

Toquaht Nation People's Assembly

Saturday September 17th, 2022

Virtual Video Conference

APPROVED Meeting Minutes

Chair: Anne Mack

Doors opened at 11:00 a.m. to chat & mingle with family and friends

Lunch at 12:00 p.m.

People's Assembly convened 1:00 p.m.

Welcome by taayii ḥaʔw̓it Anne Mack

- o Anne welcomed everyone and provided an opening address
- o We enjoyed performances by the Toquaht drummers and dancers

Agenda adopted (moved by Kelly Johnsen, seconded by Dennis Hetu)

Approved June 18, 2022 meetings minutes approved (moved by Lisa Morgan, seconded by Leonard Mack)

Presenters: Anne Mack, Angela Polifroni, Kevin Mack, John Nelson, David Johnsen, Brett Freake

Council Members: Anne Mack, Kirsten Johnsen, Naomi Mack

First Door Prize winner – Buck Goodman

1) Introduction

Angela Polifroni, Director of Operations

2) Welcome Home t'aat'anis (Special Child) Event Presentation taayii ḥaʔw̓it Anne Mack

- i) On August 17, 2022 a several children (with their families) with close connections to Macoah came for the day. They were welcomed by taayii ḥaʔw̓it Anne Mack and the community services department staff with songs, food and gifts of blankets.

3) Presentation

a) Official Community Plan (OCP) Amendment project **Brett Freake, manager of lands**

- i) The 2016 OCP is a policy that guides how we steward, develop, and manage Toquaht Lands.
 - (1) It considers many things related to our lands: culture, housing, economic development, infrastructure, climate change issues like sea level rise, etc.
- ii) It is now time to review and amend our OCP
 - (1) As the climate and economy are changing we need a clear, detailed OCP to coordinate our work going forward to accommodate our new plans for community facilities, housing and infrastructure etc.
 - (2) There will be opportunities for Toquaht Nation citizen engagement with support from EcoPlan International over the next several months.
 - (3) The next community-wide engagement event will take place at the December 3rd People's Assembly.

b) Marine Stewardship Monitoring Program

Aline Carrier, marine stewardship

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- i) Marine stewardship consists of data collection, patrolling our lands and waters and recording observations to create baseline data
 - (1) This will help us create plans around managing our resources as well as showcasing economic opportunities
 - (2) Current projects Toquaht is participating in; terrestrial wildlife monitoring, coastal habitat monitoring, herring, and other shellfish surveys

4) Presentation

- a) 2021-2022 Audited Financial statements presentation Intro by Kevin Mack
presented by John Nelson, RHN
 - i) Described of the audit process and role of the auditors and Toquaht Nation
 - (1) Financial statements must be prepared with reasonable estimates of revenues and expenses, protection of Toquaht assets and maintaining internal controls
 - (2) The auditors review the statements and make recommendations for adjustments if necessary
 - ii) RHN reviewed the financial statements for 2021-2022 and found very few areas where adjustments were recommended and consider them accurate
 - iii) Contact the office if you would like to review a copy of the audit

Second Door Prize winner – Leonard Mack

Chief Anne acknowledged Jim Fox, Shirley Mack, Burton Mack, Colleen Mack for their losses over the last few years

5) Excellence Awards, Scholarships and Education Presentations

- a) Toquaht Community Service Award posthumously bestowed to the late Norma Fox
- b) Toquaht Academics – youth – Award goes to Bayja Morgan-Banke
- c) Toquaht Academics – youth – Award goes to Koyah Morgan-Banke
- d) Toquaht Academic Award goes to Dr. Kelly Johnsen
- e) Toquaht Athletic/Sports – youth - Award goes to Talon Morgan-Banke
- f) Toquaht Athletics/Sports Award goes to Phil Mack
- g) NTC Scholarship – kindergarten to grade 3 goes to Cater Mack Emerson
- h) NTC Scholarship – academic and artistic – goes to Koyah Morgan-Banke
- i) Congratulations to Grade 12 graduates Alexander McMullan and Lillian Morgan

6) Question Period

Angela Polifroni, DOO

Q No questions came up

Draw for Grand Prize – Colleen Mack

The next People's Assembly is Saturday, December 3rd, 2022

- Location TBD

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Minutes prepared by K. Johnsen

Law Clerk *Kirsten Johnsen*

Date 2025-03-27