



Village of Port Alice Council Agenda Package

**VILLAGE OF PORT ALICE
COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
TO BE HELD WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 27, 2019 at 7:00 pm
IN THE PORT ALICE COUNCIL CHAMBERS**



(1) CALL TO ORDER

We are privileged to acknowledge that this meeting is being held on the traditional territory of the Quatsino First Nations.

(2) RESOLUTION TO PROCEED TO CLOSED MEETING (6:30 pm)

THAT the meeting be closed to the public to consider matters pursuant to the following sections of the Community Charter:

Section 90 (1) (c) Labour relations or other employee relations;

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(3) ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

THAT the Agenda for the Meeting of the Village of Port Alice for February 27, 2019, be approved; AND THAT all delegations, reports, correspondence and other information set to the agenda be received for information.

(4) DELEGATIONS: N\A

(5) MINUTES:

a.) *THAT the minutes for the Regular Meeting held on February 6, 2019, be adopted.*

b.) January 9, 2018 Public Works & Recreation Meeting Minutes

(6) OLD BUSINESS: N\A

(7) COMMUNICATIONS:

a.) Approved funding for Canada Day Celebrations

January 18, 2019, Letter from Emmanuelle Sajous, Director General Canadian Heritage

b.) Protection of Groundwater, request to support AVICC resolution

February 12, 2019, Email from Bruce Gibbons, Merville Water Gaurdians

c.) Resignation of Fire Chief Don Rethmeier

February 15, 2019, Letter from Don Rethmeier

d.) 2019 UBCM Resolution & background infofor Off Road Vehicle Management Framework Resolution

February 16, 2019, Email from Mike Coulter, Campbell River ATV Club Director

e.) Fire Chief's Monthly Report for January 2019

February 2019, Report from Acting Fire Chief Gerry Rose

(8) NEW BUSINESS: N\A

REPORTS:

a.) Summary of Revenue & Expenses for January 2019

February 21, 2019, Report from Bonnie Danyk, Finance Officer

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- b.) Accounts Payable Listing for January 2019
February 21, 2019, Report from Bonnie Danyk, Finance Officer

(9) BYLAWS: N\A

(10) QUESTION PERIOD:

(11) ADJOURNMENT:
THAT the meeting of the Village of Port Alice Council held February 27, 2019, be adjourned.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. January 2019, Newsletter, Vancouver Island Regional Library, From the Board Table
2. 2019 AVICC AGM & Conference Program in Brief
3. February 11, 2019, Media Release – Island Health. Port Alice Health Centre service changes
4. February 12, 2019, Media Release – Vancouver Island Regional Library. Take home a Tinker Tote today from your library
5. February 8, 2019, Letter to Kathy MacNeill, CEO Island Health, re: Future Care in Port Alice
6. February 13, 2019, Letter to Hon Adrian Dix, Min of Health re Concern for the health and welfare of the community of Port Alice
7. February 19, 2019, Letter to Hon Adrian Dix, Min of Health, re proposed changes to the Port Alice Health Centre
8. February 20, 2019, Open Letter from Patricia Goodrick, re concern with the continued depletion of medical services provided here.

**VILLAGE OF PORT ALICE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 6, 2019
IN THE PORT ALICE COUNCIL CHAMBERS**



Present Mayor Kevin Cameron
Councillor Holly Aldis
Councillor Bruce Lloyd
Councillor Angela Yunker

Absent Councillor Warren Beatty

Staff Bonnie Danyk, Acting CAO

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 pm

Mayor Kevin Cameron called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Councillor Bruce Lloyd spoke a few words about the passing of former Port McNeill Mayor Gerry Furney.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOVED by Councillor Yunker / Seconded by Councillor Aldis

**11/19
Adoption of
Agenda**

***THAT** the Agenda for the Meeting of the Village of Port Alice for February 6, 2019, be approved
AND THAT all delegations, reports, correspondence and other information set to the agenda
be received for information.*

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS: None

MINUTES:

MOVED by Councillor Yunker / Seconded by Councillor Lloyd

**12/19
Minutes
Jan 23, 2019**

***THAT** the minutes for the Regular Meeting held on January 23, 2019 be adopted.*

CARRIED

COMMUNICATIONS:

a) Request to serve on Tourism Committee

January 23, 2019 Request from George Fraser

**13/19
Tourism
Committee**

MOVED by Councillor Lloyd / Seconded by Councillor Yunker

THAT George Fraser be accepted to serve on the Tourism Advisory Committee

REPORTS:

a) Vancouver Island Regional Library January 19, 2019 AGM

January 20, 2019, Report from Councillor Bruce Lloyd

b) Land Sale Proposal

January 27, 2019 Report from Councillor Angela Yunker

MOVED by Councillor Lloyd/ Seconded by Councillor Aldis

THAT *staff be asked to prepare a report for a future Council meeting outlining the steps required to enable the Village to sell waterfront property for a commercial accommodation development with the focus on Plan B*

CARRIED

14/19
Land Sale
Proposal

c) Oscar Hickes Tournament

January 30, 2019 Report from Bonnie Danyk, Finance Officer

ADJOURNMENT:

MOVED by Councillor Lloyd / Seconded by Councillor Yunker

THAT *the Regular meeting of the Village of Port Alice held February 6, 2019, be adjourned at 7:18 pm*

CARRIED

15/19
Adjournment

I hereby certify the preceding to be a true and correct account of the Regular meeting of the Village of Port Alice Council held February 6, 2019.

Mayor

Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

VILLAGE OF PORT ALICE COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES



Wednesday January 9, 2019
Village Office Council Chambers
Public Works and Recreation Committee Meeting

Present

Councillor Holly Aldis
Councillor Warren Beatty
Councillor Bruce Lloyd
Councillor Angela Yunker

Absent

Mayor Kevin Cameron

Staff

Bonnie Danyk, Finance Officer
Jason Yunker, Public Works Foreman
Louisa Moore, Acting CC Coordinator

CALL TO ORDER

Acting Mayor Holly Aldis called the meeting to order at 3:15 pm

PWR 01/19
Agenda

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by Councillor Beatty / Seconded by Councillor Lloyd

*THAT the Agenda for the Public Works and Recreation Committee be approved; AND
THAT all delegations, reports, correspondence and other information set to the agenda be
received for information.*

CARRIED

PWR 02/19
PW/Rec Minutes
2018-12-05

MINUTES:

MOVED by Councillor Beatty / Seconded by Councillor Yunker

*THAT the minutes of the Public Works and Recreation Committee Meeting held
December 5, 2018 be adopted.*

CARRIED

REPORTS:

Community Centre Coordinator Monthly Report – December

December 22, 2018, Report from Louisa Moore, Acting CC Coordinator

PWR 03/19
CC Programs

MOVED by Councillor Lloyd / Seconded by Councillor Beatty

*THAT staff put out suggestion boxes for Community Centre programs and FURTHER THAT
suggestions received be drawn for a free one month weight room pass.*

CARRIED

Public Works Foreman's Monthly Report – December

December 27, 2018, Report from Jason Yunker, Public Works Foreman

COMMUNICATIONS:

December 14, 2018 letter from Patrick Murray regarding the Oscar Hickey Tournament.

PWR 04/19
Oscar Hickey

MOVED by Councillor Lloyd / Seconded by Councillor Yunker

THAT the request for arena use for the Oscar Hickes Tournament be approved on the condition that the Port Alice Arena Society pays for the installation and removal of the ice and the staffing for the tournament, and FURTHER THAT a 50% deposit of the budgeted cost be paid in advance.

CARRIED

PWR 05/19

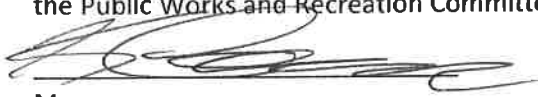
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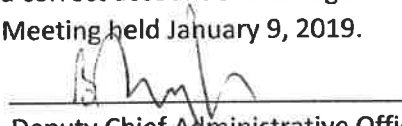
MOVED by Councillor Lloyd/ Seconded by Councillor Yunker

THAT the Public Works & Recreation Committee meeting of the Village of Port Alice held January 9, 2019 be adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

CARRIED

I hereby certify the preceding to be a true and correct account of the Regular meeting of the Public Works and Recreation Committee Meeting held January 9, 2019.



Mayor

Deputy Chief Administrative Officer



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January 18, 2019

Ms. Bonnie Danyk
Finance Officer
VILLAGE OF PORT ALICE
Post Office Box 130
Port Alice, British Columbia
V0N 2N0

Title: Canada Day 2019

Dear Ms. Danyk:

On behalf of the Minister of Canadian Heritage, it is my pleasure to inform you that your application for funding has been approved.

A grant in the amount of \$1,100 will be awarded to help your organization carry out its activities, under the Celebration and Commemoration Program, Celebrate Canada Component. This funding will be allocated over one government fiscal year 2019-2020 and will be subject to certain terms and conditions, the appropriation of funds by Parliament, and the budget levels of the Program.

One of our program representatives will be in contact with you in the near future to review the terms and conditions related to this funding.

In closing, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and the members of your organization the greatest success in your endeavours.

Sincerely,

Emmanuelle Sajous
Director General
Major Events, Commemorations and Capital Experience
Canadian Heritage

Canada



From: Bruce & Nicole <brunic@shaw.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, February 12, 2019 1:41 PM
To: INFO@ALERTBAY.CA; villageofgoldriver@cablerocket.com; info@portalice.ca; village@saywardvalley.ca; reception@villageoftahsis.com
Subject: Protection of groundwater
Attachments: In_the_past_few_years_British_Columbia_h (2).mp4; Background and update for water bottling prohibition.docx

Hello. My name is Bruce Gibbons. I have been fighting a water licence for bottling and sale of our groundwater in the Comox Valley since March of last year. We have a paper petition with approximately 1,200 signatures from the Comox Valley and we have recently posted the petition online to try to get more exposure. The online petition has over 1,330 signatures. We are asking the provincial government to stop approving licences to bottle and sell groundwater. I have attached a link to a video I recently posted that illustrates our concerns about protecting our groundwater.

ASK:

I am asking AVICC communities to review and revise their bylaws, if necessary, to prohibit bottling of groundwater for commercial sale or bulk export. I am also formally asking the communities of the AVICC to support the Strathcona Regional District Resolution to be presented at the AVICC convention in April.

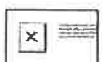
WHEREAS water is an essential resource upon which all life, including all ecosystems and all local communities depend,

AND WHEREAS water is a public heritage and a public trust for present and future generations and access to water must not be compromised by commercial operations relating to commercial water bottling or commercial bulk water exports,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Premier of British Columbia and the Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development be requested to immediately cease the licensing and extraction of groundwater for commercial water bottling and/or bulk water exports from aquifers.

Thank you.

Bruce Gibbons
Merville Water Guardians
250-702-1672



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Background and update for water bottling prohibition

January 31, 2019

My name is Bruce Gibbons, and I live in Merville, in the Comox Valley. I am here today to address the Board about the issue of protecting groundwater in the Comox Valley, the Strathcona Region, Vancouver Island and all over British Columbia. As you are most likely aware the Provincial Government approved a groundwater extraction licence for a resident of Merville to extract up to 10,000 liters of water per day from the Comox Valley aquifer, and bottle and sell that water. I formed a group called Merville Water Guardians to oppose the water licence, oppose the rezoning application and to achieve reforms to the Water Sustainability Act to protect the groundwater aquifers of BC. I filed an appeal against the water licence in March, but after a lengthy process with the Environmental Appeal Board the appeal was dismissed. There is a serious flaw in the Water Sustainability Act that denies appeal of a water licence unless the licence physically detrimentally affects your land, not your water, not your access to water. The Water Sustainability Act does not protect my water or my access to water. I find that appalling and I am fighting for changes to the Act. The CVRD eventually denied the applicant's application for rezoning which effectively stopped him from bottling the water on his property. However, the applicant stated his intent to go ahead with the water bottling whatever way he can and to that end he has applied to the provincial government to amend his licence to allow him to truck the water from his well and bottle it at a site that allows water bottling. The applicant publicly stated his intent to go to the Strathcona Regional District (SRD) to set up his facility for bottling the water. I immediately contacted some of the SRD Directors to apprise them of the situation and I am very pleased to say the Board acted very quickly and decisively to block his attempts. And I was very happy to see that the Board also took decisive action in drafting and submitting a resolution to the BC Government advising them that the SRD does not support approvals of licences for the extraction of groundwater anywhere to be sold for commercial purposes such as water bottling, bulk water export or private sales. I have been collecting signatures on a petition to the BC Government asking them to stop approval of groundwater licences under the Water Sustainability Act for the bottling and commercial sale of groundwater from our aquifers. To date we have over 1,300 signatures on that petition. I have recently also posted an online petition which has over 1,200 signatures to date, and I also recently posted a video challenge which I sent to all MLAs challenging them to set aside political differences and take action together to protect our groundwater. We have over 300 followers on our Facebook page and a large group of supporters who feel strongly about this issue and about the need for the government to protect our groundwater.

Without water, farmers cannot produce our food, the local food that so many people desire and rely on. Without water, there is no life. We are facing population growth that will put more demand on our aquifers and we are already seeing the negative effects of climate change impact the quality and quantity of water in the summer drought period. We experienced level 4 drought all over Vancouver Island and in many other areas of BC this past summer. We have seen record dry months, record heat and every indication is that climate change is very real and will likely only get worse. Rivers and streams are drying up. Fish habitats are disappearing. Residents and farmers are being told to seriously conserve water. Our food security is at risk. Yet we have a provincial water licence for commercial profit that will allow extraction of water, from the aquifer we all rely on, despite the level 4 drought. There is not enough information known about the health of our aquifers and the recharge of those aquifers in the future to risk bottling and selling any of the water.

I have made presentations to the Village of Cumberland, the City of Courtenay, the CVRD (by way of our petition) and I am scheduled to present to the Town of Comox asking them to change their bylaws to prohibit the bottling of groundwater in their zoning bylaws. Cumberland has changed their bylaws

to prohibit the bottling of groundwater. The CVRD has a bylaw change pending, and the City of Courtenay has passed a motion to prohibit bottling of groundwater and has referred that motion back to staff for further information. I have also been in touch with the Councils in all those areas encouraging them to support the Strathcona Regional District Resolution that was passed on Jan 24th to protect our groundwater.

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AND WHEREAS water is a public heritage and a public trust for present and future generations and access to water must not be compromised by commercial operations relating to commercial water bottling or commercial bulk water exports,

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I, and all our followers strongly support the resolution that will be presented to the AVICC in April, and ultimately to the UBCM. I sincerely believe that the request to the Provincial Government needs to be direct and succinct. Local governance, better consultation by the provincial government with local governments, better science before approval of licences would all be better than the current situation and would all be desirable outcomes. However, the fact of the matter is that we cannot settle for just incremental improvements. We need to protect our groundwater definitively, now and forever. We must clearly request that the provincial government cease the approval of groundwater licences for the extraction of groundwater from all BC aquifers to be sold for commercial profit, such as water bottling, bulk water exports or private sales.

Water is our most precious resource. Water is life. We must do everything we can to protect and conserve it. I am asking you to support the SRD resolution to protect our groundwater and I implore you to approve the resolution and push it forward at the AVICC, and the UBCM. I admire and applaud the SRD Board for their vision in acting quickly and decisively to protect our groundwater for everyone on Vancouver Island and all over British Columbia, and on behalf of our supporters in the Comox Valley I say thank you to the SRD and to you for your courage, your conviction, your vision and your leadership.

Thank you for your time and your consideration.

Bruce Gibbons

Merville Water Guardians

2470 Sackville Road, Merville, BC V0R2M0

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Village of Port Alice

February 15, 2019

I would like to thank the council and Mayor present and past for the latitude of allowing me to be on leave for a very long time. I had hoped to be able to come back sooner but it looks like I will not be able to. I hope that you will offer Gerry Rose the chance to stay as Fire Chief.

Don Rethmeier

From: Mike Coulter <mcou@telus.net>
Sent: Saturday, February 16, 2019 10:59 PM
To: info@portalice.ca
Subject: ORV AICC PROPOSAL support request
Attachments: 2019 UBCM Resolution - Background Info rev feb 6.docx; ORV Managment Framework Resolution rev feb 6 2019.docx

Importance: High

I have prepared this note as a Request to all VI and Coastal ATV Clubs as a call for your support and assistance. I am working on this project in support of the proposition proposal submitted to the AVICC Convention by the Communities of Tahsis, and Sayward.

To VI and Coastal ATV Clubs:

The attached Proposals for these ORV act changes have been submitted to the Apr 12, 2019 AVICC Convention by Sayward and Tahsis Councils.

The proposed changes are as follows:

- *Only one (1) Operation Permit required for approved access to multiple jurisdictions and/or communities, along a connecting designated ORV route and trail network, which can be issued in any of the jurisdictions or communities along the route.*
- *Operation Permits can be issued by local RCMP or local government.*
- *Operation Permit term extended from 2 years to 5 years to align with driver's license term*

The proposal and background document files are attached to this email.

These proposals will not affect where or when we may legally ride. The changes have no effect on laws regarding riding on routes, trails, and FSRs.

The proposed changes are administrative in nature. They only affect the methods to issue an Operation Permit. The who, when, and location where an Operation Permit may be issued.

There is nothing in these changes which should raise any environmental concern, or user conflict issues. Operation Permits are only issued for certain approved, and specific, designated Community roadways. I hardly think that there would be an additional environmental concern caused by ORVs driving on a roadway used by vehicles.

The need to have individual Community support and Local RCMP approval of a specific, designated roadway route will not change.

An Operator must have a valid Driver licence before they may be issued an Operation Permit.

The requirement to have the ORV appropriately registered, insured with liability and incidental highway and crossing insurance will remain unchanged.

The changes are to better accommodate ORV Tourism by making the Operation Permit issuing procedures more reasonable. As explained in the attached background document. Having access to food, fuel, and accommodation in Communities is critical to unlocking the economic potential of ORV Tourism. ORV Tourism may not be practical for all Communities. Smaller rural Communities or facilities seem to be the best fit.

ORV Tourism has proven to provide significant economic opportunities in many appropriate rural geographical areas in North America. There are about 125,000 ORVs in BC. There are about 495,000 ORVs within a one day travel of BC.

The residents of more urban Communities which are not considered to be appropriate for "ride-in" privileges will benefit by having ORV destinations that they will be able to visit and enjoy. Much more conveniently. They will be able to acquire their Operation Permits much more reasonably.

The logistics facing the issuing RCMP Detachments will be significantly reduced.

For instance: The 8 permits separately issued in different locations which are presently required to ride the North Island Inter-Community Route. Would be replaced with one permit issued at any one of the participating Detachments or City Halls along the designated ORV Route or trail network.

Please take the time to read the attached proposition documents.

It would be invaluable if local Clubs and individuals would contact their Local Community Government (City, Town, Village or Band Council or Regional District) to ensure that the local Gov is aware of the importance of these proposals for ORV Tourists.

I have been approaching local politicians I personally know or are known to be ATV friendly. I ask for a few minutes to informally explain and discuss the proposition proposal to them. I give them a printed copy of this note and attached docs as an info package. The ultimate goal would be to get a written confirmation of support for the changes from the Local Community Government.

A simple statement from communities would be a great help. For example:

The (City, Town, Village, Band or Regional District) of _____ is pleased to see this resolution for the changes to the ORV Management Framework submitted for consideration at the AVICC (Association of Vancouver Island Coastal Communities) Convention in Powell River this April, and will be in full support.

I suggest assigning one or more local members from each area in your Club jurisdiction to contact their local gov. . (City, Town, Village, Band or Regional District)

Please help us to ensure the changes submitted by Tahsis and Sayward are well supported at the AVICC.

We will need Island and Coastal support at the AVICC and the support of Communities throughout the Province at the UBCM this fall.

If you have any further question please contact me.

If you would like me to deliver the approx. 30 min ORV Tourism Presentation in your Community. Please let me know. Please keep me updated as you and your members progress. Time is short so please act quickly.

Thank you. Good Luck – No wait! We will need to make our own luck on this. - Let's get after it!

Happy Trails To You – Mike Coulter – mcou@telus.net CR ATV CLUB DIR

If my contact address is somehow out of date for your Club. Please forward this note appropriately. Thanks- Mike



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ORV MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK IMPROVEMENTS TO FACILITATE TOURISM

Background information Council/Board Report

The Off-Road Vehicle (ORV) Act was intended to create safe and more convenient incidental access to public roads and highways to better connect BC's rural communities and support a first-rate ORV trail network, and to allow local governments to expand their trail networks to take advantage of economic development opportunities by way of tourism.

The ORV Management Framework developed by the Province of BC is a cross-government initiative, consisting primarily of the Off Road Vehicle Act, which includes changes to the Motor Vehicle Act to provide safe, convenient incidental access to highways including free police-issued operation permits.

As intended the ORV Act is creating significant economic opportunities for rural communities to establish inter-community ORV tourism. In BC we have vast crown land and trail networks connecting our rural communities that easily allow communities to establish a designated ORV trail network that has the potential to connect thousands of kilometers of trails and communities.

For an ORV trail network to be a viable tourism product, it must provide riders the ability to access food, fuel, and lodging for extended trips, which means riders must have ride-in access to services in communities along the route. Many rural communities are now issuing the operation permits required to access these services along a designated route, however currently a separate operation permit from each jurisdiction or community is required, which isn't conducive for tourism, as a rider first must travel to each of the communities to obtain their operation permit.

Currently Operation Permits are issued only by the RCMP - ORV riders wishing to make a journey involving multiple communities must go to a community prior to making their trip hoping an officer will be there and available. Then, track down that local RCMP member, when they find the officer, they must hope he/she is able to take the time to issue an Operation Permit for that community. Then the riders must repeat this process in each community they plan to ride into - they might need 6 different permits or more and could take an ORV tourist days of travel to the various RCMP detachments by car, prior to their ride, just to get their Operation Permits, before they can even begin their actual ORV trip.

For many ORV routes, such as the North Island Inter-Community ORV Trail Network which is over 1,000 km's and connects 8 communities approximately only 1% of the route requires incidental public road access for which operation permits must be issued, however currently tourists must travel the whole 1,000 km route to obtain the required operation permits, before their ORV trip can begin.

It would make the Operation Permit process much more conducive to tourism if, once the connecting designated route has been approved by each jurisdiction, only one operation permit needs to be issued to cover the entire route; and that one permit could be issued by any of the jurisdictions along the route, so that a tourist could start their adventure at any location along the route. The permit would list the communities and the specific unique designated routes by which it will allow ride-in access.

Currently Operation Permits are issued only by local RCMP, however that is a drain on local RCMP resources as many rural towns do not have the staffing for these types of administrative tasks, therefore once a safe designated route has been approved by local RCMP or local government, then the local townhall or community office could issue the Operation Permits.

This will allow ORV tourism to flourish between communities, reduce the amount of time and resources for local RCMP and communities to issue operation permits, while creating a viable tourism product.

The ATV rider demographic includes family folks and mature adults, with above average income that enjoys outdoor recreation, cultural activities, dining out, with preference to camping near lakes and rivers, plans trips around specific destinations and are willing to travel. In short, they are they perfect tourist, as many are retired with lots of time to travel, utilizing all four seasons in many areas.

ATV tourism contributes hundreds of millions to the BC economy through product and service purchase from fuel, gear, accessories, to food, accommodation and more. There are roughly 125,000 ORV riders in BC with an additional 495,000 estimated to be within a one day drive of the province. A 2015 economic impact study indicates the combined investment and operating expenditure of ATV/SxS activities in BC has an annual impact of \$400 million to \$502 million.

Vera Vukelich, the Manager Responsible for ORVs, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development, issued a letter dated July 2016 advising:

“I would also encourage your members to continue to work collaboratively with local staff from the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure, the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations, and local governments on proposals for ORV trails/routes that provide safe incidental access to highways (i.e. ORV travels along portions of the highway right-of-way to access a trail, ability to access gas stations and signage is in place for ORVs that may need to travel on the road for a short distance – of course, local circumstances will vary)”

The UBCM 2018 Annual Report (pg 41) advises that UBCM continues to monitor the implementation of the new Off Road Vehicle (ORV) Act and its accompanying regulations, and that engagement continues with local governments interested in expanding their trail networks to take advantage of economic development opportunities by way of tourism, therefore the mechanisms are in place, and is in the best interest of local governments to work in collaboration with UBCM to advocate for improvements to the ORV Management Framework to better facilitate tourism and economic potential for our rural communities.

WHEREAS the Off Road Vehicle (ORV) Act was intended to create safe and more convenient incidental access to public roads and highways to better connect BC's rural communities and support a first-rate ORV trail network, and to allow local governments to expand their trail networks to take advantage of economic development opportunities by way of tourism.

AND WHEREAS the current administrative process to obtain Operation Permits as permitted under the ORV Act is onerous and not conducive to convenient incidental access to trail networks connecting multiple communities as a separate operation permit must be obtained from each jurisdiction.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the following changes to legislation are made:

- Only one (1) Operation Permit required for approved access to multiple jurisdictions and/or communities, along a connecting designated ORV route and trail network, which can be issued in any of the jurisdictions or communities along the route.
- Operation Permits can be issued by local RCMP or local government.
- Operation Permit term extended from 2 years to 5 years to align with driver's license term

VILLAGE OF PORT ALICE

Port Alice Volunteer Fire Department Fire Chief's Monthly Report For the month of Jan, 2019

Active Members	16	Number Of False Alarms	0
On Leave	1	Mutual Aid Calls	0
Rescue Calls	0	Lift Assist Calls	0
Fire Calls	1	Public Relation Events	0
Active Honourary Members	1		

Practices:

Date	Attendance	Purpose
Jan 8/19	9	Bunker Gear/SCBA Practice
Jan 15/19	10	SCBA Practice
Jan 18/19	8	Fire Call – trailer fire
Jan 22/19	11	Debrief on Trailer Fire
Jan 29/19	11	Truck Checks/First Aid/AED Checks & Association Meeting

Public Relations Events:

Situation Responses:

Fire Chief: Geoff J. Porc

Administrator: BP

For All Revenue, Expense Accounts
Zero Balance Accounts NOT Included

Transactions Entered From 01/01/2019
To 31/01/2019

Account	Description	Period Actual	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Remaining In \$
SALES OF SERVICE & GOODS					
1111000100	GARBAGE RATES & PENALTIES	4,920.30-	4,920.30-	0.00	4,920.30
	TOTAL SALES OF SERVICE & GOODS:	4,920.30-	4,920.30-	0.00	4,920.30
RECREATION SUPPLIES & SERVICES					
1111000213	WEIGHT ROOM PASSES & LOCKER RENTALS	1,335.00-	1,335.00-	0.00	1,335.00
1111000219	RECREATION PROGRAMS, EVENTS & CLASSE	3.00-	3.00-	0.00	3.00
	TOTAL RECREATION SUPPLIES & SERVICE	1,338.00-	1,338.00-	0.00	1,338.00
RECREATION FACILITIES RENTAL REVENUE					
1111000320	COMMUNITY CENTRE REVENUE	1,094.00-	1,094.00-	0.00	1,094.00
	TOTAL REC. FACILITIES RENTAL REVENUE	1,094.00-	1,094.00-	0.00	1,094.00
OTHER REVENUE FROM OWN SOURCES					
LICENCES & PERMITS					
1111100110	BUSINESS LICENCE FEE REVENUE	4,590.00-	4,590.00-	0.00	4,590.00
1111100120	DOG LICENSES/FINES	210.00-	210.00-	0.00	210.00
1111100130	PERMITS:BUILDING/BURNING	10.00-	10.00-	0.00	10.00
	TOTAL LICENCES & PERMITS	4,810.00-	4,810.00-	0.00	4,810.00
OTHER REVENUE					
1111100241	TAX ARREARS INTEREST	7.12-	7.12-	0.00	7.12
1111100243	TAX CERTIFICATES - Com.Charter - Sec	44.25-	44.25-	0.00	44.25
1111100244	M.I.A.-2011 DIVIDENDS & RISK MANAGEM	1,083.00-	1,083.00-	0.00	1,083.00
1111100250	MISCELL. REVENUE	3,453.48-	3,453.48-	0.00	3,453.48
1111100253	LAMINATING, FAX & PHOTOCOPY SERVICES	3.50-	3.50-	0.00	3.50
1111100255	RUMBLE BEACH MARINA PARKING FEES	549.98-	549.98-	0.00	549.98
1111100256	RUMBLE BEACH MARINA RECREATION MOORA	552.40-	552.40-	0.00	552.40
	TOTAL OTHER REVENUE	5,693.73-	5,693.73-	0.00	5,693.73
	GRAND TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUE	17,856.03-	17,856.03-	0.00	17,856.03
	GRAND TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUE:	17,856.03-	17,856.03-	0.00	17,856.03
EXPENDITURES					
GENERAL GOVERNMENT					
ADMINISTRATION					
1120000100	COUNCIL INDEMNITY	3,612.47	3,612.47	0.00	3,612.47-
1120000101	OFFICE STAFF SALARIES & BENEFITS	20,483.91	20,483.91	0.00	20,483.91-
1120000107	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	6,702.48	6,702.48	0.00	6,702.48-
	TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	30,798.86	30,798.86	0.00	30,798.86-
OTHER EXPENSES					
1120000201	OFFICE INSURANCE	2,043.37	2,043.37	0.00	2,043.37-
1120000204	OFFICE OPERATING SUPPLIES, MAINT. &	200.00	200.00	0.00	200.00-
1120000205	OFFICE JANITORIAL CONTRACT	600.00	600.00	0.00	600.00-
1120000206	LEGAL FEES	250.01	250.01	0.00	250.01-
1120000207	IT EXPENSES	2,259.98	2,259.98	0.00	2,259.98-
1120000209	ASSOCIATION DUES/MEMBERSHIPS	137.00	137.00	0.00	137.00-
1120000401	CONVENTIONS, DELEGATIONS & TRAVEL EX	600.00	600.00	0.00	600.00-
1120000403	HERITAGE	100.00	100.00	0.00	100.00-
1120000407	MISCELLANEOUS	1,540.00	1,540.00	0.00	1,540.00-
1120000408	WOOD STOVE EXCHANGE PROGRAM	250.00	250.00	0.00	250.00-
	TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES	7,980.36	7,980.36	0.00	7,980.36-
	TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	38,779.22	38,779.22	0.00	38,779.22-
PROTECTIVE SERVICES					
FIRE DEPARTMENT					
1121000201	FIRE DEPT INSURANCE	3,709.55	3,709.55	0.00	3,709.55-
1121000209	FIRE DEPT. DUES, LICENSE & PERMIT FE	297.50	297.50	0.00	297.50-
	TOTAL FIRE DEPARTMENT EXPENDITURES	4,007.05	4,007.05	0.00	4,007.05-
	TOTAL PROTECTIVE SERVICES	4,007.05	4,007.05	0.00	4,007.05-
TRANSPORTATION SERVICES					
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT					
1121200101	PUBLIC WORKS DEPT. WAGES & BENEFITS	27,471.20	27,471.20	0.00	27,471.20-

VILLAGE OF PORT ALICE
REVENUE AND EXPENSE (HEADER - DETAIL - TOTALS) WITHOUT ENCUMBRANCE
For Fiscal Year 2019, Period 1 to 1 and Budget Cycle Provisional and Prd 1 to 1 Actuals

For All Revenue, Expense Accounts
Zero Balance Accounts NOT Included

Transactions Entered From 01/01/2019
To 31/01/2019

Account	Description	Period Actual	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Remaining In \$
1121200103	P.W. COVERALLS & WORKBOOTS	178.94	178.94	0.00	178.94-
	TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS WAGES & BENEFITS	27,650.14	27,650.14	0.00	27,650.14-
P.W. YARD & STORES					
1121200201	P.W. INSURANCE	2,128.20	2,128.20	0.00	2,128.20-
1121200204	P.W. YARD & SHOP: SUPPLIES & FEES	218.40	218.40	0.00	218.40-
	TOTAL P.W. YARD & STORES	2,346.60	2,346.60	0.00	2,346.60-
REPAIRS, MAINTENANCE, RENTALS & TOOLS					
1121200302	P.W. EQUIPMENT REPAIR & MAINT	368.59	368.59	0.00	368.59-
1121200307	DOCK & BOAT LAUNCH EXPENSES	6,000.00	6,000.00	0.00	6,000.00-
	TOTAL P.W. REPAIRS/MAINT/RENTALS/TOOLS	6,368.59	6,368.59	0.00	6,368.59-
	TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT	36,365.33	36,365.33	0.00	36,365.33-
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES					
1121300101	TRANSFER STATION WAGES	1,741.94	1,741.94	0.00	1,741.94-
	TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES	1,741.94	1,741.94	0.00	1,741.94-
	TOTAL ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES	1,741.94	1,741.94	0.00	1,741.94-
RECREATION SERVICES					
RECREATION DEPARTMENT					
1121600101	RECREATION DEPARTMENT WAGES & BENEFITS	5,338.48	5,338.48	0.00	5,338.48-
	TOTAL RECREATION DEPT. WAGES/BENEFITS	5,338.48	5,338.48	0.00	5,338.48-
RECREATION PROGRAMS					
1121600306	C.C. COMPUTER LAB	117.70	117.70	0.00	117.70-
	TOTAL RECREATION DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS	117.70	117.70	0.00	117.70-
OTHER RECREATION SERVICES					
1121600403	LIBRARY REQUISITION	9,229.00	9,229.00	0.00	9,229.00-
	TOTAL OTHER RECREATION DEPT. SERVICES	9,229.00	9,229.00	0.00	9,229.00-
	TOTAL RECREATION DEPARTMENT SERVICES	14,685.18	14,685.18	0.00	14,685.18-
ARENA					
1121700101	ARENA WAGES & BENEFITS	6,459.25	6,459.25	0.00	6,459.25-
1121700201	ARENA INSURANCE	15,984.09	15,984.09	0.00	15,984.09-
	TOTAL ARENA EXPENDITURES	22,443.34	22,443.34	0.00	22,443.34-
	TOTAL ARENA EXPENSES	22,443.34	22,443.34	0.00	22,443.34-
COMMUNITY CENTRE					
1121800101	JANITOR SALARIES & BENEFITS	1,799.47	1,799.47	0.00	1,799.47-
1121800201	COMMUNITY CENTRE INSURANCE	7,247.52	7,247.52	0.00	7,247.52-
1121800204	COMMUNITY CENTRE BUILDING & GROUNDS	185.32	185.32	0.00	185.32-
	TOTAL COMMUNITY CENTER EXPENDITURES	9,232.31	9,232.31	0.00	9,232.31-
	TOTAL COMMUNITY CENTRE EXPENSES	9,232.31	9,232.31	0.00	9,232.31-
SEA VIEW ACTIVITY CENTER					
1121900201	SEA VIEW ACTIVITY CENTER INSURANCE	1,775.30	1,775.30	0.00	1,775.30-
	TOTAL SEA VIEW ACTIVITY CENTER SERVICES:	1,775.30	1,775.30	0.00	1,775.30-
	GRAND TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	129,029.67	129,029.67	0.00	129,029.67-
	TOTAL 2001 GENERAL FUND EXPEND. BUDGET:	129,029.67	129,029.67	0.00	129,029.67-
WATER REVENUE FUND					
REVENUE					
2110000101	WATER RATES REVENUE	9,634.27-	9,634.27-	0.00	9,634.27
	TOTAL WATER RATES REVENUE	9,634.27-	9,634.27-	0.00	9,634.27
	GRAND TOTAL WATER REVENUE	9,634.27-	9,634.27-	0.00	9,634.27
WATER FUND EXPENDITURE					
2121200101	WATER EQUIP. MAINT. WAGES	1,227.83	1,227.83	0.00	1,227.83-
2121200201	INSURANCE - WATER SYSTEM	3,194.45	3,194.45	0.00	3,194.45-
2121200301	WATER EQUIP. REPAIR/MAINT.	193.24	193.24	0.00	193.24-
	TOTAL WATER MAINTENANCE EXPENDITURES	4,615.52	4,615.52	0.00	4,615.52-
	TOTAL WATER FUND EXPENDITURES	4,615.52	4,615.52	0.00	4,615.52-
	TOTAL	4,615.52	4,615.52	0.00	4,615.52-
SEWER REVENUE					
3110000101	SEWER RATES REVENUE	18,342.24-	18,342.24-	0.00	18,342.24

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Transactions Entered From 01/01/2019
To 31/01/2019

Account	Description	Period Actual	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Remaining In \$
	TOTAL SEWER REVENUE	18,342.24	18,342.24	0.00	18,342.24
	GRAND TOTAL SEWER FUND REVENUE	18,342.24	18,342.24	0.00	18,342.24
EXPENDITURES					
3121200101	SEWER TREATMENT PLANT WAGES	1,862.95	1,862.95	0.00	1,862.95
3121200102	SEWER DIST. SYSTEM WAGES	330.06	330.06	0.00	330.06
3121200201	SEWER INSURANCE	6,535.51	6,535.51	0.00	6,535.51
3121200204	SEWER SUPPLIES & MAINTENANCE	131.00	131.00	0.00	131.00
3121200206	WASTE MANAGEMENT PERMIT FEES	740.87	740.87	0.00	740.87
	TOTAL SEWER OPERATING EXPENSE	9,600.39	9,600.39	0.00	9,600.39
	TOTAL:	13,760.60	13,760.60	0.00	13,760.60
	REPORT TOTALS:	97,413.04	97,413.04	0.00	97,413.04

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**VILLAGE OF PORT ALICE
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE LISTING FOR JANUARY 2019**

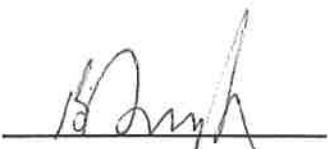
Total Payment of Accounts: \$137,804.41

Wages Payable: \$32,300.04

Total Accounts Payable Listing \$170,104.45

If you have any questions regarding the cheques on this month's
Accounts Payable Listing, please ask me.

Respectfully submitted



Bonnie Danyk
Finance Officer

Cheque #	Bank	Pay Date	Vendor #	Vendor Name	Invoice #	Description	Invoice Amount	Hold Amount	Paid Amount	Void
045859	001	04/01/2019	C-008	A-MAIS TECHNOLOGIE	2019066 2019067	2019 MAIS Software MAIS Software Addi	7,015.68 1,572.48		8,588.16	
045860	001	04/01/2019	M-004	MEDICAL SERVICES P	Jan 2019	January MS Premium	562.50		562.50	
045861	001	04/01/2019	M-132	MINISTRY OF ENVIRO	EMI341688	324 Permit Effluen	740.87		740.87	
045862	001	04/01/2019	N-140	NORTH ISLAND IMAGE	40-2019	Calendars	200.00		200.00	
045863	001	11/01/2019	C-010	CAN.UNION OF PUBLI	Dec Dues 18	Dec Union Dues	569.60		569.60	
045864	001	11/01/2019	F-004	FOX'S DISPOSAL SER	23213	Bin Rental and Pic	428.97		428.97	
045865	001	11/01/2019	F-005	F.P. FOODS LIMITED	98655 98976 99448 100752 24437 100852 101203 Xmas 2018 101332 101556	Tree Light Up Cook GC for Xmas Events Xmas Supplies VO Office & Coffee Office Supplies BWS Santa Supplies Xmas Supplies Xmas Party Supplie PW Coffee Supplies GC for Xmas Activi	60.00 200.00 65.74 45.51 7.84 35.12 14.28 157.63 42.31 15.66		644.09	
045866	001	11/01/2019	F-047	FARRELL, MARIA	VFD Xmas 2018	Xmas Party Supplie	114.44		114.44	
045867	001	11/01/2019	F-728	FIREWORKS CONSULTI	041118	Fire Officer 1 Tra	1,496.25		1,496.25	
045868	001	11/01/2019	G-041	GYPSY WAGON COURIE	181202	Dec Deliveries	25.20		25.20	
045869	001	11/01/2019	H-006	HOME HARDWARE	281672	Extension Cord	10.07		10.07	
045870	001	11/01/2019	I-046	Iridia Medical	18-1930	Electrodes for AED	128.80		128.80	
045871	001	11/01/2019	I-052	IWC EXCAVATION LTD	18033-03	Marina Progress Pa	28,514.05		28,514.05	
045872	001	11/01/2019	M-001	MACANDALES	279711 279710 279876 280166	Water Gauge and RC Vehicle Maintenanc RC Return Drive TubelHT Atta	153.63 98.08 137.50- 382.95		497.16	
045873	001	11/01/2019	M-069	MCELHANNEY CONSULT	221102422	STP Upgrades	6,378.75		6,378.75	
045874	001	11/01/2019	M-145	MCGRAW, DANIEL	001246	2018 Work Boots	78.74		78.74	
045875	001	11/01/2019	N-072	NORTH ISLAND WASTE	Dec 2018	December Garbage C	6,663.30		6,663.30	
045876	001	11/01/2019	P-090	PORT ALICE GAS INC	Dec Arena18 CC Dec 18	Arena Propane CC Propane	14.76 965.17		979.93	
045877	001	11/01/2019	P-101	PORT ALICE PETROLE	4025	PW & FD Fuel	1,076.83		1,076.83	
045878	001	11/01/2019	R-003	REGIONAL DISTRICT	818	Sludge Disposal	6,518.88		6,518.88	
045879	001	11/01/2019	R-058	ROCKY MOUNTAIN PHE	IN019284	SCBA Testing	1,700.48		1,700.48	
045880	001	14/01/2019	B-003	BC HYDRO	109010904375	Dec Sewer Hydro	31.74		31.74	
045881	001	14/01/2019	J-047	JE ANDERSON & ASSO	0034812	Marina Engineering	871.57		871.57	
045882	001	14/01/2019	S-018	SCOTIABANK	6952798 5503035981 2593 618490059 5503040536 1245869 744547083 412908 455748 452452 3813055 102512	Copier Lease Payme CC & VO Office Sup Wreath Making supp BD CR Seminar Computer Security CC Table Clothes WR Water Cooler GC for Seniors Bin CC Janitorial Supp Xmas Card PW Tools GC for FD and Staf	473.94 238.52 19.32 308.56 55.99 390.94 246.39 100.00 11.73 17.95 262.57 1,400.00		3,525.91	

Cheque #	Bank	Pay Date	Vendor #	Vendor Name	Invoice #	Description	Invoice Amount	Hold Amount	Paid Amount	Void
045883	001	14/01/2019	S-018	SCOTIABANK	Nov18 Telus 94 Cell Dec 2018 Dec 18 hostin Dec18 Phone 8190663	November Phone Cha Xmas Supplies Cell Phones Webhosting Dec December Phone Cha PW Tool	863.52 77.78 219.00 19.04 867.96 55.33		2,102.63	
045884	001	14/01/2019	N-142	NAMS CANADA	117967-NC0119	Annual Subscriptio	672.00		672.00	
045885	001	14/01/2019	Y-007	YUNKER, ANGELA	SCAS800508	Computer Reimburse	600.00		600.00	
045886	001	14/01/2019	A-045	ALSCO UNIFORM & LI	LNAN675350	PW Coveralls	93.65		93.65	
045887	001	14/01/2019	B-061	BROOKS BAY CABLE C	Jan 2019	January Internet	369.60		369.60	
045888	001	14/01/2019	B-246	BEATTY, WARREN	WSR 108	Wood Stove Exchang	250.00		250.00	
045889	001	14/01/2019	C-080	BRANDT TRACTOR LTD	5556063	John Deere Belt	115.87		115.87	
045890	001	14/01/2019	P-157	PROVIDENT	181131-01	Fire Dept Accident	2,033.00		2,033.00	
045891	001	14/01/2019	V-003	VOLUNTEER FIREFIGH	2019 Dues	Vol Firefighters A	140.00		140.00	
045892	001	14/01/2019	J-047	JE ANDERSON & ASSO	0035102	Marina Engineering	1,581.27		1,581.27	
045893	001	14/01/2019	M-011	MINISTER OF FINANC	94259448	Dec Courier	49.71		49.71	
045894	001	14/01/2019	P-089	PRAXAIR DISTRIBUTI	86870558	Monthly Cylinder R	96.13		96.13	
045895	001	28/01/2019	A-045	ALSCO UNIFORM & LI	LNAN677585	PW Coveralls	93.65		93.65	
045896	001	28/01/2019	B-203	BC FIRE TRAINING O	2399	Annual Membership	157.50		157.50	
045897	001	28/01/2019	C-115	CIVICINFO BC	20190059	Membership Dues	143.85		143.85	
045898	001	28/01/2019	F-021	FOUR STAR WATERWOR	53932	Couplings & Liners	202.27		202.27	
045899	001	28/01/2019	G-060	GREGG DISTRIBUTORS	011-699983 011-699982	Shop supplies 12V Battery	229.21 146.74		375.95	
045900	001	28/01/2019	H-065	Derek Hufnagel and	673000	Tax Ovepayment	1,540.00		1,540.00	
045901	001	28/01/2019	M-009	MUNICIPAL INSURANC	30792 L2019-208	2019 Insurance 2019 Premiums	35,452.00 10,300.00		45,752.00	
045902	001	28/01/2019	M-031	MICRON MACHINE WOR	8756	Metal tubing	193.98		193.98	
045903	001	28/01/2019	M-153	MAXXAM ANALYTICS	VA1209934	Effluent Samples	137.55		137.55	
045904	001	28/01/2019	V-001	VANCOUVER ISLAND R	2019 1st Quar	1st Quarter Librar	9,229.00		9,229.00	
045905	001	28/01/2019	A-071	ACE COURIER SERVIC	14242439	Courier Service	159.86		159.86	
045906	001	28/01/2019	B-076	BC ONE CALL LIMITE	201810865	2018 Call Outs	33.08		33.08	
045907	001	28/01/2019	N-140	NORTH ISLAND IMAGE	2018 Sales	2018 Crafter sales	146.80		146.80	
045908	001	28/01/2019	P-172	PORT ALICE PHOTOGR	2018 Sales	2018 Crafter Sales	114.11		114.11	
045909	001	28/01/2019	W-345	WALLPEPPER DESIGNS	6674	Park Signage	474.66		474.66	
045910	001	28/01/2019	M-138	MCCORMICK, KATHY	Jan 2019	January VO Janitor	600.00		600.00	
Total:							137,804.41	0.00	137,804.41	

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INFORMATION ITEMS



from the Board Table

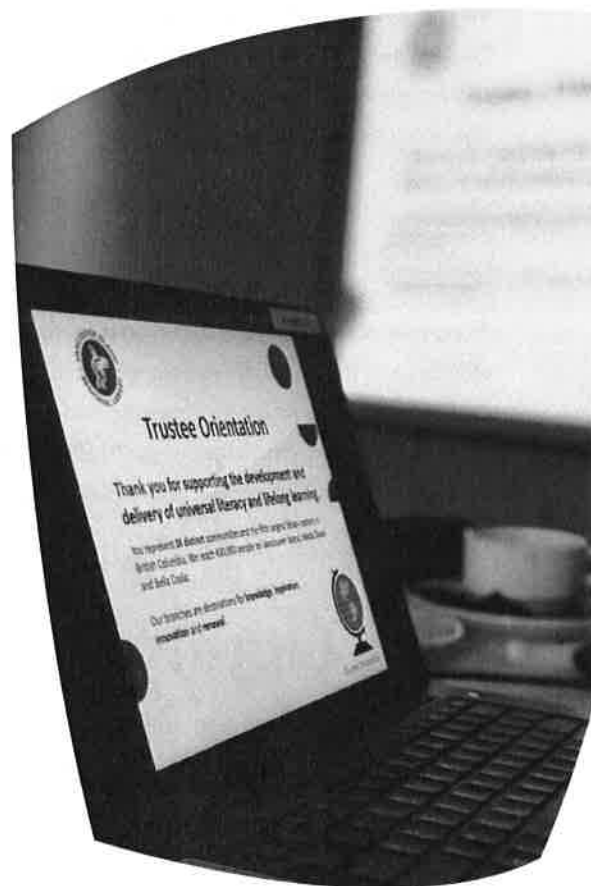
2019 Annual General Meeting

On January 19, 2019, Vancouver Island Regional Library (VIRL) Board of Trustees convened for the 2019 Annual General Meeting (AGM). The Board received an orientation for new and returning Trustees, saw highlights of the previous year, watched a video celebrating VIRL's Library Month activities, and more.

Innovation Alley



As part of the Trustees' orientation to the cutting-edge technologies and resources at VIRL, staff set up an Innovation Alley so Trustees could get some hands-on time with a few of VIRL's digital tools. Among them were virtual reality headsets, 3D printing, analog-to-digital conversion tools, STEAM learning toys, and VIRL's new website. By all accounts, Innovation Alley was a successful introduction to the present and future 21st Century library.



The Annual General Meeting is an opportunity for new Trustees to meet VIRL staff and discover how their roles support library services in their communities.

2018 Success Stories

Indigenous Voices

This Board-approved initiative launched in January 2018 at our Sidney/North Saanich branch. By year's end, 20 Indigenous Elders had hosted 56 events across 20 VIRL communities to 1,384 total participants. Attendees learned about reconciliation and residential schools, listened to creation stories, embarked on medicine walks to discover medicinal uses of local plants, participated in drum making sessions and smudging ceremonies...and so much more. The Indigenous Voices initiative was a movement that advanced reconciliation and forged new relationships and understandings in library branches from Sidney to Masset.



GeekCon

Every year, GeekCon gets bigger, better, and geekier. In 2018, 2,200 attendees at the Nanaimo Harbourfront branch got their geek on at GeekCon with gaming tournaments, board games, retro gaming, sword fights, and film screenings. This hugely popular Nanaimo event is only poised to grow. Clearly, geeking out is in!



Give Library

This annual holiday-themed membership drive returned in 2018. After all, what could be better than a gift that educates, informs, and entertains, all for free? More than 2,000 cards were distributed to prospective library users across our system, including a group of housing-displaced community members in Nanaimo.



2018 Success Stories cont.

Reconciliation Canada Speaker Series

What is reconciliation? What is not reconciliation? These and other important issues were the topic of discussion with Reconciliation Canada Ambassador and member of the Snuneymuxw First Nation, Yvonne Rigsby-Jones. Nearly 200 people came out for first event in Cowichan with subsequent sessions in Nanaimo and the Comox Valley.



STEAM Roadshow

Last summer, VIRL embarked on a roadshow to celebrate STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) in some of our most rural and remote communities. 3,347 kilometres later, more than 1,000 people had been engaged and 500 Virtual Reality experiences delivered in Sointula, Gold River, Port McNeill, Sayward, Quadra Island and South Cowichan.



I Love My Library Month

October is Library Month at VIRL. To celebrate, VIRL showed its love for our LGBTQ2+ community by offering exciting programming, new LGBTQ2+ reading lists for people of every age, and a Safe Space sticker campaign designed to encourage welcoming and inclusive spaces throughout our communities. This video captures the essence and impact of 2018's Library Month efforts.



2018 Success Stories cont.

New Website

Our [new website](#) launched to the public on November 30, 2018 with a cutting-edge design, a mobile-optimized interface, a robust and detailed events calendar, continually updated and refreshed recommendations for customers, and a user-focused menu structure.

Some of the features of the new site include the following:

- Mobile-optimization makes it beautiful on any screen
- High-resolution photos create a visually rich experience
- The intuitive header makes discovery and searching fun and streamlined
- The site can be filtered by branch so no matter where people live, they'll know exactly what's happening in their community, or across the system
- Reader's advisory carousels help to facilitate discovery and access to the resources in our catalogue
- User-focused design pushes collections and resources to the forefront



BC Ferries Campaign

Last summer, VIRL set sail on a marketing initiative to promote eBooks and audiobooks on BC Ferries vessels. By the time the ship's whistle sounded and the cafeteria lineup reached its maximum, lucky passengers were settling into romance, sci-fi, drama, and other exciting genres.

Watch a 2018
[Highlights Video](#)





2018

VIRL SYSTEM-WIDE



MEMBERSHIP DEMOGRAPHICS

11% KIDS

5% TEENS

84% ADULTS

QUICK STATS

POPULATION SERVED:

427,236

COLLECTION SIZE:

733,014

CIRCULATION TOTAL:

4,997,285



ABOUT US

Vancouver Island Regional Library (VIRL) is the fifth largest library system in British Columbia. We serve over 430,000 people on Vancouver Island, Haida Gwaii and the Central Coast (Bella Coola) through 39 branch libraries, our eLibrary and a books by mail service. Administrative offices are located in Nanaimo.

Vancouver Island Regional Library opened its doors in 1936 as the Vancouver Island Union Library; it was the second regional library in North America.

virl.bc.ca/branches/



2018

VIRL SYSTEM-WIDE EXPLORE YOUR LIBRARY...

1 **THE
VALUE OF
YOUR CARD**
\$661

The unique value of your library card is calculated by dividing the market value of resources borrowed from your library by the number of registered borrowers.

2 **PROGRAM
GROWTH!**
137,901
NO. OF ATTENDEES
5,792
NO. OF PROGRAMS
5,744
STORIES READ*

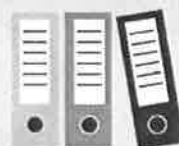


PROGRAM GROWTH

From story-telling to adult education and digital literacy training: your local library is an invaluable resource to the community. *A typical Storytime will be two stories read aloud.

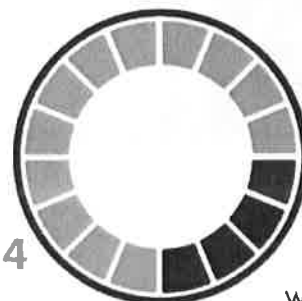
3 **TOTAL CIRCULATION**

4,997,285



*A total of physical and digital items circulated.

3,432,968
PHYSICAL ITEMS
CHECKED OUT
41,724
LITERACY
STATION SESSIONS
53,575
WiFi ACCESS (GB)



4 **BRANCH
USAGE**

The chart above breaks visitorship down by usage. Note that one customer can use an internet station, tap into the wifi, and take out a book within one visit! The chart does show the popularity of internet use to total visitorship.



220
COMPUTER
STATIONS

TOTAL VISITORS:

2,961,111

STRONG LIBRARIES. STRONG COMMUNITIES.

Finance

Finance Report

Balance Sheet: The balance sheet of \$37.2 million shows a healthy balance of cash and investments of \$10.5 million at the end of November and a year to date operating deficit of \$1,158,343.

Revenue and Expenditures: The net operating deficit as at the end of November of \$1,158,343 is mostly due to an appropriation related to a Municipal Finance Authority borrowing, which creates a deficit until related capital expenditures are incurred. Overall, revenues were in line with expectations and expenditures were within budget. Appropriations to reserves are recorded on a monthly basis. Transfers from reserves are recorded when the expenditures have been substantially completed and adjustments will be made for reserve-funded projects at year end.

Summary: VIRL's finances indicate that results are in line with expectations and significant projects are currently either complete or underway.

Reserves Report

The Board of Trustees is provided with updated reserves information at each meeting. At the end of November, the reserves stood at a balance of \$7.2 million. Appropriations to reserves are recorded on a monthly basis. Year to date withdrawals consist of amounts for debt servicing and projects at Sayward, Sidney, Sooke, and Chemainus, as well as purchases of furniture and equipment, and IT software and hardware.



Reconciliation Canada Speakers Series at the VIRL Cowichan Branch attracted almost two hundred attendees. The program was in partnership with Reconciliation Canada and the Cowichan Tribes.

Facilities Update

Campbell River: VIRL is awaiting information from the Municipality regarding potential sites for a new branch.

Chemainus: The construction tender closed November 21. VIRL is in final negotiations with the successful bidder and anticipates construction beginning in early 2019.

Ladysmith: Ladysmith is looking to initiate a mixed-use project on property owned by the town, which could include space for a new library. No recent discussions have taken place.

Masset: VIRL continues to work on a plan for the prototype buildings and has received preliminary information from consultants including a site survey, geotechnical and environmental. Planning is moving forward.

Sandsplit: VIRL is working with School District 50 to finalize a lease for land on which to house a new prototype branch. Survey, geotechnical and environmental work are complete.

Queen Charlotte: VIRL had discussions with School District 50 and local officials regarding potential sites for a new library. No additional information to report.

Parksville: The branch closed for renovations on January 1, 2019 and will reopen on February 7. More information about the renovations are [available at this link](#).

Port Alberni: Draft plans are under review and VIRL is selecting a group of vendors to carry out the space planning and refurbishment work. Further direction and timeframe will be provided once the successful vendor is selected.

Sayward: The tender closed on January 10, 2019. VIRL is currently reviewing the bids internally and with its consultants to determine next steps.

Sooke: Schematic design is close to being finalized. VIRL is working closely with the architect to ensure the design meets the needs of the community now and for the future. The development permit will be submitted shortly. VIRL anticipates construction starting in early 2019, with the branch opening approximately 1 year later.

Sidney: Construction began in October 2018 with a projected completion date of March 2019 and the branch reopening in April or May. A temporary library has been open throughout the renovation process.

North Saanich: VIRL is waiting on direction from North Saanich Council and the Panorama Recreation Commission.

Tofino: VIRL has attended various meetings related to the concept of a shared building with the Clayoquot Biosphere Trust, which would be built on a site currently owned by District of Tofino. Discussions are in the early stages for this potential project.

Tahsis: VIRL continues discussion around potential sites or other options for service delivery.

Woss: The Village of Woss has identified the site where the new branch will be located. VIRL staff have commenced with the necessary planning work in preparation of a prototype branch.



Board Updates: Officers



Board Chair

Brenda Leigh, who represents the Strathcona Regional District, has 16 total years' experience on the VIRL Board of Trustees. In addition to her duty as Chair, Leigh also leads the Executive Committee.



Vice-Chair

Mayor Gabriele (Gaby) Wickstrom, from the Town of Port McNeill, was elected as Vice-Chair. This is Wickstrom's second appointment to the Board. Wickstrom also leads the Executive Committee.

2019 Executive Committee

Members at Large (from back left to right): Brenda Leigh (Chair), Fred Robertson, Daniel Arbour, Evan Putterill, Gaby Wickstrom (Vice-Chair). **From front left to right:** Penny Cote, Mary Marcotte, Rosemary Bonanno (Executive Director), Erin Hemmens, Debra Toporowski.



Board Updates: New Trustees

As a reflection of the significant change ushered in by the 2018 municipal elections in BC, 28 Trustees are serving their first term with VIRL, or are returning to the Board after several years away. They are:



Nicole Minions

Appointed to the Board of Trustees and representing the Town of Comox.



Vickey Brown

Appointed to the Board of Trustees and representing the Town of Cumberland.



Brenda Patrick

Appointed to the Board of Trustees and representing the Village of Gold River.



Rob Johnson

Appointed to the Board of Trustees and representing the Town of Ladysmith.



Jamie Wilson

Appointed to the Board of Trustees and representing the District of Lantzville.



Terry Carty

Appointed to the Board of Trustees and representing the Village of Masset.



Erin Hemmens

Appointed to the Board of Trustees and representing the City of Nanaimo.



Debra Toporowski

Appointed to the Board of Trustees and representing the Municipality of North Cowichan.



Jack McClintock

Appointed to the Board of Trustees and representing the District of North Saanich.



Teresa Patterson

Appointed to the Board of Trustees and representing the City of Parksville.



Ron Paulson

Appointed to the Board of Trustees and representing the City of Port Alberni.



Bruce Lloyd

Appointed to the Board of Trustees and representing the Village of Port Alice.



Ian Gould

Appointed to the Board of Trustees and representing the Village of Port Clements.



Gabriele Wickstrom

Appointed to the Board of Trustees and representing the Town of Port McNeill.



Adam Walker

Appointed to the Board of Trustees and representing the Town of Qualicum Beach.



Jesse Embree

Appointed to the Board of Trustees and representing the Village of Queen Charlotte.



Joyce Ellis

Appointed to the Board of Trustees and representing the Village of Sayward.



Barbara Fallot

Appointed to the Board of Trustees and representing the town of Sidney.



Jeff Bateman

Appointed to the Board of Trustees and representing the District of Sooke.



Lynda Llewellyn

Appointed to the Board of Trustees and representing the Village of Tahsis.



Duncan McMaster

Appointed to the Board of Trustees and representing the District of Tofino.



Penny Cote

Appointed to the Board of Trustees and representing the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District.



Jayme Kennedy

Appointed to the Board of Trustees and representing the Central Coast Regional District.



Daniel Arbour

Appointed to the Board of Trustees and representing the Comox Valley Regional District.



Andrew Hory

Appointed to the Board of Trustees and representing the Mount Waddington Regional District.



Vanessa Craig

Appointed to the Board of Trustees and representing the Nanaimo Regional District.



Evan Putterill

Appointed to the Board of Trustees and representing the North Coast Regional District.



Andrew Fall

Appointed to the Board of Trustees and representing the qathet Regional District.



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A WARM WELCOME

The qathet Regional District and the City of Powell River welcome the AVICC Convention delegates back this year after last hosting our Convention in 2010. We appreciate the host communities in not only providing a beautiful location in the upper Sunshine Coast, but also all their support and assistance. The 2019 AVICC Convention is sure to be a great opportunity for learning, policy making and networking.

PREMIER JOHN HORGAN



We are thrilled to welcome Premier John Horgan to the 2019 AVICC Convention, and look forward to his address to the delegates on Friday.

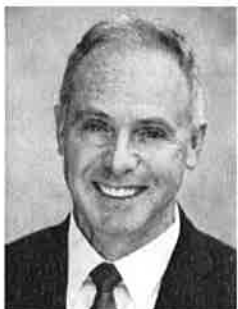
Born and raised in Victoria, Mr. Horgan was first elected to the Legislature in 2005 as MLA for Juan de Fuca, and has been re-elected three times to ridings in the region. He became leader of the BC NDP in 2014, and Premier of BC in 2017.

As a young man, Mr. Horgan worked in a BC mill and in a joinery. He earned his Bachelor's and Master's degrees at Trent University in Ontario and Sydney University in Australia. A meeting with Tommy Douglas sparked his interest in social democracy and he went on to work for Members of Parliament in Ottawa. Prior to becoming Premier,

Mr. Horgan attended the AVICC Convention each year to address delegates in his role as Leader of the Opposition. We appreciate his continued commitment to the AVICC and support of local governments in our region.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: MARK COLLINS

The Role of BC Ferries in Coastal Communities



Mark Collins is a mariner and marine executive who leads a team dedicated to connecting people and communities in coastal BC. In his current role of President and CEO of BC Ferries, one of the largest ferry operators in the world, Mark oversees the delivery of safe, reliable ferry service that is vital to the social and economic health of coastal regions and their residents, and to BC.

Mark began his career on the water, first on bulk carriers, oil tankers and container vessels, eventually taking on shore-based management roles. Prior to joining BC Ferries, Mark was the President of Rolls Royce Marine Brazil and Rolls Royce Marine Italy. He holds a Masters in Business Administration in Transport and

Logistics from UBC, a Bachelor of Arts in Marine Geography from Saint Mary's University in Nova Scotia, a Diploma of Mechanical (Marine) Engineering from Memorial University in Newfoundland, and a Certificate in Strategic Leadership from Oxford University in the UK.

Mark's experience and knowledge are the foundation of his vision for BC Ferries today: to be a future focused enterprise that is trusted and valued by communities and customers.

PROGRAM IN BRIEF

Friday, April 12

- 8:30 am Pre-Convention Workshops
- 12:00 pm New Member Orientation
- 2:00 pm Official Opening
Keynote Address
- 4:00 pm Plenary
Premier's Address
- 5:30 pm Welcome Reception

Saturday, April 13

- 7:30 am Hot Breakfast
Elections for Table Officers
- 8:30 am AGM & Resolutions
UBCM President's Address
- 12:00 pm Delegates Lunch
- 12:45 pm Elections for Directors
at Large
- 1:00 pm ICF Update
Activity Break
- 1:30 pm Concurrent Workshops
- 6:30 pm Pre-Banquet Reception
- 7:30 pm Annual Banquet

Sunday, April 14

- 7:30 am Hot Breakfast
- 8:30 am Resolutions
Elections for EA Reps
Address by Provincial Reps
Installation of New Executive
Grand Prize Award
- 12:00 pm Adjourn



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FRIDAY PRE-CONVENTION PROGRAM

Heritage Preservation Seminar and Tour of Historic Townsite District

Time 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Cost \$30 early bird until March 15
\$36 after early bird

*Only open to delegates who register for the convention.
Participants should be prepared for the weather.*

Townsite Historic District was recognized in 1995 as a National Historic District of Canada, preceding the Victoria Chinatown, Esquimalt, Gastown, and Vancouver Chinatown National Historic Districts. Townsite is a well-preserved example of a single-industry planned community. The original 1910-1911 plan can be seen today, as about 400 homes in their original condition stand together as a cohesive whole.

Come to this session to find out how the City of Powell River is balancing priorities that relate to heritage preservation in Townsite. Learn more about the economic importance of heritage preservation, sustainability considerations, and incentivising historic preservation. After a workshop at the Recreation Complex, participants will be bussed to Townsite for a tour to see how the principles of heritage conservation have been applied.



THANK YOU

to the **City of Powell River &
the qathet Regional District**

The host communities for the 2019 AGM & Convention are the City of Powell River and the qathet Regional District.

The Powell River Council and the qathet Regional District Board are thanked for their generous hospitality. Staff from both local governments have been involved in the planning of the 2019 Convention.

Special thanks to Councillor Leishman and Michelle Jones from qathet RD for all their time and contributions.

All local contributors are thanked for their help in making the 2019 AVICC a terrific experience for all!




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FRIDAY PRE-CONVENTION PROGRAM CONT'D

The Blanket Exercise

Time 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Cost \$30 early bird until March 15
\$36 after early bird

Only open to delegates who register for the convention.

This three hour experiential learning workshop is a visceral experience of how Turtle Island became the Canada of today. Originally created by KAIROS Canada, the blanket exercise is a unique, participatory history lesson – developed in collaboration with Indigenous Elders, knowledge keepers and educators – that fosters truth, understanding, respect and reconciliation among Indigenous and non-indigenous peoples.

The script is updated regularly to include local history and experiences as well as current events. This workshop includes a debriefing session following the blanket exercise, a song and a Cedar Brushing Ceremony. There will be four facilitators including Koosen Piele, a language warrior from the Tla'amin Nation who is helping create the Tla'amin dictionary and has worked on both of the Tla'amin's language apps. Koosen is on the First Peoples Cultural Council and has been invited to many conferences across Turtle Island as an Indigenous Youth Representative.



Taken by Courtney Harrop

Mayors, RD Chairs & RHD Chairs Forum and Lunch

Time 12:00 - 1:30 pm
Cost \$50 early bird until March 15
\$60 after early bird

Only open to Mayors, Regional District Chairs, Regional Hospital District Chairs and guests by invitation.

A gathering of Mayors, RD Chairs, RHD Chairs and First Nations Leaders to discuss successes and challenges of collaborations between the different governments and how “thinking outside the box” can create some very strategic alliances and projects for the betterment of the whole community. How can we collaborate and make communication between governments even better? Lunch will be provided.



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CONVENTION PROGRAM

The Program Format

Based on a successful tradition, the 2019 program will integrate the regular business of the annual general meeting, debate on resolutions and holding of elections with a variety of presentations and workshops on topical issues, addresses by key political speakers and opportunities for networking.

AVICC has also invited the Honourable Selina Robinson, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing to attend again this year. The Leader of the BC Liberals and the Leader of the BC Green Party have also been offered speaking opportunities on the program.

A draft of the detailed program is expected to be available by early March on the AVICC website. In order to accommodate emergent issues, the program does not become final until just prior to the AGM & Convention.

Highlights

Some of the program highlights include:

- Provincial Active Transportation Strategy – Hearing from Your Community (Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure)
- Restoration, Reconciliation and Relationships: the story of the Kus-kus-sum Project (City of Courtenay, K'omoks First Nation, Project Watershed)
- Let's Talk Rail (Island Corridor Foundation)
- Fair Taxation and the Fundamentals of Property Assessment (BC Assessment)
- Building Universal Child Care for BC Together (Ministry of Children and Family Development – Childcare BC)
- Marine Debris: Local Solutions & the Journey Ahead (Ocean Legacy Foundation & Let's Talk Trash)
- Junk to Joules: The Renewable Natural Gas Opportunity for Local Governments (Fortis BC and AVICC local governments)
- Social Procurement: Getting the Greatest Value For Your Tax Dollars with the CCSPI (Coastal Community Social Procurement Initiative)
- Revitalization of the ALC and ALR (Provincial Agricultural Land Commission)
- Electoral Area Directors Forum

RESOLUTIONS

Deadline

The deadline to submit resolutions for consideration was February 7. Resolutions received by this deadline will be processed and included in the Annual Report and Resolutions book that will be mailed to members in late-March.

Late Resolutions

Resolutions received after the February 7 deadline are considered "late" but will be accepted by the Secretary-Treasurer up until 12:00 pm on Wednesday, April 10.

Members are reminded that, to be admitted for debate, a late resolution must be deemed to be of an urgent or emergency nature and should address an issue that has arisen after the February 7 deadline.

The Resolutions Committee will review all late resolutions and prepare a report to the Convention including a recommendation as to whether the resolution meets the criteria and should be admitted for debate.

Resolutions may also be introduced from the floor at the Convention on Sunday April 14th. Members will vote on whether to admit resolutions for debate.

Reminder

Late Resolutions Deadline
April 10

See www.avicc.ca for details



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NETWORKING & SOCIAL EVENTS

One of the key objectives of the annual AVICC Convention is to provide delegates with opportunities to network and develop new relationships. In addition to hot breakfasts on Saturday and Sunday morning, refreshment breaks, and a Delegates Lunch on Saturday, AVICC has organized three social events: a Welcome Reception, an Annual Banquet, and a Trade Show.

Welcome Reception

Friday 5:30 - 7:30 pm

The Welcome Reception will be held within the Trade Show area. Councillor CaroleAnn Leishman is drawing on local musicians and performers to put together great entertainment options for delegates. Admission to the Welcome Reception is included in delegate's registration fee. Additional tickets may be purchased for guests through the online registration form on CivicInfo.

Annual Banquet and Reception

Saturday 6:30 pm

The Annual Banquet will be held at the Dwight Hall heritage building. An elegant and entertaining evening, the Annual Banquet is a prime opportunity for delegates and their partners to network with colleagues. This event includes a pre-banquet reception with entertainment, and a buffet by one of Powell River's treasures - the *Laughing Oyster Restaurant*.

In addition to local musicians and dancers, we are excited to have the well-loved *Jim Baron Band*. If you love to dance and listen to classic rock and roll served up fresh with lots of energy and a lot of class, this will be the perfect night for you.

Courtesy of the City of Powell River and BC Transit, there will be a shuttle service between the main hotels to and from Dwight Hall.

Trade Show

Friday 1:00 pm - Saturday 3:00 pm

As with past years, AVICC will host a small Trade Show in the Foyer area. Many of our sponsors will be presenting exhibitor booths. Don't miss the opportunity to mingle with fellow delegates and learn more about vendors that could partner with your local government.





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TOURS & OTHER ATTRACTIONS

Local Attractions

Delegates may want to come early or stay on after the convention and take the opportunity to visit local attractions.

Desolation Sound Marine Park

The Desolation Sound Marine Park is a only a short drive away. This Provincial Park has more than 60 kilometers of shoreline, several islands, numerous small bays and snug coves. The forested upland offers a shady refuge of trails and small lakes.

Texada Island

Take a ferry ride to Texada Island and see the amazing historical museum, which was made possible by the Regional District funded Texada Heritage Society. This popular museum includes a lifelike re-creation of the Little Billy Mine. Visitors walk through the gold mine shaft and can feel the drops of water dripping off stalactites from above.

The newly built C1900 school room is also not to be missed at the museum. It is a great partnership between the Regional District, the school district and the local community.

Tourism Powell River

Tourism Powell River will have a booth on-site in the Trade Show with information about activities and tours in the Powell River region. For advance planning, visit their website at www.powellriver.info.

Western Forest Products – Stillwater Forestry Field Tour

Free April 12 8:00 - 11:30 am

Forestry plays an important role in BC's coastal communities. As the largest public land forest manager on the BC coast, Western Forest Products manages the forests adjacent to and operates sawmills in many of AVICC's member communities. Join our forest professionals for a field tour to see an active forest operation and to learn about modern forest resources management. The tour is free and transport will be provided.

For more information and to sign up, contact:
Kindry Mercer, Manager, Regional Initiatives
kmerc@westernforest.com
250-228-9457





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CODE OF CONDUCT

In keeping with practice at the UBCM Convention, AVICC is implementing a Code of Conduct for this year's convention. The online registration form will be linked to a form outlining the Code. By registering, delegates are acknowledging that they are aware they will be expected to adhere to the 2019 Code of Conduct.

ASSOCIATION OF VANCOUVER ISLAND AND COASTAL COMMUNITIES CONVENTION CODE OF CONDUCT

2019 Convention

The AVICC Executive has implemented a code of conduct for convention participants based on the following principles:

1. The primary purpose of the annual AVICC Convention is to provide the membership with an opportunity to set the Association's policy direction for the year ahead.
2. The Convention also provides delegates with an opportunity to learn, share and meet with other local, provincial and federal government officials in addition to other associations that are interested in engaging with local governments.
3. All delegates and convention participants have the right to a safe, fun and enjoyable experience. AVICC will not tolerate any communication or behaviour that demeans, threatens, or harasses anyone at its events.
4. All participants at the Convention, regardless of their employer, their position, their perspectives or priorities will treat others, and be treated, in a respectful, understanding and cooperative manner and behave in a manner that is respectful to other participants and their guests, and will not do anything that threatens the health, safety, security, or dignity of other participants or their guests.
5. Only local elected officials who are AVICC members are entitled to speak and vote on matters put forward to the membership. However, the annual Convention is open to the public, and anyone may attend the Convention so long as they register.
6. All AVICC members are viewed as equal regardless of their population, location, or their ability to attend the annual convention.
7. Participants are expected to adhere to this Code of Conduct at AVICC and other non-AVICC organized events associated with the Convention; and by registering acknowledge that they have read, understood, and agree to this Code of Conduct.
8. Breaches of the code of conduct will be addressed by the AVICC Executive.



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REGISTRATION

Online registration is available through CivicInfo at:
www.civicinfo.bc.ca/event/2019/AVICC

Fees

Register early to take advantage of the early bird discounted rates. Please note the cancellation deadline of March 22.

	Early Bird by Mar 15	Late after Mar 15
Member	\$ 300	\$ 360
Non-Member	\$ 360	\$ 430
Welcome Reception	\$ 40	\$ 48
Annual Banquet	\$ 60	\$ 72

Cancellation Policy

Full Refund: cancellations by March 22 at 4:30 pm
No Refunds: cancellations after March 22 at 4:30 pm

Cancellations must be emailed to avicc@ubcm.ca

LOGISTICS

Accommodations

Several hotels have been identified as accommodation providers for Convention delegates. Visit avicc.ca for more information.

Convention Venues

Business sessions will be held at the Powell River Recreation Complex at 5001 Joyce Avenue. The Complex is a short walk from several restaurants and cafes.

Parking

There is free parking at the recreation complex. Delegates are encouraged to carpool with other delegates from their hotel.

Internet

There will be free Wi-Fi at the Recreation Complex, and no password is required.

ELECTIONS

The membership elects directors during the AGM & Convention to ensure the directions set by the general membership are carried forward. The Executive also provides direction to AVICC between Conventions.

The following positions are open for nomination:

- President
- First Vice President
- Second Vice President
- Director at Large (3 positions)
- Electoral Area Representative

The deadline for nominations to be included in the Report on Nominations was February 7. However, nominations are still accepted at Convention from the floor.

For further information on the elections process, please email avicc@ubcm.ca or visit avicc.ca.

MORE INFORMATION

The most current information will be posted on the AVICC website. Please check back regularly for updates. For specific questions, please contact:

Liz Cookson
AVICC Secretary-Treasurer
lcookson@ubcm.ca



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APRIL 12-14, 2019 - POWELL RIVER, BC

POWELL RIVER RECREATION COMPLEX, 5001 JOYCE AVE

PROPOSED PROGRAM

FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 2019

Pre-Convention Program

- 8:00–9:00 am **Pre-Convention Registration** (*Lobby*)
- 9:00 am–Noon **Workshop & Tour: Heritage Guidelines and Townsite District Tour** (*Room TBD*)
- 9:00 am–Noon **Workshop: Blanket Exercise** (*Room TBD*)
- Noon–1:30 pm **Mayors, RD Chairs and RHD Chairs Forum** (*Room TBD*)
- Noon–1:00 pm **New Members Orientation Session** (*Room TBD*)
- Noon–6:00 pm **Main Registration** (*Foyer*)
- 1:00 pm **Trade Show Opens** (*Foyer*)

AGM & Convention Main Program – (*Evergreen Theatre*)

- 2:00 pm Official Opening
Convention Welcome & Opening Remarks – *President Edwin Grieve*
O' Canada
First Nations Greeting
Welcome from Community – *Chair Patrick Brabazon and Acting Mayor Rob Southcott*
Welcome from Tla'amin Nation
Convention Program Overview – *AVICC President Edwin Grieve*
- 2:25 pm Nominating Committee Report – *Past President Mary Marcotte*
- 2:30 pm KEYNOTE ADDRESS: *Mark Collins, CEO, BC Ferries*
- 3:30 pm Refreshment Break
- 3:50 pm Nominations from the Floor for Table Officers
Candidate Speeches
- 3:55 pm Island Health Update
- 4:00 pm Building Universal Child Care for BC Together
– *Ministry of Children and Family Development – Childcare BC*
- 4:45 pm Address by The Honourable John Horgan, Premier of British Columbia
- 5:15 pm Final Comments and Wrap-Up
Draw for Major Door Prize from Telus
- 5:30 pm Adjourn
- 5:30–7:30 pm Entertainment - Welcome Reception in the Trade Show Area

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SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 2019

The Trade Show is Open from 7:15 – 3:00 pm today

- 7:15 am Breakfast Service Starts – Networking Breakfast (*Foyer*)
- 7:30–8:25 am Working Breakfast – Let's Talk Trash Team (*Evergreen Theatre*)
- 7:30–8:30 am Voting for Table Officers (as necessary) (*Foyer*)
- 8:30 am Opening Remarks (*Evergreen Theatre*)
- 8:35 am Annual Meeting
Convention Rules and Procedures
Minutes of 2018 Annual General Meeting
President's Address and Annual Report
2018 Audited Financial Statements
- 8:45 am Address by UBCM President – *Arjun Singh, Councillor, City of Kamloops*
- 9:05 am Review of Resolution Procedures
- 9:10 am Consideration of Bylaws and Resolutions
- 10:20 am Refreshment Break
- 10:40 am Municipal Insurance Association Update
Consideration of Resolutions, Continued
- 11:40 am Nominating Committee Report
Nominations from the floor for Directors at Large
Candidate speeches
- 11:40 am FortisBC Presentation – *Junk to Joules: Renewable Natural Gas*
- 12:00 noon Delegates Lunch
- 12:45–1:30 pm Elections for Directors at Large (*Foyer*)
- 1:00–1:25 pm Island Corridor Foundation Update (*Room TBD*)
- 1:00–1:25 pm Physical Activity Break Led by 1st VP Carl Jensen (*Meet by Registration*)
- Concurrent Workshops**
- 1:30–2:30 pm #1 – Provincial Active Transportation Strategy (MoTI) (*Room TBD*)
#2 – Revitalization of the ALC and ALR (*Room TBD*)
#3 – Fair Taxation and the Fundamentals of Property Assessment (*Room TBD*)
- 2:30–3:00 pm Refreshment Break
- 3:00–4:00 pm #1 – Restoration, Reconciliation and Relationships: Kus-kus-sum Project (*Room TBD*)
#2 – Electoral Area Directors' Forum (*Room TBD*)
#3 – Social Procurement: Getting the Greatest Value For Your Tax Dollars (*Room TBD*)
- 6:30–11:30 pm Reception and Banquet (*Dwight Hall, Walnut Street, Townsite Historic District*)
6:30 pm Reception and Entertainment
7:30 pm Dinner and Remarks
9:00 pm Jim Baron Band

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SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2019

- 7:15–8:30 am Delegates Networking Breakfast (*Location: TBC*)
- 8:30 am Opening Remarks
Nominating Committee Report
Nominations from the Floor for Electoral Area Representative
Candidate Speeches (as necessary)
- 8:35 am Address by Provincial Political Representative
- 8:50 am Department of Fisheries and Oceans
- 9:40 am Address by Provincial Political Representative
- 10:10–10:30 am Refreshment Break
- 10:15–10:45 am Elections for Electoral Area Representative (as necessary) (*Lobby*)
- 10:30 am Municipal Finance Authority Update
- 10:35 am BC Hydro: Emergency Response
- 10:45 am Consideration of Resolutions and Late Resolutions
- 11:50 am Nominating Committee Report (as required)
Installation of New Executive
Remarks by President Elect
Prizes and Grand Prize Draw - *Must Be Present To Win*
• BC Ferries prize package
- Noon Adjourn & Safe Travels

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Public Service Announcement

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Port Alice Health Centre service changes

Port Alice – Island Health is expanding team-based primary care and enhancing community services in Port Alice to better meet the current and future health-care needs of residents. A meeting will be held on February 20 to highlight the changes and how they will support health-care in the community.

After carefully examining how people use the Port Alice Health Centre and talking with community members about what services they need, North Island health leaders have created a plan for the future of the Health Centre that maintains Island Health's investment in the community, strengthens and diversifies the centre's health-care team and expands valuable community services to allow and improved community-based health supports:

- **More Home Support.** Island Health is hiring more staff in order to provide home support seven days a week, including in the evening. Community health workers help with things like medication and personal care for people who need extra support.
- **More support for mental health and substance use concerns.** A new counsellor has joined the team at the Port Alice Health Centre to support people with mental health or substance use challenges.
- **New Adult Day Program.** Adult Day Services help improve the health and quality of life for seniors and people with disabilities. An adult day program will be offered in Port Alice for the first time starting later this spring.
- **New community bathing program.** Island Health exploring options to accommodate a community bathing program.

Effective April 1, 2019:

- **Clinic Hours:**
 - Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
 - Monday to Thursday (physician, nurse, mental health and substance use counsellor/social worker available)
 - Friday (nurse, mental health and substance use counsellor/social worker available)

- **After Hours:**

- A physician will be available after hours (4:30 p.m. to 8:30 a.m.) Monday to Thursday for urgent primary care.
- B.C. Ambulance Service will continue to provide 24/7 emergency care.
- Health advice from registered nurses and pharmacists can be accessed 24/7 by calling HealthLink BC at 8-1-1.

To learn more about new and changing health-care services in Port Alice, please visit: www.islandhealth.ca/portalicehealth

Join us for a community meeting:

Date: February 20, 2019

Time: 6-8 p.m.

Place: Port Alice Recreation Centre, 951 Marine Drive

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Take Home a Tinker Tote Today from Your Library

Tuesday, February 12, 2019 – It's tinker time for anyone with a Vancouver Island Regional Library (VIRL) card! Starting on Friday, February 15, VIRL's brand new Tinker Totes will be available for customers to borrow and take home to experience the five aspects of STEAM learning, where S is for Science, T is for Technology, E is for Engineering, A is for Art, and M is for Mathematics.

"STEAM learning can help young people build foundational skills to prepare them for the future," says VIRL's Director of Library Services and Planning, Melissa Legacy. "Our new Tinker Totes, as well as being a lot of fun for the whole family, could help to spark new passions and interests in science, technology, engineering, arts, and math in kids from Sooke to Sointula."

VIRL is launching the STEAM Tinker Totes on Friday, February 15, just in time for the Family Day long weekend. There are five fantastic Tinker Totes available for loan:

- **Sensory Playtime** – helps kids explore and learn through sound
- **Code-a-Pillar** – teaches kids about coding and computational thinking
- **KEVA Connect Planks** – sets the foundation for imaginative building
- **Handbells** – Introduces music and composition
- **Magna-Tiles** – Perfect for the aspiring builder

The Tinker Totes can be checked out from any VIRL branch for three weeks. Simply search Tinker Tote in the [VIRL catalogue](#) to reserve one.

Just like all other children's materials, there are no late fees for the Totes. More information about the Tinker Totes is [available on VIRL's website](#).

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February 8, 2019

Kathy MacNeill, CEO
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Dear Ms. MacNeill

Re: Future Health Care in Port Alice

It has recently come to my attention that health care services in Port Alice may be taking a new direction. It is my understanding, that the proposed health care model for Port Alice will seriously reduce the community's accessibility to emergency services, and reduce accessibility to a physician by replacing our current community doctors by travelling physician(s) from Port Hardy.

If the suggested model is implemented, how does VIHA plan to address the inevitable problems?

- 1) Port Alice patients will lose access to the "golden hour" in the event of a serious accident or other serious health incidents such as stroke, heart attack or many other conditions that require immediate care. How will this be addressed?
- 2) The Port Alice pulp mill is not operating at the present time; however, Western Forest Products has many employees in the area that could fall victim to a serious accident and need immediate medical attention. Under the proposed model, how will their medical needs be met if such an event occurs?
- 3) While the travelling doctor attends to Port Alice patients won't Port Hardy patients have longer wait times because there is one less physician attending to that community's needs?
- 4) On the days that the Port Hardy physician attends the Port Alice clinic, how many patients will be turned away or have their visits delayed because of a potential backlog due to the reduced number of hours that a doctor is available?
- 5) How much money will VIHA save by implementing the travelling doctor model and how many lives are expendable given the additional risks this model will create?

With these few questions in mind, have all aspects of the long term effects of this change been seriously considered? What will the real impacts of this decision be two, five or ten years down the road as the North Island demographics continue to change? How will the neighboring and mid island medical centres be impacted because members of our community, and potentially

Port Hardy patients, simply can't wait to see a local doctor? A reduced schedule will undoubtedly cause a backlog and longer wait time in both communities. Some patients, who simply cannot wait, will be forced to seek medical attention elsewhere putting additional pressure on other clinics or hospitals in the mid or south island, which are already heavily burdened by the ever growing patient to doctor ratio. How will this solve or improve health care issues on Vancouver Island?

Port Alice has been successful in keeping a few young families in the community after the pulp mill curtailed operations. The most notable change to our community has been the increased number of retirees and future retirees who have purchased property in Port Alice. In speaking with some of our new residents, it appears most are coming to Port Alice to enjoy a peaceful, tranquil lifestyle, to own property that is affordable while still having access to good and consistent medical care.

The present health care model was achieved with the hard work and coordination between the Village's local government, interested citizens, and VIHA. VIHA's administration together with the community created a successful health care model that works extremely well. VIHA should be very proud of this success and continue to work towards implementing similar models in other small communities that are having trouble retaining doctors, rather than tearing this one apart.

On February 20th there is a public meeting scheduled by VIHA, in Port Alice. After the citizens questions and concerns have been delivered, please do your due diligence and carefully examine the true impact this change will have on our health care system.

In closing, I trust that the proposed model is not a fait accompli and that the February 20th meeting will represent a real consultation process rather than the obligatory meeting set out to satisfy the bureaucracy we are entangled in. Either convince us that the new model will not place more of a burden on the system, than what it is intended to fix, or leave well enough alone so that good, consistent medical care will still be delivered in Port Alice and the North Island.

Thank you for taking the time to answer my questions and I look forward to VIHA's presentation on February 20th.

Yours truly



Gail Lind

CC: Alison Mitchell, VIHA
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February 13, 2019

Honorable Adrian Dix
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Dear Sir

I am writing this letter to express my concern for the health and welfare of the community of Port Alice. I have been a resident of Port Alice for 53 years. During those years aside from raising my children and taking part in activities in the town I served as a member of the Hospital Board and later served in the same capacity on the Health Forum that was set up to monitor the health needs in our community. My husbands family have lived and worked in Port Alice since 1918. They experienced the ups and downs of residing in a small limited industry town. We have experienced these changes in the economy of Port Alice.

The latest reversal has been the closure of the Neucel Pulp Mill owned and operated by an Asian company. Our community and my immediate concern is our continued health care. Vancouver Island Health Authority is about to reduce and remove vital physical and man power resources from Port Alice. They have concluded that any emergency care can be supplied by taking patients by ambulance to Port Hardy or Port McNeill. This is an hour and a half drive by ambulance in ideal conditions. We seldom have ideal conditions as the road winds along treed areas that are subject to fallen trees. When we have heavy rain access to the other side of the island can become impossible. The lakes flood and can block the highway. There is always the threat of ice and snow in the winter. We will be taking a major gamble with our health and safety if we choose to continue residing here.

I believe that even if our population does not warrant a full time doctor there are many other considerations.

The roads are busy during the day with active logging trucks. These trucks are being loaded by crews that work in the area, machine operators, mechanics, tree planters and fuel delivery trucks. These men can't always wait for the drive to the other side of the island. I say this with some awareness as my husband had to be flown to Victoria and Vancouver after being injured on two separate occasions in the woods.

We have been experiencing an influx of new residents to our community. They are mainly mobile retirees that are able to actively enjoy hunting, fishing, kayaking, and hiking the beautiful North Island. These people have researched all aspects of services available in Port Alice before moving here. One of their concerns is that Port Alice can provide necessary medical care if needed. Port Alice has a number of seasonal home owners who also have a interest in the health care we can provide during the summer months.

It is my understanding that our Emergency Room is going to be stripped and that a bath for the elderly

and infirm is to be installed. One of the other rooms is supposed to be set up to counsel for we older residents to meet. I find this totally unacceptable. I for one do not have the time to sit around being counseled. I believe we need an Emergency Room more than a bathing area.

There is to be a public meeting held on February 20, 2019 to discuss these changes that are to begin on April 1st of this year. The doctor will be available only four days a week and there will be no nurse coverage at night.

Most of these spending cuts to Port Alice health care will be transferred to Port Hardy and Port McNeill and will be used to increase the costs of running their medical facilities. The cost could be much higher to the residents of Port Alice it could even cost their life.

Yours truly
Louise Watson

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "L. Watson", written in a cursive style.

Honourable Adrian Dix
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Dear Minister Dix,

I am writing to you in regards to the proposed changes to the Port Alice Health Centre. As a business owner with five (5) employees and a resident of North Vancouver Island for over 38 years I am very concerned about appropriate medical care for my employees and my fellow residents. I not only raised my family here but I have established a road maintenance company within the logging community, that Work Safe B.C. has classified as a high-risk business.

While some of the changes to our health clinic may eventually be beneficial to our active senior community, it takes away emergency care from all our seniors as well as our labour force which is largely forestry based.

Our forestry work base is on the west coast of north Vancouver Island and the closest emergency room is in Port Alice where we have always received excellent professional care no matter how severe or unique the injury may be. As in all emergencies that "Golden Hour" is most important. If emergencies have to be transported to Port Hardy or Port McNeill before they are stabilized it will be well over that important hour. Port Hardy and Port McNeill are approximately 45 minutes away. We also have a history of adverse weather conditions with snow on the mountain passes, high winds knocking trees across the highway, (which is a secondary highway) and washouts because of heavy rains. These proposed changes will put all of our community in peril.

These changes may reduce expenditure in Port Alice but the costs will show up in either Port Hardy or Port McNeill. Is Port Alice being sacrificed to appease another community? The cost to the medical system will not change but it may mean the loss of life to people living and working in Port Alice and area.

Even with the loss of revenue from Neucel Pulp Mill, Port Alice is revitalizing itself by encouraging new people to move here. This has been very successful and the majority of our new residents are "active seniors". A priority to their moving here is access to good medical care.

These proposed changes to the Port Alice Health Centre will harm both industry and community. Please consider what is best to preserve and save lives in our beautiful little community. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely



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All,

As a home owner here in the Village of Port Alice for 41 years, I have a growing concern with the continued depletion of medical services provided here. Where is the sense in changing an Emergency Service room to a bathing unit?

We have all been promoting this beautiful, serene, village as a wonderful friendly and Safe place to retire to. As is my intention, to come home and retire.

Long term residents should not have to leave there home and friends, to be moved to care facilities elsewhere.

As we age and need more medical intervention, than home visits, we will need more attention from the hospital.(OPPORTUNITY for new business senior care home or Hospice on The Beautiful Neroutsos Inlet)

I know a few New families that moved here because of the beauty and the hospital services. Cutting services to only a few days a week and removing the Emergency Services room does not align well with the forest services, Professional Loggers, road builders, Salmon Farmers , just to name a few higher risk professions that rely on being within he GOLDEN HOUR to Medical help.

Our taxes, are they going to be cut to match the cut to services?

Will our property values decline now due to loss of services?

Is VIHA now exposed to class action Lawsuit or individual lawsuit due to lack of information to home owners, of their long term intent to remove all medical services from Port Alice, and move it to Port McNeil?

What about the funding to other small communities in BC like Port Alice?

Please name, who is going to gain the most by taking this action AGAINST the citizens of Port Alice.

Why would VIHA PLACE MORE RESPONSIBILITY ON THE VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE WORKERS, whom, by the way, are not all Paramedics that can administer IV 's.(Golden Hour issue)

I personally feel this is a very short sighted, non solution to what could be an amazing opportunity of a water front senior care living. Hiring more Care Professionals, not relocating the Care Professionals

Patricia Goodrick

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