



# HAISLA NATION COUNCIL

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## MAY 2024

On April 17, 2024, representatives of Haisla Nation Council met with the RCMP Commissioner and other RCMP officials to address pressing community issues and challenges.

As the gathering ended the group posed for a photo, capturing a moment of solidarity and a better understanding of each other's perspectives. This meeting was just the beginning of a journey towards building stronger relationships and creating meaningful solutions for the benefit of all.

Picture below is the group who gathered at the Haisla Nation Council Administration building.

Back row:

Sgt. Garcia, Supt. Pikola, S/Sgt. Morgan, Kierra Steves - EA to CAOs, S/Sgt. Gendron-Fafard, Insp. Gillespie, Sgt. Gardner, S/Sgt. Aitken, Cst. Pocock, SSM. MacNeil

Front row:

Duane Grant - Clerk to Council, Kailee Gardiner - Deputy CAO - Development, Laurie Mercer - Chief Administrative Officer, Commr. Duheime.





# Haisla Nation Council

## 2024 Committee/Duly Convened Council Meeting Schedule

Haisla Nation Council is the elected decision-making body that sets the overall direction of the Haisla Nation in economic, organizational and community planning. Two committees are branches of Council:

### The Executive Committee (EC)

- The EC acts as an intermediary body to ensure the operational side of the organization is performing in a satisfactory way through monitoring. The role of the EC is to set the expectations and monitor the performance of the Administration. The EC is accountable to elected Chief and Council, and primary responsibilities include developing and proposing recommendations to Council and tracking the performance of the Administration, ensuring expectations are being met.

### The Stakeholders Relations Committee (SRC)

- The SRC's role is to develop recommendations and action plans to put forward to the Council for consideration. As the name suggests, they work with external groups and stakeholders with a mission to foster the creation of positive, sustainable economic opportunities to benefit Haisla members.

The Committees meet regularly. To streamline time and process the Committees hold their meetings together to reach their common goal of being efficient and timely. In this streamlined process, to continue with the goal of being efficient and timely, all Duly Convened Council meetings immediately follow the Committees meeting.

Monthly Committee/Duly Convened Council meetings are scheduled for the third (3rd) Wednesday of every month unless noted otherwise.

Haisla Nation Council is committed to keeping our membership informed of upcoming Committee/Duly Convened Council meetings with the following schedule of dates for 2024. These dates are also posted on [haisla.ca](http://haisla.ca) and can be found in our calendar of events. Please note dates are subject to change and an update will be made on the [haisla.ca](http://haisla.ca) calendar if such changes are required.

Haisla Nation Council Monthly Committee / Duly Convened Council Meetings for 2024			
January <del>XX</del> 31	April 17	July 17	October 16
February 21	May <del>XX</del> 22	August 21	November 20
March meeting moved to April 2	June 19	September 18	December 18

A Committee/Duly Convened meeting summary will be released electronically for Haisla membership in the week that follows the meeting.

Letter/email submissions received from community members follow the process noted below:

- Letter/email submissions are received by the Clerk to Council.
- The Clerk to Council will acknowledge receipt of the submission and provide dates of upcoming Committee/Duly Convened Council meetings.
- Senior management will review the submission and following the applicable policy will make recommendations to the Committees and/or elected Council, if required.
- Once the item has been addressed a follow up will occur with the community member.

Questions regarding the schedule of meeting dates or the process followed regarding submissions made by community members can be directed to Haisla Nation Council's Clerk to Council, Duane Grant:

Email: [dugrant@haisla.ca](mailto:dugrant@haisla.ca)

Phone: 250-639-9361, Ext. 205 (Toll Free: 1-888-842-4752)



## Writing to Council - The process

### Steps Haisla Nation Council takes when letter/email submissions are received from community members:

- 1** Letter/email submissions are received by the Clerk to Council in-person, by email ([dugrant@haisla.ca](mailto:dugrant@haisla.ca)) or by fax (250-632-2840)
  
- 2** The Clerk to Council will acknowledge receipt of the submission and provide dates of upcoming Committee/Duly Convened Council meetings.
  
- 3** Senior management will review the submission and following the applicable policy will make recommendations to the Committees and/or elected Council, if required.
  
- 4** Once the item has been addressed a follow up will occur with the community member.



## Haisla Nation Council News

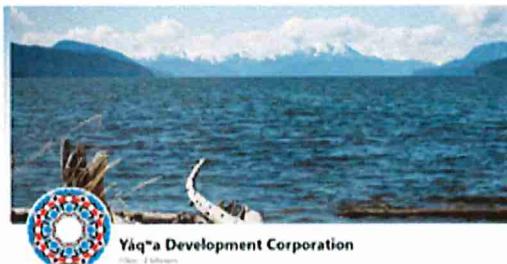
At a duly convened council meeting held on April 17, 2024, and recorded with a Band Council Resolution, the Haisla Nation Council has formally named the following individuals to the Board of Directors of *yáq'wa* Development Corporation:

- Byron Olsen-Grant
- Gregory Smith
- Brendon Grant
- Richard Piche
- Chelsea Dionne

Congratulations to the newly appointed board members!



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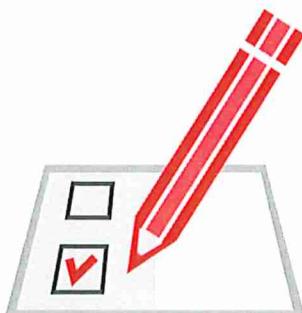
### WILL BE HOLDING A BY-ELECTION IN 2024

At a duly convened council meeting on April 17, 2024, Haisla Nation Council resolved to conduct a by-election to fill two vacant council positions. This decision was formalized through a Band Council Resolution. An independent third party has been appointed to oversee the by-election. Voting options will include electronic, mail-in and in-person voting at the Haisla Recreation Centre.



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**NOMINATION PACKAGES  
WILL BE MAILED TO  
REGISTERED HAISLA  
MEMBERS 18+ AT THE  
BEGINNING OF MAY 2024.**



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# Haisla Administration Department

OneFeather will manage the by-election and has provided useful guidance for individuals keen on creating an account with them for digital voting. Simply follow the steps below!

## Guide to Digital Voting

You will need the following:

- A personal email address
- Your date of birth
- Your status or citizenship number
- Voting pin number (will be sent to your email)

Scan the QR code to get started →



Or go directly to [members.onefeather.ca](https://members.onefeather.ca)

First, you'll need to create and confirm your OneFeather account

1 Enter your personal email



2 Create a password



3 Check your email & confirm



4 Click on Digital Voting

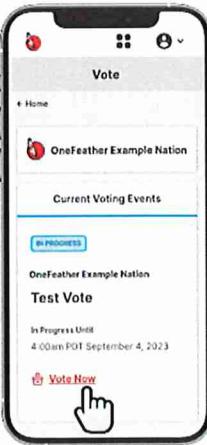


When you're ready to vote, it's easy and secure

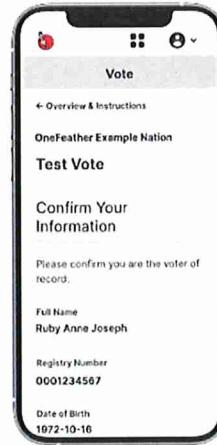
5 Connect to your Nation



6 Find the voting event



7 Confirm your information



8 Enter the PIN emailed to you



[support.onefeather.ca](https://support.onefeather.ca)

[voterhelp@onefeather.ca](mailto:voterhelp@onefeather.ca)

1-855-923-3006 (toll free)

250-384-8200 (office)

Phone support is available Monday - Friday, 9:30am to 4:30pm PST  
Please leave a message if we're unable to take your call.



## Haisla Public Works Department



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PO Box 1101, Kitamaat Village, BC, V0T 2B0 | (250) 639-9361  
Toll Free: 1-888-842-4752 | Fax: 250-632-2840 or 250-632-4794

Notice to: Kitamaat Village Residents  
From: HNC Public Works  
Date: April 24, 2024  
Subject: Residential Heavy Garbage Pick up

Heavy garbage pick-up in Kitamaat Village will run from May 6 to 17, 2024.

Please ensure heavy garbage is separated into piles of wood, metal, plastic, etc., as these groupings are how items will be transported to the local landfill. We also encourage family members to assist their elders with any heavy garbage they may have, sorting roadside as required.

If you have a fridge or freezer to dispose of on heavy garbage day, please make sure the appliance:

- 1) is empty of any items.
- 2) has no garbage left inside (\*please utilize the Curbside Recycling Program for all food waste/compost)  
a. **If there are any items/garbage left inside an appliance it will not be removed and will be the responsibility of the homeowner to take to the municipal landfill.**

Please note: If possible, homeowners are encouraged to bring their own appliances to the municipal landfill. Haisla Nation Council must hire Webb Refrigeration Ltd. to come to our community to remove the freon from any appliance Public Works transports to the landfill. HNC is also charged a fee per appliance by the landfill. If we bring an appliance with freon in it, HNC is fined. If homeowners take their old appliances to the landfill themselves, they are not required to remove the freon.

If you have a vehicle that you would like disposed of, please call Prescott Bolton at 250-639-9361 ext. 210 or his cell 250-639-7086. There will be no charge to dispose of the vehicles from May 6-17. Please ensure there is no fluid in the vehicles (no oil, antifreeze, windshield wash, etc.). There will be a \$50 charge per vehicle for all requests received after May 17.

For the first heavy garbage pickup starting on May 6 please ensure your garbage is placed on the side of the road by 8:00 am. Pick up will run daily, with the last pick up of each day being 3:30 pm.

Any items left on the side of the road after Friday, May 17, 2024, will be the homeowner's responsibility to take to the municipal landfill.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation and preparation for our planned heavy garbage pick up dates.





## Haisla Environment Department

# Community Curbside Recycling Update

Our Environmental department recently met with the District of Kitimat and gathered some statistics about our **Curbside Recycling Program**, which we are eager to share with you. Here are the findings from 8 collections (4 garbage, 4 recycling & 8 organics):



A total of 9800 kg of waste was collected:

58% constituted garbage  
35% was organic  
7% was recyclable



This resulted in a 42% diversion from the landfill!

Well done Recycling Champions!

Please note: The statistics are based on weight, so the 7% Recycling figure may appear lower; if measured by volume, the percentage would be much higher.

Change can be challenging and we are excited to see the many households taking advantage of this program. Keep up your recycling efforts!

General recycling questions?

Please email [recycle@haisla.ca](mailto:recycle@haisla.ca)



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## Haisla Employment & Training Department

# Transformations

Transformations is a land-based, trauma-informed program designed for the health and wellness of First Nations communities in Canada. The program is offered out of Prince George, BC.

The HNC Employment and Training department is pleased to announce a new one-time funding opportunity for Haisla members who wish to take that next step in their health and wellness journey.

To be eligible for sponsorship an individual must:

- be a registered First Nation person of the Haisla Nation
- be 18 years or older
- submit a completed Transformations application for funding provided by the HNC Employment and Training department. Application must include their Letter of Acceptance and/or their registration form from the Transformations program.
  - Applications that do not have the required documentation will be deemed incomplete which may cause delays in processing.

Upon meeting all criteria the following funding supports will be offered:

- tuition and accommodation will be paid directly to the Transformations Program.
- travel costs include one night hotel stay and meal allowance at the end of the program.

Please note, daycare expenses and living allowance are not covered.

Participants are encouraged to make the necessary arrangements in these areas prior to applying for Transformations funding support.

**Individuals can register directly on the Transformations website at**

**<https://www.transformations.ca/>**

**To request an HNC application form for funding support please connect with Marlayna Amos at [mamos@haisla.ca](mailto:mamos@haisla.ca) or by phoning**

**250-632-6151, Ext. 209**



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## Haisla Elders Centre

# May

Elders Centre Calendar



**HAISLA  
NATION**

# 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Drop In Meals On Wheels	2 No lunch	3 Sewing	4
5 Drop in 1:30pm Walking group	6 Lunch at Kitimat General Hospital	7	8 Drop In Meals On Wheels	9 Mother's Day Lunch	10 Sewing	11
12 Drop in 1:30pm Walking group	13 Lunch at Kitimat City High with students	14	15 Drop In Meals On Wheels	16 In house Lunch	17 Crochet with HCS students	18
19 Stat	20 In house Lunch	21	22 Drop In Meals On Wheels	23 Chili cook off at Riverlodge	24 Crafts	25
26 Drop in 1:30pm Walking group	27 In house Lunch	28	29 Drop In Meals On Wheels	30 In house Lunch	31 Terrace trip	





## Haisla Youth Program

# May

# 2024

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		Cooking Together 5:00pm: Beef Stir Fry and Rice	Mother's Day Crafts 5:00pm	Movie and Popcorn Night 6:00pm-8:00pm
6 Mother's Day Crafts 6:00pm	7 Meet at the Rec for gym games/obstacles 3:00pm-5:00pm	8 Mother's Day Cooking together BBQ! 5:00pm-7:00pm	9 Science Experiment - Elephant Toothpaste 5:00pm	10 Glow Stick Hide N Seek 6:00pm-8:00pm
13 Nerf Guns; Target Practice 6:00pm	14 Outdoor Games 5:00pm-7:00pm	15 Cooking Together 5:00pm: Air fryer Salmon	16 Tie Dying Bags 5:00pm	17 Movie and Nacho Night 6:00pm-8:00pm
20 CLOSED- VICTORIA DAY	21 Meet at the Rec for gym games/obstacles 3:00pm-5:00pm	22 CLOSED FOR TRAINING	23 Homework/Reading Club Closed at 5:00pm	24 Homework/Reading Club Closed at 5:00pm
27 Canvas Painting 6:00pm	28 Outdoor Games 5:00pm-7:00pm	29 Cooking Together 5:00pm: Indian Tacos	30 Dream Catchers 5:00pm	31 Movie and Snack Board Night 6:00pm-8:00pm

Haisla Youth Center drop-in hours are  
Monday-Friday 3:00pm-8:00pm  
Homework/reading club 3:00pm-5:00pm daily.

Planned activity/ drop in 5:00pm-8:00pm  
Youth Center phone numbers:  
Downstairs mainline 1-778-860-6362.  
Coordinators office 250-639-7553  
A healthy snack is provided daily at  
4:00pm.

We do not provide dinner and ask that  
your child goes home to eat dinner and  
does not have dinner dropped off at the  
program please and thank you for your  
understanding.

If your child is sick, please keep them  
home from programming so we can  
prevent the spread of germs.



## Haisla Youth Program



When: May 8th!

### Cooking Together Event for Mother's Day

Time: 5-7pm!



The Haisla Youth Centre is inviting mothers of our youth participants to join us in cooking a meal together!

If you would like to participate you can RSVP by  
email: [tagrant@haisla.ca](mailto:tagrant@haisla.ca)  
phone: 250-639-7553

DEADLINE TO RSVP: May 7th at 12 noon

**Haisla Nation Council**

We will be preparing and barbecuing a tasty meal prepared with love! Your presence would make it even more special!



## Haisla Days: May 18-19



# HAISLA DAYS CANOE RACES

**WEATHER PERMITTING.  
IF NORTHWIND AND/OR HEAVY  
RAIN ON THIS DAY THIS EVENT WILL  
BE CANCELLED.**

WHEN: SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2024

WHERE: KITAMAAT VILLAGE DOCK

TIME: 12 PM - GATHER BY THE HAISLA  
HARBOUR DOCK

WHO: OPEN TO ALL, AGES 15 & OVER

PLEASE JOIN HAISLA NATION AS WE START OFF THE MAY-LONG CELEBRATIONS WITH CANOE RACING. TEAMS WILL GATHER IN THE PARKING LOT BY THE HAISLA HARBOUR DOCK WHERE INSTRUCTIONS AND GEAR WILL BE PROVIDED.

TO ENTER:

- CREATE A TEAM OF 8-10 PARTICIPANTS, WHICH WILL INCLUDE A TEAM CAPTAIN AND SKIPPER/STEER.
- SIGN UP!
- SIGN A LIABILITY WAIVER BEFORE PARTICIPATING.

WHAT WILL BE PROVIDED TO PARTICIPANTS:

- LIFE JACKETS AND PADDLES WILL BE PROVIDED. PARTICIPANTS WELCOME TO BRING THEIR OWN.

SAFETY BOATS WILL BE AT THE START AND FINISH LINES.

1ST PLACE: EACH PARTICIPANT WILL RECEIVE A \$50 GIFT CARD.

2ND PLACE: EACH PARTICIPANT WILL RECEIVE A T-SHIRT.

WHAT PARTICIPANTS NEED TO KNOW:

- **TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT LIZ ROBINSON AT [LROBINSON@HAISLA.CA](mailto:LROBINSON@HAISLA.CA) OR BY PHONE AT 250-639-4004.**
- ON MAY 18TH TEAMS WILL GATHER AT THE VILLAGE DOCK.

THERE WILL BE TIME AVAILABLE FOR CANOE TEAMS TO HAVE ONE PRACTICE IF THEIR TEAM SIGNS UP RIGHT AWAY. PLEASE ARRANGE A TIME/DATE WITH LIZ ROBINSON.

WHETHER YOU PLAN ON JOINING US AS A SPECTATOR OR A PADDLER WE LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING A HAISLA DAYS TRADITION OF CANOE RACES.



# Haisla Days: May 18-19



Rain or  
Shine!



Dress for  
the  
weather!

## HAISLA DAYS 2024

Saturday, May 18, 2024 – Open to everyone

- 12:00 pm: Canoe races. Teams will have previously registered and will meet at the Haisla Harbour Dock at 12 noon.
  - (Weather permitting. If north wind/heavy rain present on this day the canoe races will be cancelled)
- 5:00 pm: Community Dinner (\*Dinner will be catered. No need to bring your own utensils.)
  - Welcoming hírn áas, músmeził, gúkʷelut, 'engʷa.
  - Welcoming of Xa'isla Babies
    - Presentation of Welcome Gifts to parents and child.
  - Crowning of the 2024 Xa'isla May Queen, Salmonberry Princess, Thimbleberry Prince and Xa'isla May King

Sunday, May 19, 2024 – Open to everyone

- 11:00 am: The 2024 Xa'isla May Queen will officially start the bike parade.
  - Join in on the fun and decorate your bike, scooter, wagon, or stroller!
  - The parade will start at the Haisla Recreation Centre and participants will make their way down Jassee Street to the Haisla Soccer Field for prizes!
- 12:30 pm: Field Events
  - Subway and hotdogs will be served at the field.
- 3:00 pm: Family Day Events: Fish Pond for kids, Bean Bag Toss, Face Painting, Giant 4 in a Row game, Table Ping Pong, Cake Walk and a Family Bingo. (Parents encouraged to attend with their children.)
  - Pizza and drinks will be served.

