NORTH COAST
REGIONAL DISTRICT

Board Highlights

August 2026

Delegations:

Des Nobels, on behalf of the Ground Fish Development Authority presented to the Board a report on the Groundfish Development Authority 2026 Season. The report included fish stocks, international market considerations, local fish processing prioritization, and groundfish population recovery. The delegation noted that a new executive director, John Minns was selected to lead the Groundfish Development Authority. The delegation advised that this would be their last term on the Groundfish Development Authority and recommended that the board continue to appoint a member to the Authority and its importance to ground fishing activity in the region. The Board then thanked the delegation for their years of service.

Chad Marlatt, Director of Government Affairs with Cypress Land Services presented the Rogers Telecommunications Tower Proposal for Haida Gwaii. 8 cell sites are included in the proposal with 6 new constructions planned. The delegation shared the consultation done to receive public feedback including engagement with neighbouring property owners, newspaper ads, 3 open houses, and an invitation to receive written submissions. Following the delegations presentation the Board voted on a motion to advise Rogers that they have satisfactorily completed their consultation with the Regional District which was carried.

Board Business:

1. The Board resolved to send correspondence to the Government of Canada in support of MP Gord Johns' motion M-35 calling for Federal operational support for BC Ferries and equitable ferry services from Canada's east to west coast.

2. The Board adopted Bylaw No. 719, 2026, being a bylaw to obtain elector approval for the proposed Oona River and Associated Grounds Service Establishing Bylaw by Assent Vote in conjunction with upcoming general local elections.

3. The Board adopted Bylaws No. 715, 2026, and 716, 2026 being bylaws to amend the Moresby Island Official Community Plan Bylaw and Moresby Island Interim Zoning Bylaw in relation to the Hekate's Retreat zoning application locally known as the Sandspit Golf Course.

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