at 1-877-726-7342.



# Q<sup>w</sup>ayaçiiik?iis Day Care

Q<sup>w</sup>ayaçiiik?iis Day Care has an unfinished playground next to the government office. Over time we have bought objects such as sandboxes, a playhouse and kitchen centre, slide and teeter-totter. We also have dug chunks of rounded wood ends into the ground for children to hop and balance on. In addition, we are in the process of moving the Little Tikes Playground set from our old day care location to our outdoor play space. This is going to be amazing for our kids.

During day care hours the playground is closed to the community, after hours it can

be used. With this being said, there needs to be supervision of children in the fenced play space and all garbage needs to be taken with the families. Lately when we open on Monday morning, there is garbage everywhere and items such as a children's chair and sandbox toys have been broken. In addition, the sandbox lids are off, which need to be closed for the purpose of preventing animal feces from getting into it. The playhouse roof was sunken in and almost broken. And sand is being taken out of the sandboxes.

The day care playground is for everyone and is currently the only outdoor play space that we have in Hitacu. It is absolutely essential that we respect this area and treat it with the care it deserves so that all of our kids can enjoy the play area and receive the joy it offers. We do not want to lock this area up and close it due to vandalism and litter.

If you have any questions please contact Michelle Ralston – Preschool-Daycare Supervisor – at 250-735-5297 or by email at [michelle.ralston@ufn.ca](mailto:michelle.ralston@ufn.ca)

## Ucluelet Elementary School



**Ucluelet  
Elementary  
School**

Hello from Ucluelet Elementary School! My name is Jaime Hansen and I am the new principal of the school. I was born and raised in Tofino and have family in Ahousaht and Tla-o-qui-aht. I have graduated from our local high school. I have been working

in Tofino for the last 14 years as the vice principal and teaching grade 6/7.

I am very excited for the opportunity to be working in Ucluelet as the principal. The staff and students have been very welcoming. We are working reintroducing

our 4P's currently in the school, positive, productive, polite and prepared. You can ask your students what these 4 P's are all about. As we progress through the year we hope to share more information about the great things that are happening in our school.

Yuuhu?il?ath Government – Ucluelet First Nation

## Questions? Contact Us

Mailing: P.O. Box 699, Ucluelet, BC, V0R 3A0

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Hitacu, BC, V0R 3A0

Tel: 250-726-7342 | Toll-free: 1-877-726-7342

Fax: 250-726-7552

Email us your questions/concerns to [info@ufn.ca](mailto:info@ufn.ca)



# Port Alberni Satellite Office

## Senior Administrative Assistant

*Janice Webster*

It has been such a privilege and honor to be employed by the Yuułu?if?ath Government these last couple of months. I am excited that I am slowly getting to know each urban member and would like to continue getting to know each of you on a one-to-one basis and see how I can assist each of you.

I have spent my first weeks setting up the office and making it a welcoming space. There is still some work to do but I am pleased with the progress.

I first introduced myself to members at food fish distribution, where it was great to meet some of the members. It has also been nice to meet those who have come by the office for support services.

August zoomed by fast as we prepared for the Satellite Office Grand Opening which happened on August 26th. Thank you to

Alex Paler for always being a great contact at UFN and Gordon Infanti too. Thank you to Dawn Webster for donating three fish for the door prizes. It was a successful grand opening and the company was great, the food was good and it was fun drawing the door prizes. Thank you to Lindsay McCarthy and to Tim Sutherland for coming and singing cultural songs - it was so awesome to hear! It was great to meet the Mayor of Port Alberni Mike Ruttan and Bob Craven from Interfor who is funding our office. Thank you so much to Les Doiron for your amazing MC'ing!

Please come by the office to visit or share a cup of coffee, tea or water or update your contact information, so that we can keep you informed of YG news. Tleko tleko for this amazing opportunity to work with the YG!

Check out this article to learn more:

[www.albernavalleynews.com/news/ucluelet-first-nation-opens-satellite-office-in-port-alberni/](http://www.albernavalleynews.com/news/ucluelet-first-nation-opens-satellite-office-in-port-alberni/)



## OFFICE HOURS

Please note that for months with statutory holidays the week may change.

week	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN
1	8:30am – 3pm	12:30 – 4:30pm	8:30am – 3:30pm	12:30 – 4:30pm	12:30 – 4pm	Closed	Closed
2	12:30 – 4:30pm	8:30 – 3:30pm	8:30am – 3pm	12:30 – 4:30pm	8:30am – 12pm	Closed	Closed
3	8:30am – 3:30pm	12:30 – 4:30pm	8:30am – 3pm	12:30 – 4:30pm	8:30am – 12pm	Closed	Closed
4	12:30 – 4:30pm	8:30am – 3:30pm	8:30am – 3pm	12:30 – 4:30pm	12:30 – 4pm	Closed	Closed
5	8:30am – 3:30pm	12:30 – 4:30pm	8:30am – 3pm	12:30 – 4:30pm	8:30am – 12pm	Closed	Closed

# YFN Holdings Update

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As the summer season slowly shifts towards the always exciting storm season, YFN Holdings is finally catching their breath after navigating a successful summer at both the Wya Point Resort and Thornton Motel. Our amazing staff and management are to be commended on rising to the challenge and delivering first class service and experiences to all our guests and visitors.

With the leaves turning, we are ramping up the development of some exciting new concepts at the Wya Welcome Center. With an extensive new plan in place, the goal is to create a warm and welcoming gathering place for visitors and locals alike. These new projects are expected to create new employment opportunities within

YFN Holdings. Get your resumes and smiles ready!

On the tech side of things, our property websites and social media presence will also be getting a significant renovation this October. Our new platforms will be featuring web-based concierge services, real-time online bookings and fresh new professional photos and video images.

Wishing you all the best for a safe and exciting storm season 2017!

Andrew Crawford, CEO  
YFN Holdings Limited Partnership

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# Warriors Update

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As the summer ended our Warriors spent time preparing cedar fish sticks with Ray Haipee to cook salmon at the Regional Gathering that took place on Sept 17th at Kwisitis. A huge thank you to Jay Millar and Waylon McLeod from West Coast Community Resources Society who went between cutting wood, building an

extremely long fire and barbequing salmon from sunrise. The skies cleared just before lunch causing more visitors to come down to our fire on the beach, and this gave our Warriors an opportunity to teach the guests. Working together, we were able to cook 21 salmon for the gathering. Although many arm hairs were burned, many more people were happy.

Your Warriors have also been asked to help welcome and serve Elders in the tent at Bert Mack's Memorial Potlatch on Sept 23. We are honoured to help Chief Anne Mack to celebrate the life and legacy of her father so we will be spending the entire weekend in Macoah to help in any way that she needs.

With the goal of welcoming more Elders to our Effingham Campground, we will continue to focus on increasing accessibility from the water and around the site. We leave for our next trip on Friday September 29th at 6pm. On this trip we plan to remove roots that create tripping hazards and widen more of our trails. We'll also be clearing more areas to sleep and moving river rocks to create a path along the river to a newly discovered swimming hole. On our last trip during the summer we were stopped by high cliffs as we tried to navigate to Uchuck Lake. Since that time Max McCarthy has been eager to take on the challenge of leading a small group of Warriors to create a trail to the lake.

Your Warriors are in high demand and helping across the region. Our tribe is growing and we are getting stronger each time we come together. If you or your young man is looking for a little more strength to get you through the week, please join us as we help each other to stand taller and reclaim who we are as Yuulu?il?ath.



# Warriors Weekend Trip



# Warriors Honour the Late Chief Bert Mack

On Saturday September 23rd, our Warriors were out in force to help at the Memorial Potlatch for the late Tye Hawilth Chief Bert Mack. Our Warriors chopped wood, set up tables and chairs, served the elders, and cleaned up, amongst a host of other tasks. Attendees took notice of our young men who played a key role in the special day.



# Chief Clarence Louie Visit



On Saturday September 2nd, Yuulu?i?ath hosted Chief Clarence Louie from the Osoyoos Indian Band. Chief Louie is a prominent First Nations leader and businessman and has been the Chief of his band for over 30 years. He has been credited with contributing to the economic success of his community and has received regional, national and international recognition, including the Order of British Columbia and Order of Canada.

Chief Louie spoke to our Nation and said, “We can’t depend on the Department of Indian Affairs. That is a fatal experiment. DIA has never properly funded one program or service and never will.” Chief Louie went on and explained, “That is why we need to start creating our own jobs, and making our own money to build stuff like Cix\*atin Centre.”

Chief Louie reminded us of an important historical fact: “The first entrepreneurs of this land were the tribal people. The first business people in Canada were the tribal people. We had trade routes; the tribes had trade routes between each other before European came.” He went on to explain the importance of economic development and business, “before the Indian Act and

Indian reserves no tribe sat on their butts and asked for handouts, no tribal nation before Europeans came here sat on their butts and asked for a handout and expected someone else to feed them, clothe them, or shelter them. None of our Nations expected somebody else to do that for them. That was a responsibility handed down to us from our ancestors; namely, that we take care of ourselves. And today we do that with economic development. Today we do that through business.”

Chief Louie talked about how his own mother sometimes disagrees with him and votes against where he wants to take his people. “Sometimes we disagree with one another. But you got to have that respect of being able to agree to disagree and like we say in hockey, leave it on the ice.” Chief Louie went further with his hockey analogy to explain how at the end of a tense and emotional hockey game players after the game always shake hands and leave it on the ice. “All your resentment you leave it on the ice.”

When talking about leadership, Chief Louie said, “being a leader is just not on the Chief and Council; rather, anybody who collects a paycheque on behalf of the government



is a leader. Each person holds a position of leadership to advance their First Nation.”

Chief Louie also spoke of a “Res Culture.” He said, “Res Culture is not our own culture. Before the 1870’s we never had Indian Reserves, the Indian Act, elections. We all grew up under this Res Culture, which includes in-fighting, bitterness, even hatred. But this Res Culture is not our traditional culture.”

Chief Louie concluded his speech by saying we First Nations people need to move away from Res Culture and get back to inter-tribal trade, and inter-tribal business. And get back to our traditional culture. He said he wants to see our ancient trade routes that Indian Affairs took away from us to come back. Key to this message is that we must take care of ourselves. “And today we do that with economic development. Today we do that through business.”

# Hišinqwiit Regional Gathering



On September 17 the Yuułu?ił?ath along with Clayoquot Biosphere Trust and Parks Canada hosted the hišinqwiit regional gathering at Kwisitis Centre at Wickaninnish Beach. A big thank you to Debbie Mundy and Celena Cook and their team: Darlene Clayton, Marilyn Boucha, Darryl Dol, Veronica Williams, Darrin Williams, Debbie Touchie, Rodney Touchie, Erika Goldt, Martin Dean, Peter Frank, and Rennie Touchie. The event wouldn't have been possible without the hard work of all these individuals.



## Message from CBT

On behalf of the Clayoquot Biosphere Trust, thank you to everyone who helped make the hišinqwiit regional gathering a unique and memorable event. Special thanks to Celina and Deb for their assistance with all of the preparations.

Klecko, Klecko!

Rebecca Hurwitz, Executive Director  
Clayoquot Biosphere Trust





# Emergency Preparedness

On September 8, 2017, the Hitacu Emergency Preparedness Committee (the 'Committee') held a community earthquake drill. The Committee has been working diligently over the last several months in preparation for the community drill and were very pleased to see citizens and members of the Legislature participate.

The two earthquakes in Mexico over the last couple of weeks highlight the importance of planning and preparation for emergencies.



## Where the Committee has been

The Committee began meeting in 2016 and established four goals:

1. to develop a draft Emergency Plan;
2. to have consistent members and meet regularly;
3. to hold a community drill; and
4. to participate in Shake Out 2017.

Since the initial meetings in 2016, the Committee has achieved the first three goals

and are on track to accomplish all four as the plans to participate in Shake Out on October 19th are on track.

## Where the Committee is going

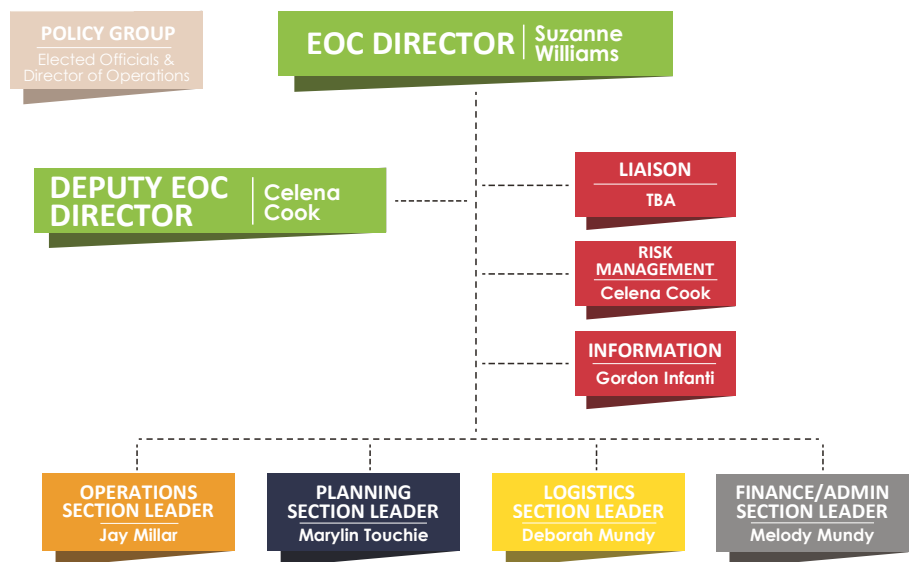
The Committee plans to keep refining the Emergency Plan, to keep meeting regularly, to continue holding community drills and to update citizens regularly of their progress and activities.

In addition to maintaining the goals above, the Committee has two main goals set for 2017/18. The 2017/18 goals are:

5. to ensure that as many Committee members and citizens are trained in emergency preparedness and first aid as possible; and
6. to ensure that citizens and the Government have the materials and supplies needed to survive in an emergency.

If you have interest in joining the committee, reading the Emergency Plan or participating in any future training, please contact Suzanne Williams at [suzanne.williams@ufn.ca](mailto:suzanne.williams@ufn.ca) or Celena Cook at [celena.cook@ufn.ca](mailto:celena.cook@ufn.ca) to get more information.

Here are some resources on how to prepare you and your family for an emergency: [www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/preparedbc/build-an-emergency-kit](http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/preparedbc/build-an-emergency-kit)



# Parks Canada

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Parks Canada would like to update you on some of the infrastructure work planned for Pacific Rim National Park Reserve this fall and winter. As always, we will do our best to keep you updated on any changes, or short-term visitor impacts over the next few months, but the information below should give you a broader picture of what construction work is happening in the national park reserve.

## **Rainforest Trail - Route B**

Last winter Parks Canada staff replaced almost 1000m of decaying cedar boards with some beautiful and creative new boardwalks on Route A of the Rainforest Trail. The same work – replacing deteriorated structures - is planned for Route B starting on Monday, October 2nd, with completion expected in Spring, 2018.

During this time, Route B will be closed, but Route A and the Rainforest Trail parking lot will remain open to visitors. Our visitors have been wowed by the new boardwalk on Route A so we are very excited to see what the work crew can build this time around!

## **Washrooms – Incinerator Rock, Long Beach north, and Wickaninnish Beach**

Three of the national park reserve’s aging washroom buildings will be replaced this winter and will ensure ongoing services are available to visitors for many years to come.

This work is scheduled to begin on October 10th, and be completed by the end of Spring, 2018.

During demolition and construction of the new facilities, the following parking lots will be completely closed:

- Incinerator Rock parking lot
- Long Beach parking lot – north end
- Parking lot B at Wickaninnish Beach

Portable toilets will be available in nearby parking lots while construction is underway.

## **OTHER WORK ALREADY IN PROGRESS**

### **The multi-use trail**

Work to clear trees and shrubs along the trail route, from Incinerator Rock to the southern boundary of the national park reserve, is ongoing and should be completed by December. The next phase of the work will begin in the Spring of 2018. Following Parks Canada’s established processes and rigorous standards for ecological protection, work will include preparation of the trail bed in both the southern and northern portions of the trail, including gravel, installation of drainage culverts, and fabrication of bridges.

### **The S-curve on Wick Road**

Work to improve the safety of the S-curve and stabilize the slope is progressing well. The new roadway is being prepared for eventual paving and traffic delays are usually about 5-10 minutes. This project should be completed by the end of November, 2017.

### **The Kwisis Visitor Centre roof**

Contractors continue to work on replacing the roof on the visitor centre. While there is some noise, the visitor centre is open, and we are looking forward to having this project completed.

All of these projects represent a significant investment in the future of Pacific Rim National Park Reserve. We realise there will be some short term inconveniences to visitors, but look forward to the end results. Thank you for your patience during this work, and we will continue to provide updates by email and social media as the work proceeds.



# Social Cultural Support Programs

**Location: 4589 Adelaide Street**

## Weekend Homeless Programs

### WEDNESDAYS

**Family Night "Discovering Your Roots"**  
6-8pm

This is an opportunity to share stories, talk about where you were born & discover family roots.

2017: Aug 16, Sept 13, Oct 11, Nov 8, Dec 6  
2018: Jan 3, Jan 31, Feb 22, Mar 28

### FRIDAY NIGHTS

**Homeless Peer Support** 6-8pm

This is a chance to be involved in learning & sharing with others about experiences & preventative tips regarding homelessness.

2017: July 28, Aug 25, Sept 22, Oct 20, Nov 17, Dec 15 | 2018: Jan 12, Feb 9, Mar 9

**Elder's Social & Cultural Gathering**  
5:30-8:30pm

This is a coming together to participate in beading, drum making, weaving & painting in a social environment.

2017: Aug 4, Sept 1, Sept 29, Oct 27, Nov 24, Dec 22 | 2018: Jan 19, Feb 16, Mar 16

**Youth/Teen Gathering** 6-9pm

The event begins with snacks, continues with educational workshops, & ends with a fun activity for ages 15-18.

2017: Aug 11, Sept 8, Oct 6, Nov 3, Dec 1, Dec 29 | 2018: Jan 26, Feb 23, Mar 23

**Recovery Group** 7-9pm

This is a talking circle format supporting recovery while utilizing the Medicine Wheel & other cultural practices.

2017: Aug 18, Sept 15, Oct 12, Nov 10, Dec 8  
2018: Jan 5, Feb 2, Mar 2, Mar 30

### SATURDAY

**Urgent Need Item Distribution & Workshop** 5:30-7pm

A coming together for a hot meal, followed by an educational workshop and food hamper.

This is a weekly Saturday event.  
Entrance off Adelaide street (side gate).

### SUNDAY

**Mobile Street Outreach** 5-6:05pm

This is an opportunity to receive a food hamper, hygiene products & educational materials.

There are three street locations: Quality Foods 5-5:15pm, Friendship Centre 5:25-5:40pm, and Echo Centre 5:50-6:05pm.

This is a weekly Sunday event.

If more information is needed call 250 723 4050. Monthly and singular bus passes available for participants.

## KUU-US Weekday Homefulness Programs

**MONDAY TO FRIDAY** 10-2pm

The homefulness team provides assistances to clients regarding housing placements, compilation and distribution of a weekly housing registry, eviction prevention support, the handing out of basic and urgent need items (clothing, household items, food hampers and hygiene products), volunteer/employment linkages and life skill development to address root causes of homelessness.

Due to high demand call 250 723 4050 to book an appointment.

4589 Adelaide (entrance off Johnston rd)

## KUU-US Transitional Housing

Housing consists of support and life skill development for individuals with goals to re-enter into independent housing. This is a fully furnished 4 unit home with communal kitchen and living space with private bedrooms. All utilities are included (\$400). Call 250 723 4050 to inquire about vacancy.

Funded by: The Homeless Partnering Strategy.

*"Putting the hope back in home."*

## KUU-US 24 Hour Crisis Services

Help is only a phone call away.

**Adult / Elder**  
**250 723 4050**

**Child / Youth**  
**250 723 2040**

**Toll Free (BC)**  
**1 800 KUU US17**

# **BC PHARMACARE PROGRAM WELCOMES FIRST NATIONS**

## ***Some drug coverage changes are coming for First Nations in B.C.***

Some drug coverage changes are coming for First Nations in B.C. BC PharmaCare program welcomes First Nations

First Nations in British Columbia are about to become the first in Canada to join a provincially-based prescription drug program.

Starting October 1 of this year, First Nations Health Authority clients with active Medical Services Plan (MSP) coverage will be eligible for the BC PharmaCare program.

If you have your MSP enrolled through FNHA, the move is automatic. A very small number of clients do not have MSP paid for by FNHA and will continue to have interim coverage with NIHB, ensuring you will get the drugs you need. To enrol in MSP, just contact your FNHA representative as usual.

The transition to PharmaCare is part of an overall plan to bring decision-making about health benefits closer to home and into the hands of First Nations. Bringing the program home to B.C. is our first step in improving it.

We ask that FNHA clients continue to take both their BC Services Card (or CareCard) and Status Card to the pharmacy when filling prescriptions.

Our current clients will continue to be eligible under PharmaCare for the medications they need - but a small number of recipients may have to change to a different comparable drug. If this happens to you and you have any concerns, please discuss it with your doctor or pharmacist.

We suggest that anyone preparing to travel out of province should plan ahead and fill prescriptions here in British Columbia before leaving. PharmaCare is a BC program, and cannot pay for prescriptions filled in other provinces. In most cases, clients are eligible to receive an advance supply lasting up to 100 days. Anyone needing more information before travelling should speak directly with a pharmacist.

**Please visit [FNHA.ca](http://FNHA.ca) for information and updates as these changes come online. Anyone with questions about the switch to PharmaCare may call FNHA's Health Benefits phone number toll-free at 1.855.550.5454, or email FNHA at [HealthBenefits@fnha.ca](mailto:HealthBenefits@fnha.ca).**

# Assistant Chief Financial Officer

Hitacu, British Columbia

Posted on: Monday, September 25, 2017

The Assistant Chief Financial Officer (ACFO) is a valuable member of the Finance Department, working together with a small and dedicated team to maintain the accounts of the Yuułu?il?ath Government, providing accurate and timely information to colleagues and external organizations. The ACFO's primary role is maintaining the general ledger, and assisting the Chief Financial Officer in a range of activities, like year-end accounting, project reporting, and to provide advice on ad hoc matters arising in accounting, managerial accounting, and aspects of treasury management. As well, the ACFO supervise the accounting staff in the CFO's absence and will serve as backup for some activities in the finance department, like EFT payment releases, ad hoc payroll runs etc.

This position is well-suited for an early career accounting professional, who wants to be exposed to the full breadth of accounting related duties in a government setting, giving the candidate the ability to learn valuable skills in a unique, positive environment. The candidate will work closely with and is assisted by the Chief Financial Officer.

For a copy of the complete position description, please contact Alex Paler, Administrative Coordinator (contact information below).

## Qualifications and Experience

- Degree or Diploma in accounting.
- Studying towards a professional accounting designation.
- Minimum three years of exposure to accounting work experience, preferably in First Nations or local government settings, including all aspects of general ledger maintenance.
- Experience in directly assisting a finance manager / director of finance etc. e.g. with year-end work and the annual budgeting processes

Please note that, in accordance with Section A 2.0 – 1, of the Yuułu?il?ath Government Personnel Policy, the Yuułu?il?ath is applying an aboriginal employment preference first to Yuułu?il?ath Citizens and second to members of other First Nations. In addition, the Yuułu?il?ath will request a Criminal Record Check as a condition of employment.

## How to Apply

Please submit your covering letter, resume and three recent employment references to the attention of Rhonda Knockwood, Director of Operations, by email (rhonda.knockwood@ufn.ca), fax (250-726-7552), by mail (P.O. Box 699, Ucluelet, BC, V0R 3A0), or in person (700 Wya Road, Hitacu, BC. For questions, call Alex Paler at 250-726-7342, extension 205 or email at alex.paler@ufn.ca.

**Closing date: Friday, October 6, 2017**

Thank you in advance for your application. We will be in touch with those who are shortlisted for an interview.

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# Lands & Resources Officer

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Hitacu, British Columbia

Posted on: Monday, September 25, 2017

The Lands and Resources Officer is responsible for providing marine and land based services to the Department of Lands and Resources, including patrolling of Yuułuʔiłʔatḥ water and lands, fisheries and wildlife monitoring and reporting activities, domestic food fish distribution, liaising with other government agencies and other duties relative to the Lands and Resources Department. Overall responsibilities will be aimed at protecting Yuułuʔiłʔatḥ's marine and land based resources.

This is a term position that will support and facilitate the implementation of a succession plan that will guide a Yuułuʔiłʔatḥ citizen through the training and development stages in order to gain the qualifications and skills needed to be a regular, full-time Lands and Resources Officer for the Yuułuʔiłʔatḥ Government.

**For a copy of the complete position description, please contact Alex Paler, Administrative Coordinator (alex.paler@ufn.ca).**

## Qualifications and Experience

- Grade 12 Diploma;
- Preference for individuals who have taken courses towards or completed the First Nations' Fisheries Technologist Diploma Program (FNFTDP) and/or Aboriginal Fisheries Officer phases 1 and 2 and 3;
- SVOP, MED-A3 and ROC-M required to fulfill job duties;
- First Aid Certificate, Wilderness First Aid; Swiftwater Rescue Technician is an asset;
- Experience in fisheries related activities and traditional harvesting;
- Experience in enforcement strongly preferred;
- Knowledge of land and resource issues, development activities, legislation and regulations affecting First Nations;
- Pass criminal record check;
- Valid Class 5 Driver's License

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October 6, 2017**

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# Administrative Coordinator

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Hitacu, British Columbia

Posted on: Monday, September 25, 2017

The Administrative Coordinator provides senior administrative and secretarial services to the Yuułu?ił?ath Executive and the Director of Operations, coordinating and managing Yuułu?ił?ath administrative functions, to include human resource management affairs, junior support staff, and the development and administration of office procedures and policy.

**For a copy of the complete position description, please contact Rhonda Knockwood, Director of Operations (contact information below).**

## Qualifications and Experience

- Post-Secondary Degree in a Related Discipline (i.e. Business Administration, Political Science, First Nations Studies)
- Prefer Post-Secondary Diploma or Formal training in Human Resource Management
- Grade 12 with related Post-Secondary Courses (Desktop Publishing, Word Processing, Secretarial, Office Administration, Communications, and Budgeting)
- Six to Eight (6-8) years First Nations Administration Secretarial and Administrative experience / with Two to Three (2-3) years senior secretarial experience working for executive management and elected representatives
- Experience in the development, coordination and administration of human resource management policies and programs
- Experience in writing reports and briefing notes

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**Closing date: Friday, October 6, 2017 at 12pm**

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# Administrative Assistant

Hitacu, British Columbia

Posted on: Monday, September 25, 2017

The Yuułu?ił?ath Government has a new career opportunity for an Administrative Assistant. The ideal candidate will have excellent interpersonal skills, able to multi-task with excellent integrity, and strong work ethic. The successful candidate will have a strong willingness to learn and contribute to a team environment. The position is responsible for providing administrative support to the Manager of Assets Management of the Assets Management Department in the administration of their operating and business affairs.

For a copy of the complete position description, please contact Alex Paler, Administrative Coordinator (alex.paler@ufn.ca).

## Education, Training and Certification

- Prefer Grade 12 with related Post-Secondary Courses or formal training (Desktop Publishing, Geographic Information Systems, Word Processing, Secretarial, Office Administration, Communications, Budgeting)
- Valid Class 5 BC Driver's License and own vehicle

## Experience

- Two to four (2 – 4) years Secretarial and Administrative experience
- Experience with Microsoft Office and Windows 7 preferred
- One to Two (1-2) years' experience in Geographic Information Systems
- Experience in the taking of minutes, meeting preparation, and general meeting procedures
- Experience in data entry

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## *West Coast Basketball Development Camp*

For Boys & Girls Grades 4-8

### When:

Friday Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> Pro Day!

8:30 am – 2:45 pm

Saturday Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> 10:00 am -2:00 pm

Sunday Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> 10:00 am -2:00 pm

Deadline to register: Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> 2:00 pm

Registration forms at USS & Wick

### Where:

UES and USS, drop off and pickup at  
USS Gymnasium,  
Ucluelet

### Cost:

\$60

### Includes:

Daily Instruction, evaluations,  
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### Player Brings:

Water bottle and lunch, black  
shirt, shorts and appropriate  
shoes, basketball if they have one.



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Hitacu Firehall

For more information, contact: Lisa Morgan,  
Toquaht Nation - [lisam@toquaht.ca](mailto:lisam@toquaht.ca) or 250  
726-4230 Ext. 226





# Teens Drop-in with Waylon McLeod

Teens ages 13 & up  
Drop in 3:30 – 5:30pm  
Cix<sup>w</sup>atin Centre Gym

Join us on Wednesday's

September 20, 27  
October 11, 18, 25  
November 1st



For more information contact Waylon at 250 726 2343