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Executive Council Report
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Chief Councillor Report

Responsibilities	
1) Representing government in relations with other governments.	• July 1, 2021 - Attended Canada Days in Bamfield to maintain relationship and support HFN who participated in Canada Days. Spoke with Elders and citizens who said HFN should have more of presence in the celebration. Especially Executive Council. 2022 will have more HFN participation and presence. Suggest we form a Canada Day Organizing committee. • July 21, met with new owners of Aguilar House at Ootsuus-aa to have introductory meeting and give them HFN history and occupation of the area. • In terms of progress, with Canada we are making slow progress on federal issues. Will be more assertive next six months. • In terms of progress with BC we made good progress on road issue but stalled on Social Service Project Issue, completed forestry related issues with BC regarding provincial policy and IRMP funding.
2) Representing government in relations with other indigenous organizations.	• Monday July 5, 2021, met with Ben Clappis, HFN proxy at AFN meetings, to plan and strategize for meeting and to discuss who we should support for AFN National Chief.

	• Monday July 5, reviewed NTV revenue confirmation. • Tuesday July 27, attended and participated in NTC Directors Meeting. • Wednesday July 28, met with Tseshaht regarding Special Project – Green Project. • Over the first six months of this fiscal year, we have established good working relations with the major provincial Indigenous organizations, FNS FNLC, BCAFN, UBCIC, NTC, MFN.
3) Ensuring HFN citizens are fully informed on HFN issues.	• Monday, July 5, 2021, requested Community Engagement sessions with Huu-ay-aht elders be set and agenda established. And, called Stan Coleman to get maps and data for meeting. • July 21 and 22, attended and participated in Elders Community Engagement regarding the IRMP and open microphone. • We (HFN) continue to maintain a good relationship with citizens to keep them informed on HFN issues. Included HFN articles in the Hashilthsa, media and Uyaqhmis.
4) Developing and maintaining effective systems of communication with Huuayaht citizens and other governments.	• Wednesday, July 14, sought advice from Hawiihtuuis regarding specific claim and guidance on the IRMP issue. • Plan to meet Connie and Heather regarding communication for the last six months of the current fiscal year.
5) Protecting and enhancing Huuayaht aboriginal and treaty rights.	• July 26, met with PRNPR representatives to discuss implementation of Co-operation in Planning and management. Identified 9 issues. As related to 23.10.0 of treaty final agreement. • Made significant progress on work to develop Integrated Resource Management Plan that will ensure proper management of HFN Resources including the Old Growth Issue. 6 CES to date.

6) Ensuring adherence to, and enforcement of, The constitution, Huuayaht legislation, Huuayaht policies	• Meet with ED and Executive Council to ensure adherence to, and enforcement of the constitution, legislation and policies. • The main focus has been to ensure Executive Council members are up to date on all reporting. I want to see all reporting caught up by September 15, 2021.
7) Promoting and maintaining a sound Huuayaht economy.	• July 12, met with David Kim of Madrone Company to hear about his company and what they do. • July 20, attended a First Nation Forestry Council to discuss the impact of BC's forestry policy and the devastating effects on FN. • Progress is slow due to COVID 19. Dramatic improvement forecasted.
8) Promoting Huuayaht values, culture, traditions, and language.	• I continue to stress to Ed the cultural importance of promoting Huu-ay-aht values, traditions and language. With COVID over, Ed assures me that we will be seeing good outcomes.
9) Ensuring proper management and administration of government.	• Each work day morning at 7:30 I have a telephone call with ED. • Reviewed and considered NTC 2020-21 revenue report, no emerging issues. • Friday July 2, 2021 attended to PAGO to attend to management and administrative of government. • Monday July 12, met with Rob, Trevor and Derek to begin discussions to carry out EC motion regarding Special Projects. • July 14, met Dan Johnson regarding conflict resolution for the IRMP declaration issue. • July 15, WFP Huu-ay-aht 101 and met with Larry Spencer regarding BC forestry policy and impacts on other First Nations. Also met Larry Spencer on July 23 to have further discussion on BC forestry policy. • July 19 met with HFN team to meet new support worker. • I have John focusing on revenue generation. • EC is working really hard to ensure proper financial management and 2021 audit.

10) Preparing for and participating in the Legislation, Executive Council and People's Assembly;	• Tuesday July 6, 2021, attended and chaired Executive Council Meeting. • Have HFN legal counsel continue with the work and have necessary legislation ready for People Assembly.
11) Establishing the duties of a Councillor, including i. Establishing or dissolving portfolios, and ii. Assigning portfolios to r removing portfolios from Councilors;	• Monday, July 5, 2021 attended Executive Council team meeting to review portfolio progress and other related EC issues. • Friday July 16 attended and chaired Special EC meeting. • Thursday July 29, attended and chaired Executive Council meeting. • Portfolio review under way.
12) Acting as the public spokesperson for the Legislature, Executive Council, and People's Assembly.	• I constantly review and consider media and public relations strategy to ensure HFN ability to achieve its goals and objectives.
13) Carrying out additional roles, responsibilities, powers, duties and functions set out in Huuayaht legislation and policy.	Emerging Issues: 1. Establish Bamfield/Huu-ay-aht Canada Day celebration, form organizing committee and term of reference for 2022 Canada Day. 2. Establish Huu-ay-aht Day(s), form organizing committee and terms of reference that ensures Huu-ay-aht citizens are part of the organizing committee. Organizing committee must be Huu-ay-aht. 3. Portfolio review, 6 months review (April to September) of all portfolio mandates, review of EC budget, set priorities for last six months of current year, 4. Cooperative Management Board 7 project list. Historical site designation signage, set date and structure design and budget. Visitor Center, Campground at 2nd Beach, Malthsit Interpretative Program, Tour Quis-it is, Guardian Program, Road to Visitor Center, Cape Beal Trail parking, Trevor to get briefing note and motion to seek EC approval for the HFN Park priorities. 5. Specific Claim settlement, briefing note and EC motion to authorize financial plan for settlement. 6. Enforcement of reporting as per HFN legislation, see email. By September 15, all EC members to have reports up to date.

Councillor ƛicitatḥ (Edward R. Johnson) July 2021 Progress Report

Area of Responsibility:
Community Health
Citizen Development Committee
Education, Language and Culture
Citizenship

Progress on Achieving Key Initiatives **Citizenship Committee**

- Chaired Citizenship Committee meeting. This committee meets every 2nd Friday of the month. It is HFN Law to have a Citizenship Committee meeting every Month.
- For more info on Citizenship https://huuayaht.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/Citizenship-and-Treaty-Enrolment-Act-2011-Official-Consolidation.pdf and our Recognition of Citizenship Regulation https://huuayaht.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/recognition-of-citizenship-regulation-01062452.pdf
- Looking to have a face-to-face Citizenship Committee in Aug

Emerging Issues

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Progress on Achieving Key Initiatives **Citizen Development Committee**

- Held a Huu-ay-aht biweekly Coordination Agreement meeting where we discussed Huu-ay-aht's Framework for children and family legislation and policy development. This was a chance for us to provide some advance discussion and notice of the range of options Huu-ay-aht is considering in its legislation and policy development. The next Coordination Table Meeting was deferred to September in order for us to work on Interview Questions on the HFN Child and Family Services Policy and Jurisdiction Project with SMT and EC between now and then.
- Oomiiqsu presentation to (ICSIG) - Met and provided a presentation on the Oomiiqsu proposal to the Executive Directors of Indigenous Collaborative Social Initiatives Group (ICSIG), MIRR chairs ICSIG, which includes 12 social sector ministries. The primary role of the ICSIG is to serve as a strategic forum for ministries to identify opportunities for greater cross-sector collaboration and coordination on social sector Indigenous specific initiatives and to ultimately better respond holistically to Indigenous partner's needs and to advance Government commitments. Our Presentation on Oomiiqsu was very well received. We had 45 minutes including a Q&A. We are leaving no stone unturned as we look for operational funding for Oomiiqsu.
- We are in need of an outreach worker to put feet to the ground and walk the streets to connect with our homeless/those that live on the streets in order to show support and commitment to those in need and to plant the seeds of opportunity for work, culture and getting back to a family lifestyle and fill that loss of connection to the homelands. **(This won't happen overnight but it can be a goal).**
  We should revisit the outreach worker position and to frame it like the outreach position that the Heisler First Nation. Click link to see example article:
  https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/first-nations-hire-outreach-workers-to-find-their-own-people-on-vancouver-s-downtown-eastside-1.5829548

- Would like to network and be a part of the All-Nations Outreach Society. Nations that are involved with the ANOS are Squamish, Heiltsuk and Nisga'a First Nations and the numbers are growing. This would be an opportunity to network with other FN that have feet on the ground.
- This new look can be called the Huu-ay-aht First Nations Outreach Worker for Mental Health and Substance Use Services. In this role we can provide services to HFN citizens through our CFW office in getting the help that our homeless need to detox.
  We would work in collaboration with our CFW team where we can evaluate our citizens in need of psychological and emotional support during withdrawal and stabilization and to be ready for when the time is right; but being ready is key. This will play a key role with assisting in discussions with our clients and/or families about substance use issues and ways to maintain the best outcome for our family's health. We know that it's up to the individual to make change within themselves, but being able to get to a point where there is somebody on the streets letting them know that they're not alone and having the resources available for when the time comes for change, is why I am asking for this position to be revisited and changed to work for us to be able to bring our people home and let them know that they're not alone.
- Looking to start up our CCG meetings in person
- CFW team to meet with Ha'wiih to give PP on CFW office, 30-R and Oomiiqsu - looking to get this done in September.
- Met with Vina Robinson of the Kw'umut Lelum https://www.kwumut.org/. Kw'umut Lelum is a delegated agency established in 1996. Kwùmut Lelum Child and Family Services is an aboriginal based agency located in Snuneymuxw territory that provides caregiving services and community programs and services to nine First Nations on Vancouver Island. This meeting was regarding what Kw'umut Lelum is all about and to work together entertaining the thoughts of a Protocol agreement. I'm going to bring to next EC meeting in September to discuss further. We currently have a Protocol Agreement Between Usma and HUUAYAHT that was Signed in 2014. https://huuayaht.org/2014/04/09/protocol-agreement-between-hfn-and-usma-signed/ . Kw'umut Lelum is talking with other NCN in regards to signing a protocol agreement.

Emerging Issues

- Interview Questions with SMT and EC on HFN Child and Family Services Policy and Jurisdiction Project
- SSE press release
- In need of new CDC member
- Need to work on celebration of life dates and venue for those that have passed on over the pandemic.
- Outreach Worker

Progress on Achieving Key Initiatives **Community Health**

- Meeting with Acting ED to talk about HFN IRS Healing Workshops
- Celebration of life planning to acknowledge losses over the pandemic
- Community garden memorial plaque for Indian residential school survivors still needs to be put up
- Attended the virtual Kamloops Indian Residential School Le Estcwéý (The Missing) Report Findings Presentation & Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc
- Attended monthly ACHNT meeting.

Emerging Issues

- IRS memorial plaque needs to be put up at community garden in lower Anacla

Progress on Achieving Key Initiatives **Education, Language and Culture**

- Checked on our new canoe that we have in the carving shed. It needs to be cleaned up a little bit then we can come up with a date to launch this summer.
- Our HFN website is getting an update to our Language and Culture section. We will be adding our little blue book and audio and other resources regarding language. Would like to get our communications team to meet with our Ha'wiih Council to ask what is acceptable to share regarding culture on our web page.
- Cultural camp held out at Diana Island from July 26th to July 30th. This has always been a successful week filled with culture and land-based activities. Cultural camp has been going strong and steady year after year since being resurrected in 2015.
- The NTC Graduation and Scholarship Ceremony will be a virtual event this year with videos of the Graduates and Scholarship Award recipients being released on July 23, 2021.
- We should start a letter of acknowledgement to those that have graduated from high school and embarking in post-secondary. This would be a letter of acknowledgement coming from the HFN government portfolio holder and reporting to Ha'wiih Council.
- CLH Caucus - Methodology Discussion - looked over new document (Towards Language Exp - Need Methodology) and did research on Indigenous Language Program Needs for SGIG.
- National Historic site plaque needs to be erected on site ASSP.
- We should form a Honorary Committee to exercise our treaty and identify those that could have honorary doctorate degrees in our nation related to years of experience working in the field in any of our natural resource areas. For the Honorary Degree and/or Honorary Doctorate we can have a selection process to identify those individuals who, in their opinion, have made significant contributions to society or a specific field within HFN government. We would have to set up rules for the selection committee. We are 10 years into our Treaty, it's time to identify some of our outstanding citizens and their accomplishments.
- Attended monthly Bamfield Community School Association meeting as a Board of Director. Lunch program at BCS receives $5 a child from SD70 and the BCSA contributes $1. I inquired and asked the question what if HFN also puts in $6 per child which would then = $12 a child. I was going to bring to the next EC meeting, but as a result of my inquiry and communication with our acting executive director, I learned that we have contributed in the past and that we are reinstating our contribution totaling $300 a month to the lunch program at BCS.

Emerging Issues

- Will be launching the new canoe that Gabriel William started and master carver Johnson senior and Tom Paterson finished.
- Celebration of life acknowledgments - We have the funds to make this happen. It would be good to have a dinner to acknowledge those that have passed over the pandemic so that we can carry on in a good way.
- Identifying citizens within the nation for honorary doctorate degrees for outstanding commitments to the nation, whether it be through culture acknowledgments or

acknowledgements through working in our natural resources - fisheries, forestry, etc. Exercising our treaty and identifying some type of Committee to be formed to make these recommendations and acknowledgements and add to our People's assembly.

- Coming up with a date for Huuayaht Grad in the Fall.
- Is our contribution totaling $300 a month to the lunch program at BCS adequate?

Other

- Bi-weekly executive council meetings

Councillor: Charlie Clappis July Report

Responsibility	
Infrastructure and Housing	• July 12th-Planing meeting • July 13th- Housing Solutions Lab Update • July 15th-Cemetery Grant Application • July 15th-CMHC Application Discussion • July 23rd- Meeting with ED about Social Housing • July 23rd- Planning meeting • July 28th-Capital Projects Meeting
Recreation and Community Development	• July 2nd, 3rd, 4th -Help Mentor Youth Warriors build on Diana Island • July 16th ,17th, 18th - Diana Island Project • July 20th -Diana Island Project completion
Land Use and Zoning	• July 28th- Citizen Acquisition of Lands
Community Involvement	• July 1st-Canada Day Celebration • July 9th-First Nations Technology Council Board Meeting • July 15th-Music by the Sea Board Meeting • July 21st -Bamfield Community Meeting with Josie Osborne • July 27th-Attended HFN Youth Culture Camp
Governance	• July 6th-Special Council Meeting • July 20th- Law and Policy Committee • July 29th Executive Council Meeting