

Municipality of North Cowichan

First Nations Relations Committee

AGENDA

Monday, December 16, 2019, 2:00 p.m.
Municipal Hall - Maple Bay Meeting Room

Pages

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Recommendation:

That the Committee approve the December 16, 2019 agenda as circulated [or as amended].

3. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

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Recommendation:

That the Committee adopt the minutes of the meeting held July 5, 2019.

4. **BUSINESS**

4.1 **Committee Terms of Reference and Mandate**

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Purpose: To determine the scope of the Committee's work, along with the responsibility of each member and create a clear goal statement of what the Committee is aiming to achieve by working together.

4.2 **First Nations Protocols and Communications**

Purpose: To define the official procedure or system of rules governing the First Nations Relations Committee.

4.3 **Halalt Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)**

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Purpose: To determine the next steps on progressing the Draft Halalt MOU.

4.4 **Stoney Hill Road Naming**

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Purpose: To provide the Committee with information and a recommendation to change road names for two roads in the Stoney Hill area.

Recommendation:

That the First Nations Relations Committee recommend that Council approve the Cowichan Tribes suggested road names and direct staff to prepare a bylaw for the change in road names and install appropriate signage.

4.5 **First Nations Firewood Donation**

Purpose: The Municipal Forester to provide the Committee with a verbal update on the status of requests for firewood permits from First Nations.

4.6 Naming of Parks

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Purpose: To review the process and application to name a park and the letter and application from the Crofton Community Centre Society to re-name Crofton Beach Park to "E. J. Hughes Park at Crofton Beach". (Includes reply from Corporate Officer following the September 4, 2019 Closed Council Meeting).

4.7 Boys Road Improvements

Purpose: The Director of Engineering to provide the Committee with a verbal update on the communications plan to consult with the residents of Boys Road east of the Trans-Canada Highway, including Cowichan Tribes as an organization to get feedback on safety design for pedestrians.

5. NEW BUSINESS

6. ADJOURNMENT

Recommendation:

That the First Nations Relations Committee meeting be adjourned at ____ p.m.

Municipality of North Cowichan First Nations Relations Committee MINUTES

**July 5, 2019, 3:30 p.m.
Municipal Hall - Maple Bay Meeting Room**

Members Present Councillor Debra Toporowski, Chair
Mayor Al Siebring
Councillor Kate Marsh

Staff Present Ted Swabey, Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)
Matt O'Halloran, Deputy Corporate Officer

1. CALL TO ORDER

There being a quorum present, the Chair called the meeting to order at 3:42 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved and seconded:

That the Committee approve the agenda as circulated.

CARRIED

3. BUSINESS

3.1 Council to Council Meeting with Neighbouring First Nations

It was moved and seconded:

That the Committee recommend to Council that a letter of invitation be sent to the Lyackson, Halalt, Stz'uminus, Cowichan Tribes, Snuneymuxw, and Penelakut Chief and Councils to see if there is interest in having joint Council to Council meetings to discuss matters of mutual interest.

CARRIED

4. NEW BUSINESS

None.

5. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded:

That the First Nations Relations Committee meeting be adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

CARRIED

Signed by Chair

Certified by Recording Secretary



FIRST NATIONS RELATIONS STANDING COMMITTEE

MANDATE

The purpose of the First Nations Relations Committee is to build on and further enhance Council's commitment to building relationships with neighbouring First Nations. These relationships must be based on trust, honour, and goodwill. Establishment of this committee will send a clear signal to neighbouring First Nations governments that the District of North Cowichan is making a serious commitment to working together and that government-to-government relationship building is a priority focus for Council.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

1. Listening and learning: understanding that there is much we do not know about the connections our local First Nations have to the area.
2. Being Authentic: expressing a sincere desire to have real relationships with our local First Nations.

MEETINGS

Meetings will be held on an as needed basis and led by three (3) Council representatives. The goal of the meetings is to move beyond formality and have interactions rooted in a sincere and genuine relationship of mutual respect.



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PROTOCOL AGREEMENT

Between

Halalt First Nation

AND

The District of North Cowichan Council (North Cowichan Council")

WHEREAS, Halalt and North Cowichan Council wish to make a statement about their relationship and to formalize their communication efforts.

Therefore, Halalt First Nation and North Cowichan Council, on behalf of the citizens of each community, declare their intention to pursue a lasting relationship based upon mutual respect, honour, and the spirit of cooperation in this protocol agreement.

The agreement provides a framework for collaboration between the Municipality of North Cowichan and the Halalt First Nation. It functions as a broad umbrella agreement under which meaningful discussion, information sharing and exploration of issues of mutual concern can occur.

In the extension of this relationship, the following commitments are hereby undertaken:

1. Halalt First Nation and North Cowichan Council will make their best efforts to meet at least twice a year in a joint meeting to discuss matters of mutual concern and to further cooperate on such matters. It is recognized that additional meetings may be required in instances of immediacy and mutual concern. The primary purpose of the meetings is to:

- a) Identify joint initiative opportunities;
- b) Strategize on issues affecting each other's area of jurisdiction;
- c) Share information and improve communication;
- d) Collaborate on issues of common concern;
- e) Discuss other relevant issues that are of concern to both Halalt First Nation and North Cowichan Council.

2. Halalt First Nation and North Cowichan Council jointly agree to explore health infrastructure, shared services, emergency planning, economic development, recreation, and tourism ventures, as well as other ventures that may be identified from time to time, engaging and lobbying other governments and agencies as required.

3. This Protocol Agreement may be subject to revisions, in writing, from time to time by mutual consent.

4. Should Halalt First Nation or North Cowichan Council wish to terminate this Protocol Agreement, every effort will be made to discuss this in person at a Council to Council meeting and to do so by mutual consent. Should this not be possible, either party may terminate this agreement with 30 days written notice.

In Witness, on this _____ Day of _____ Year: 2019

Al Siebring
Mayor, North Cowichan

James Thomas
Chief, Halalt First Nation

Councillor, North Cowichan

Councillor, Halalt First Nation

Report

Date	December 16, 2019	File:
To	First Nations Relations Committee	
From	Morgan McLeod, Development Planner	Endorsed: 
Subject	Renaming Stoney Hill and Murchie Road in the Hul'q'umin'um Language	

Purpose

To provide the First Nations Relations Committee with information and a recommendation that Council approve renaming Stoney Hill Road and Murchie Road to Hul'q'umin'um road names. The inclusion of the Hul'q'umin'um naming serves to emphasize the significance of the peninsula to the indigenous culture.

Background

In 2017, staff provided a recommendation to Council that Meentunup be selected for the proposed new road name of Stoney Hill Road since it is the exact translation and Tatum' Road be proposed the road name for Murchie Road, which is yet to be fully constructed.

In November 2017, a letter was sent to Cowichan Tribes indicating Council's desire to provide Hul'q'umin'um road names for the Stoney Hill area. Tribes staff and Elders worked together to come up with the proposed names using their island dialect of Hul'q'umin'um which is a Coast Salish language. "Meentunup" is Hul'q'umin'um for *stoney ground or Stoney Hill* and "Tatum'" is Hul'q'umin'um for *lukewarm*, which describes the breeze on Stoney Hill. See letter in ATTACHMENT 1.

Cowichan Tribes provided a copy of their band Council resolution dated October 9, 2019 in support of the road names suggested by then Mayor Lefebure, see Council resolution in ATTACHMENT 2.

Canada Post Policy

Canada Post Addressing Guidelines state that punctuation should not be used unless it is part of a proper name, such as in "ST. JOHN'S", in this case the street name Tatum' requires an apostrophe after the "m" for proper punctuation in the Hul'q'umin'um language, according to Chuck Seymour, Cultural Coordinator of Cowichan Tribes.

Discussion

As part of North Cowichan's relationship and acknowledgement that North Cowichan is on the unceded territory of Cowichan Tribes, staff propose to replace the road names with Hul'q'umin'um language street signs to honour the Cowichan Tribes history and culture in the Stoney Hill area.

Staff considered bilingual signage, but Canada Post discourages bilingual directional street signs and only uses bilingual signs for gateway signs, highways or university lands with their own mailing distribution, not for individual properties with a mailing address. Bilingual First Nations signage are used in a number of Canadian provinces and cities. (see Table 1). Canada Post states that official street names may only have one name and should not be translated on the sign in order to prevent confusion, particularly for emergency vehicles.

Table 1

City/Province	Location(s)	Languages
Victoria, BC	Community gateway points	English and Tsilhqot'in
British Columbia	Select highway directional signs in Squamish and Cariboo	English, Ucwalmicwts and Tsilhqot'in
University of B.C. (Point Grey Campus)	Street directional signs	English and Hənq̓əminəḥm
Halifax, NS	Select gateway signs	English, French and Mi'kmaq

On October 15, 2019, the City of Port Alberni also incorporated traditional First Nations street names. Catalyst Paper suggested the name Nuupts' ikapis Way. This name was not on the Port Alberni Council approved street name list, however, their Council approved it.

Options

1. **[RECOMMENDED]** That the First Nations Relations Committee recommend that Council approve the Cowichan Tribes suggested road names and direct staff to prepare a bylaw for the change in road names and install appropriate signage.

Advantages

- Completing the bilingual signage change immediately will provide the least disruption to addressing.
- Recognition of the Cowichan Tribes connection to Stoney Hill.
- Fulfilling the promise to Cowichan Tribes from previous discussions with Mayor and staff in 2017.

Disadvantages

- Re-addressing six existing properties on Stoney Hill and Murchie Roads. All properties do have P.O. Box numbers and mail would not need to be redirected; only the directional street name would change.
2. That the First Nations Relations Committee reject the suggested road names and maintain status quo.

Implications

Financial

- Minimal cost to North Cowichan for designing, making and installing signs. Funds will come out of the 2020 Operational Budget. Sign posts and sign blades are in place now with Stoney Hill Road.
- There may be push from landowners to have the municipality pay for readdressing costs (estimated to be about \$50 through Canada Post, not including time for residents to update information such as credit cards and driver's licences)

Personnel

- Minimal staff hours required.

Environmental

- No impact.

Social

- Developing better relations between North Cowichan and Cowichan Tribes.
- Provides insight to language and interpretation.

Communication

- The languages intended for inclusion are based on previous Council direction stemming from discussions with the Cowichan Tribes in 2017.

Recommendation

That the First Nations Relations Committee recommend that Council approve the Cowichan Tribes suggested road names and direct staff to prepare a bylaw for the change in road names and install appropriate signage.

Attachment(s): (4)

Attachment 1 - Letter to Cowichan Tribes

Attachment 2 - Cowichan Tribes Band Council Resolution

Attachment 3 - Location Map

Attachment 4 - Example photos of First Nations Street Signs



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November 30, 2017

HAND DELIVERED

Chief Chip Seymour
Cowichan Tribes
5760 Allenby Road
Duncan, BC V9L 5J1

Dear Chief Seymour:

RE: Stoney Hill Road Names

Thank you for referring our letter regarding road names on Stoney Hill to the Elders and forwarding their recommendations on the names Tatum, Meentunup and Sheshuq'um.

I would like to be able to recommend to North Cowichan Council that one section of the road be named Tatum, and the main section of Stoney Hill Road be renamed Meentunup, as indicated on the accompanying map. This would result in the least disruption to current addresses.

I would also commit to approaching the CVRD Board with the proposal to name either the new trail to Sansum Narrows Regional Park "Sheshuq'um Trail" (relatively simple to do) or rename the Sansum Narrows Regional Park as "Sheshuq'um Regional Park."

Before I take any further action, I would appreciate your consideration and recommendation on these suggestions.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink. The first part of the signature is a stylized "Jon" with a horizontal line above it. The second part is "Lefebure" written in a cursive script.

Jon Lefebure
Mayor
enc:

mayor@northcowichan.ca



BAND COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Chronological no.
2019/2020-185
File reference no.

NOTE:

The words “from our Band Funds” “capital: or “revenue”, whichever is the case, must appear in all resolutions requesting expenditures from Band Funds.

The council of the							Cowichan Tribes		Cash free balance			
Capital Account							\$					
Date of duly convened meeting							D	M	Y	Province		
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Revenue Account							\$					

DO HEREBY RESOLVE:

BE IT RESOLVED, the Chief and Council of Cowichan Tribes is in support of the renaming of two sections of Stoney Hill Road to Tatum and Meentunup, as recommended by our elders.

Quorum 5

(Chief)

Nancy Wilson
(Councillor)

Daniel Gray
(Councillor)

Eric Aep
(Councillor)

B.L.
(Councillor)

Craig Osenge.
(Councillor)

Don
(Councillor)

Andy
(Councillor)

John
(Councillor)

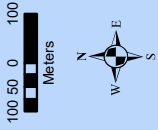
Robert
(Councillor)

Stefanie Atleo

[Signature]

Ch. Chen

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Expenditure	Authority (Indian Act Section)	Source of funds o Capital o Revenue	Expenditure	Authority (Indian Act Section)	Source of funds o Capital o Revenue
Recommending officer			Recommending Officer		
Signature		Date	Signature		Date
Approving Officer – Approuvé par			Approving Officer		
Signature		Date	Signature		Date



ATTACHMENT 4

Examples of First Nation Street Names in other Municipalities

Port Alberni Nuu-chah-nulth street name¹



City of Vancouver and Musqueam Reserve street name²



¹ <https://www.albernavalleynews.com/news/port-albernis-newest-street-gets-nuu-chah-nulth-name/>

² <https://fnbc.info/news/vancouver-musqueam-band-sign-agreement-city-services>

APPLICATION TO NAME PARK, OPEN SPACE, FEATURE OR FACILITY (please refer to attached policy excerpt)

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Applicant (Individual or Group Name): _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Location of park, open space, park feature or facility to be named: _____

Proposed Name*: _____

* **Note:** Applicants must attach background information describing the accomplishments and/or legitimacy of the name designation along with letters of endorsement supporting the application.

For Internal Use:

Date application received: _____

- ☐ Forward proposal to local neighbourhood association or community group for comments:

- ☐ Forward proposal to donor for comments (if land or facility was gifted to the Municipality):

- ☐ Staff to conduct historical review prior to recommendation of approval
Staff member conducting review: _____ Due date: _____
- ☐ Nominee (or legal representative/ family if nominee is deceased) in agreement with naming proposal
Person/representative contacted: _____ In agreement? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- ☐ Naming proposal placed on website for 30 calendar days seeking written comments from the public
Dates placed on website: _____ to _____, 20____
- ☐ Circulate to all Municipal departments and external agencies that have jurisdiction over the amenity for comments:

- ☐ Director of Parks and Recreation to submit report including application, historical background and comments received to a Closed Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee meeting for consideration and a recommendation to Council
- ☐ Applicant notified of Council's decision

POLICY EXCERPT

NAMING OR RENAMING PARKS, OPEN SPACES, FEATURES OR FACILITIES

1. Definition of Terms

The following terms are provided for greater clarity:

Component Feature/Facility - means all substantial structures or recreational aspects of a park which includes, but is not limited to, such things as: sport fields, ball diamonds, hard surface courts, playgrounds, tennis courts, lawn bowling greens, bocce courts, gardens, washrooms/changerooms/fieldhouses and skateboard park facilities, etc.

Commemorative Naming - naming rights granted to honour outstanding achievement, distinctive service, or significant community contribution. Commemorative naming will not be tied to a financial contribution.

Individual and Community Organization Commemorative Naming - naming rights granted to an individual, group of individuals, family foundation, or a non-profit community organization in recognition of significant philanthropy.

Open Space - includes, but is not limited to, trails, pathway systems, utility features such as stormwater management ponds, and other similar structures under the jurisdiction of the Municipality of North Cowichan.

Parkland - means all parkland designations including, but not limited to, dedicated parkland, parks, community parks, neighbourhood parks, etc. owned by and/or under the jurisdiction of the Municipality of North Cowichan.

Significant Financial Gifts - means a monetary donation reflective of the total capital cost or appraised value of the amenity being considered for naming.

2. Criteria

1.0 Commemorative Name Designation Associated with Functional Use

This is based on geographical location, historical or cultural significance, distinctive natural or geological features, and the wishes of the community in which it is located.

- 1.1 Staff may assign a name based on the adjacent street, functional use, geographic feature, community name or historic significance. Examples include: Sherman Road Park - adjacent to Sherman Road; Chemainus Ball Park – Chemainus.
- 1.2. Chosen names within this designation shall be assigned by Staff and may remain unchanged until a formal request for a name change has been approved by Council.
- 1.3 Generally, chosen names shall reflect the adjacent street name (i.e: Herd Road Park - majority of street frontage on Herd Road). This is to ensure continuity and minimize conflicts for emergency services.

2.0 Commemorative Name Designation Associated in Honour of Individuals or Groups

- 2.1 This section applies to any request for:
 - a) naming; or,
 - b) renaming a park/open space, or component feature in honour of individuals or groups.
- 2.2 Council shall approve all names in honour of individuals or groups. All requests for naming, designating or renaming in honour of individuals or groups shall be submitted in writing, with supporting explanation and/or justification to the Chair of the Parks & Recreation Advisory

Committee, c/o the Director of Parks and Recreation. The Director will forward a report with the Committee's recommendations to Council for consideration.

- 2.3. Names for consideration shall be those of distinguished persons, organizations, corporations, foundations or families:
- a) where there has been significant contribution to the quality of life or well being of the Municipality of North Cowichan;
 - b) where the person/group is perceived as a role model and open to close scrutiny relative to their character, integrity and values;
 - c) demonstrated excellence, courage or exceptional service to the citizens of the Municipality of North Cowichan;
 - d) to memorialize or otherwise recognize substantial gifts and significant donors, individuals designated by donors, or individuals who have made exemplary or meritorious contributions to the Municipality of North Cowichan;
 - e) where there is a strong historical or cultural connection to the Municipality and has a major contribution to the historical or cultural preservation of the Municipality;
 - f) where there is a strong contribution toward environmental preservation, conservation or enhancement of the Municipality;
 - g) where there is a major contribution made to the acquisition, development or conveyance of land or building in question and/or its subsequent development; or
 - f) where there is a direct relationship or association that exists between the place or former place of residence of the person or group and the facility/park to be named.
- 2.4 Naming in honour of elected or appointed public officials, Municipality of North Cowichan officials, or staff shall normally occur only after the public service or Municipal employment has concluded.
- 2.5 Notwithstanding the above, Council, by resolution, may approve a name or name change in honour of individuals or groups when circumstances justify such action. Council may also remove the original name designation when circumstances justify such action.

3.0 Commemorative Names of Provincial, National or International Significance

- 3.1 Council may approve a name or name change in honour of individuals or groups who have made an outstanding contribution provincially, nationally, or internationally.
- 3.2 In such instances, and prior to approving the use of any name of individuals or group, staff shall investigate any protocol and/or requirements of any provincial, national or international agency or organization.

4.0 Names Derived from Significant Financial Contributions

- 4.1 In selected instances where a naming request has been proposed as a result of receiving a unique and extraordinary financial, or other significant contribution, towards the acquisition, creation or redevelopment of a property or park consideration will be given to the sponsorship contribution being provided. The merits and value of each such naming will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. It should not be assumed that a financial contribution guarantees that a park is named after the service club/business/individual/organization.

5.0 Renaming Existing Parks

- 5.1 Renaming of parks and open spaces carries with it a much greater burden of process compared to initial naming. Tradition and continuity of name and community identification are important

community values. Each application must meet the criteria in this policy, but meeting all criteria does not automatically ensure renaming.

- 5.2** Critical examination will be conducted to ensure that renaming the park will not diminish the original justification for the name or the prior contributors. Renaming will follow the same procedures as naming a park/open space, or component feature:
- a) Only parks and facilities named for geographic location, outstanding feature or subdivision should be considered for renaming. Parks that have been named by deed restriction shall not be considered for renaming.
 - b) Parks and facilities named after individuals shall not be changed unless it is found that because of the individual's character the continued use of their name would not be in the best interest of the community.
- 5.3** Existing names will not be changed without the consideration of:
- a) the historical significance of the existing name;
 - b) the impact on the individual or organization associated with the existing name; and
 - c) the cost and impact of changing existing signage, rebuilding community recognition and updating records (data bases, maps, promotional materials, etc.).
- 5.4** Only nominations having a direct relevance to the park/open space, or a component feature within the space in question will be considered for renaming.
- 5.5** Renaming of a park/open space, or component feature may occur if:
- a) the policy criteria are met;
 - b) a valid justification for renaming the facility is provided;
 - c) changing the name will not cause undue confusion within the community; and
 - d) an appropriate level of community support exists.

6.0 Inventory of Names

- 6.1** The Parks & Recreation Department shall be responsible for maintaining an inventory of names for parks/open spaces, and component features/facilities.
- 6.2** Practices to be avoided:
- a) naming a park after a nearby, but not immediately adjacent, school or institution that may lead to confusion regarding their respective locations;
 - b) use of existing (or similar) names of parks within the Municipality, to avoid duplication and confusion
 - c) names that are meaningful only to a few members of the community; and
 - d) the proposal suggests a name after a specific builder, developer or real estate company.

7.0 Signage

- 7.1** The Municipality will be responsible for coordinating the public presentation of signage to acknowledge the naming/renaming designation. Costs associated with naming/renaming of a park/open space or component feature as outlined in this policy will be assumed by the Municipality of North Cowichan.
- 7.2** The Municipality will have final approval for the selection and location of any signage, including text and design.
- 7.3** The Municipality of North Cowichan will bear the responsibility of ongoing maintenance for the signage.

Crofton Community Centre Society



June 25, 2019



To Municipality of North Cowichan, Parks and Recreation.

Dear Mayor and Council:

Please find the attached application from the Crofton Community Centre Society to re-name Crofton Beach Park to **"E.J. HUGHES PARK at CROFTON BEACH"**

The Municipality of North Cowichan was recently preparing to cover the utility kiosks in the Crofton Beach Park with vinyl art. Director Ed Lebitschnig made a suggestion that we use E.J. Hughes artworks, and Director Dan Robin took it upon himself to see if that could be done. He contacted the E.J. Hughes estate and Suzan Kostiuk, owner of Excellent Frameworks, who have allowed the use of 2 pieces from the E.J. Hughes collection.

Artist E.J. Hughes is well known and highly respected in the Cowichan Valley. Many Crofton residents have fond memories of watching him paint local scenes. The selected pieces were painted while sitting right there at the Crofton beach.

The two works used will be "An Arbutus Tree at Crofton Beach" and "Osborne Bay". As well, an image of E.J. Hughes holding one of these works will be placed on a podium with an explanation of his significance to Crofton and the Cowichan Valley.

Director Dan Robin during this time had the idea to rename the park, and brought it to the Crofton Community Centre Society. All present were heartily in favour and they chose the name "E.J. Hughes Park at Crofton Beach" to be presented to the MNC for consideration.

E.J. Hughes talents are considerable and recognized throughout the world. As well as his extensive collection of west coast artworks, he served in WWII, starting out as a gunner, progressing to the position of Official War Artist. He was awarded with Honourary Doctorates from the University of Victoria and the Emily Carr Institute of Art and Design. He has received both the Order of Canada and the Order of British Columbia for his accomplishments.

There are no permanent public sites that are dedicated to him at this time. As his work was and still is so important and recognizable for its style and west coast flair, we hope you agree it would honour his memory, his family and our regard for him to give us the privilege to rename the park in his name.

Sincerely,

Tracey Donnelly,
President of and on behalf of the
Crofton Community Centre Society

FILE No. _____	CAO	<input type="checkbox"/>
Council _____ <input type="checkbox"/>	GM People & Bus. Service	<input type="checkbox"/>
COW _____ <input type="checkbox"/>	GM Fin. & Protective Services	<input type="checkbox"/>
Com. _____ <input type="checkbox"/>	GM Dev. Eng. Services	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Applicant (Individual or Group Name): CROFTON COMMUNITY CENTRE SOCIETY

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Telephone: 250-246-3009

Email: contactus@croftoncommunitycentre.ca

Location of park, open space, park feature or facility to be named: _____

CROFTON BEACH PARK, CROFTON, BC

Proposed Name*:

E.J. HUGHES PARK AT CROFTON BEACH

* **Note:** Applicants must attach background information describing the accomplishments and/or legitimacy of the name designation along with letters of endorsement supporting the application.

For Internal Use:

Date application received: _____

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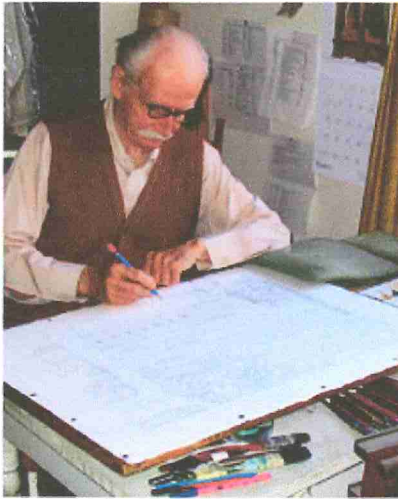
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About E. J. Hughes

A true son of British Columbia, Hughes' stylized realism has earned him a unique place in the history of Canadian art. His 2003 exhibition included work from the 1930s to 2000 and highlighted evocative symbols of life on the west coast – ferries crossing the Georgia Strait, picturesque fishing villages and farm houses, flaming arbutus trees and imposing coastal mountains.

The E.J. Hughes exhibition was curated by Ian Thom, Senior Historical Curator, Vancouver Art Gallery and the national authority on E.J. Hughes' paintings. Ian Thom is also the author of a book, entitled E.J. Hughes, which catalogues the exhibition, and was co-published with Douglas and McIntyre.



E.J. Hughes at Work

Hughes remarkable career as an artist, spans 70 years and encompasses his work as a gifted printmaker, successful muralist, outstanding Canadian war artist and prolific painter. His paintings depict land, sea and small moments of daily life with a rare clarity and vividness. Hughes has a distinguished reputation for work underscored by a passion for the beauty of the west coast of Canada.

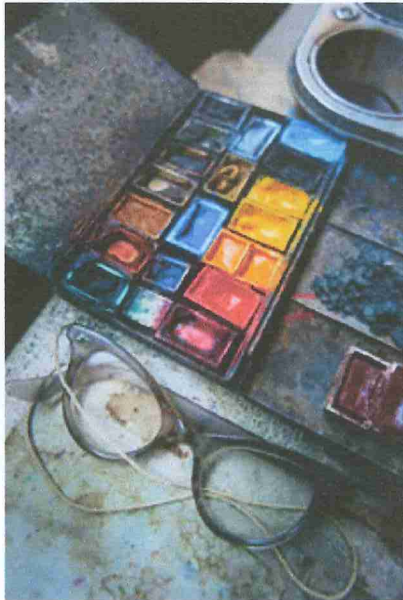
"Hughes is at his best depicting British Columbia's unique beauty", said Ian Thom. "Hughes has a deep affection for the British Columbian landscape and a vision that is unmistakably his own."

Despite the changing face of the visual arts, Hughes has remained steadfast in his exploration of a unique and personal approach to realism. The artist's distinct style, marked by the use of flattened space, skewed perspective and simplified shapes, defies parallels with other artists or easy categorization within artistic genres.

"The Vancouver Art Gallery first exhibited the work of E.J. Hughes in 1935, acquired its first Hughes painting in 1949 and organized the first retrospective of his work in 1967," said Kathleen Bartels, Director, Vancouver Art Gallery. "It is therefore a great privilege for the Gallery to produce the largest exhibition of his work to date."

The Vancouver Art Gallery has the most significant holding of E.J. Hughes work in public hands. It is also the only public collection that contains a complete record of the development of a painting from sketch, to cartoon to final canvas. This exhibition offered visitors the first retrospective look at E.J. Hughes work in more than 20 years.

Born in North Vancouver in 1913, E.J. Hughes studied under Charles H. Scott, Jock Macdonald and Frederick Varley at the Vancouver School of Applied Art and Design. After graduating in 1933, and following two years of post-graduate studies, Hughes undertook print and mural projects with fellow art students. In 1939, Hughes joined the military and spent six years expanding his artistic skills as an official war artist. After his discharge from the military in 1946 he returned to the west coast of Canada, settled in Shawnigan Lake on Vancouver Island with his wife Fern and began a lifelong study of the province and its landscape as a professional artist.



Always a quiet achiever, Hughes was the inaugural recipient of an Emily Carr Scholarship on the recommendation of Group of Seven member Lawren Harris. By 1951, Hughes was represented in public collections in Ottawa, Toronto and Vancouver – an achievement unmatched by his contemporaries at the time. For more than thirty-five years he was represented by Max Stern of the Dominion Gallery in Montreal. In 2001 E.J. Hughes received the Order of Canada and in 2005 he was awarded the Order of British Columbia. His achievements and rare success are due to his singular approach to representing Canada with passion and originality.

E.J. Hughes lived on Vancouver Island where he continuously refined his vision of life in the place that has been his inspiration and home for so long.

"I have painted in the Cowichan Valley for fifty years and it is the most beautiful place on earth"



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Fri, Jun 14, 2019 at 10:03 AM

To: Excellent Frameworks <ExcellentFrameworks@outlook.com>, JUNE SIMPSON <junesimpson@shaw.ca>

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Update on the park project.

Last night, it was unanimously voted on at our regular meeting of the Crofton Community Centre Society, to apply to North Cowichan to rename the park. The submitted name will be:

E.J. Hughes Park at Crofton Beach

This was determined to hold Dr. Hughes name and let people know, and GOOGLE, where it actually is if anyone searches the name. Now it goes through a process set out by law on renaming existing parks. The criteria is lengthy but this application fits perfectly with that criteria. I am confident it will pass and a dedication ceremony will be planned for. We hope that a representative from the estate can be present when that date happens. It will be for sure in the news and good for all parties involved.

Podium- Dr. Hughes holding print of Osborne Bay Acrylic #26

Small Kiosk- Acrylic #26

Large Kiosk- An Arbutus Tree at Crofton Beach

I have spoken with Jon from Alley Kat Designs in Victoria today and now that the images are selected and received, they can progress the artwork vinyl into production. The kiosks have been refurbished with paint in preparation for application of the artwork and should be in place early July. Not sure how long the rename process will take but will keep you apprised of the progress.

Thank you for your support on this amazing project and we look forward to seeing it completed!

Kind regards,

Dan Robin
Director CCCS

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E.J. Hughes Park Renaming

JUNE SIMPSON <junesimpson@shaw.ca>
To: dan robin <danrobin9@gmail.com>

Sun, Jun 2, 2019 at 4:05 PM

Dear Dan,

Thank you so much for your email of May 28th.

What an honour it would be to have the installation of the two artworks and the park named after my uncle, E.J.Hughes.

Please accept this email as a letter of permission on behalf of the Estate of Dr.E.J.Hughes for you to move ahead on the application and apply to council for the renaming of the park.

I wish you luck and thank you for your interest and dedication to this project. Please keep us informed from time to time as the project moves along and I will pass the information on to the Estate.

Kindest regards,

June Simpson

(On behalf of the Estate of Dr.E.J.Hughes.)

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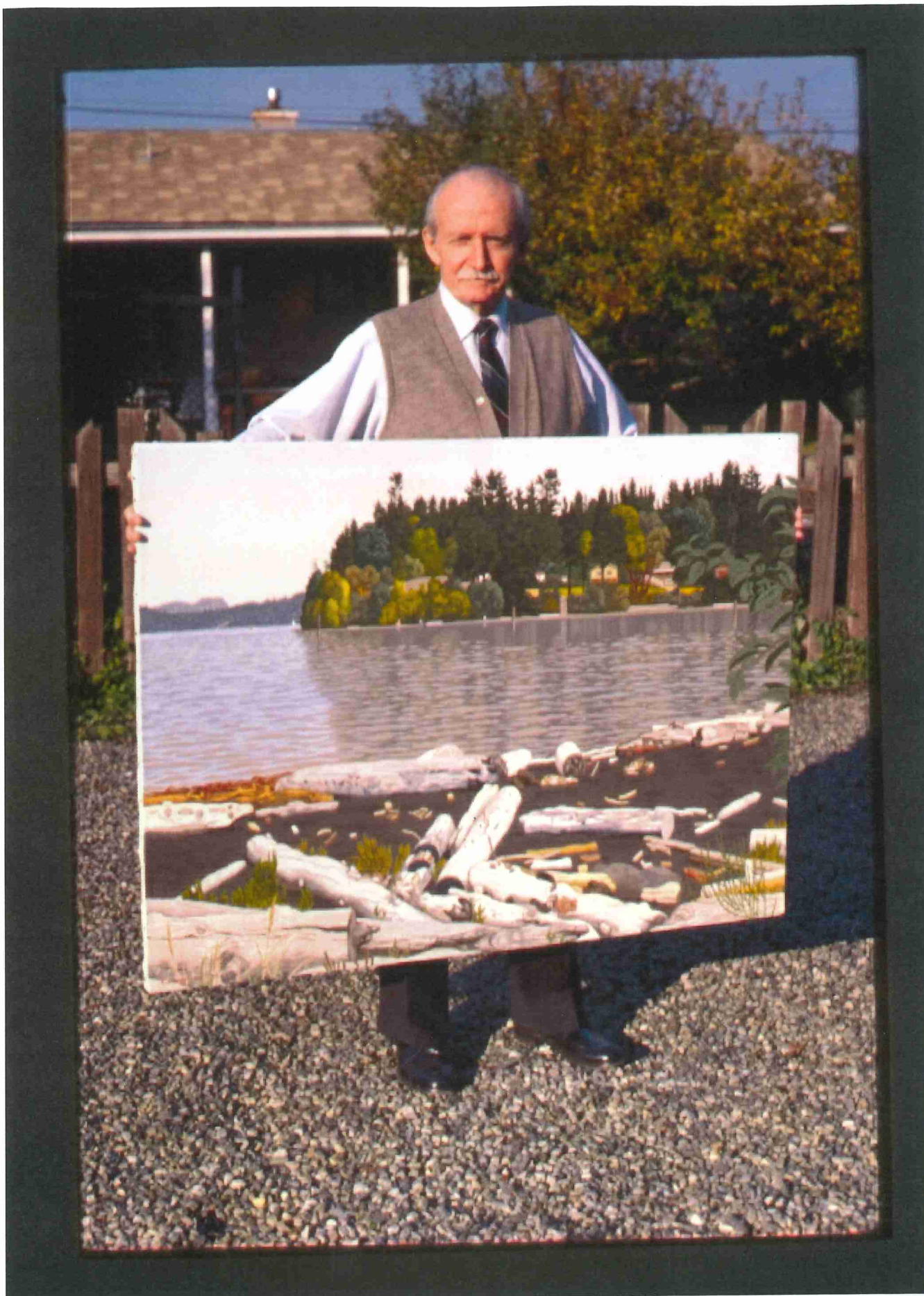
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September 17, 2019

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Via email: tgdonnelly@shaw.ca

Tracey Donnelly, President
Crofton Community Centre Society
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Crofton BC V0R 1R0

Dear Ms. Donnelly:

Re: Request to Re-name Crofton Beach Park to "E. J. Hughes Park at Crofton Beach"

I wish to advise that Council, at its September 4, 2019 Closed Council meeting, considered the Crofton Community Centre Society's request to re-name Crofton Beach Park to "E. J. Hughes Park at Crofton Beach." During the discussion, Council members noted that as it will be embarking on an overall review of naming rights; therefore, they did not want to consider requests in isolation of the process at this time. As such, Council passed the following resolution:

"That staff be directed to respond to the Crofton Community Centre Society thanking them for their suggestion but to convey that North Cowichan is not in a position to support name changes to any parks at this time as North Cowichan is pursuing the larger issue of naming rights generally."

On behalf of Council, we thank you for putting forward this suggestion.

Should you have any questions regarding above, please contact Ernie Mansueti, General Manager of Community Services at 250.746.3110 or by email: ernie.mansueti@northcowichan.ca.

Sincerely,



Karen Robertson, Corporate Officer
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