

Stz'uminus First Nation



**Chief and Council Meeting Minutes
September 14, 2009 9:00 – 4:00 p.m.**

ATTENDEES

Chief: John Elliott

Council: Peter Seymour, Terry Sampson, Herb Seymour, Charlotte Elliott, John Vincent, Kevin Frenchy, Tim Harris, Dean Harris Sr.

Ray Gauthier – Business Development Manager

Stephen Olson – Administrator

Teoni Jameson – Executive Assistant

1. Economic Development Plan – Vision 2020 Document

- Ray reviews the document with Chief and Council. This is a draft version of the Economic Development Plan, which is a 20 year plan.
- First Nations Land Management (FNLM) – FNLM status would give the band full control over its land. The cost to get this is approximately \$250,000 and could take 2-5 years to complete, depending on funding. We are 38th on the waitlist for INAC funding, which is probably about 5 years before we know if we are approved for funding. We need someone to head this process. We would need to form a land code committee.
- Designation of IR 12 – need community ratification.
- Land Code – we need a land code developed, which would need to be ratified by the community. This is approximately a 2 year process, including ratification.
- Land Use Plan – Plan that shows the best use of the land. The cost to do a complete plan is approximately \$100,000. We have a \$25,000 commitment from the New Relationship Trust and an application in to INAC for \$95,000.
- Infrastructure – We have valuable land, but no infrastructure and it costs approximately \$1 million/km. Ray spoke with the Town of Ladysmith and we could get water and sewer from them and they would enter a service agreement with us. But it will cost approximately \$1-2 million to get the services to the four corners.

2. Review of Strategic Planning meeting

- Council reviewed the goals that they identified at the planning session in May 2009. Council determined timelines and costs for each goal and identified the person responsible for the task.

Goal	Timeline	Cost	Delegated to
Reorganization	October 2009 (draft complete)	\$100,000 (estimate)	Stephen, Ray, Chief, Teoni
Specific Claims	2012	\$25,000 (admin budget)	Stephen/Legal
Membership	2010	\$2,500 (admin budget)	Stephen/Ray
Business/Ec Dev Plan	October 30, 2009	\$8,000 spent to date	Ray
Water & Sewer IR 12	October 2011	\$4 million	Ray
FNLM	March 2012	\$200000	Ray /Stephen
Ratification of IR 12	June 2010	\$50000	Ray/Stephen
Revive Language	On-going	\$90,000 (for another teacher)	C&C
Communication Plan	October 2009	\$2,500 (budgeted)	C&C committee
IR 11 Building/Playground	March 2010	\$45000	Stephen/Teoni/Chief
Restoring Balance	Jan 2010 (budget will be prepared)	\$270,000/year	Casey/Health staff

Municipal Bylaw	Nov 2014		Ray
Housing	Sept 2010		Stephen/Board
Bighouse kitchen/main hall	Spring 2010	\$10000	Capital and Public works
Bighouse parking	Fall 2009	Ray will get a quote	Ray
C&C terms of reference	Dec 2009		Stephen
Land Use Plan	Dec 2009	\$100,000 (budgeted)	Ray

- Council would like a breakdown of all available funds. Stephen will provide this to council. Council knows the amount remaining from the FRO money, which is \$229,800/year, so council wished to review the goals by the timelines outlined above to see which expenditures would take place in the next two fiscal years.

Project	1	1
First Nations Land Management	\$100000	\$100000
IR 12 designation		\$50000
Re-organization		\$100000
Water & sewer		\$1,000,000 (loan)
IR 11 – Building & playground	\$45000	
Bighouse Kitchen		\$10000
Lacrosse Box	\$2000	
TOTAL	\$147000	\$1260000

- Also, for the new high school, education will be looking for \$900,000 contribution and would need confirmation by 2010.
- Also the end of 2010 Chief and Council would need to make a decision on the \$6 million investment in the LNG project.

It was moved and seconded to allocate \$147,000 from the 2009/2010 FRO funding on the following expenditures, First Nation Land Management (\$100,000), IR 11 Building/Playground (\$45,000) and Lacrosse Box (\$2000).

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.