



Chiefs and Council Notes

For September 24, 2024

The following notes summarize the Chiefs and Council Regular Meeting held in Council Chambers at Úlúus Community Complex on September 24, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.

Department Reports

Infrastructure, Public Works and Housing

Home Renovations Applications Approved

Housing Manager Gayle Andrews spoke to the 40 home building condition assessments performed by Community Power.

Council approved a BCR for applications for renovations to 10 homes belonging to Lilwat Nation Membership Homeowners to be funded by Indigenous Services Canada's (ISC) HSP program to address recommendations from Community Power and First Nations Health Authority (FNHA).

MOTION:

Moved by *Lhpatq* Councillor Maxine Bruce
Seconded by *Kik7ak* Councillor Helena Edmonds

That the Lilwat Chiefs and Council approves the Band Council Resolutions for the 10 Lilwat Nation Membership Homeowners for renovations funding from ISC HSP program as per reports and recommendations from Community Power and FNHA that each applicant will be applying for maximized funding for regular renovations, health & safety renovations and energy efficiency improvement and upgrades.

CARRIED

Small Homes Project Budget Amendment Approved

Tom Laviolette, Director of Infrastructure, brought forth a request for \$540,000 in additional funding to complete the Small Homes Project. The increased budget for the six small homes was the result of increased site costs, inflation and a small a contingency. Laviolette noted that he was pursuing CMHC funding and needed Council's endorsement to proceed.

Council approved the budget amendment, bringing the total budget to \$2,202,852. As part of the motion, Council also approved a fixed contract of \$2,056,384.84 with Murphy Construction Ltd.

Council further endorsed an application to the Canada Mortgage and Housing's (CMHC) Indigenous Affordable Housing Fund's Loan Program for \$540,000 to cover the budget shortfall.

MOTIONS:

Moved by *Lhpatq* Councillor Maxine Bruce
Seconded by *Ha7a7* Councillor Alphonse Wallace

That the Lilwat Nation Chiefs and Council approves an amended project budget of \$2,202,852.00 for the construction of 6 small homes in Mount Currie on lot P-10-278 and approve endorsement of a fixed contract of \$2,056,384.84 with Murphy Construction Ltd.

CARRIED

Moved by *Lhpatq* Councillor Maxine Bruce
Seconded by *Qaqawam* Councillor Christopher Wells

That the Lilwat Nation Chiefs and Council endorse an application to CMHC's Indigenous Affordable

(Small Homes Project Budget continued)

Housing Fund, Loan Program, for \$540,000.00, that will be added to the existing committed funds for this project in order to equal a project budget of \$2,202,852.00.

CARRIED

Invoices Over \$100,000 Approved

Council passed two motions to approve six payments to Murphy Construction pertaining to three construction projects. Below are the project names and invoice totals:

Child and Family Services Building:	\$537,187.10
Lílwat Triplexes:	\$ 410,363.65
Lílwat Small Homes:	\$ 356,576.64

The Community Services Building invoice (CSB-2-17) was paid out of the CHRT-41 lump sums received. Infrastructure is working with ISC to further refund costs through the CHRT-41 Capital Projects funding.

Community Services

LEGO Family Spirit Project

Council approved a request from Health Director Jessica Frank for a BCR acknowledging Lílwat Nation's agreement to receive the Lego Foundation's Family Spirit Project funding.

MOTION:

Moved by Xzúmalus Councillor Roxanne Joe
Seconded by Kík7ak Helena Edmonds

That the Lílwat Nation Chiefs and Council acknowledge Lílwat Nation' agreement to receive the Family Spirit LEGO Project "Reclaiming Indigenous Children's Futures Through Home Visiting and Intergenerational Playspaces" funding (which will conclude in 2028) offered by the First Nations Health Authority and agrees to submit required reports for the duration of the project.

CARRIED

Administration

Monthly Financials Reporting

Council approved the Monthly Financial Report for August 2024 as presented by Director of Finance Karen Mallon.

Chiefs and Council Reports

C-92 Update

Xzúmalus Councillor Roxanne Joe and Yámk'cen Tara Smith, General Manager of Community Services, provided an update on Bill C-92 implementation. The C-92 Working Group was advised at the *Loving Justice Conference: Breathing Life into Our Own Laws* to slow down the ratification process to allow for thorough community engagement. It was noted that CFS's current timelines for law drafting, and ratification looked rushed

Questions that need to be addressed include "What's in it for the government?" and "Are we giving up rights by accepting this?" Council suggested that AFN's and UBCIC's positions on C-92 should be used as points reference. Smith suggested compiling all information to date and bringing it forth.

Project BCR Tabled

The request for a BCR endorsing the Ceremonial s7istken Project was tabled by Council until further clarification on the project's budget and funding is received.

Nímtsvq Councillor James Williams spoke to the projects

The September 24, 2024, Chiefs and Council Regular Meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p.m.