



**TK'EMLÚPS TE SECWÉPEMC
GENERAL BAND MEETING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2014
MOCCASIN SQUARE GARDENS**

APPROVAL DRAFT – VERBATIM MINUTES-QUORUM

CHAIRPERSON:

Chief Shane Gottfriedson

COUNCIL:

Councillor Rosanne Casimir
Councillor Katy Gottfriedson
Councillor Ed Jensen
Councillor Jeanette Jules
Councillor Richard Jules
Councillor Colleen Mosterd-McLean
Councillor Fred Seymour

OTHERS PRESENT:

Darin Kennedy, Manager, Human Resources & Interim CEO
Monica Parker, Executive Projects Manager, Corporate
Jana Chouinard, Backfill Executive Secretary, Chief & Council
Nickole Fraser, Secretary, Chief and Council
Nacoma George, Marketing/Events Coordinator, Administration
Mark Eikland, SRFA Chief of Staff
Zena Quock
Rolene Guichon
Tyler Jensen

REGISTERED MEMBERS: 87

1	<i>Gail Akerman</i>	31	<i>Robin Arlene Gottfriedson</i>	61	<i>Lachanda Lyn Manuel</i>
2	<i>Marie Carol Clydellia Baptiste</i>	32	<i>Shane Wiley Charles Gottfriedson</i>	62	<i>Vinette Phyllis Manuel</i>
3	<i>Narcisse Douglas Baptiste</i>	33	<i>Theodore Martin Gottfriedson</i>	63	<i>Travis William McCaleb</i>
4	<i>Robert Kenneith Bennett</i>	34	<i>Violet Gottfriedson</i>	64	<i>Genier Edwin Roger McCallum</i>
5	<i>Aaron Kelly Camille</i>	35	<i>Bruce David Gurnsey</i>	65	<i>Daniel Gerrit McLean</i>
6	<i>Evelyn Camille</i>	36	<i>William George Gurnsey</i>	66	<i>Hillary Dawn McLean</i>
7	<i>Lacey Elizabeth Catherine Camille</i>	37	<i>Joanne Hales</i>	67	<i>Colleen Ann Mosterd-McLean</i>
8	<i>Versal Felix Colt Camille</i>	38	<i>Marie Agnes Hazelwood</i>	68	<i>Dolan Francise James Petel Paul</i>
9	<i>Christina Rose Casimir</i>	39	<i>Edward Gerald Jensen</i>	69	<i>Lucinda Charlotte Susan Paul</i>
10	<i>George Evan Casimir</i>	40	<i>Kenneth Cedric Jensen</i>	70	<i>Sharla Fredien Lucinda Paul</i>

11	<i>Rosanne Joan Casimir</i>	41	<i>Minnie Edith Jensen</i>	71	<i>Simone Felicity Celeste Paul</i>
12	<i>Todd Edward George Coles</i>	42	<i>Timothy Charles Jensen</i>	72	<i>James Tracy Peters</i>
13	<i>Geraldine Evelyn Rose Collins</i>	43	<i>Lynnette Rae Johnston</i>	73	<i>Sandra Dale Peters</i>
14	<i>Truth Caralyle Gail Dan</i>	44	<i>Barbara Cheryl Jules</i>	74	<i>Heather Olivia Porter</i>
15	<i>Delyla Aprilynne Daniels</i>	45	<i>Felicity Agnes Jules</i>	75	<i>Samara Alice Marie</i>
16	<i>Mildred Matilda Dillabough</i>	46	<i>Helen Vivian Jules</i>	76	<i>Emma Teresa Saul</i>
17	<i>Barbara Eaton</i>	47	<i>Janet Jules</i>	77	<i>Colleen Audrey Seymour</i>
18	<i>Gregory James Ferguson</i>	48	<i>Mary Delores Jules</i>	78	<i>Fredrick August Seymour</i>
19	<i>Joyce Susan Fraser</i>	49	<i>Verna Esther Jules</i>	79	<i>Jermaine David Seymour</i>
20	<i>Nickole Kyle Fraser</i>	50	<i>William Joseph Jules</i>	80	<i>Loretta Seymour</i>
21	<i>Victor Fraser</i>	51	<i>Sherman Tanner Koda Jules</i>	81	<i>Sandra Lynne Seymour</i>
22	<i>Denise Lynn Fromme</i>	52	<i>Alicia Dawn Leonard</i>	82	<i>Veronica Lynne Seymour</i>
23	<i>Vanessa Rose Fromme</i>	53	<i>Carolyn Lee Leonard</i>	83	<i>Nathasha Lynn Shore</i>
24	<i>Nacoma Aaron George</i>	54	<i>Ricky Lewis Leonard</i>	84	<i>Doreen Elizabeth Stefanyk</i>
25	<i>Shiloh Henry Gott</i>	55	<i>Russel Ralph Leonard</i>	85	<i>Denny Lawrence Thomas</i>
26	<i>Evelyn Gottfriedson</i>	56	<i>Vivian Kathrine Leonard</i>	86	<i>Evelina Gay Heather Thomas</i>
27	<i>Jo-anne Gottfriedson</i>	57	<i>Lorraine Evone Manson</i>	87	<i>Sage Anna Lee Thomas</i>
28	<i>Katy Elizabeth Gottfriedson</i>	58	<i>Margaret Anne Manson</i>		
29	<i>Lyndsey Dessa Gottfriedson</i>	59	<i>Charlotte Faustine Manuel</i>		
30	<i>Montana Kenton Gottfriedson</i>	60	<i>David Troy Manuel</i>		

Quorum Confirmed: 65 Members 5:25 pm
76 Members 5:51 pm
Meeting Adjourned 10:30 pm

THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO
THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVACY ACT
(RSBC 1996) CHAPTER 165

THESE MINUTES WERE FORMALLY ADOPTED BY MOTION OF CHIEF AND COUNCIL ON TUESDAY, XX, 2014.

1. **OPENING PRAYER** Charlotte Faustine Manuel, Elder and Band Member
2. **DINNER** 5:09 pm
3. **CALL TO ORDER** 5:47 pm by Chair – Chief Shane Gottfriedson
4. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

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To adopt the Agenda as presented.

- Mover: Shiloh Gott
- Seconder: Christina Rose Casimir
- **CARRIED BY CONSENSUS**

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES August 06, 2014

- Mover: Lynnette Ray Johnston
- Seconder: Shiloh Gott
- Discussion: There was no further discussion
- In Favour: 75
- Opposed: 0
- Abstentions: 1
- Chairperson: 1 Chief Shane Gottfriedson
- Motion: **CARRIED**

6. MOTIONS:

MOTION:

To approve to **RESCIND** the Motion of July 07, 2001, General Band Meeting, and to **REPLACE** with Motion of September 29, 2014, General Band Meeting, **to authorize Chief and Council to form new TteS business entities**, in process that is in compliance with our own Financial Administrative Law (FAL), as formally approved during the duly convened General Band Meeting, Monday, September 29, 2014.

- Mover: Councillor Jeanette Jules
- Seconder: Councillor Ed Jensen
- Discussion: There was further discussion
- Question: Councillor Rosanne Casimir
- In Favour: 6
- Opposed: 0
- Abstentions: 0
- Conflict of Interest: 0
- Chairperson: 1 Chief Shane Gottfriedson
- Absent: 1 Councillor Katy Gottfriedson (approved vacation leave)
- Motion: **CARRIED**

MOTION:

To approve the TteS Administration to identify, in accordance with the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc Financial Administrative Law (FAL), any surplus funding to be committed to restoring the **Band Member Emergency Fund** to the previous allocated amount of \$2000,00 (two-thousand-dollars) per Band Member, as per Motion formally approved during the duly convened General Band Meeting, Monday, September 29, 2014.

- Mover: Councillor Jeanette Jules

- **Seconder:** Councillor Ed Jensen
- **Discussion:** There was further discussion
- **Question:** Councillor Rosanne Casimir
- **In Favour:** 6
- **Opposed:** 0
- **Abstentions:** 0
- **Conflict of Interest:** 0
- **Chairperson:** 1 Chief Shane Gottfriedson
- **Absent:** 1 Councillor Katy Gottfriedson (approved vacation leave)
- **Motion:** **CARRIED**

MOTION:

To approve to re-instate the TteS Governance Committee, as per Motion formally approved during the duly convened General Band Meeting, Monday, September 29, 2014.

- **Mover:** Councillor Jeanette Jules
- **Seconder:** Councillor Ed Jensen
- **Discussion:** There was further discussion
- **Question:** Councillor Rosanne Casimir
- **In Favour:** 6
- **Opposed:** 0
- **Abstentions:** 0
- **Conflict of Interest:** 0
- **Chairperson:** 1 Chief Shane Gottfriedson
- **Absent:** 1 Councillor Katy Gottfriedson (approved vacation leave)
- **Motion:** **CARRIED**

7. **ADJOURNMENT:** 10:30 PM

8. **CLOSING PRAYER:** Charlotte Faustine Manuel, Elder and Band Member

5:51 PM – MEETING COMMENCED

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 00-00-00*

We’re going to say a Dinner Prayer and our Prayer for our Meeting. I’ve asked our Elder, Charlotte, Auntie Charlotte, to say a Prayer. Then, we will start off with our Elders eating first; then, we’ll get everyone else going.

CHARLOTTE FAUSTINE MANUEL, ELDER AND BAND MEMBER *Audio 00-00-19*

Good evening, everyone. I want to wish everyone that has a Birthday this month, “Happy Birthday”. My Son, Kirby’s Birthday is today, so I’m including the other people that have a Birthday this month, to wish him Happy Birthday. So, we’re going to start with a Prayer. So Creator of all goodness all I call upon you

to bless each and every one of us in the Secwépemc Territory, and the Secwépemc qelmúcwš that live in this Territory. We thank you for each other. We thank you for our Families, and we thank you for our Community, Creator. We thank you, for our Chief and Council's doing a lot of work for us. We thank our Membership for coming together and making this an important meeting for our Community, and I pray that more people will start coming to the meetings; especially our young people. We really need our young people to come to these meetings; to learn about what's happening in within our Community. In regards to our Health and Education, and our Housing, and all the important things, our water, and our weather environment; everything that's in our Territory that we need to learn about. It's very important Creator that we pass these teachings on and give these messages to our Young People. It's really really important because of all the changes that are happening within all our communities. So, Creator, I call upon you and I know you've answered many of our Prayers. And I know you will answer this Prayer too. So Creator, we give you thanks for the food, and all the people that brought food. We gave you thanks for everything in our life - spiritually, mentally, physically, emotionally, verbally, and visually. We thank you for that Creator. And let us move forward in a good positive way. Let's give good energy to each other and let the negative energy go. We don't need that in our meeting. We need to lift up each other and support each other at times like this. Kukwštsámč (Thank you) Tqalkukwpi7, Kukwštsámč Tqalkukwpi7, Kukwštsámč Tqalkukwpi7, Kukwštsámč Tqalkukwpi7. Hi, Hi. All My Relations.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON Audio 00-02-41

Okay. Our Elders, you can go up and eat first. We're been cooking all day long, so all of Chief and Council played a role in preparing tonight's meal, and the bannock was done by Colleen Seymour and "Lady Di" Councillor Fred Seymour's wife. If you did bring something, "Thank you very much." Elder's, go up there and eat. Please don't be shy.

(Dinner Break - 5:09 pm to 5:47 pm - Audio paused 00-04-01)

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON Audio 00-04-50

I just want to thank Council for cooking a good dinner tonight, and thank Colleen and Diane for making the bannock and I also want to thank everybody who brought something. So, if we could give everybody a big hand that would be great. *(Applause)* So, we have kind of a fun thing we want to start our General Band Meeting off with tonight. We have some flowers and we want to give the flowers to the oldest Band Member that is here tonight. We have one set of sunflowers. The other set of sunflowers; I want to give to the youngest Band Member that's here tonight. So, if anybody is over 80 (eighty), can you please raise your hand? There's one. Seventy-nine. Auntie Loretta? How old is Auntie Loretta. Ms. Manson, you are what, eighty? Thirty-two? Did you say thirty-two? Okay. The oldest Band Members that's here is, Loretta Seymour, who's 82 (eighty-two). Everybody give her a round of applause *(applause)*. Okay, now who's the youngest here? Who's the youngest? Anybody under 5 *(five)*? Vanessa, how old is your girl? She's 2 *(two)*. Anybody younger than 2 *(two)*? If any of you guys say your two, I'm going to ID you. Okay, so our youngest is Kaidence Sia Park (Casimir) *(applause)*. You guys can cheer now. Okay, I think we're going to Call our Meeting to Order now. Before I get going, as well, I want to also acknowledge Delores Jules. Her and Clarence celebrated 62 (sixty-two) years of Marriage this last Saturday, so *(applause)* and Ms. Manson just turned 80 *(eighty)* right? 82 *(eighty-two)* or 81 *(eighty-one)*? Eighty-two. I want to thank everyone for coming tonight. Thank Auntie Charlotte, for the Opening Prayer. Our First Order of Business for tonight, if can we have somebody Move to Adopt the Agenda? Moved by Shiloh Gott. Do you we have a Secunder? Christina Rose Casimir. Anybody Opposed? Abstentions? Carried. So, can have the Adoption of our last Meeting Minutes?

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES:

Yes. They are here. This one here.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON: Audio 00-10-30

To Adopt the Agenda? Who adopted the Agenda?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:

Yes.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON:

Grizz Gott and Christina Casimir. I call him Grizz. Shiloh. You've got to get up with your Rez Lingo. Okay. Mover to Adopt the Minutes please? Moved by Lynnette Rae Johnston, Seconder? Seconded by Shiloh Gott. Anybody Abstain? Against? You Abstain? One Abstention. Note For the Record. Band Member up front here. Those Minutes are Carried. So our First Order of Business tonight is Rules Governing General Band Meetings. GBM reduction of Quorum. We actually have a Slide Presentation. So, there's a hand out in your package. It's in the orange tab, at the last 6(six) GBM's we have not had a Quorum since January 2013. The Quorum defined under our Governance and Electoral Code Bylaws as a minimum 50 (fifty) Voting Members of Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc. Not having a Quorum has resulted not being able to move forward on certain Agenda items or Business that requires all Band Members Vote. As our TteS (Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc) Membership increase and it has been for the past few years. The expectations would be that attendance at GBM's would go up, but this is not happening. "The history of the Quorum going back, General Band Meeting November 04th, 05th, and 06th 1996. Discussions held on Rules Governing General Band Meeting Bylaw which included the issue of number voting Members for Quorum. Bylaw was being used as a guideline has never passed in Council." Look at our youngest Band Member. So happy to be here. Got flowers and she's just running around. So "Bylaw #1996-2 Adopted Number 13.0 (*thirteen point zero*) in a Quorum states that 13.1 (*thirteen point one*) 50 (*fifty*) Band Members 18 (*eighteen*) years of age or older shall constitute a Quorum at a General or Special Band Meeting. Chief and Council Regular Meeting January 21st, 1997 Bylaw #1996-3 Adopted a Bylaw to Amend Bylaw #1996-2 for the wording not only to change the number that constitutes as a General or Special Band Meeting."

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:

There's a echo.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON:

Can you hear me? Am I too loud?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:

Your voice is echoing.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON: *Audio 00-14-30*

Okay. I'm almost done. Can you hear me good? Okay. So, what to do? There are 3 (*three*) different options. Option One, for us to decrease the number required for us to make a "Quorum". This would mean that instead of 50 being "Quorum" we now drop down to 35 (*thirty five*). Using 35 (*thirty five*) instead of 50 (*fifty*), with our recent attendance at GBM (General Band Meeting) as a guide, would allow us to get voting items completed. So, the average we have been getting the last few years have been about 35 (*thirty five*). Some of the pro's versus cons. The pro's of having the Quorum at 35 (*thirty five*) are as follows. Number one, having a lower requirement means that we can get the voting items completed faster. Item Number 2 (*two*), it will take less pressure off people to attend General Band Meeting's. Number 3 (*three*) it will mean less paperwork and administration for Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc Staff as it relates to package creation for GBM'S (General Band Meeting's), etc. It will cost less (admin, overhead etc.). Some of the cons of lowering the Quorum to 35 (*thirty five*) are: Number One. Dropping the number means that "fewer" Members get to decide the issues facing a Growing Membership. Item Number 2 (*two*). Lowering this discourages participation, and discourages democratic involvement. Number 3(*three*). Lowering this runs the risk that the "same people", i.e. those that attend

GBM's (General Band Meeting's) get to make the decisions which affect the whole Community. So, in Closing, is a Vote to resolve this. We would like all Members to "Cast your Ballot." Please Vote on this Issue using the Ballot provided. But, we actually open the Floor to Discussion now, to take any input from Members, if you so feel to speak to the issue? So, what we're going to do now is, we're going to vote on the Issue. If we have nobody who is going to speak to the Issue? Then, we are going to do sort of a Secret Ballot over in the box there so we won't be asking for people to raise their hands. At the assembly you get a chance to vote in confidence if you so wish. That's what I just said; we're going to Open the Floor for Discussion. Felicity, can you go to the mic please? Can you go to the mic? Just hold on. I'm going to recognize, Felicity Jules, as our first Speaker.

FELICITY AGNES JULES, BAND MEMBER: *Audio 00-17-26*

So, I'm not clear, are we to Vote on one of the three under what to do? Are those the only options?

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON: *Audio 00-17-36*

Well, I think our option is either keep it the same at 50 (*fifty*),

FELICITY AGNES JULES, BAND MEMBER:

Yes.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON:

or lower it to 35 (*thirty five*),

FELICITY AGNES JULES, BAND MEMBER:

Okay.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON:

Because the reality is we only get about, roughly about 30-35. 35 (*thirty-thirty five*) Band Members that attend General Assembly's. So, we average it out to about 35 (*thirty five*).

FELICITY AGNES JULES, BAND MEMBER: *Audio 00-17-55*

So, if I'm going to go over there, and to Vote, and I want to maintain it at 50 (*fifty*) minimum for Quorum, is there an option on the Voting Ballot?

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON: *Audio 00-18-06*

I don't think so. Do you guys have a copy of the Voting Ballot? Or, is it just a blank piece of paper?

FELICITY AGNES JULES, BAND MEMBER: *Audio 00-18-15*

And my Vote doesn't need to be confidential. I'd rather keep it at 50 (*fifty*),

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON:

Okay.

FELICITY AGNES JULES, BAND MEMBER:

But I would like that as an Option.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON: *Audio 00-18-23*

Okay. No. So, basically, a General Band Meeting September 29th Vote to approve the Motion to Amend Bylaw #1996-3 Quorum as follows: from 50 (*fifty*) Band Members 18 (*eighteen*) years of age or older shall constitute a Quorum at a General Band Meeting, or, 2 (*two*), 35(*thirty five*) Members 18 (*eighteen*) years of age or older shall constitute a Quorum at a General or Special Meeting. So, it's either 50 (*fifty*) or 35 (*thirty five*).

FELICITY AGNES JULES, BAND MEMBER *Audio 00-18-52*

Okay, respect for my Mom and other Elders, would it be okay if I go get a Ballot for my Mom and then bring it back for her?

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 00-19-00*

Yes. So, basically you have to Vote 'Yes', to lower, or, 'No', to keep it the same.

FELICITY AGNES JULES, BAND MEMBER *Audio 00-19-04*

Okay.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 00-19-05*

Okay.

FELICITY AGNES JULES, BAND MEMBER *Audio 00-19-05*

So' my the second part of my question: Was is it okay if I get my Mom a Ballot, and I'm guessing others would like to do that for Elders in their family as well?

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 00-19-14*

Yes. No problem.

FELICITY AGNES JULES, BAND MEMBER *Audio 00-19-14*

Okay great. Thank you.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 00-19-17*

Yes.

VINETTE PHYLLIS MANUEL, BAND MEMBER *Audio 00-19-19*

Alright. For the Record, I'm Vinette Manuel, 565. I think what it is right now. Okay, my thoughts on this is, we should actually go the opposite end of decreasing it. Opinion of this, is that it should actually be increased. Because if we can 350 (*three hundred and fifty*) people out on Election Day, I'm pretty sure we can actually create that Election Law 4 (*four*) times a year and make our Community not only more accountable but make it viable for our Council because we've already been reduced from 10 (*ten*) Councillors to 7 (*seven*). Then, make them communicate more with the Community, all at the same time. I don't support this; I think that in our past, our Ancestors, like I was just telling, Marie, a few seconds ago, I loved reading how organized their meetings were. I absolutely agreed with the way they handled things because they kept everything transparent. With this being pushed down to 35 (*thirty five*) I am one of those people that is going to at that Band Meeting every time. I don't want my opinion to be the only opinion in the room. Right? Plus on top of that, at this point. We've talking about doing Webcasting from Council. We've talked about communicating better. I just don't see it happening. I mean, if we can get this many people out for this many Band Meetings we can do it every 4 (*four*) months. We shouldn't only have to do it during Election time. Right? There should be a standard that our Ancestors used to live by. It used to be requirement. We used to be disciplined enough to turn around and bring every Member from every Family into the room when things were being discussed. I say, 'Let's go back to our Customs, and start walking away from Roberts Rules so much'. Because Roberts Rules has gotten us to this point whereas all we do, we come to these Band Meetings, we listen to our Council talk to us for 45 (*forty five*) minutes in the hour we are allowed to do business. We get 15 (*fifteen*) minutes to do business every 4 (*four*) months that's why nobody shows up. Right? So, I'm just saying, 'Let's communicate better. Let's get to a place where we're actually doing some work together.'

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 00-21-22*

I don't necessarily agree with all your statements. I think the old ways for the past 30 (*thirty*) years, (*Vinette Phyllis Manuel-in audible- speaking off the mic- Audio 1-00-21-32*) Just listen please. Just listen. Nobody interrupted you when you spoke. Now just show a little bit of respect and listen. This is one of the reasons why people don't want to come to Band Meetings; because of people like you. So, when we look our Schedule for General Band Meeting's, it's laid out right at the start of the year for 3 (*three*) years. 4(*four*) times spring, summer, fall, and winter, and this has been a practice that's been going on for 30 (*thirty*) plus years. As far as Roberts Rules we don't run by Roberts Rules of Order. We run by Rules Governed by General Band Meeting that was passed by the Membership for the Membership, and when you talk about Accountability and Transparency. We actually put out Quarterly Newsletters, Annual Reports. All of that stuff is Transparent. So, I don't know where you get off trying to create this false belief that this Council is doing stuff that we're, we're hiding stuff. That's the farthest from the truth.

EVELYN CAMILLE, ELDER, PAST COUNCILLOR AND BAND MEMBER *Audio 00-22-36*

(*Speaking in Secwepemc Language*) It is good to see very many of our People here tonight, and what it is that brings them over tonight. We need to consider that. I know I've never missed a Band Meeting, unless I was very sick, and we have to put the interest out there for our Membership. This is their concerns that we are deciding here. And I do not agree to lower the Quorum. We must stay at 50 (*fifty*) plus 1 (*one*). I don't believe 35(*thirty five*) Membership should be making the Decisions. And that we must continue to encourage, especially the Young People, to come and participate in these meetings because we expect some of them to be sitting up there. And how can they learn if they don't participate? And how will the Membership know what's going on? Instead of sitting back complaining about everything, to be here to express all their concerns. (*Speaking in Secwepemc Language*). (Applause)

VINETTE PHYLLIS MANUEL BAND MEMBER: *Audio 00-23-59*

My Uncles give me permission to finish a thought. Our Community,

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON:

Just hold on a second.

VINETTE PHYLLIS MANUEL, BAND MEMBER:

We collect over 45 (*forty five*) million dollars a year, that we get annually in our Budget. So, technically 150 (*one hundred and fifty*) million dollars is actually expended over 3 (*three*) years right? So, out of that 150 (*one hundred and fifty*) million dollar investment that we put into Council, we should get back more than 15 (*fifteen*) minutes worth of work every 4(*four*) months. And that's what I'm saying. If we want to be accountable, let's adopt our ways, let's adopt what we did. For example, out in Neskonlith (Indian Band), they had Band Meetings all day long; all weekend long. Because they wanted to communicate with their People, they want to share that information. They want to be accessible to their People. Let's quit following this format, and let's, like you said, make it more fun. Let's make it an all-day thing so everybody can feel safe to turn around, and come up, and have their grievances; find solutions. So that way we don't look at each other a couple times a year where everybody rushes around, helps everybody, only at Election time. I say, 'Let's spread the Election love 4 (*four*) times a year. Let's get it up to 350 (*three hundred and fifty*) people coming to the Band Meetings, and then we have the right to do business'.

DAVID TROY MANUEL, BAND MEMBER *Audio 00-25-19*

Good evening, Chief and Council, and the Community Members. My name is Dave Manuel. And I am very happy to see that we actually have a Quorum. How many people do we have here? What's the number?

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 00-25-31*

74 (Seventy-four).

DAVID TROY MANUEL, BAND MEMBER Audio 00-25-32

74. That's awesome. Let' give ourselves a round here (*applause*). One of the things I find is that I've been coming to the Band Meetings for quite a few years now, and we've hardly ever had a Quorum. And one of my Beliefs is that, if we lower the Band Meetings down, the Quorum down to 25 (*twenty five*) or 35 (*thirty five*) as it's mentioned here tonight. That we will get numbers like this because people will show up, because they don't want to have 35 (*thirty five*) people controlling the Band to show Band business. So, I would like to say, 'Thank you, I support this Motion and I'm going to be Voting 'Yes' for this Motion to change it, because I would like to see more people coming out to the Band Meetings, because if not, 35 (*thirty five*) of us will be making decisions for the Band as a whole, because I know I come to Band Meetings.' Thank you very much.

EVELYN GOTTFRIEDSON, ELDER, PAST COUNCILLOR AND BAND MEMBER Audio 00-26-32

Hi. Evelyn Gottfriedson. 35 (*thirty five*) people is way too low and dropping it from 50 (*fifty*) to 35 (*thirty five*) probably won't even answer your concerns because they're not coming to the meetings for a reason. And by lowering the Quorum isn't going to help. The problem is still there. Why aren't they coming? We all know, but nobody wants to get up here and say so. So, why don't we have somebody go around and get some recommendations, and then bring it to the people and we'll refine it and agree with it? I think we have a problem at these meetings, and it started quite a while ago. That's my Recommendation.

DENNY LAWRENCE THOMAS, BAND MEMBER Audio 00-27-32

I just want to agree with my Auntie there. Another thing, I want to say, is that, 'I don't think I have a right to speak for the Band Members that aren't here'. And changing what they voted years ago. And it should be brought to more people. And I think that before we make any kind of changes here on this, it should be in a more, more Memberships got to be here before this can be changed. I don't think that our Grass Roots Elders, our Grass Roots People should lose out on this opportunity, for new Members coming in here to make to choices for our Grass Roots People. Thank you.

GERALDINE (GERRI) EVELYN ROSE COLLINS, ELDER AND BAND MEMBER Audio 00-28-28

Yes. Gerry Collins. You all know I'm a relatively new Member of the Band. Soon, I'll hit 10 (*ten*) years. But anyway, but one of the things, when I first became a Member and I started coming to the Band Meetings, when I was able to. Is, I was surprised that there wasn't Quorums, because this is the only form that Band Members have to have real input and direction to Chief and Council. So, I asked a few people, how come? Why? And I got 2 (*two*) answers. 1 (*one*) of them was, people are happy the way things are going, so they feel they don't have to show up, and have their voice in. And the other 1 (*one*) was, it was a form of protest. People are not happy, and they're not going to participate, because of that. And I agree with Evelyn. She made the suggestion that maybe we should try and find out. And I would like to see us not do this vote right now, and Chief and Council put a process in place where people do make the inquiry. I think, personally, I think that even 35 (*thirty five*) is too high, because I take the position that if you're interested in what happens in your Community and you want your voice heard, then you get out and you make sure it does. And if it's 50 (*fifty*) or 35 (*thirty five*), or whatever, the average of our meetings has been 24 (*twenty four*), 25 (*twenty five*). So, even 35 (*thirty five*) would continue to have a problem. But unless we know why people aren't coming, then I don't think we're going to solve what the underlying difficulty is, if there is in fact a difficulty. So, I need you to know at this point in time, I will be voting in favor of the 35 (*thirty five*), and if people don't want my voice making decisions for them, then you make sure you come out here and you have your Family out here as well. That's what these General Band Meetings are about. It's the Members opportunity to have their input, and if they're not exercising that, it's nobody's fault but their own.

GREGORY JAMES FERGUSON, BAND MEMBER Audio 00-30-48

(*Speaking Secwepemc Language*) Greg Ferguson. I was going to say, myself, I was here at the last Band Meeting, and I think there was 14(*fourteen*) people here, or something. A young man, Josh Gottfriedson, I believe had stood up and he had mentioned that food was never brought into the meetings, whereas food was always brought traditionally into our meetings, and to our sit downs, and what not. And, just coming here tonight and seeing how much people showed up compared to the last one. The last meeting is just amazing. The last one, most everything was empty. Now there's food here, and that does play as some inconvenience to people as well, like myself. I just got off work an hour ago, and when I was here last time, there was no food and what not. I basically just got off work and had to rush here, got here and I starved here until 9 o'clock. I'm used of starving, but for other people, the Elders; the young ones; the little ones; I say 50(*fifty*) is a fair number myself.

JO-ANNE (J.A.) GOTTFRIEDSON, ELDER AND BAND MEMBER Audio 00-32-19

(*Speaking Secwepemc Language*) Jo-anne Gottfriedson (*Speaking Secwepemc Language*) when I hear things about Tradition and I hear things about our Customs, that really strikes a big thing in my heart. Because a long time ago our People worked in consensus. Our People respected our Chief and Council to make decisions on our behalf. We never put our Leadership down. We never put each other down. We worked together. Those Values and those Customs are gone. So, I personally would like to, see that whoever's here, makes the decision for the People. If you care enough about your land; you care enough about your Family; you care about our Resources; you care about our Culture and Language and the Business that goes on in our Community? Then haul your butt to the Meeting, and share those things, or you don't have a right to complain, or put people down. Because you know what? I have the highest respect for our Chief and Council. We go to work 8 o'clock in the morning, and we go home maybe 5 o'clock at night. Our Chief and Council work 24 (*twenty four*) hours a day; on weekends; holidays. I personally interact with each and every one of them every day and I see that. If we really care, then we got to be accountable and responsible. It's not up to the Chief and Council to provide and fix our windows and our doors. It's up to them to Govern our Business of our Community. I'm In Favor of the 35 (*thirty five*) because those people are the ones that care. Those are the people that should voice their opinion, and if you really cared, you'd be here. And, I think by putting it off, we're only stalling that, there's 74 (*seventy four*) of us here. Voices. We should Vote on it. (*Applause*)

LYNDSEY DESSA GOTTFRIEDSON, BAND MEMBER Audio 00-34-30

Hi. I'm Dessa Gottfriedson, and I personally believe that lowering the Quorum to 35 (*thirty five*) isn't going to solve the problem of getting more people here. And I personally wouldn't feel comfortable making decisions on behalf of the people that aren't physically able to be here. I know that a lot of our People are Post-Secondary Students who go off to university, and, because of educational reasons, they're not able to be here. But, we're going to jeopardize their future possibly based on because they're not able to be here. I think, if you want to solve the problem of having more people at Quorum, you need to be more creative on ways so people have access to these meetings. For example, you could be Skyping or you could have it a link on a Website so people can log in. You need to get creative on ways to get people here for the People that can't be here. Not because of choice, but because of physical barriers, educational goals. So, I would really like to see some ideas like that from our Leadership if you want to have more people here instead of lowering the number. (*Applause*)

CHRISTINA ROSE CASIMIR, ELDER AND BAND MEMBER Audio 00-36-01

I'm Christina Casimir, and I vote for keeping it at 50 (*fifty*). 50 (*fifty*) plus 1 (*one*). Just because there are people who are not here, doesn't mean we lower the number. And I'm not in opposition to people moving ahead for the purpose of creating business, but not moving ahead, in opposition to people who are interested, but are unable to be here. There were many times when I should've been here but I wasn't feeling well. And I didn't want my vote taken away, and I couldn't send a message by way of a letter or a note saying why I couldn't come. But, I'm here tonight, to make sure that we think of the 50 (*fifty*) plus 1

(one), and there was a reason why there was 50 (fifty) plus 1 (one). So, let's not forget that, and let's include them. Don't exclude them just because you want to move ahead. We want to move ahead, but we want the 50 (fifty) plus 1 (one). Kukwstsétsemc. (Applause)

BRUCE DAVID GURNSEY, BAND MEMBER Audio 00-37-30

Hello. My name is Bruce Gurnsey, and I'm from Vernon BC, and I'm not sure yet that dropping it would solve the problem. One concern with me, is the detail that I get from the Band. On this Meeting, they sent us Notice and told us we were going to Vote on the Quorum, but they didn't send detail on what, any detail on it. The other votes that are happening tonight; there's not much detail on them either, and I just wanted to express that.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON Audio 00-38-41

Tanner. Last speaker.

SHERMAN TANNER KODA JULES, BAND MEMBER Audio 1-00-38-43

Good evening. My name is Tanner Jules, and I have not been able to show up to any of the past Band Meetings over the past year and a half, at least. And personally, I'd like to see the Quorum stay at least at 50 (fifty) or, I'd agree to lowering it to 45 (forty five). I think 35 (thirty five) is too drastic. It's almost half of 50 (fifty). So, it's kind of unrealistic. Personally, I'd like to a lot more creative ways for Membership to have Notice about the General Band Meeting's. Personally, I've only known the date because of my work place, and I haven't seen a whole lot of posting everywhere. Today, I noticed there was some signs at the 4-way stop on Kootenay. That was pretty good to see. But some Notice could be in more areas of the Band, around more places where people could see. It would just be nice. And I think if we could, maybe, use Social Media as well. That would be a lot more helpful for Band Members to know the dates. And I understand why a lot of Band Members don't show up to the General Band Meeting's. Many just can't make it, and are too busy, and many are just too frustrated with their voices not being represented properly. Plenty are happy with how it's going. Personally, I usually don't show up because I'm happy with the direction of the Band. But, a lot of the time, me and my friends joke around that you almost need a lawyer to understand some of the topics being discussed. And it would be nice to see, shown in a way everyone can kind of understand it, without needing someone explaining it to them for 15 (fifteen) minutes. It would be nice just to be able to read through a book or something for 5 (five) minutes and kind of have a general idea where everything is going, and it would be nice, if even for GBM's (General Band Meeting's), for Notices to be handed out to each house. That way at least, you could say you were given Notice and not just posted around the Band, and, hope that they see it. And that's all I have to say.

CHARLOTTE FAUSTINE MANUEL, ELDER AND BAND MEMBER Audio 00-41-32

Elder Charlotte Manuel. I'm really glad to see a lot of our Young People here tonight. I'm going to ask our Young People to really help us Elders bring other Young People to the Meetings, because it's really important that you young people help us bring other people to the Meeting. Especially your age. It's up to you Young People to start coming to these Meetings because it's really important for you to learn what we're trying to teach you know. Our Elders are doing the best they can, to keep this going for you. We have a lot of things we need to pass on to you to learn. So, I'm going to ask all of you young people to start talking to the other Young People in the Community; at your Youth Gatherings, when you meet with each other, and say, "Hey, come to the Band Meeting. It's really interesting. I went, and it was good. I learned so much". You could pass on what you learned to them. I'm asking you Young People tonight, please to help us, because you're going to be the future Leaders. One day, you'll be sitting up there, and I encourage you Young People to really reach out. Okay? I know I'm repeating myself, but I really want you to get the message to pass on to the others, because I know that all of these People that are sitting in here do their best to reach out to our Community Members. By Notice; by phone, or however they can get in touch with each other in our Community. Okay? I'm agreeable to whatever the Quorum is, but I'd

like to see that left at 50 (*fifty*) for the same reason that we need to have more People come in. Thank you. All My Relations. (*Applause*)

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 00-43-37*

Thanks to everyone for sharing their input. I asked the question: What's the Eligible number of Voters that we have for General Assembly or Voting for everybody who's 18 (*eighteen*) years of age and older. There's 958 (*nine hundred and fifty eight*) Members now. So, when you look at 50 (*fifty*), divided by 958 (*nine hundred and fifty eight*). Basically, there's only 19.16 (*nineteen point one six*) percent out of 50 (*fifty*) that actually constitutes a Quorum of the Band Meetings. And that's a pretty low number of people to attend a General Band Meeting, and it's been that way for long before I was the Chief, or anybody has been on Council here. When I hear the concerns that the Membership talk about lowering the Quorum, and I respect that. I hear your input, and what some people say, they're comfortable with the decisions that are being made, some are just not happy with what's going on. But who the hell really knows? I don't. That's why we put this on the Agenda. So, we could have a good discussion about really what that balance should be. And I'm sure if we kept it the same, people would be upset that it's still 50 (*fifty*). If we lowered it, people would be upset because we lowered it. The bottom line is, we have to come to some sort of agreement on where we're going. Because I think a lot of you know I've been the Chief for 4 (*four*) Terms. I've Chaired many meetings. Before, we couldn't sit down and have a conversation because it was so chaotic, because some people would just hog the mic. And I enforced the Rules Governing General Band Meeting's. I don't know if that was a good thing or a bad thing, but I know one thing, that General Band Meeting's got a hell of a lot more respectful. Instead of people calling names and poking each other in the crowd, and being disrespectful. I also think too, that when we talk about change, sometimes change is not an easy thing to I think deal with when it's brought before us. I think as First Nation's People, we're always challenged with change, with Government Legislation. We're always challenged with change and decisions that have to be made from a Governance perspective. I think when we look at, sort of, getting people to come and, yes, it was a good thing, we served a meal tonight, and I thought, Council, we really put a lot of thought in what we wanted to do to bring people to come out. I told as many people as I could to come out. But, I tell you there is one person that I want to recognition tonight to, is, Sage Thomas. Because, Sage, basically put it out there, to all the young people that are here. You guys are all here because Sage challenged you guys all to come and be a part of this Gathering. Because I seen a lot of your names on her response saying "I'll be there". And you know, Auntie Charlotte. You're absolutely right our Young People need to start challenging each other to come out and be a part of the process. And I think Sage opened up a lot of our Young People's eyes this past month. We've tried every damn in our magical powers to make sure we get people to come out. That one time, we have door prizes; we give away nice things to people. People would come. We would provide a full course meal. They'd come. They eat. They'd get their prize. They would be out of this door faster than you could say, "Jack Rabbit". So, for us, what is really the right answer? I don't know, but I know one thing, that we have 4 (*four*) General Band Meeting's every year, and our Quorum numbers is 50 (*fifty*), and some people like it. Some people like coming because some people are here, or other people are here. I don't know. But I know one thing, we have a Duty as a Governing Body to set 4 (*four*) General Assembly's each year. And if we don't get those 4 (*four*) meetings per year, as per Quorum, they're still considered a meeting anyway. But we always like to call a couple Special General Assembly's to make sure we do our Due Diligence. And I just want everybody to know there's this big Myth out there, and I think we talked about this at the last Band Meeting; we're doing something that's not right!?! I think, Vinette, you always put it out there that this Chief and Council, we're running our 15 (*fifteen*) million dollar a year operation, and we don't know where the money goes. That's the farthest thing from the truth. I think we are very transparent in the way that we address our business. Through the new Financial Administration Law (FAL) that speaks to process, policies, and how we spend every single penny that the Band has in its' Interests. I think there are also some very good ideas that we can build upon. Like Skyping. Having our General Band Meeting's Webcast, so more people could sit back and maybe be part of that. That's a great idea. What's stopping us from doing that? Nothing. I remember years ago when

we would have our Minutes recorded people didn't like just our Minutes being recorded Verbatim. So, we videoed it so people wouldn't have to sit there and read those Minutes. They could just sit there and watch the video. So, you know 2014, we now video our Meetings, and a lot of people can ask for those videos. The other thing that I think; when we talk about our Band Meetings, we do our best to be able to make sure that everybody gets their packages 30 (*thirty*) days prior to the General Assembly, so you can read and have that information, and, it is actually mailed to your home. We put other postings around. We're working on our communications. Trying to look at building our Webpage. I think we do have a Facebook Webpage, and I know that there is a lot of people on Facebook that actually share information about Band Meetings, Workshops, through Facebook, and Social Media. We're trying our best. I think one of the things that I'm really encouraged about tonight, is to see everybody that is here tonight. Thank you for coming. I think if we had 200 (*two hundred*) people here tonight, people would say we still don't have the right number to be able to make a decision on what the Quorum is. But, our Rules Governing General Band Meeting's as states: 50 (*fifty*) people get to decide what constitutes the Rules and Regulations to our General Band Meeting. So, we do have 74 (*seventy four*) Band Members here. We are well within the current limit of the Quorum. I never adopted the Rules Governing General Band Meeting. I did as a Member. I didn't do it as a Chief, and neither did any of this Council. I think the previous Chief and Council adopted the Rules Governing General Band Meeting's that enable us to be able to have some sort of structure around decision-making for the Community. And right now, we actually have a Quorum. Even if the Quorum was at 35 (*thirty five*) we're still at 74 (*seventy four*) people. We're well within our Rules and Guidelines to be able to make a decision on the Quorum then. So, be it if the Membership says, "Yes, we want to keep it at 50 (*fifty*)", we will honor and respect what the decision of what People decide here by way of their Vote. That's fine with me. I'm here to Chair the Meeting. To follow the wishes of you as Members, and I'm really glad we had so many good people get up tonight and express their concerns about lowering, about raising. At the end of the day, we have 74 (*seventy four*) Band Members that constitute a Quorum. So, I think what I'd like to be able to do now is, we've got some other Agenda Items on Topic here that we want to get moving on, but, if people want to get a Ballot? Maybe if the desk can go around and give everybody a Ballot, and we can Vote.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:

(In audible- speaking off the mic- Audio 00-52-46)

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON:

For the Motion? That's a good question. Probably. I should have a Mover and a Secunder. Thank you. Well, the Motion would be to, the Motion would be...So, the General Band Meeting September 29th, 2014: To Vote to approve the Motion to Amend Bylaw 1996-3 Section 13 Quorum, as follows from 50 (*fifty*) Band Members 18 (*eighteen*) years of age, or older, to 35(*thirty five*) Band Members 18 (*eighteen*) years of age, or older, shall constitute a Quorum at a General, Special Meeting.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:

Shane. *(In audible- speaking off the mic- Audio 00-53-55).*

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON:

Yes, we're Amending a Bylaw. It was approved at a General Assembly.

EVELYN GOTTFRIEDSON, ELDER, PAST COUNCILLOR AND BAND MEMBER: *Audio 00-54-06*

It can be changed at any General Band Meeting? Like, next week, we can come back with 100 (*one hundred*) people and change this again?

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON: *Audio 00-54-14*

At the next General Assembly, if it so be it.

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES: *Audio 00-54-20*

You have to give Notice. 30 (*thirty*) day Notice, it says that.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON: *Audio 00-54-29*

Moved by Dave Manuel. Seconder? Victor Fraser. Any further Discussion? Victor Fraser. Yes. Please go to the mic. Just clarification on the Motion here.

LYNDSY DESSA GOTTFRIEDSON, BAND MEMBER: *Audio 00-55-04*

Can we put the Motion on the board there? Because I'm not seeing it on here at all, and I need to be able to read it.

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES *Audio 00-55-13*

Can somebody hand out the Ballots please?

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON: *Audio 00-55-16*

I already asked them to hand them out. Katy, do you want to speak? Did you still want to speak?

FELICITY AGNES JULES, BAND MEMBER: *Audio 00-55-22*

Okay. Sorry, I don't want to keep popping up and people groan every time I get up, so sorry, I'll try to keep my comment short. Evelyn Gottfriedson made a suggestion earlier, and I know, I think it was Gerri, who agreed some sort of study, or some further discussion, needs to be done with Band Members, and I don't know if that's going to be put on the Table for Discussion at a later time or not? Jeanette's saying 'No'. Okay. That answers the question.

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES: *Audio 00-55-49*

It'll be done at a different time. We're doing one thing. That's separate.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON: *Audio 00-55-56*

I think Councillor Katy Gottfriedson wanted to say something now?

COUNCILLOR KATY GOTTFRIEDSON: *Audio 00-56-13*

Sorry. My mic isn't working right now, but hopefully everyone can hear me? I do appreciate all the feedback that we've been getting and I know this has been a concern. Personally, I don't agree that it does get reduced. It has been brought up to Council several times; how we can increase the level of involvement that we get from our Community? One, was that we do have this Taco Dinner that we've prepared. As you see, the Agenda. The Administration Department did a really great job into trying to making the Agenda a little more friendly; more readable. We've also posted a phone number people needed to call that can't get rides here. So, let that be known. Hopefully, if there are people that are without transportation that that is now available. I would like to do my darndest to keep it at this and hopefully we can get more participation. Kukwstsám.

DENNY LAWRENCE THOMAS BAND MEMBER: *Audio 00-57-26*

I just want to clarify? So, you guys are saying, what was said here, that's it? So, you're not going to take this forward to the Membership at all, like was discussed?

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES: *Audio 00-57-43*

My thing is, within the Rules Governing Band Meetings, and I was at the 1996 General Band Meeting, we spent 3 (*three*) days. 3 (*three*) full days. 8 o'clock in the morning until midnight. 8 o'clock in the morning, until midnight, midnight of the second, because we were supposed to have it for just one day. The midnight of the second day, it was stated, we're coming back from 8 o'clock until noon. And by

noon, we're going to have what we're going to be doing. And all the people need to be here, so that they can Vote. And 50 (*fifty*) was voted on. It was at 150 (*one hundred and fifty*), 100(*one hundred*), 50 (*fifty*), and at 25 (*twenty five*), there were 4 different scenarios. And people chose the 50 (*fifty*) for the Quorum. And some people thought it was too high. And within the Rules Governing General Band Meeting's and the Bylaw within the other Bylaws, it states how you Amend and it's brought back. And we discussed that, at that Meeting. It was brought back to the Membership, and it was voted on, by the Members present.

DENNY LAWRENCE THOMAS BAND MEMBER: *Audio 00-58-56*

What I'm asking, Jeanette, is that some people here, myself included, ask this be brought back in a more deeper discussion, to the People, before you make a decision. And you're saying, 'No. We're going to vote on this now, whether we want to or not'.

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES: *Audio 00-59-12*

That's how we've always done it. It's been. Any time the Amendments have been made to Rules Governing General Band Meeting's. Whenever there was the Amendment done. The vote was done that night, and notice was sent out.

DENNY LAWRENCE THOMAS BAND MEMBER: *Audio 00-59-23*

So, why did we have discussion if that's what you wanted?

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES: *Audio 00-59-27*

That's part of the process.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON: *Audio 00-59-30*

Denny, we're just following the Rules Governing General Band Meeting. That's all we're doing. We're not trying to do anything Out of Question here. We've got a live Motion on the Floor here. If the majority of the people here vote that they don't want this brought towards a Referendum, because it is a live Motion, we have to actually pass the Motion to actually have the vote tonight here first. If the people here vote against the Motion, then it stays the same. Then we continue to do what we do, to keep getting people out. Do you guys understand that? Okay.

CHRISTINA ROSE CASIMIR, ELDER AND BAND MEMBER *Audio 01-00-12*

So, please clarify, we're voting on the 50 (*fifty*) plus 1 (*one*)?

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 01-00-18*

We're voting on 50 (*fifty*). We're voting to change from 50 (*fifty*) to 30 (*thirty*). So, there's a Motion on the Floor right now. Moved by Dave Manuel. Seconded by Victor (Fraser). So, that's the Vote.

CHRISTINA ROSE CASIMIR, ELDERAND BAND MEMBER *Audio 01-00-31*

50 (*fifty*)?

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 01-00-40*

From 50 (*fifty*) to 35(*thirty five*).

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES *Audio 01-00-42*

So, you vote 'Yes', if you want it to go to 35(*thirty five*), and vote, 'No', if you want it to stay at 50 (*fifty*) as Status Quo.

CHRISTINA ROSE CASIMIR, ELDERAND BAND MEMBER *Audio 01-00-49*

I vote 50 (*fifty*).

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES *Audio 01-00-54*
(In audible- speaking off the mic-Audio 1-01-00-56) Yes. You vote, 'No'.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 01-00-58*
Okay, Colleen.

CHRISTINA ROSE CASIMIR, ELDER AND BAND MEMBER *Audio 01-00-59*
So, you guys all agree 50 (*fifty*)?

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 01-01-01*
No. We're just going to be voting on it. The Motion passes first here. Let's do that.

COUNCILLOR COLLEEN MOSTERD-MCLEAN *Audio 01-01-07*
So, just for more clarification, if you want it to stay 50 (*fifty*) check, 'No'. If you want it to be lowered to 35(*thirty five*), check, 'Yes'. There are at least 74 (*seventy four*) Voting Members here tonight. That's more than we've had in a long time. If you feel strongly that it stays at 50 (*fifty*), please vote, 'No'.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 01-01-32*
Okay. Everybody in Favor of the Motion to reduce General Band Meeting numbers from 50 (*fifty*) to 30 (*thirty*) can you just raise your hand? To introduce the Motion. Yes. We're voting on the Motion.

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES *Audio 01-02-01*
Marie Called Question a long time ago.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 01-02-05*
Just hold on. Order! Question Called by Marie Baptiste.

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES *Audio 01-02-11*
To go forward with the Vote.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 01-02-15*
We have to Accept the Motion, Jeanette.

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES *Audio 01-02-20*
That's what the Motion is, to go forward with the Vote.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 01-02-31*
Just leave it alone. Okay. We will take about 15 (*fifteen*) minutes for people to put their Ballot in.

(*Break Audio 01-02-43*)

COUNCILLOR KATY GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 01-02-57*
If I could get everyone's attention? While we're having this Break. We have Lachanda Manuel at the back of the room here. In the last few years, we've been trying to accurately depict our Employment Database. So, if you haven't filled out the Survey, she would like for your participation. It's \$200 (*two hundred*) you could win. Just see Lachanda at the back at the pink board. It's from ages 15-64 (*fifteen to sixty four*). Is our Work Force. If you are between those ages, and haven't talked to our Employment Center, or our Education Department, I would appreciate that.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 01-04-02*

Can we have a Volunteer? We need a Volunteer to Witness counting the numbers. Does anyone want to Volunteer? Okay, Charlotte. Veronica? Anybody else? One more Volunteer. Count the numbers, witness, Okay Grizz. Okay. So, we've got 3 (*three*) Volunteers: Charlotte, Veronica, Shiloh. Okay. The Ballots are Closing in 10 (*ten*) seconds, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1. Officially Closed. Okay. We will Reconvene in 2 (*two*) minutes. Finish off up their discussion. Run to the washroom, and we'll Reconvene in 2 (*two*) minutes.

(Reconvened Audio 01-11-37)

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 01-11-37*

Can I have your attention please? We're going to Call our Meeting back to Order. Okay. So, I do have the Results for the Motion that was put forth, and it was sixty three (63) to eighteen (18) so the Quorum of General Band Meeting's will stay the same. (*Applause*) So, I want to thank the Membership for giving us clear direction on what constitutes a Quorum. So, thank you very much. That was a good Discussion. Our next Presentation is talking about, looking at, as many of you know, we now have our own New Financial Administration Law (FAL) and there was a 2001 Motion, Moved by Anne Doucette, Seconded by Jo-anne Campbell that the Chief and Council wind up and dissolve the companies currently carrying on business as commonly known as the Kamloops Indian Band Leasing Corporation and the Kamloops Indian Band Construction Limited, under Federal and Provincial Legislation, and that full accounting, each said company be forwarded to Membership, before the next General Band Meeting. Further, Move that the Chief and Council does not set up, and create, and establish or register Provincially, Federally, any Legal Entity, Corporation, Association, and Partnership, Joint Ventures or such other organization, or entity that is directly, or indirectly, under the control of the Chief and Council, without the approval of the Quorum or the General Band Meeting. So, that was Passed on, Saturday, July the 07th 2001. It was sixty seven (67) to thirty six (36). Since then, in September 29th 2014, the subject is the 2001 Motion and Chief and Council require the approval of a Quorum of Electors at a General Band Meeting prior to creating, establishing a Legal Entity, Corporation, Association, Partnership, or any Joint Venture. The purpose, to review the justification for the Requirement of a Quorum of Electors at a General Band Meeting to set up, and create, establish, register Legal Entity, Corporation, Associated Partnership, or Joint Venture as per 2001 Motion. The Band now has a Financial Administration Law (FAL) that was Passed, December 2012. So, what this is saying, is, we have a Motion, a Financial Administration Law (FAL), that was Passed in 2012, under the current status, as per the 2001 Motion, Chief and Council must get approval of a Quorum of Electors at a General Band Meeting prior to creating, and establishing a Legal Entity, Corporation, Association, Partnership or Joint Venture. Please see the attached Motion. This Motion was Passed prior to developed, implementation of the Bands' new Financial Administration Law (FAL) in 2012. Some of the key issues and facts are: The Band has a new Financial Administration Law (FAL) that limits their ability to invest in certain types of business activities. The new Law insures the Bands Assets will be protected, and removes the need for the 2001 Motion. Further to that, the Motion limits the ability of the Band to take Advantage of Financial opportunities to operate at the speed of business. There has not been a Quorum of Electors at a General Band Meeting since April 23rd 2013, well over fifteen (15) months. If the Band has to wait for a Quorum of Electors, over a year, it will lose out on potential business investment that could benefit the Band as a whole. So, the Financial Administration Law (FAL), division six (6), talks about Risk Management limitation on business activity. Section Sixty (60) of Financial Administration Law (FAL) is sixty point one (60.1) Subject to Subsection two (2), and three (3), of the First Nation's must not A. Carry on businesses as a Proprietor. B. Acquire an Interest in Partnership as a General Partner, or, C. Act as a Trustee respecting Property Use, for or held in course, of carrying on a business. Sixty point 2 (60.2). The First Nation's may carry on a business that A. Is ancillary or incidental, to the provision of programs or services. Other facts of First Nation's Governance; or B. Derived Income from Granting of a Lease, or License, or, if in respect of i. An Interest in, or Natural Resources on, or under, the First Nation's lands or lands owned in Fee Simple, or, In Trust for the First Nation's, or ii. Any Other Property of the First

Nation. Sixty point three (60.3) The First Nation's may carry on activity for primary purpose of Profit. If the Council determines that the business activities: A. Do not result in a material Liability for the First Nation's, or, B. Do not otherwise expose the First Nation's financial Assets, Property or Resources to significant risk. Sixty four (60.4) That the Council may impose Terms and Conditions on the conduct of any business activity permitted under this section in order to manage any risks associated with that activity. So, what we would, is a Recommendation, that the Band Rescind the 2001 Motion, as they now have a Financial Administration Law (FAL), and Replace the Motion with the requirements to communicate at a General Band Meeting any new business' that the Band may have created, and how they will positively impact the Band Membership and the Community as a whole. So, what we're saying, is, that we have Partnerships with New Gold/New Afton Mine. We do have other potential Partnerships in other Economic Activities. Our new Financial Administration Law (FAL) really safeguards the Kamloops Indian Band (KIB) Assets, that we cannot enter into a Business Agreement if it is a losing a Business Agreement. It has to be a profitable Business Agreement, and there is a number of steps in our Financial Administration Law (FAL) that talks about Business Planning, Fiscal Planning, and Feasible Planning within our Law, and it talks about Subsection 60.1, 60.2, and 60.3, and it goes into 2, 3, and 4 of scrutinizing any sort of business. And when you look at the old Motion, talking about companies in the past. Chief and Council could form any business without reporting back to the Membership. That's where the Motion was put into place. With our new Financial Administration Law (FAL), we now have a number of balances and checks that safeguard the Kamloops Indian Band (KIB), our Assets, and our Capital. We want to look at having that Motion Rescinded and Govern ourselves under our new Financial Administration Law (FAL).

LYNDESY DESSA GOTTFRIEDSON BAND MEMBER *Audio 01-20-41*

I was reading. Sorry, Dessa Gottfriedson. I was reading the Motion, and my first immediate thought was anger. I'm going to be flat out honest. You guys are our Elected Leaders. There are certain Rules and Guidelines, and Bylaws that you have to follow. And the first thing I thought of, was how in the hell did we get Stk'emlúpsenc te Secwépenc Nation (SSN) Incorporated when we had this Motion that we voted on, that was Approved, and Endorsed by the Community in 2001? A lot of Band Member's don't know what Stk'emlúpsenc te Secwépenc Nation (SSN) is, and honestly, I didn't even really know until last, when I did some contract work with them. It seems to me that, and correct me if I'm wrong, it seems like it's a Band Corporation that's working jointly with Skeetchestn Indian Band (SIB), which is great. I don't necessarily disagree. And it was formed because of New Gold/New Afton Mine, and that's my broad understanding. For me to say any more than that would be, I don't have all the information. So, the information I do have in front of me is that there is already a legitimate Corporation that was formed after this Motion was put in affect. So, you're talking about this Financial Transparency Law, when we have a Motion that was Endorsed by the Community, and you didn't even follow it? That pisses me off. And I want to know, when exactly Stk'emlúpsenc te Secwépenc Nation (SSN) was incorporated? I want to know who was on Chief and Council. I want to know how this even happened.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 01-22-46*

Okay. Thank you, Dessa. I've been the Chief since Stk'emlúpsenc te Secwépenc Nation (SSN) was formed. I was part of forming Stk'emlúpsenc te Secwépenc Nation (SSN). And one of the reasons why we formed Stk'emlúpsenc te Secwépenc Nation (SSN), was the fact that we needed a Corporate Company to be able, part of our Economic and Community Development Agreement (ECDA) with both the Province, and New Gold/New Afton Mine, under our Participation Agreement. And, for as far as Stk'emlúpsenc te Secwépenc Nation (SSN) goes, you want to point the finger at somebody, you can point it right here. I've been the Chief for eleven (11) plus years, and I supported Stk'emlúpsenc te Secwépenc Nation (SSN). I was one of the Founders for Stk'emlúpsenc te Secwépenc Nation (SSN). I'm proud of the work that we've done in Stk'emlúpsenc te Secwépenc Nation (SSN). And, I know that under Stk'emlúpsenc te Secwépenc Nation (SSN), we formed a Company which was called

Stk'emlupsemc Amalgamated Ventures Inc. (SAVI), to be able to look after our Joint Venture Partnership with Western Protection Alliance Inc. (WPA). And if you want to blame someone, you can blame me.

LYNDSEY DESSA GOTTFRIEDSON BAND MEMBER *Audio 01-23-56*

Okay, because that's illegitimate. I would like to see some corrective measures put in places. I'll be flat out honest. I secured a Contract with Stk'emlupsemc te Secwepemc Nation (SSN), and it wasn't even posted. So, for me, you guys are talking about Financial Transparency Law. How is that being Transparent? Show of hands. How many of you know what Stk'emlupsemc te Secwepemc Nation (SSN) is? How many of you knew it was a Corporation with Kamloops Indian Band (KIB) and Skeetchestn Indian Band (SIB)? And, how many of you've seen Job Postings with them? And, how many of you even know a lot of what even goes on there? I was sitting over here having a conversation with my Family. Asking them, because I really don't know. And I like to think I keep abreast with what's going on in our Community. I read the Newsletters. I read the Lexey'em. I follow your guys' Minutes. I attend Band Meetings. And I don't even really know what it is. So, that's scary. And, I want to see some corrective measures put in place. This was not Endorsed by the Community. You did this without our Consent; without our Vote, and who's at fault? That's good you took some responsibility. Now, what are you going to do to fix it? That's what I want to know.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 01-25-16*

Well, I just want to say one thing too. We did have a General Assembly here. We did Disclose Stk'emlupsemc te Secwepemc Nation (SSN).

LYNDSEY DESSA GOTTFRIEDSON BAND MEMBER *Audio 01-25-24*

And we Voted on it?

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 01-25-25*

We actually had a General Assembly.

LYNDSEY DESSA GOTTFRIEDSON BAND MEMBER *Audio 01-25-27*

Can we have the Meetings, or the Minutes, or something?

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 01-25-30*

Yes. We can make sure Dessa gets a copy of the Minutes that was posted. I think you videoed it too. Right, Nacoma? Well. Every Meeting is videoed. But, we can give you the information that was presented at the Assembly. There was an actual thirty (30) day Notice that was put out. I think we actually gave out Financial Statements at that Assembly as well.

LYNDSEY DESSA GOTTFRIEDSON BAND MEMBER *Audio 01-25-57*

So, how long ago was this about? 7 (seven) years ago? 5(five)?

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 01-26-01*

That Band Meeting not even less than a year ago.

LYNDSEY DESSA GOTTFRIEDSON BAND MEMBER *Audio 01-26-05*

So, Stk'emlupsemc te Secwepemc Nation (SSN)'s only be Incorporated for a year?

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES *Audio 01-26-11*

Just to talk about Stk'emlupsemc te Secwepemc Nation (SSN). Stk'emlupsemc te Secwepemc Nation (SSN) is not Incorporated.

LYNDSEY DESSA GOTTFRIEDSON BAND MEMBER *Audio 01-26-18*

What's the actual name of it? I remember reading Stk'emlúpsemc.

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES *Audio 01-26-22*

It's Stk'emlúpsemc te Secwépemc Nation (SSN). What Stk'emlúpsemc te Secwépemc Nation (SSN) was and is, is a Re-Lighting of our Campfire, our History, and our Culture, and our Traditions. We had seven (7) Divisions or Campfires. Our old People called them Campfires. But, Teit, and some of the other Ethnographers, like Dawson; they put it as Divisions, not as Campfires. And, Stk'emlúpsemc is one of them, and the Lakes is the other. The Simpcw First Nation (SFN) another. Canyon People which is Dog Creek, Sugar Cane, Anaheim, all up in that area which was traditionally our Territory. What they did was Re-Lit the Campfire that when the Priests and Government came through they dissolved. And, it's not a Corporation. It's bringing back which is part of our Oath of Office. Is looking after our Culture, our Traditions, and our Customs, and our Beliefs. That is bringing that up, and, when it was put together it was disclosed at a General Band Meeting. I wasn't on Council then, but it was disclosed at a General Band Meeting, and at the Kamloopa Powwow. The year that they did that, they had a Ceremony; a Signing Ceremony between the two (2) Communities. They asked all of People from Skeetchestn Indian Band (SIB), and all the People from Tk'emlúps, and for everyone there to Witness the Re-Lighting of the Campfire. That's what was done, and, that's how it was done. If there is to be a dissolving of anything, then there needs to be proper ceremony in order to go and do anything of that nature. There has to be a proper Ceremony, because Ceremony was done during that time.

LYNDSEY DESSA GOTTFRIEDSON BAND MEMBER *Audio 01-28-27*

And I don't disagree with that. But, on our Motion it clearly states, and I'm going to grab it because I left mine on my chair, "To further Move that Chief and Council does not set up, create, establish, or register Provincially, or extra Provincially, or Federally any Legal Entity, Corporation, Association, Partnerships, Joint Ventures, or any such other organization or entity that is directly, or indirectly, under the control of Chief and Council, without the approval of a Quorum of Electors at a General Band Meeting". So, I just want to know if there is certain Cultural Protocols? Because I spend a lot of my time on Education, and Sports. I'm not a very cultural person, and I acknowledge that. But, my education reads that, and that's scary to me, because we had voted on this. It was endorsed by the Community, and Chief and Council just went and did whatever they wanted. So now, corrective measures need to be put in place.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 01-29-38*

Yes, and they will be. Thank you.

DENNY LAWRENCE THOMAS BAND MEMBER *Audio 01-29-48*

That was one of the things I was going to bring up is the accountability towards when you make a decision for the People. You also have to be accountable for what you do. I think that this here just shows how dangerous the Chief and Council is. You just out-right. I was there at that Meeting when we voted 'No'. I stood up and spoke about how Chief took a Corporation and made oodles of money on it, and just robbed us blind. The whole point of that was to stop you people from doing the same thing, and for you to. What I want to know is what is the Legal Ramifications of you guys breaking a Bylaw if that's what that is? If I'm correct? Right? That's a Bylaw?

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES *Audio 01-30-53*

No. It's a General Band Meeting Motion.

DENNY LAWRENCE THOMAS BAND MEMBER *Audio 01-30-56*

So, a Motion. So, what accountability does Chief and Council have? Because, I know if, I'm working at the Church right now, and, if I decide to break Protocol over there, and not show up for work, I can get Fired. So, where does that Protocol stand with you people, when you break Protocol?

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON Audio 01-31-20

Well? Are you done?

DENNY LAWERENCE THOMAS, BAND MEMBER Audio 01-31-21

Okay.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON Audio 01-31-22

I just want to, I've been the Chief for twelve (12) years and I'm not ashamed to say, 'Yeah, I was a part of setting Stk'emlúpsemc te Secwépemc Nation (SSN) up. I'm not. I'm not ashamed to say, too, that we've probably brought in; last year was one point six (1.6) million dollars for the Community. We're talking about other Contracts. We're talking about other opportunities for the Band. When you look at the Law that was passed in 2012 the new Financial Administration Law (FAL). We haven't incorporated any new companies, or any new partnerships since. So, I think as the business world turns, sometimes we've got to make decisions, and if we're in the wrong, then we're in the wrong. But. At the end of the day, we're not profiting for ourselves. Everything we do is all for the Membership. I never received any Benefits through any of the Contracts for any of the Band, any other businesses, either did any of the Council. I think everything we've done was in the best interest of the Band, not as an individual, but for the Band.

EVELYN GOTTFRIEDSON, ELDER, PAST COUNCILLOR AND BAND MEMBER Audio 01-32-47

I recall at a Band Meeting when our Accountant brought up, that we were seven (7) million in the hole. Right? And how in God's name did we ever do that? Also, I recall at a Band Meeting where we gave directions, and we voted on things, and it was never followed. We were told we would, you would prepare an Action List of Concerns of Band Member's that People passed, and that was years ago. I haven't seen that. I think it should be available to each household. A binder that has all of the important Motion's and concerns that we have so each Family. when they're wondering what the heck's going on, we have a Motion, for instance the whole Band agreed, two (2) times that I can remember, to stay off our Mountains. Things like that. So, *ten* (10) years down the road, we get a new Council. All the young guys who haven't attended Meetings, that happens, that they can look at this book, and say, 'Well look, we can't possibly let guys develop any higher in that Mountain because there's a Motion on the Floor that they not touch those Mountains'. There are a lot of things that we asked you to do. A lot of things we had a Motion on, and there never ever, I shouldn't have said never, but probably 99% aren't followed. Because not everybody comes back to the Meeting, and they get mad. I'm getting mad just listening. I know we should probably have a limit how long anybody can speak, probably *two* (2) minutes, I'm probably way over it, but I'm saying, 'You've got to start doing what we ask'. You have to. Like Denny just mentioned, what are the consequences of you blatantly disobeying our directions? There has to be something somewhere, and we've got to hold you accountable somehow. And I want to know what that process is? There's probably a Bylaw somewhere we don't know about, that we could probably call you on, and if you're really honest and a good Council; you'll tell us, 'Look, this is what the process is if you don't like what we're doing. This is what you can do.' That would be honesty from you.

VIOLET GOTTFRIEDSON, ELDER AND BAND MEMBER Audio 01-35-37

Violet Gottfriedson. As I recall, there was two (2) Meetings that was set forth for Membership to go, and it was here in the Gymnasium, and the other one was in Skeetchestn Indian Band (SIB). And, it was a poor show on our Membership when we came and they were telling us about the ceremony that was going to go through between the two (2) Bands. It was actually disgraceful, the amount of people that came to support our Chief and Council, but they're right there to call and point fingers that I don't like. We went to Skeetchestn Indian Band (SIB) and it was the same thing. We had five (5) more people than they did right in their own Community and the same people go up and pointed at their Chief and Council, not opening the books to the people. So, I don't know what more you can do to satisfy everybody, getting them here because there's food. That's good. But I don't like to come and have my son as being corrupt

or any of you, I don't think that's right. And I don't think, Dessa opened a can of worms when she said she did that what do you call, and she got paid for it, and nobody else what about that money.

THEODORE MARTIN GOTTFRIEDSON BAND MEMBER *Audio 01-37-25*

Ted Gottfriedson, I was just looking at this, I wasn't there for everything, I know remissive at attending Band Meetings but you know I read the Motion and I understand the spirit of the Motion, I understand the need for Chief and Council to make decisions at the speed of business that's understandable but what that does is it takes away any voice we have and just gives it to you guys. It says here I don't know what the Financial Administration Law (FAL) is I'm not familiar with it but I mean, I'm just wondering what are the provisions for us to have a voice still when, like yes you need to make decisions not just us it's my kids, it's my grandkids someday, that we make these decisions for. This takes that out of our hands, that's what I see, I'm not sure, it says here you'll be required to communicate with us your decisions but where does that leave us and where does that leave your accountability? Where do we get out say? Right we get to hear about it afterwards, the spirit of that Motion was that things aren't done irrationally or they're not done to benefit certain people. I can understand that Motion it's a good Motion I like it. This I'm not sure about, I don't understand why you guys don't want us to have that say, you can correct me if I'm wrong, okay that's all I have to say.

(TERESA) MARIE BAPTISTE, ELDER AND BAND MEMBER *Audio 01-39-17*

I just have one comment before I have things to say, does Chief and Council have 51% control of Stk'emlúpsemc te Secwépemc Nation (SSN)?

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 01-39-34*

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(TERESA) MARIE BAPTISTE, ELDER AND BAND MEMBER *Audio 01-39-35*

Okay, so according to the Motion you're still, okay, it says you have to have control and you don't, so I think this is within, what I understand the Motion to be. If I remember the Meeting where this Motion was passed I think at that time if I remember correctly, and Jeanette I'm sure you can correct me, I had asked the Motion be split into two (2) different Motion's, because one dealt with one situation and the other one dealt with different situation entirely. Because I myself I understand, I've been the Director of All Nations Trust Company for a number years over twenty (20) years, and I've been a director of Community Futures for probably about the same length of time. And I understand the different concepts of businesses, joint ventures, and different things that Chief and Council really have to get their teeth into, and do and I can understand the reasoning behind it. I agree with Rescinding the Motion that was passed way back then because I didn't agree with the Motion at that time, and I spoke against it, and I'm speaking against it again and that we Rescind that Motion, and I also move that. And justify my reasons for that because I think we have to remember tonight, we had a vote on the Quorum at Meetings, it's been so long. I've attended every dog gone Band Meeting since 1975 and I've missed 2, one I was in Vancouver, and one I was sick. Because I have an interest in it and people talk about the Quorum at fifty (50), and when they don't attend they leave the Quorum at seven (7) which is our Council. If people have something to say to Council they bring it to a Meeting, and I'm glad people have showed up tonight, that really makes me happy especially to see a lot of young ones. But I think a lot of us need to understand the concept of joint ventures, businesses, and companies we need to establish once in a while, and I've been pressuring Housing for a long time to look at a business of an apartment complex, a townhouse, something to alleviate the Housing situation for our Band. It's never been followed through, and maybe this is why it's never been followed through because in order to do that you need to establish some type of business in order to do it. So that's my reasoning for moving this Motion.

JO-ANNE (J.A.) GOTTFRIEDSON, ELDER AND BAND MEMBER *Audio 01-42-33*

I was the person, Jo-anne Gottfriedson, at that time I was a Campbell, I second that Motion the rationale was for accountability and responsibility for our Community. I have a Post Baccalaureate in Community Economic Development; at that time I didn't, I'm totally in favour of Rescinding my Motion because I can see the advancement that it's going to provide for our Community financially. You really stop to think about this there are a lot of our people in our Community that are highly educated that can read all these documents and make sense of them, there are a lot of our Community Members that are not well educated, that depend upon the Band. The Chief and Councils decision to make this Community a good place for us to live in, when you look at advancing our Community how in the hell can we advance it at General Band Meeting when this is the first time that we've had people here to vote. We're so busy caught up in our own world that I'm not going to go because I don't want to listen to that son of a gun over there say this; we ought to change our thinking. We got to go back and remember our values, our beliefs, and our traditions, if you understand our language, you understand our culture, a long time ago our people were economically sound. We have people that go out and hunt, and fish for our Community that's Economic Development for our Community, helping each other have a healthy environment. We have people who look after our Ranch, if we don't have the courage to look beyond this tunnel we're always going to have to wait till we have a Quorum of people that are going to sit here and wait till whatever cheques going to come in or until I get another Masters, or Doctorate, that's not going to happen. With the way the Financial Transparency's Count up started for Chief and Council I have every confidence in you guys to make those decisions. There are ways which we can be involved, there are things we talked about like Skype, we talked, how many of you people even read your packages that went out to you last week? They're hand delivered to our door, and then you come here and throw crap out. You got to sit down and do your homework, think about what is in the best interest of each and every one of us no matter what level of education we have. How we are culturally or socially, I second this Motion and I'm totally in favour of rescinding it because I can see the benefits. There are things that we can recommend, that we're not just giving the Chief and Council total autonomy we have to give them the tools to work with. Our voice is essential in those decision making and our family we have family meetings, we talk about these are the things that are important to our family. When we have Community events that's Community Economic Development because we're helping each other advance, so you know I've looked at this for a long time and I put a lot of thought into this, and I have a right to talk about it because I do have the knowledge. Where my heart comes from is from my cultural and my traditional ways. When I look at, I want to acknowledge you guys work hard for us, there are things we can do like have workshops if you guys have developed a partnership with someone put it out there, public, although it's kind of leery but put it out there in the Band Office. At one time we used to be able to look at our Membership list; we can't do that we need to be more open for our people. There's bulletin boards all over the Band Office you guys can come in there look at anything that's done. I know I read the Minutes Chief and Council do the decisions and I go and talk to Chief and Council.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 01-47-40*

You're allowed to speak one topic.

DENNY LAWRENCE THOMAS, BAND MEMBER *Audio 01-47-46*

I'm really sorry Shane, my biggest concern and I want to make this out right official is I don't want seven (7) people not matter if I'm related to them or not, whether I voted them or not, I don't want them out right making horrible decisions on my behalf, my children's behalf. That's why I come to these Meetings every day and I fight for what I believe in whether somebody likes me or not, I will stand up here and fight for that right. My aunty always tell me before you come up and speak you have a solution to what your problems are because that makes things better. That shows that you're trying to look for answers to problems, and I'm not here bitch and complain about a problem I don't have an answer to, so my suggestion to all this is one time, I used to be part of a Governance Committee that worked on the Governance of Chief and Council and their ability to be a Chief and Council. And that stopped, same with the Membership Code which I thought were two (2) of the most important things that our Policy should

have in effect before any decisions are made. Because that puts liability on everything that you guys do, it makes you guys accountable, and gives us the right as a Band Member that voted you in to say “hey you’re doing wrong and this is how we can fix that”. And if we seriously don’t like how you’re doing things then we have a way to vote you out so I would like that Governance Committee Policy to be finished, I would like to see that finished, and handed out to the people, thank you.

VINETTE PHYLLIS MANUEL, BAND MEMBER *Audio 01-49-43*

I just have a couple of questions on the issue, I know we’re moving forward with Aboriginal, First Nation’s, or the First Nation’s Financial Planning I get that, my question is right now is how does that deal with our other smaller corporations, our non- profits, our partnerships, and how does that fail through. Because right now currently right now I am one of those people I saw a need in the Community, I came forth and I worked on that need, and I got what was called a 2008 juniors. I was asked to divulge all my financial information to Chief and Council and I did that respectively, I haven’t seen that in the 2013 juniors, I haven’t seen it for all of the other corporations, I haven’t seen it for all the other partnerships that have come forth. I’m willing to stand by my Community, I’m willing to go to the mat for our youth, and I’m on record for it, it took me seven (7) years to get a Motion passed and I’m willing to work forward in that but if we’re going to be doing this, and if we’re getting into these partnerships. This generation here I didn’t come into my own, we’ve heard me say this before, I didn’t come into my own until I was thirty five (35) they’re going to be doing it when they’re at twenty five (25), they’re starting to show promise already. They don’t have the same vices that we had, they’re not going to hold back so if we don’t create a process for them to come forth and start putting this energy back into our Community. And if it’s not on paper and how they can do that, and which ways they can do it, because we should be creating our partnerships generally with our people, I have no problem with Stk’emlúpsemc te Secwépemc Nation (SSN) existing. I’m probably sure Felicity could probably talk about where that one point six (1.6) million dollars went, it probably went into housing, or went in to cover something right? I don’t know if it goes into general funds or I don’t whether if it stays in its own pot, that’s the other question I have. I don’t know where that money goes, technically right now. So with that being said, if we’re going to be doing this, and if we’re going to be asking transparency, and if I’m being held to a higher standard, I’m saying anybody that we do business with should have to actually produce those numbers in front of us. I got the juniors done for I think just less than \$25,000 the year that I did it, it was bragged about this year’s juniors, and said it was done for sixty (60) where are those numbers? What did our money produce, and what did it cover, how did it come back into our Community, did it go back into our youth programs, where did it go? So I’m saying if we’re going to get into partnerships, and if we’re just going to let anybody walk in and sit there and say they’re going to do this, I want see the deliverables are at the end of the day, and how it’s going to create a legacy long term. Because they actually came back to me because I didn’t have my wrap bands with me, I know my Community committed money to that situation, they did in services, right so that being said, okay well then the protocol. Because there was other protocol, there was big how do I say it.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 01-53-14*

Point of order, we’re talking about

VINETTE PHYLLIS MANUEL, BAND MEMBER *Audio 01-53-17*

Hang on, I’m asking

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 01-53-19*

We’re talking about, point of order, we’re talking about the Motion that’s on the floor, speak to the Motion not about your basketball

VINETTE PHYLLIS MANUEL, BAND MEMBER *Audio 1-01-53-24*

All I'm asking is how does it handle non-profits, how is it handling our youth, how is it handling because as mothers we would love to turn around and step in. And help Social Development to create a future for our children that includes equipment that includes anything that they need. If Bonaparte Indian Band – St'uxwtéws can contribute \$200,000 or more to their youth then why can't Kamloops Indian Band (KIB) why aren't we kicking their butts when it comes to that department.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 01-53-51*

Point of order, Katy do you want to talk about the Law and what it encompasses.

COUNCILLOR KATY GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 01-54-02*

So I guess the quick and dirty our Financial Administration Law (FAL) covers all of our accounts, so that's not for profit, any monies that we collect it all has to run through our Financial Administration Law (FAL). Even including any of the businesses that we are attached to Stk'emlúpsenc te Secwépemc Nation (SSN) and I know that there was a concern brought up prior that this Stk'emlúpsenc te Secwépemc Nation (SSN) establishment wouldn't have followed that, and I do agree this is now being adopted at Stk'emlúpsenc te Secwépemc Nation (SSN), so you will be seeing job postings coming through any monies disbursed, we have Financial Reports that go out, as Shane had mentioned it did go out with our Financial Audits if you have any other questions in regards to that, if I didn't answer that completely you're more than welcome to see myself, Laura Bouchard, Chief Financial Officer was at our last Band Meeting in regards to the Financial Statements and things for anyone to ask questions. So I more than welcome any questions that anyone has in regards to them. While I have the mic I do have some follow up items, I know there were some concerns about the archives, and the General Band Meeting Motion's I would like to say that I'm committed to making sure we start gathering those and producing those at our General Band Meeting's to follow. Creating process in regards to establishing partnerships and joint ventures, I'd like to see some involvement on how to make that work in the future, because I think that's been a big issue on our Quorum. We don't give our Membership enough say in what goes on so if we could start establishing that, I think we see more people attending and participating, in regards to the Governance Committee Policy I would definitely bring that to our next General Band Meeting for us to circulate also.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 01-56-19*

Okay just hold on you're out of here, please, get yourself in order.

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES *Audio 01-56-23*

Okay so just a part of the agreements, and I've stated it within in my Lexéy'em Report I have given the history of Stk'emlúpsenc te Secwépemc Nation (SSN) three (3) times from what I knew, what I read, and how it was formed, what we done, I give updates on what is happening there. But within the Economic and Community Development Agreement (ECDA) economic agreement that we have with the province where we get 37.5% of one of the mining taxes, one, the Provincial and the Federal Government probably make thirty five (35) billion dollars on all the taxes in mining within Secwepemcúl'ecw (Shuswap Territory), we get one there's twelve (12) different taxes that the Federal and Provincial Government collect and then we have the Net Smelter Return Agreement (NSR) which is the Net Smelter Return and also the Forest & Range Consultation and Revenue Sharing Agreement (FCRSA) the Forestry dollars. And within there the Government has inserted Economic Development, social programs, Governance, and culture is what you can spend those dollars on, you can't be going and spending it on anything else but those things. They make sure it's in every agreement that they put out for every First Nation within the Province, and we were the first ones that they inserted it in. so those are the things we have to do and those have to be reported because within the agreement it says they can come in and audit us at any time, the reverse wasn't inserted into the agreement where we can say that we can go and audit them at their expense because it states that we can audit at our expense.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 01-58-20*

Okay, so I've got Colleen then I'm going to go to Tanner then we're going to end of with Dave there.

COUNCILLOR COLLEEN MOSTERD-MCLEAN *Audio 01-58-26*

I just have a couple comments, first of all I appreciate feedback from Membership, I appreciate constructive criticism, what I take offense to is comments like "you people", my kids are in the room, my auntie's and uncles are in the room, I don't appreciate being accused of being corrupt. This council is anything but corrupt. And the Motions that are brought to these meetings are brought here for your direction. They're not. We don't get together and create these ideas. We don't even always agree on all of the ideas. That's why they're brought here. So don't assume that we've brought something so that we can 'pull the wool over your eyes'. We're not going to get anywhere when we keep acting like this. We are people. So please don't point your fingers and say "You People." We work hard up here. Just as you do. That's all I have to say. *(Applause)*

SHERMAN TANNER KODA JULES, BAND MEMBER *Audio 01-59-37*

So, once again, I would like to represent myself. My name is Tanner Jules. From my understanding, what I've read over, the key issues and the facts. I recognize that the Chief and Council is definitely limited to the business opportunities, and I do agree they should have more tools to carry the Community forward. I personally, I would vote to 'Yes', to Rescind the 2001 Motion, and I feel we should have a lot more trust in our Chief and Council since they are all voted in. None of them are up there without any votes. They have all been voted in by the Community, and I think that we should back them when making business choices and opportunities. Someone has to make the call at the end of the day and if the Community can't come together and represent their voices for financial opportunities, I think Chief and Council should have the tools to be able to decide for us in that situation. I do have prior commitments tonight and I do have to go. So, I would just like it to be noted on that, that if there is a vote on this tonight, that I am in vote, I do Vote "Yes" to Rescind the 2001 Motion. I do have trust in all of you to act on the behalf of the Band in a positive way.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 02-01-11*

Thank you.

SHERMAN TANNER KODA JULES, BAND MEMBER

That's all I have to say.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 02-01-10*

So maybe. Just hold on a Sec. So, Nikki, maybe you can make some Ballots up so people can Vote privately, we'll get that taken care of in case people do have to leave. At least we can get direction from the Membership here.

GERALDINE EVELYN ROSE COLLINS, ELDER AND BAND MEMBER *Audio 02-01-28*

Yes. Once again. Geri Collins. I'm the Senior Staff for the Community Futures of Central Interior First Nations. Community Futures is almost three hundred (300) designations Canada wide. And within that, only twenty five (25) are specific to Aboriginal Peoples. I need to say that I am extremely proud of the fact that our organization is well known and is held up as a model for what they are. We make a variety of decisions and most of those decisions our Board of Directors make are around making loans to individuals wanting to get into business. We are able to turn a decision around in four days. The reason why we can do that is because we have empowered two of them to make decisions on behalf of the whole, and then it is brought before the board, and those decisions are endorsed. I agree with the idea that you have to be able to respond at the speed of business. In today's world, you can't, and demonstrated is the number General Band Meetings that we've had a Quorum or not had a Quorum at. If you waited for

us, we'd be still sitting around not accomplishing anything. I don't think that is right. But, the other thing, and I'd like to mention it while I have the mic, is, there are two schools of thoughts for First Nations Business. One is separate Politics from the Business. So, many Communities have set up Economic Development Corporations. And then others, like ours, most of that rests with Chief and Council. When the Financial Administration Law (FAL) was put in place, at this meeting, or one of these meetings, it was brought forward that it would be a good idea that it would maybe be a good idea to have an Advisory Committee. There was a Motion made and Passed, and it has not been followed through on. I know Evelyn Gottfriedson made the Motion. I can't remember who Seconded it. But, if you look back on the Minutes of that 2012 Meeting, you will see that it was in place. But, and then, when the Election year and that was going on, there was talk from some of you, about this whole thing about Financial and Fiscal Transparency. I personally, don't have problems with being able to look at and read the Financial Statements, and those kinds of things. I think that you are doing a darn good job. This Motion or whatever it was, has tied your hands to a great degree. I think that if you are freed up to enter into business and do business the way it needs to be done, that this Band could probably move forward a lot quicker. I don't believe anybody here is calling any of you 'Corrupt'. But, I do thing that people feel the need to know what's happening in their Communities, and sometimes, maybe we feel we don't have all of the information we should have. But, I am in favour of Rescinding that 2001 Motion.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON: *Audio 02-05-05*

Just a comment, on your Motion there. There is an Advisory Committee going to be formed. It was Passed through Policy now. As you can appreciate, there has been a great deal put into our Policy work to assure that our Financial Administration Law (FAL) and the thirty two (32) different areas of Amendments within our current Policy need to be changed so we have been tackling them on a Quarterly basis. We are in the process now of looking for Advisors. So, I can't speak any louder.

DAVID TROY MANUEL, BAND MEMBER *Audio 02-05-50*

Dave Manuel, again. With this Motion, I think a lot of it has to do with, like for myself, I'm thinking about the Financial Administration Law (FAL) and how it's a new Law. You Passed it in December of 2012. I think it would really help me, as a Band Member, to be able to be more informed about this new Law. Katy (*Councillor Katy Gottfriedson*) started talking a little bit about it; how it protects our Rights as Band Members. I think that would make it, for myself, I think it would help me as a Band Member to feel more comfortable with having more knowledge about this Financial Administration Law (FAL) myself, so I could feel more comfortable that way. But also, so, do have a Secunder and, a Mover and a Secunder? Did somebody call Question on this Motion?

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES *Audio 02-06-40*

Marie Moved, and Jo-Anne Seconded.

DAVID TROY MANUEL, BAND MEMBER *Audio 02-06-45*

Okay. So, I will call Question. And we can do the voting.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 02-06-50*

Okay. Just so you know, Dave. We did have three actual workshops on the Financial Administrative Law (FAL). Howard Campbell, when he has the Chief Executive Officer, did those. We can have more Financial Administration Workshops if the Membership wants. How many would like to see more Financial Administration Law (FAL) Workshops? Just raise your hand. See. There we go.

DAVID TROY MANUEL, BAND MEMBER *Audio 02-07-21*

Yes. But.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 02-07-23*

I know. On one hand, I know, what I'm saying is that people, they say they don't know about stuff. Then, I ask a question,

DAVID TROY MANUEL, BAND MEMBER *Audio 02-07-30*

Yes.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 02-07-30*

"Do we want to have more Workshops?"

DAVID TROY MANUEL, BAND MEMBER *Audio 02-07-32*

Yes. Yes.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 02-07-32*

Nobody wants to have it. So, let's be clear here. When we talk about not knowing what the Financial Administration Law (FAL) is and then not supporting another workshop, so.

DAVID TROY MANUEL, BAND MEMBER *Audio 02-07-42*

Yes. I..

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 02-07-42*

It's almost like the Wills and Estates. How many People in here have a Will and an Estate? Show your hands. We've had so many workshops on Wills and Estates annually that nobody shows up to those either.

DAVID TROY MANUEL, BAND MEMBER *Audio 02-07-55*

Yes. So, but, for myself, I can come in and see Katy (*Councillor Katy Gottfriedson*) and have that conversation, as a Band Member.

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES *Audio 02-08-01*

Yes.

DAVID TROY MANUEL, BAND MEMBER *Audio 02-08-02*

That's all I saying.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 02-08-02*

You can come see me; any one of us.

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES *Audio 02-08-03*

Yes.

DAVID TROY MANUEL, BAND MEMBER *Audio 02-08-04*

Okay. Thank you very much.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 02-08-05*

Okay. Question has been called by Dave (*David Manuel*).

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES *Audio 02-08-07*

Now we can Vote.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 02-08-10*

You guys can now go and vote.

SILENT VOTE PROCESS - Audio 02-08-10 to 02-24-00

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON Audio 02-23-00

Okay. I'll give you guys one minute and we will finish up the conversation and we will give you guys the results.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON Audio 02-24-00

Okay. We are going to call this meeting back to order. I was told by a couple of the Elders that I've got to speak a little bit louder into the mic. I am kind of a little bit under the weather tonight, so, you have to forgive me a little bit sometimes. So, the results for the Motion were forty six (46) to twenty six (26) in Favour of Changing the Recommendation. So, I want to thank the Membership for Voting in Favour of the Motion. So that has been. Forty six (46) to twenty six (26). So, it's been Carried. (*Applause*) So, next on our Agenda, which is our next Order of Business, is Matrimonial Property Rights (MPR). I know Bonnie was going to be here to do the Presentation on the Matrimonial Property Rights (MPR), but, I believe, Rosanne (*Councillor Rosanne Casimir*) is going to do the Presentation.

COUNCILLOR ROSANNE CASIMIR Audio 02-25-08

I am.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON Audio 02-25-09

I am. She sounds like...

COUNCILLOR ROSANNE CASIMIR Audio 02-25-09

I am.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON Audio 02-25-11

Sounds like she's in Court. I am.

COUNCILLOR ROSANNE CASIMIR Audio 02-25-14

Yes. Do you swear to tell the truth and nothing but the truth.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON Audio 02-25-15

I just want to make a few opening comments and I will turn the floor over to Rosanne. I think for a number of years, we've been working on the Real Matrimonial Property Rights Issue for our Community. We've done a number of presentations, both at the Senate Standing Committee when Connie Leonard was on Council. Me, Connie (*past Councillor Connie Leonard*), and Linda Thomas (*past Manager, Legal Department*), and Sandra Seymour (*Manager, Social Development Department*) went to Ottawa. We did a Presentation then. With the Senators, we've also had Motions put at the Assembly of First Nations (AFN), which I Moved, and was Seconded by, I can't remember who the other Chief was, you know, supporting our own Matrimonial Property Law and not fall under the Guidelines of Canada. One of the things that we have been doing is under Rosanne's Portfolio, with George (*George Casimir, Manager, Housing*). They have been working on developing the Matrimonial Framework. She is going to walk through some of the next steps on what we are doing. So again, we are not designing a Law, just so you guys cannot get upset about something here, without you knowing. We are putting forth some Recommendations here, to give you an idea on why we do need a law. I think when it comes to our Aboriginal Title and Rights, and underlying Rights Issue of our Lands. I think our own Matrimonial Law is pretty important to protect our land. Okay, Rosanne, you can take it away.

COUNCILLOR ROSANNE CASIMIR Audio 02-27-05

Okay. Thank you very much Chief Shane for the Opening Remarks, and giving a bit of Background, and previous Leadership in their initiatives to bring this forward. Thank you. (*Secwepemc language – Audio 02-27-25*) Weytk te Xweykt. Rosanne Casimir. Tk'wampila7 (*Councillor*) te Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc. I just want to thank all of you for sticking around for this presentation. I am very happy that you are here and, can all of you hear me okay? I just want to make sure that you all hear me because, tonight, this is very important.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER (away from the mic): *Audio 02-27-41*
Speak louder. I can't hear you back here.

COUNCILLOR ROSANNE CASIMIR *Audio 02-27-47*
Okay. How's that?

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES *Audio 02-27-48*
Yes.

COUNCILLOR ROSANNE CASIMIR *Audio 02-27-49*
All right. I want to make sure you all hear me because this is really important. This is serious business for our Membership. Our Band and all of its Community Members. So, I will just jump right into the presentation, and, kind of, lead right into it. So, this is an Overview of what we are going to be discussing tonight. What is MRP? What is the purpose of the law? What did the Federal Government do? What can we do as a First Nation Community? What are the Key Topics that are in that law? What can we do? And cannot do? And what have we done to date? And - What are our next steps? Those are going to be the things that we will be covering tonight. Sounds long, but it's actually not that bad. So, MRP. It includes the land and the houses; the sheds, the mobile homes, or anything under a roof. It pertains to the land and the house that has been acquired through a Common-law Relationship and/or Marriage. Real Property is the land and things that are attached to the land, such as the house, or other buildings, that are considered Real Property. So, the difference. Thank you. Thank you. So, the difference between the Real and Personal Property is that Personal Property cannot be moved. So, again, that's what kind of covers the shed, the house, any permanent structure that is under a roof. And Matrimonial Real Property is Real Property that is shared by a couple in a relationship or a family, and that includes the Matrimonial home in which they reside. It's what they've build together, and what they plan to live the rest of their lives. They raise their children, their families, etcetera. The Purpose of the Matrimonial Real Property Law is designed to allow people living on Reserve to access the same or similar rights as people who live Off the Reserve, upon – yes – who live On the Reserve upon marital breakdown or death. So, in the mail, we all received the Postcard from the Feds (Federal Government). Know Your Rights. These were in everybody's mail boxes. We all received them. Everywhere. Didn't matter where you live. If you have a mailing address; you received it. So, for people living Off the Reserve, there is a set of Rules and Protections and Rights that apply to them with respect to their family home. Those Rights do not exist here on the Reserve. So, the new Federal Legislation developed the law to ensure that all women, children, and families living on the Reserves, have access to the same Matrimonial Rights as those who live Off the Reserve. Pardon me?

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES *Audio 02-*
(*Inaudible – mic turned off*)

COUNCILLOR ROSANNE CASIMIR *Audio 02-31-10*
Oh. Right. Yes. Thank you, Jeanette. It does apply to the men as well.

SHILOH HENRY GOTT, BAND MEMBER *Audio 02-31-17*
Thanks for clearing that up.

COUNCILLOR ROSANNE CASIMIR *Audio 02-31-18*

Yes. *Ha-ha*. So, what do the Feds do? Well, they enacted a Federal Law to fill the gap. That Federal Law came into force on, or, it's coming into force on December 16th (the sixteenth), 2014. The first part of it empowers First Nation's to create their own law. Again, that gap was to give people living On Reserves comparable protections and rights as those living Off the Reserve. So, even when the Federal Law comes into effect on December 16th, there is nothing stopping or preventing them or us, from making our own law together. Okay. What can we do? Well, as a Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc First Nation Community, we can work together to create a law that satisfies our collective interests. Respectfully working together. Trusting each other as a Community to establish our rules; our law. So, resources to this. We have the Centre of Excellence, who has been contracted to assist First Nations right across Canada in establishing their laws by providing them information on the protections and rights available to individuals and their families. We also have our Executive Projects Manager. She accessed some funding through the First Nations Market Housing, through the Capacity Development for First Nations Communities. And so through that, that is going to cover our legal costs with bringing our new law to Draft Stage. That will be coming up sometime, hopefully soon. So, Key Topics. Key Topics in the Matrimonial Real Property includes things like – Whereas Clauses, Purpose, Provision, and, you know, should there be a Preamble and Introduction, and what should that include? Some examples are – Do we as Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc, are we pursuant to the Indian Act; reserve certain lands for the exclusive use and benefit of itself and its Members? Another one would be, another example, would be – Whereas the Declaration reaffirms the Right of Indigenous Peoples to determine the responsibilities of individuals to their Communities? So, those are just some of the examples. And, the other one is – Do we want to recognize? Like – Whereas, do we recognize individuals and their contracts that they have within their household, their families? Do we want to acknowledge those? Those are like Prenuptials and stuff like that. Dispute Resolution. Where should the dispute be resolved? Who should have a right to participate? Division of Matrimonial Property. Compensation in Lieu. What are the Key Concerns and Principles and Rules? The Matrimonial Home. Who gets it? And, Why? Estates. What happens one of the Spouses die? Those are real issues. Those are real things that happen within our Community. That's why when the topic of Wills and Estates came up earlier. It's real. You need to have it in writing. So then, you know, we don't have the Indian Act under Section fifty (50) coming and doing an Estates Sale on behalf of your Family. We want you to have your rights protected. Also, Emergency Protection Orders. Again, that falls in line with the Men, Women and Children. The protection of their Rights. There could be violent situations, and there is protection orders that are in place. I know that we work with Secwepemc Child and Family Services (SCFS). We also have a Tripartite Agreement on Reserve. We work with them locally, and they work with us. And we meet consistently, going over - What works? What doesn't work? And, how we can make our relationship better and stronger? And, of course, Amending the Procedures. That's a good point. Like, even, looking at tonight, when we are looking at Amending Procedures; looking at our own Amendment of Quorum. When we create this law, we want to make sure we cover everybody's interests because our Reserve is very diverse in itself. We are all Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc, but each of our families are unique in a lot of different ways. So. What has been done to date? Well, Communications Channels, our Professional Communications Specialist has posted all information that has been gathered in regards to the MRP on the Website, through Twitter, through Facebook, and information has been hand delivered. I'm pretty sure everyone has received these, hopefully, is the Frequently Asked Questions. It's about knowing your rights. The questions that are out there; that are shared with other First Nations across Canada. Nacoma and I, we're also talking about Text Alerts... We're talking about that as well. Like, not only through GBM, but, you know, like the biggest one is for when there is upcoming meetings. You know that kind of thing. That's going to be something that's looked at, as a possibility. Another form of Communication. Because that's the biggest thing - Is Communication. Making sure that that information is available for everyone. Okay. We had our first Community Information Forum held on the twenty fourth (24) of September. So, not too long ago. We had that meeting here. We had thirty six (36) individuals that included Technical and

Membership, and eight (8) individuals who did not sign in. Of those thirty six (36), one was not physically here, but wanted the information and wanted to know exactly - What was going on? What was being said? Why was our Legal here? What kind of information being shared? So, she got that information. So, that means that forty four (44) individuals participated in an interactive session. The biggest thing was Housing and Lands. Social Development provided a lot of information. The Secwepemc Child and Family Services provided a lot of information. We also had a lot of information. I tell you, each and every single one of us that did attend – We had a lot of questions. We had a lot of questions, because when we look at our own policies within the organization; there is a lot of different areas. So, I can't emphasize enough. I want your involvement because this is going to be a law that is going to be shared and respected by all. So, this leads to – Working Together. We are going to take that time that is needed, so basically, the arrow going up is the information that is going to be available and the line going across is the time that we are going to need to spend together to achieve. So, we need to be familiar with the information that's out there, and the information that we can share within the organization, with what's on the Internet, through the Center of Excellence, through AANDC (Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada). And, of course, there is coming out to these meetings, and talking with our Legal, and asking them. I don't know all the answers, but I tell you one thing is for certain, I am going to make sure that any question that is brought up is going to be brought forward to our Legal because this is going to be Our Law. So, I just wanted to make sure to emphasize that. So, again. Participate. Ask questions. Express concerns, so that we can incorporate the collective interests. And, we can achieve this together, by respecting each other, and acknowledging each other's interests, and combining those interests to meet Our Matrimonial Law. So, Next Steps. More Interactive Information Sessions. Please attend the sessions as your input is crucial to establishing the collective law. Ongoing Communications through the Website and Facebook, Lexéy'em Reports, and through, I totally believe the best kind of communication is the Moccasin Trail, and a lot of this with each other. And, you know what, whether it is good or bad; people are talking, and that's what we want. That's what I want. I want people to be talking about this and learning about it, and asking questions, getting angry, and putting it out there. Just letting me know, letting all of us know, how we can address your needs and your issues. Then, your interests become The Collective. If you miss any of the Information Sessions, please express your concerns by calling us; any of us, at the office. We would be pleased to make sure that we find some way of incorporating any of your concerns to this law. Berry Hykin. She will be here in November. It is going to be here at the MSG (Moccasin Square Gardens). That's going to be our next confirmed date, well, that will be, to be announced. We are planning an evening session from six till ten (6:00pm – 10:00pm). So, I am hoping. Berry Hykin. She is with Woodward and Company. She is doing our Legal. She will attending three Community Consultations. She will be doing the Draft Law for us. Of course, with the Draft Law, I really want a lot of input in going through it. There is a lot of information at that back table, on that side there. There is Monica (Monica Parker, Executive Projects Manager), and Denise Fromme. They've got lots of information; some Frequently Asked Questions, and there is also information on Wills and Estates. There is also things on Types of Interests and Land, and Non-Indian Reserves. That too is important. That also addresses a lot of the unique situations on our Reserve and within our Families. So, when we have those evening sessions, it's going to be from six till ten (6:00pm to 10:00pm). That last meeting that we have, it was from two, no sorry, ten in the morning till six at night. We thought we would catch people at work, lunch hour, after school, and the evening. It was a bit slow. I got some good feedback and some negative feedback, but, to me, the biggest thing is, again, people are talking. People are asking me questions. Absolutely. Before ending with questions, I wanted to end with a quick explanation of the picture on the left. This signifies that, like an eagle, we must first hover above all of the possibilities, with open minds, and hearts, and to not limit any vision that, to consider everything carefully and respectfully, and that, see how it reaches from the sky, so, it is like to the Creator and the higher selves, with all the earth, and the feather representing our truths to be collective to ourselves, and to our Community, and each other. What I want to achieve, is to work with every single one of you, and, I say Kukwtsétsemc (Thank you, to group) and All My Relations. I hope that you have a lot of questions, and a lot of concerns that you would like asked. Another example, I mean, there is a lot

of information at the back, and I really strongly recommend/ask that you go back there and get what you can. So, Kukwstsétsemc (Thank you, to group) everyone. *(Applause)* Could we ratify what? Oh, okay. Actually, one more thing. I always like to do this – One more thing. So, I am going to add one more thing here. To ratify this law, we will be going through a Referendum. So, we will be following the proper procedures, and that will be, I guess, we will be looking at the Referendum Process and insuring that we follow that to a T, and that, again, this law, will Supersede. This is going to be Our Law. So, if anything happens out there, we can walk in and say, this is Our Law, and we work with and that we live by. This is what our Community has provided and is driven by. Okay. Kukwstsétsemc (Thank you, to group).

MARY DOLORES JULES, ELDER AND BAND MEMBER *Audio 02-45-30*

Kukwstsám (Thank you, to individual) Rosanne. I want to commend Chief and Council. I know my Husband and my Son were on this thing for a long time. You hardly get a ‘Thank you’, or a good word. You catch heck all the time, but you hang in there and you do the best you can. That’s all you can do. I want to say to the Creator, to look after you. But, I also want to thank, Rosanne, for bringing that up. And, I want to thank everybody that took an interest in coming in tonight. It is so good to see so many people that came out, and stuck it out after dinner too. Because, sometimes, you come out and have dinner and go home after. But, it’s good they stayed for the meeting too. Kukwstsétsemc (Thank you, to group), all of you. What I wanted to bring up to Rosanne, is a personal thing. I want to know information for everybody, to make a Will. It is important. For your land and your house and everything. My Son. He went really fast. He had cancer and all this. He tried to get the Divorce papers, and the Will done. But, it never got finished. I think, Freda, writes the same as him. I told him, you should have wrote his name. You know. Even if it was wrong. Because what happened, if you don’t mind me saying. His ‘door knob’ Wife that he was parted for nine years after my Son passed away, and went back with Jesus, guess what, she got everything. She wasn’t a legal Band Member, but she got all the land, the house, the money; all he worked for. He wanted his; he has only one Son, and one Granddaughter, and Great Grandson. She got everything. The house, and all that. And I don’t think that’s fair. I wouldn’t like that to happen to anybody. You make damn sure you make a Will. Whether you have anything or nothing. What you have is yours. You make sure you make a damn Will. And make it right and legal with Indian Affairs and whoever else. Manny wrote to Indian Affairs and told them or phoned them. I want to; my Brother told me to look after his affairs. He said, ‘Oh, no.’ We’re looking after it. And, guess what? That’s what they done. They gave it all to his Wife; his Ex-Wife. And so, Manny is trying to change that Indian Act thing, that we, on the Reserve, know what our People are doing and who is with who, and whatever, that we handle our own business on the Reserve. Not Indian Affairs, sitting in their fancy office with their fancy trucks and everything else. I don’t know if anybody else if from Indian Affairs here, but that’s the way I see it. Anyway, they make the decisions. But, it should be us on the Reserve. We know what we are doing here. And it should be us. I think the Chief and Council should work with Manny to get that changed that we look after our own stuff. But, most of all, please, make a Will. It’s the most important. We learned the hard way from my Son. When he didn’t write his name on there. Kukwstsám (Thank you, to individual) and May the Creator look after each and every one of you. *(Applause)*

(TERESA) MARIE BAPTISTE, ELDER AND BAND MEMBER *Audio 02-49-25*

I’m not that short. *Ha-ha*, I had an opportunity to be at a workshop that was put on and I felt it was very informative, the only concern that I want to have mentioned is something in relation to what Delores was saying. And that was no time limit set in the Law that is being proposed in which a spouse can take action to acquire interest in a house of property. There is no set time frame; I think that’s something we have to incorporate into our own Law, like if you’re separated for two (2) years, or separated for a certain amount of time that after a year, or maybe two (2) years you can’t go after your ex-spouses house or property or whatever.

COUNCILLOR ROSANNE CASIMIR *Audio 02-50-24*

Thank you Marie, I totally agree with you. See that's something else we could address within the Matrimonial Real Property (MRP) that we could include, like what is the collective interest, and when do we want to define that a relationship is dissolved? So that is definitely something and we are taking notes, Monica in the back is going to take down any notes, from any of the questions. I'm doodling some too, other things that have come up. What about the CMHC homes, the rental units, the homes on CP land, joint properties, properties that are held within in tendency and common there's a whole bunch of different situations. A really good question came up, who's going to pay for the spouse that has to buy out the other spouse, when Chief and Council we're the ones that sign off and guarantee loans for mortgages. So there's a lot to consider, and you know what if we sign off on that loan, good point that was brought up, is how many does the Band want to take on? When it comes to that financial part of it, so there are a lot of huge areas, a lot of things to consider especially in our Financial Transparency Act, actually our own Law our Financial Administration Law (FAL), and okay Kukwstsetsemc (Thank you, to group).

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 02-51-54*

No I didn't mean I kicked you off, I just want to say you know like December if you've seen in the slide presentation, it called for December 16 2014, that's when the Federal Law comes into force, and if we don't get our own Law, we're going to fall under their Law. Their Law is kind of, whatever their Law is I guess, but it's not our Law but what I want to say is "Zena I love you very much", and I just want to say also too that this is one Law that's probably not one of the most popular Laws but in the event when you look at the divorce rate that is current right now 50% of the people now that get married are divorced 50%. It's not something I'm making up it's a fact, we have to have our own Law and I also think too that Clarence and Delores did sixty two (62) years and still going strong, that's an incredible thing for us younger people to use you guys as role models, I know Ted and Evelyn you guys have been married how long? Forty six (46) years, and I was even talking to Sweeny (*Harry Paul Jr.*) has been married for twenty six (26) years, so anyway me and Zena we've been together fifteen (15) and we're going to be together forever right? So we don't want to enact this Law right

EVELYN GOTTFRIEDSON, ELDER, PAST COUNCILLOR AND BAND MEMBER *Audio 02-53-46*

So I was just going to say, something you just brought the December 16th deadline, if we don't have something in place we're going to be in trouble. Because I do know with the Membership Code we passed a Band Motion we wouldn't accept any more people on our Band List until we got a Membership Code in place. And we know people are still coming on regardless of our Motion right, so if we haven't don't anything by December 16th, and if it's anything like DIA they're going to say well this is enforce until you have something in place. Which means if a partner dies and their spouse happens to be a non-Indian or whatever this Law comes in affect. We can't wait till November its September now why aren't we moving a little faster than; because I've got a fear on this it's going to bite us.

COUNCILLOR ROSANNE CASIMIR *Audio 02-54-52*

So just comment on that Evelyn, that is a good point you brought up because December 16th does roll up fast, and that Federal Law it's only going to be covering only situations where there's family violence, emergency protection orders, and it will only provide for temporarily exclusive occupations of family homes, and only on an urgent basis, and the rules about sharing the family home and property in case of death, divorce, separation. The other one they'll cover is if your First Nation Community Member eighteen (18) years or older, but with that even after that date we can still create our own Law that's for the collective interest, and that Law will supersede what's Federally stated but it's also going to apply with our inherent jurisdiction and also under Section 35 of the Constitution Act of 1982, as well as you and the declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People's, that all our former Chiefs, and former Chiefs before them that have signed and acknowledged and reaffirmed. Also through our Title and Rights, and also through the authority of the Federal Family Law.

EVELYN GOTTFRIEDSON, ELDER, PAST COUNCILLOR AND BAND MEMBER *Audio 02-56-13*

Okay I think you know what being too naïve, when did the white people ever treat us fairly? Come on they break Laws, they break rules, they lie to us, if they say December 16th we better get our butts in gear.

COUNCILLOR ROSANNE CASIMIR *Audio 02-56-28*

Absolutely and that's why we've got Legal to back us to make sure that we create our Law to get there and achieve that

EVELYN GOTTFRIEDSON, ELDER, PAST COUNCILLOR AND BAND MEMBER *Audio 02-56-34*

By December 16th

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 02-56-36*

Way before December 16th

EVELYN GOTTFRIEDSON, ELDER, PAST COUNCILLOR AND BAND MEMBER *Audio 02-56-38*

Yes let's do it let's not take a chance

COUNCILLOR ROSANNE CASIMIR *Audio 02-56-38*

We will get the draft in place probably before then for sure, but I want to make sure that Membership has a good opportunity to go through it

EVELYN GOTTFRIEDSON, ELDER, PAST COUNCILLOR AND BAND MEMBER *Audio 02-56-46*

Then we will, I will be here next time

COUNCILLOR ROSANNE CASIMIR *Audio 02-56-49*

Absolutely mid-November

EVELYN GOTTFRIEDSON, ELDER, PAST COUNCILLOR AND BAND MEMBER *Audio 02-56-51*

Mid-November then you have exactly four (4) weeks to get the thing down

COUNCILLOR ROSANNE CASIMIR *Audio 02-56-55*

I know

EVELYN GOTTFRIEDSON, ELDER, PAST COUNCILLOR AND BAND MEMBER *Audio 02-56-56*

I don't think that's good, I think you should start right away; I'll damn sure be there

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 02-57-00*

We'll roll our sleeves through Policy

EVELYN GOTTFRIEDSON, ELDER, PAST COUNCILLOR AND BAND MEMBER *Audio 02-57-02*

Well not that I have anything to worry about my man's a Band Member, we're both Band Member's, born and raised here, but I'm thinking about the whole Band as a whole

COUNCILLOR ROSANNE CASIMIR *Audio 02-57-10*

Absolutely, I'm thinking about our children the future generations, absolutely, thank you Evelyn.

GERALDINE (GERRI) EVELYN ROSE COLLINS, ELDER AND BAND MEMBER *Audio 02-57-16*

Yes just to follow up to that we have to have a minimum of 25% of eligible voters to vote in favor of it, and that means the people here, the people living on reserve, and the Members off reserve. So Evelyn's absolutely right, we've got to get butts in gear and get moving. There's one other thing I would like to mention while I'm here I know of a situation in a community, they had been together for a long time, he was a Member of the Band, she wasn't, they had five (5) children under the age of eleven (11) and when they had their break down she had to leave the Community with the children, she couldn't stay in the family home. As far as I'm concerned those children were Members of the Band and they should've had the right to stay in their family home with their caregiver. That's something I would like for us to consider when we talk about who's a Band Member, who isn't, once those children reach the age of majority then they would have the right of ownership but that was kind of a sad situation, for me it created a whole snowball effect which was part of the reason why I was part of putting together the Urban Aboriginal Housing. But it was because of that situation, that lady ended up living on the riverbank on the back of a station wagon with five (5) children.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 02-59-02*

Okay I would like to thank everybody for their input; did you want to say something?

COUNCILLOR ROSANNE CASIMIR *Audio 02-59-08*

Yes I just wanted to add, you know that's something that we could include within our whereas, that whereas we as Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc totally support family and its foundations with the Community, and that we're family based and that it's valued, and it's protected on our Laws, our cultural traditions, our Laws.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 02-59-36*

Thanks Rosanne for the presentation, thank the Membership for their input, I think when you talk about sort of the Matrimonial Property Law I think Governments always very very crafty on how they do things and I don't really trust Government either, I think that whatever Laws that they create it's always about assimilation of our Rights and our Land as Indian People. so I don't have a lot of confidence in what they do, or what they present, so I think that's reality of why we need to create our Laws, and our own Governance around this important issue, anyway thank you Rosanne, I think we're looking at a workshop when? November when?

COUNCILLOR ROSANNE CASIMIR *Audio 03-00-32*

Mid-November

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 03-00-33*

Okay, mid-November, we should be able to have a draft copy by then for discussion. I think hearing the Membership tonight we're going to move quickly and get our business taken care of and have the underlying interest of our Membership in hand so thanks for your input.

COUNCILLOR ROSANNE CASIMIR *Audio 03-00-55*

Also to add to that Bonnie provided us a presentation as well as Berry Hykin of Woodward and Company, if any of you want copies of those presentations they can be available through the Band office just give myself a call, or Monica or any of us and we'll make sure that information is available, because each of the presentations are slightly different.

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES *Audio 03-01-18*

So just an FYI to that APTN investigates has a half hour segment just on the Matrimonial Real Property and it's really interesting, you need to see it, and you need to see which company is pretty well behind the push for a lot of this stuff.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 03-01-41*

Okay so we now have question, answer period, yes.

FELICITY AGNES JULES, BAND MEMBER *Audio 03-01-55*

So Felicity Jules again, I wrote a letter to Chief and Council regarding this, I did not receive a written response, but thank you Rosanne for telephoning me. I'm very concerned and I'm sure other Band Members are and I've heard other people, the Chief and Council saying how concerned for Community Members as well. So I'm glad we share the concern for the health of our Community so on behalf of myself and Band Members I would like Chief and Council to restore the funds for medical from \$1000 (*one thousand*) to \$1500 (*one thousand five hundred*) again for the health of our Community. Especially for those many of us who do not have extended medical benefits, I'm sure you all aware more so than I am of the stats in Community of people who unemployed or do not have those medical benefits. As we know and I don't know what the correct acronym is anymore, the medical benefits from INAC, somebody said the correct one AANDC I think. Have eroded and they will continue to erode so it's going to be harder and harder for those of us on the reserve who are in need of medical funds to continue, so it's unfortunate. I'll use myself as an example I have allergies so get some prescriptions covered and other aren't, I had gone ahead and got a prescription filled for my glasses part of it was covered so that depleted my funds for the year, and that was at the beginning of September so that's like 4 (*four*) months more that I'll be in need of filling other prescriptions so as I said I'm just one example I'm sure there are other people here who may well be in more of a need as well as we've talked about children and so on. So I would just like to put that out there again.

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES *Audio 03-04-00*

Can we make that a Motion?

FELICITY AGNES JULES, BAND MEMBER *Audio 03-04-03*

How do I do that? I move, ok I don't know how to do this, I move that the Chief and Council restore the funds for medical from \$1000(*one thousand*) to \$1500 (*one thousand five hundred*), is that right?

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 03-04-38*

Go ahead Katy; go ahead Katy do you want to speak to the Motion? Okay so we have a Motion on the floor here, Katy do you want to speak to the Motion?

COUNCILLOR KATY GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-04-58*

Just in regards to our Financial Administration Law (FAL) we can't make significant amendment's to the budget within the fiscal year

FELICTY AGNES JULES, BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-05-9*

I'm sorry are you saying that you can or you can't?

COUNCILLOR KATY GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-05-11*

We can't, we cannot I think this will have to be some homework that we have to go back and do, and present back to our Membership because it would be a significant increase to our budget. I'm all in favor for increasing health; I know we did have that discussion that this would be brought at our budgeting time for next fiscal, so I can bring that information back to calculate what the increase would be for the additional \$500 (*five hundred*) per Band Member.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON Audio 3-05-51

A \$1000 (*thousand*)

COUNCILLOR KATY GOTTFRIEDSON Audio 3-05-53

It's \$1500 (*fifteen hundred*)? Right, that's what wrote down

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON Audio 3-05-55

From \$1000

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES Audio 3-05-58

Right now it's \$1000 that's \$2000

FELICITY AGNES JULES, BAND MEMBER Audio 3-06-01

\$1500 (*one thousand five hundred*)

COUNCILLOR KATY GOTTFRIEDSON Audio 3-06-

It was \$2000 initially

(*Unknown speaker away from mic – Audio 3-06-11*)

It was \$2000 before

FELICITY AGNES JULES, BAND MEMBER Audio 3-06-18

Okay my understanding is that it was \$1500, so I'm mistaken then I'm wrong that was a mistake on my part, but as I said there were others when you and I spoke there people other who expressed concerns. As well if it can't be dealt with till next fiscal why then did I need to turn this into a Motion if we can't deal with it here then?

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON Audio 3-06-47

I honestly think that, I know one of the things because we're tasked with; we get a lot of requests from a lot of Members in helping them with their medical and emergency medical travel that's not covered through interior health. I think one of the things that we want to be able to do is we want to help our Members, that's not think that we don't want to help but I think our new Financial Administration Law (FAL) talks about process and how we deal with requests that have significant impacts on the financial situation

FELICITY AGNES JULES, BAND MEMBER Audio 3-07-26

Yes

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON Audio 3-07-27

And I think that's one of the things that we'd like to be able to look at this Motion and maybe have the Motion "subject to funds available for this year" and if we can look at insuring that the funds are available for an increase to the budget then we can follow that process. Because right now I wouldn't feel very comfortable in saying that we do have those funds available right now, I think when we look at our budgeting process I think very very, I think very conscious of what our revenues vs our expenditures were for the fiscal year. so if we could have the Mover and the Seconder make that amendment if the "funds are available" because if the funds aren't available then you guys give us direction and then we go over budget then you guys are pointing the finger at us "god dammit you guys can't even manage our money", then we're right back to square one of financial management.

FELICITY AGNES JULES, BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-08-41*

I can, I'll be happy to amend the Motion but I would rather than just say "if there's funds available", make it "priority" if there are the funds available then, if that's okay with you Marie?

(In audible- speaker away from mic- Audio 3-08-54)

FELICITY AGNES JULES, BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-09-11*

I don't agree to that, because I think that, we can find funds within the Band if that's possible. Because it seems to me the Band has had found funds for other things, I'm not saying it's a bad thing to have a celebration Aboriginal Day but at the same time like I said we have weigh the priorities, so that's what I said make this a priority, that would be my amendment.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-09-34*

Okay, thank you for clarifying that, just so the Membership knows the way the current budget stands is that it's a one point two (1.2), one million two hundred and fifty thousand (1,250,000) already into current operations for health and wellness for emergency medical fund the increase would then bring it up another six hundred and twenty five thousand (625,000) but that's what I'm saying we have to make sure we have funds subject to because if we don't. it's just like your own budgets right if you're going into deficit then you know what who's going to be taxed on that Motion? If we follow the direction of the Membership, so I think I would like to be able to do is have that Motion "subject to the funds available" and then if we can look at prioritizing the medical fund for the fiscal year. Because right now we're already in probably I think the 3rd quarter, once you come into December you're looking at December, January, February, March which is the final four (4) months, is the final quarter for the budget. I'd be a little leery from a financial perspective and you guys can get mad at me if you want but I'm just speaking the reality if we have the money why not, but if we don't have the money then you know what we're going to have a whole bunch of people going to go get their medical taken care of and we don't have the money to pay for it. Then what's going to happen is the next financial statements that come about we're going to get in trouble because we overshot a budget because the Membership supported that. I just want you guys to be clear; I would like to be able to see what the financial bottom line is before we support the Motion, that's why I'm saying if we can look at having it "subject to" I think that would fulfill the Motion and if there's money there then we can do something, if the money's not there then you know what we have to report back to you and say "financially we can't do it".

GERALDINE (GERRI) EVELYN ROSE COLLINS, ELDER AND BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-11-47*

If you hold the Motion at a priority then maybe look at something on a needs, then rather say \$500 (*five hundred*) per Band Member but based on the ability to pay or not for yourself, I don't believe anybody should have to worry about their prescription, medications, or other things they need so I'm quite sure if you explore based on a financial assessment or the requirements if it's not covered out of your medical it could perhaps cover under some of the things under Social Development or something else. And I'm not quite sure exactly how the First Nation's Health Counsel or health authority is functioning with their money but our Band should be getting some financial assistance through them, there's lots of people who don't have to worry about it so I don't think it needs to be for every Band Member but definitely for those that require it and don't have the ability be use or pay.

COUNCILLOR COLLEEN MOSTERD-MCLEAN *Audio 3-13-05*

Sure, I guess a couple things the reason was because we were in such a great deficit a couple of years ago and we put back as much as we could put back at the time, I fully support raising it up again if the budget so allows and prioritizing medical. Health is very important it should be a priority, also Felicity I apologize that you did not receive a written response, no pun intended but we'll remedy that in the future. I want to make sure Financial Administration Law (FAL) does allow us to change it if it was to occur in

this fiscal year I think though it warrants looking into individual hardship cases because you're very right Geri not everybody accesses the fund yet we do our best to budget for the possibility that everybody will. So I don't know where the budget sits at this very moment but maybe we can look at it, First Nation's Health Authority does cover a lot of prescriptions, and extended health , and we have a policy our Medical, dental policy does go through those steps of accessing, so these funds that are being accessed are a last resort. So we are trying to maximize coverage for individuals.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-14-38*

I just want to say just one thing, well we care about your health, don't get us wrong here I don't want to be grumpy scrooge here and say no we can't do it "subject to the funds" but I think too, saying that, I have to say those statements because under the new Financial Administration Law (FAL) it requires for accountability and transparency, I just want the Membership to know as well that the budget before was well over 1.8 (*one point eight*) million dollars at one time. We can say that we funded everybody that needed help it was nobody that went without Emergency Medical help and one of the things; I just wanted to let our Membership know too that nobody else does this. No other community actually has an Emergency Medical Fund; they don't give their Membership one extra dollar whatsoever out of their budget. I think what we do is, we see the need of the short fall and we want to help our Members make sure they do get the medication because I don't want you to make the choice "should I buy medication or should I buy milk?", "should I buy medication or should I pay my hydro bill?", "should I buy medication or should I pay my rent?", you know and I don't want any of our Members to be in that situation. But I think as Membership too I think maybe what we should start doing and I think tonight was a good indication of the number of people that showed, how come we don't start doing our own fundraising. How come we don't start doing own things to help one another, because I see Todd (*Todd Edward George Coles*) here, Todd asked for help what did the whole community do they made sure they helped Todd, to help his girl out. You know there's other Members in here too that we helped out, and I just want to say that it's a tough thing to look at our budget and create these budgets and try to find justification on how come we're only going to do this. Sometimes Chief and Council never had a say in some of those budgets that were put together, that was done by Administration and I can say though that it's not going to be like this forever, I think at times we've had to show fiscal restraint and sort of minimized certain things, I think our recreation suffered a bit as well. Let's not kid ourselves our housing repairs have suffered a bit, there's a number of things I think are really a high priority for the band and I think too our goal as Chief and Council is to really looking into bring in more revenue. Because let's be honest here our revenue haven't increase a whole hell of a lot but our Membership has grown quite a bit. I've actually reported this out in the newsletter and the annual report, all of our young people are starting to have more families we've got more people that are coming, Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc but yet our revenues from Indian Affairs have flat lined, we are not getting any more revenue from Indian Affairs we have not got any more money for any of our other agencies like Q'wemtsín Health Society (QHS) who is one of our health authority, so when you look at some of the impacts that the Government cut backs are having on us. They're huge, they're real, they're right at what you call Felicity "direct impacts of your medication, what you can't afford and what you can afford", we want to be able to support you but I think we have to do it responsibly too, that's all I'm saying, I don't to think I don't want you guys to go away and say "that god damn Chief he doesn't support our medical increase", that's not the case. I want to make sure we make the right decision financially so we can provide for and all those things, we can provide for more education, we do it in a balanced way. That's all I want to say.

VINETTE PHYLLIS MANUEL, BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-19-05*

I just have a quick question in order to help balance the budget as Shane's saying how does the insurance process work at the Band office as an employee? Are they required to actually request the insurance cover their extra needs first or whether it's something that it's not require. Because all employees at the Band office for the most part, from what I understand they have insurance, they have health benefits, they've

got benefits other Band Member's don't have, so are they required to actually exhaust those resources first or are they, ok so it's required? In policy?

COUNCILLOR COLLEEN MOSTERD-MCLEAN *Audio 3-19-52*

Extended health, dental and health is optional when you are an employee anywhere that offers medical and dental, isn't it optional that you buy, that you join

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-20-08*

I think the answer to your question is this, is that when we talk about insurance covers, coverage what we care about is our Band Member's so everybody buys into the insurance, they pay the insurance

VINETTE PHYLLIS MANUEL, BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-20-21*

I'm just saying there's some Band Member's not everybody at the Band office is native and non-native but they all appreciate is part of their employment package this insurance or these benefits as they call them. I'm just asking how does it balance out.

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES *Audio 3-20-40*

You have, within the medical dental policy it states that you have to use your, Indian Affairs but also your insurance first, that has to be used you have to use that before you can use the Members.

VINETTE PHYLLIS MANUEL, BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-21-01*

Okay

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES *Audio 3-21-02*

That's what you have to do

(Unknown speaker- away from mic- Audio 3-21-09)

Is there still a Motion on the floor, or is it...

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-21-10*

Yes, there's still a Motion on the floor, we're still in discussion

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES *Audio 3-21-15*

To make it a priority, because we have to be realistic that we've got a lot of Band Members who are really low income families and we ensured that the Elders, that theirs stayed up and then for everybody else here's their \$1000(*one thousand*) but you know income families we have to start taking a look at a lot of our low income families because they do have to make those choices, "do I pay my hydro or do I pay for this prescription that the doctor says I need". So we need to start looking at that and our health, the non-insured health benefits blame it on Ovide Mercredi people don't like to talk about it but Ovide Mercredi was overseas when the Federal Government was doing the stuff for our non-insured benefits, he did not appoint anyone at the AFN level to sit at the table, they cut everything. Because they said you didn't have anybody sitting there, so we're stuck with what happened way back when Ovide Mercredi was in, that's the thing.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-22-26*

Okay so we have a live Motion on the floor, any further discussion? So is it okay to Mover and Seconder to "subject to financial availability"

FELICITY AGNES JULES, BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-22-38*

I want to throw priority in there

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-22-40*

Okay but can it be “subject to financial” as well?

FELICITY AGNES JULES, BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-22-46*

Yeah I agree with that I want the word priority in there

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-22-50*

Is that okay with you? “Priority subject to”

EVELYN GOTTFRIEDSON, ELDER, PAST COUNCILLOR AND BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-23-00*

Who’s going to decide priority? Big fight, that’s Band money you’re spending and why can’t anybody eligible if they need it? You’re going to start a big war.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-23-13*

That’s why we’re saying subject to

EVELYN GOTTFRIEDSON, ELDER, PAST COUNCILLOR AND BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-23-15*

You can’t do that

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-23-18*

Subject to the money being there? Yes we can

EVELYN GOTTFRIEDSON, ELDER, PAST COUNCILLOR AND BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-23-21*

Yes, but you can’t say subject to need basis, if it’s \$1500 (*fifteen hundred*) for everybody

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-23-25*

No, that’s not part of the Motion

EVELYN GOTTFRIEDSON, ELDER, PAST COUNCILLOR AND BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-23-26*

Oh I thought I heard that

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-23-28*

No, no, no that’s not part of the Motion

EVELYN GOTTFRIEDSON, ELDER, PAST COUNCILLOR AND BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-23-37*

If it’s \$1500 (*fifteen hundred*) for everybody, we’re okay

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-23-37*

Well if it’s good for one then it’s good for everybody, that’s the way I look at it, okay Question called by Dave, do you guys want to Vote privately or want to Vote, raise your hands, raise your hands if you want the increase “subject to financial availability”, okay somebody count here, (*counting*)

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES *Audio 3-24-23*

I had my hand up twice

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-24-36*

Okay 39 for, against, abstentions? 1 abstention, that Motion’s carried

(Applause)

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-24-58*

Okay, Dave you guys, you and Grizz are the last speakers

DAVID TROY MANUEL, BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-25-08*

Good evening, again my names Dave Manuel and this is my wife Joyce Fraser, on August 22nd, August 21st, we our lives changed quite a bit, when our daughter Lori got in a car accident on the reserve. And she was really seriously injured, and we just want to thank the people, we want to thank Chief and Council, we want to thank the Social Development, we want to thank the Community and everybody for their prayers, and also their financial support. We really appreciate the help; it really made a big difference in our lives when we had to go down to Vancouver to support Lori. She's still in the hospital she's going to be there for another at least 6 weeks, maybe 6-8 weeks; she suffered multiple injuries in the car accident. And it was very touch and go for her life. It's just a clear message how things can change really quickly, and I just want to mention to about the drinking and driving and speed it doesn't mix. Even Lori says that now, that she realizes there was a big mistake that happened and she's paying the ultimate price were she's got a lot of recovery time. She had a really good job up in Sun Peaks, next thing you know she's laying in a hospital bed and she has a lot of recovery time, so we just want to thank you guys for all your support, and thank the Community for their prayers, and Lori's doing fine in recovery, you do you want to add any more?

JOYCE SUSAN FRASER, BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-26-57*

I just want to thank everyone, because it was such a trying time and I just want to thank our Chief and Council, and Social Development for the money that was available to me for the medical, for my stay down there. It meant a lot because at the time I was not financially stable, I mean I had money but that medical dollars that were available to me, really helped my stay down there to support my daughter. And you know every day is a different day for Lori and every day is a trying day. They're moving her to Ponderosa, it's going to take about a good year for her recovery, before you know she's able to walk, they don't even know if she's going to have feeling in her left leg, but I just want to thank everyone in our Community for supporting me, and supporting our family at this time, and I know even if you don't say anything I know that you care. And I just want to thank everyone in our Community for being there us Kukwstsétsemc (Thank you, to group).

TODD EDWARD GEORGE COLES *Audio 3-28-22*

Todd Starwind Coles Kamloops Indian Band (KIB), you made comment there about my daughter. And the fundraiser that was had in the initial time, and I want to extend on behalf of my daughter and myself, and Livie's mom, her brothers, her other family, everyone it's just been a miraculous the support that everyone has shown for my little girl. From the Community, Chief and Council, I just want to extend my Kukwstsám̄c for her as well Kukwstsám̄c, the update I just got the image of paperwork today, tumour size initial back in February was started 141 cubic centimetres, so today as I read from the September 10th scan it's just over 2 cubic centimetres just about 99% reduction. Kukwstsám̄c

(Applause)

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-29-25*

I just want to say Todd, I think that Liv is special little girl, and I know that it's not hard for you and Gail as parents to see your little girl suffer. But I know one thing that when I went down and what I witnessed was the incredible strength both you and Gail have had. In supporting, in loving, and caring and I've always said we have many different celebrations in the Community, and we always take things for granted all the time. We always take for granted that we're always going to be here, we're always, we're

never going to die, there's nothing that's never going to happen to anyone of us. But when that stuff does happen the incredible strength our Community does have its good. It always makes me think why does it have to come to that though, our people have to have something that is put before them to be able to support each other. It's not an easy thing to forgive somebody, or to like somebody, or to talk nice to somebody, when you have those differences and I say this, because sometimes it's frustrating sometimes chairing these meetings I kid you guys not. I've been doing this for 12 (*twelve*) years, I've been cheap shotted to death, if you guys read the newsletter I talked about lateral violence in our Community I also talked about a healthy Community as well. We're not a small operation; I want our Membership to know that, we're not a very small operation. We're not like it was years ago where we could just do things and where we were 7 (*seven*) million dollar a year show. We're 34 (*thirty four*) million a year operation there's lot of policies, there's lots of procedures, there's a lot of things we do as Chief and Council and I don't think it gets recognized, and I'm not here looking for pity from anybody. I'm just telling you the reality of what we deal with on an ongoing basis, for me it's moments like this that truly make me feel proud. When people can go up to that mic and say thank you for helping us, because all of the other stuff that happens that doesn't mean a damn thing to me. It's the impacts of the little things if we can help somebody that truly makes me like I'm doing something right. Because a lot of times everybody can point out what we're not doing right, or what we should be doing right, everybody's an expert when it comes to Chief and Council. But when it comes to the day to day decisions of what we do to help people it's a no brainer, so that's why I said I kind of feel like a bad guy for saying "oh no we shouldn't be doing emergency medical funds" because we've got to make sure we've got the bottom line. But I know one thing that I know when my dad passed away things changed for me, I don't have a dad anymore and it's a tough thing when you lose somebody close to you, who's your family member. I know there's everybody in this room that has lost somebody close to them or something that has happened to them that's changed their perspective and the way they think about life. Not everybody thinks that way, I just want to say thank you both for sharing, and thanking us for the little bit we played because that means a lot, not every day we get a thank you for what we do. So thank you for sharing.

SHILOH GOTT, BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-33-32*

(*Speaking in Secwepemc Language*) Shiloh (*Speaking in Secwepemc Language*), my questions are for, I want to know who I talk to about out of Chief and Council that signs for people that are non-Band Member's to go onto our reserve to hunt up there. Who do they go to, to get that written consent? Who's in charge of range?

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES *Audio 3-33-55*

I'm in charge of range, nobody ever comes to see me and nobody ever asks me.

SHILOH GOTT, BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-34-01*

Okay that clarifies

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES *Audio 3-34-04*

The others that sometimes they request through Shane but we need to have the hunting ordinates, and I know that a few years ago all the hunters got together and they went over a policy that needed to be done, that needs to be ratified because the changes did get inputted into it but they need to have that fixed, and then there needs to be a group of guys from the reserve that they go to.

SHILOH GOTT, BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-34-28*

Okay, right now is it just one Chief or Council that gets to sign this piece of paper to allow these people on here?

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-34-36*

Just for clarification, I've signed a couple of letters for people to go out and hunt, one was for a young man from Stó:lō and he asked for our permission in writing and I told him you can come and hunt but you have to give us fish. And he got us close one hundred and eight (108) fish that were distributed out to the Elders in the Community, so he's the only guy that actually ever gave something back to Band.

SHILOH GOTT, BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-35-11*

And you signed a piece of paper so that they could show any Band Member that found them

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-35-14*

Yes

SHILOH GOTT, BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-35-15*

Okay I ran into a couple of hunters that were from the Merritt Band and they may have relation here but they are actually from that Band, and I asked them what they were doing there. One I recognized and I respect the kid and everything but there was 2 guys from, they weren't chaperoned in anyway nobody from this Band was with them but they were walking down a road, both of them with rifles, walking down the road on places that Band Members hunt. Now anyone of us warriors, and Band Members that go up there they have noticed dwindling deer up there. Now these guys that are on here I would expect, what I was taught that they were supposed to have a piece of paper from a Chief and Council stating that, and they weren't. And I kicked them off I told you have to have this, one guy said that "oh Chief and Council gave me permission to go up there" but rules are you have to have a piece of paper stating that and the Chief and Council Member that actually signed that, that wasn't provided whatsoever.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-36-14*

Well they should have a letter because I know people try to use my name in vain, I think there's, another person that I gave a permission to hunt in our territory was Carrie Wale and he actually goes out Boomer to go hunting. So he doesn't go out be himself

SHILOH GOTT, BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-36-31*

See that's awesome, that's the way it should be they should be chaperoned

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-36-33*

They have to be with a Band Member

SHILOH GOTT, BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-36-36*

That was all my questions to make sure, what should I do; who should I report to, should I come see aunty (*Councillor Jeanette Jules*), when I find these people

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-36-43*

Conservation Officer

SHILOH GOTT, BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-36-47*

And aunty? Because going to Chief and Council they're the ones that have to sign this so that they can go up there.

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES *Audio 3-36-50*

If they're on reserve

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-36-51*

But if they're on reserve hunting just phone the Conservation Officer, the RCMP

SHILOH GOTT, BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-36-58*

Okay, cool Kukwstsámċ

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES *Audio 3-37-03*

Then we get into the thing of people's right

COUNCILLOR ED JENSEN *Audio 3-37-06*

I think too that we as hunter need to get together and really get behind this hunting ordinance

SHILOH GOTT, BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-37-16*

Time and place, I know all of us will be there

COUNCILLOR ED JENSEN *Audio 3-37-18*

Okay, just yesterday I was up on the range with my nephew and Aaron, and we come across a couple of guys acting pretty suspicious as well so I was going to bring this up at the table tomorrow and I think the other part of this is actually getting somebody out there on the range on a regular basis. It's just becoming more and more predominate that we're getting trespassers and we know what they're up to, I mean anyway, we're going to have further discussion

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-37-57*

Okay Marie you're the last speaker for the night

(TERESA) MARIE BAPTISTE, ELDER AND BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-38-00*

Oh wow, I just wanted to make a Motion that the Governance Committee be re-instated and start doing their job. And I would like to make a comment that we have a lot of Committees that have been developed over the years that I haven't seen any Committee meetings taking place and I believe each of the Councillors have different Committees under their portfolios that should be working. Thank you

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-38-40*

Okay so Moved by Marie, Seconded by Vnette, any further discussion? Question called my George, all those in favour; I guess I'm the official counter here. Hands up please

(Unidentified speaker – away from mic- Audio 3-39-11)

We missed what you said; we didn't hear what you said

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-39-15*

Well I'm just following the Motion she made, I don't want to repeat it

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES *Audio 3-39-23*

Governance Committee

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-39-24*

Governance Committee put your hands out there please, 17 for, against? Anybody against? Abstentions? Carried, there you go, okay I want to thank everybody for coming tonight, it was incredible, we actually got four (4) Motions dealt with tonight and that's a good thing.

(Applause)

CHARLOTTE FAUSTINE MANUEL, ELDER AND BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-40-18*

Do we have closing prayer Shane?

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-40-20*

yes, we got, Aunty Charlotte do you want to do the closing prayer, but we also have prizes you have to be here to win, so all the people who ate and ran away they're not going to get the prizes, lets close off with a prayer.

CHARLOTTE FAUSTINE MANUEL, ELDER AND BAND MEMBER *Audio 3-40-39*

Creator of all goodness I give thanks to our Chief and Council and I ask you to bless them and keep them safe and protect, protect their families watch over their families, I thank all the Band Members that came to the meeting tonight and I ask you bless them and protect their families also. I pray that there will be more people at the next Band Meeting and that we need to help each other come to these meetings. And I ask the Creator to bless each and every one of you to keep you in good health. Keep you strong; keep you moving forward in a good way. Keep thinking positive of yourself and keep believing in yourself and remember all the values and traditions that we learn every time we come together and keep passing them on to our children, and I pray that our youth start to come to our meetings also, our young people. So with this Creator I thank all of us for all the work that we do for the Creator, bless each and every one of us in the Community, and keep the Community safe Creator. Because I noticed there was a bunch of young people in our Community down by park there must have been 30 or 40 of them all partying up so I want to have a safe Community for our children, and for our Elders. So I pray that these young people will take their life a little bit more serious, and not take it for granted. And I know that in our Community we neighbour, what do you call it neighbour watch or something, neighbourhood watch so we really watch out for our neighbours and take care of each other's homes when we're not around, because one night we had someone walking in the Community, 2 men walking around in the Community with a flash going and looking in everybody's yards, so I really want our neighbours to really watch out for each other and our children and protect our homes and our Community, so with this Kukwstsámċ (Thank you) Tqaltkukwpi7, Kukwstsámċ (Thank you) Tqaltkukwpi7, Kukwstsámċ (Thank you) Tqaltkukwpi7, believe in your dreams and goals, thank you All My Relations.

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-42-53*

Thank you aunty, okay so the first prize is, I've got a list it's a cup and umbrella Vanessa Fromme, is she here?

COUNCILLOR JEANETTE JULES *Audio 3-43-13*

No she left

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-43-14*

She's out, okay re-draw, Gail Akerman, she's gone, re-draw, Helen Vivian Jules all the dine and dashers

COUNCILLOR ED JENSEN *Audio 3-43-43*

We all know who they are now

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-43-46*

Jermaine Seymour he's here (*applause*)

COUNCILLOR ED JENSEN *Audio 3-43-59*

Good job

(Unknown speaker- away from mic- Audio 3-44-00)

Thanks for coming Jermaine, this is the next one

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-44-02*

Okay the next one is a umbrella and a hat, and it's a duck hunter hat, Dolan, I seen Dolan here, oh if you never got a care package you can take a care package home, thanks Dolan

(Unknown speaker- away from mic- Audio3-44-41)

Lots of food take it all

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-44-40*

Take all that cake if you guys haven't noticed I've been on a new health plan I was supposed to share my story tomorrow at Q'wemtsin Health Society (QHS) but I got to go to Invermere but I will share my story with you. I got diagnose a diabetic, my doctor told me I had to lose weight and if I didn't lose weight I was a heart attack waiting to happen because my blood pressure was so high and it kind of scared me a bit and I went on a health plan and I gave up pop, I gave up sugar drinks, I gave up bread, I gave up pasta, I gave second helpings, I gave up big pieces of meat, and I've lost 65 lbs.

(Applause)

CHIEF SHANE GOTTFRIEDSON *Audio 3-45-33*

But I never gave up on Zena (*laughter*), so I went from a 42 waist down to a 36 waist as you can see 36 is still a little bit baggy, and I challenge all of our Membership here that struggles with their health plan if there's something that you can give up start with something simple as one thing you would give up and the one thing I recommend you give up is pop and sugar drinks and drink more water, try that for a week and see where you go. Okay so the next prize is going to be a golf cup and a shirt and a hat, Tim Jensen (*applause*) his cousin Ed said he sure needs a new hat (*laughter*), and a new shirt. So we've got another golf cup and hat this is for Natasha Shore, (*applause*), the next one is for a golf hat, and it's a duffle bag, I want to tell you guys I don't know who ordered these duffle bags but they're lousy, I had one and the zipper broke on it, so don't complain about this bag you've been warned they're lousy duffle bags (*laughter*), Joyce Fraser, (*applause*) sorry Joyce hope this is one of the good ones, a bag for you and a hat for Dave. So the next prize that we have is a digital picture frame, so we can only give out one at a time, okay so we have three of them but I'm only give them out one at a time, I'll go right off the top here, no she can't win, it was Colleen, Councils not supposed to win, Rosanne she's an example everything enters she wins, so the next one Sandy Peters, oh Sandy, okay the next one Russ Leonard, oh Russ, no this guy can't win either, how come you guys are filling these out anyway, Sharla Paul she here? Could've been a brother sister night, Marie Baptiste 15 years you know what we should try and do every year get a picture of you, okay so the next one George Casimir, could barely read that chicken scratch. I think he still thinks he's signing cheques for the Band scribbling there. Okay next one is Minnie Jensen, Edith you got to come up, help her up there Daniel, grandson's getting it because granny's shy, she ate too much cake. Okay the next one is a gift basket; in the gift basket it has stswen (dried fish), can salmon, pickles, Denny Thomas. No, he's gone re-draw, no that's yours, he said he's got enough stswen (dried fish), okay he wants to re-draw, Carrie Leonard, I win once again no you don't, Lacey Camille. Now you can crack your stswen (dried fish) and share it with Denny. Thanks Denny, okay we have 2 iPods and a tablet, what do you guys want to do first? iPads? So this iPad is an iPod shuffle with 2GB's, it's designed by apple, Robert Bennett, that's too bad he left, I'm going to take this scrumpled up one here, who scrumpled theirs up really good Lynn, Lynn Johnston. Holy, so the next one is for the same thing James Peters, James look what you missed, (*laughter*), Look at Kenny sitting there "I want to win something", Loretta Seymour, okay this is for the tablet, it's called a Hipstreet Titan 2 it's got 1.2 GB's what the hell does this do anyway? It's like a phone; you can take pictures, Dessa Gottfriedson. So in closing I just want to thank, if everyone can give a big round of applause for our staff for all they do, and I also want to give a big round of applause for our other staff that actually helped out and had displays at the General Band Meeting and also a big shout out to Nacoma as well who's got the newsletter and annual report out, thanks for coming everyone. Take some food home.

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