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REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL

George Fraser Community Room, Ucluelet Community Centre, 500 Matterson Drive, Ucluelet, and Electronically via Zoom (<u>Ucluelet.ca/CouncilMeetings</u>)

Tuesday, September 24, 2024 @ 4:00 PM

LATE ITEM(S)

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	1.1.	Clayoquot Biosphere Trust Letter Dated September 24, 2024	3
		2024-09-24 CBT - NDTR and Regional Forum Invite	



September 24, 2024

Dear Mayor and Council,

On behalf of the Clayoquot Biosphere Trust (CBT), I would like to extend the invitation to join us at two upcoming community events.

In partnership with Ucluelet Secondary School (USS), the Legacy of Hope Foundation, Tourism Tofino, and Canadian Heritage, we are hosting our annual exhibit in observance of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. Throughout the month, students from USS are exploring the history and impact of the Canadian Indian Residential School System. Students are also putting together a poetry book, orange shirts, research projects, and investigations into the 94 Calls to Action. These artifacts of learning will be featured at the event, alongside the Legacy of Hope Foundation's mobile exhibition, "Youth on Reconciliation – Imagine A Canada". We hope you'll take this opportunity to respond to the TRC's Call to Action #57: "We call upon federal, provincial, territorial, and municipal governments to provide education to public servants on the history of Aboriginal peoples, including the history and legacy of residential schools..." and join us on the pathway to truth, healing, and reconciliation. The event will be open to the public on Monday, September 30th from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at USS. We can also arrange a private viewing time for council and staff if that is of interest.

I would also like to extend the invitation to join us at the fall regional forum facilitated by the CBT on Thursday, October 24th from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Tin Wis. This is the third semi-annual gathering to bring together First Nations, local governments, and organizations involved in environmental research, stewardship, restoration, and sustainable development. The opportunity for groups to share about their work and priorities has shown to be an invaluable driver for collaboration across the region. The CBT team is grateful for your past participation and looks forward to a productive day.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about these upcoming opportunities to connect with the community.

Sincerely,

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