



STAFF REPORT

DATE: May 30, 2022 **FILE:** 0550-04 Board
TO: Chair and Directors,
Regional Board
FROM: Dave Leitch
Chief Administrative Officer
RE: KLAHOOSE FIRST NATION TREATY

PURPOSE/PROBLEM

To consider a recommendation from the First Nations Relationship Committee regarding the status of the Klahoose First Nation treaty negotiations.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The attached report was considered at the May 25, 2022 meeting of the First Nations Committee at which time the following motion was made:

Cornfield/Abram: FNRC 45/22

THAT the SRD write to Ms. Jessica Jamison and Mark Price expressing major concerns regarding the disrespectful treatment by MIRR to the elected local government. Under the Community Charter, the local government is considered a level of government and we expect appropriate respectful treatment; and

THAT copies are provided to the Premier, Indigenous Relations, and Klahoose First Nation.

The actions outlined below are offered in support of the Committee's recommendation.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. THAT the report from the Chief Administrative Officer be received.
2. THAT the Strathcona Regional District provide a letter to Ms. Jessica Jamison and Mark Price to express major concerns regarding the disrespectful treatment by the Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation to the elected local government and further advise that, under the Community Charter, local governments are considered a level of government and the SRD expects appropriate respectful treatment, and

THAT copies be provided to the Premier, Indigenous Relations and Klahoose First Nations.

Respectfully:



Dave Leitch
Chief Administrative Officer

Prepared by: E. Watson, Senior Executive Assistant

Attachments: Copy of April 26, 2022 correspondence to the First Nations Relations Committee.

Tom Yates

Subject: FW: Update regarding Klahoose First Nation

From: Jamieson, Jessica IRR:EX <Jessica.Jamieson@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2022 11:13 AM

Cc: Price, Mark A IRR:EX <Mark.Price@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: Update regarding Klahoose First Nation

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Greetings,

Further to our previous discussions regarding British Columbia and Canada looking to provide Klahoose First Nation with a treaty land and cash offer in Spring 2022, this offer has been postponed for the time being and British Columbia is focusing on working with Klahoose to secure one or more private parcels for the benefit of the Klahoose community.

If at any time you would like to connect or have questions, please reach out to either myself or Mark Price (Mark.Price@gov.bc.ca), Negotiator, to arrange a time to meet and discuss.

Wishing you wellness,


Jessica Jamieson

Negotiations and Regional Operations Division

Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

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Email: Jessica.Jamieson@gov.bc.ca

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The Snuneymuxw people maintain their profound, unique and spiritual connection to the land through stewardship and expressions of reciprocity

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Reconciliation Canada <https://reconciliationcanada.ca/>

Working Effectively with Indigenous People <https://www.ictinc.ca/blog>