

**Tłchq Assembly
14th Session Directive
January 31, 2008**

The Tłchq Assembly held its 14th Session in Gamètì on January 29 – 31, 2008 and approved the following.

1. 13th Session Directive:

The Assembly reviewed the directive from the 13th Session and approved the following:

Item #12 – Assembly Coordinator Position:

Interviews were conducted on January 3 & 4, 2008. The Assembly has selected a person for the position of Assembly Coordinator. Upon acceptance by that candidate, the appointment shall take effect as soon as possible.

Item #6 – Wek'èezhì Renewable Resource Board:

The Tłchq Government to appoint Joe Rabesca to the Wek'èezhì Renewable Resource Board for a term of 2 years commencing November 24, 2007.

Item #9 – Elders Advisory Council:

A draft job description for the Elders Advisory Council will be presented to the Assembly for their consideration at the next Session.

**Item #10 – Tax Administration and Tax Sharing Agreement
Amendment Negotiations:**

To approve Member Albert Nitsiza to participate, along with Chief Leon Lafferty, Colin Salter and John Hazenberg, in the negotiations with Canada for an amendment to the Tax Administration and Tax Sharing Agreement.

Item #4 – Approval of CEC minutes:

Tabled until next Session.

2. Caribou Tags:

- a. Tłchq Government is allocated 166 caribou tags for distribution to holders of outfitter licences for the barren-ground caribou hunts pursuant to the section 20 of GNWT's Big Game Hunting Regulations. The GNWT shall not allocate these tags without the express permission of the Tłchq Government. A letter will be forwarded to GNWT to this effect.
- b. Request for caribou tags is tabled to allow for more information to be presented at the next Session.

3. Tłchq Implementation Committee:

Tłchq Representative to the Tłchq Implementation Committee, Bertha Rabesca Zoe, presented to the Assembly a report with some recommendation for consideration by the Assembly. The Assembly agreed to set aside some time to review in detail the report with the recommendations.

4. 4th Annual Gathering:

- a. Chief Charlie J. Nitsiza along with members Albert Nitsiza and Sonny Zoe to recommend to the Assembly at their next Session the dates for the 4th Annual Gathering.

- b. The Budget Committee to ensure that the Annual Gathering budget shall include the design, material and transportation cost of the harbour so that the material can be brought in using the winter road. The design cost shall be taken from the 2008 – 2009 budget.

5. Cultural Program Funds – DeBeers Impact Agreement:

The Assembly to establish a committee and there will be 2 representatives from each of the community on the committee. Representatives should include an elder, a man and a woman. Terms of reference along with budget will be drafted for Assembly consideration at their next session.

6. Tłchq Government Budget 2008-2009:

The Tłchq Assembly Budget Committee will present a draft budget for Assembly consideration at their next Session. Committee Members are Joseph Dryneck (alternate Chief Charlie Football), Edward Chocolate, Albert Nitsiza, James Rabesca and Chief Henry Gon (alternate Chief Charlie J. Nitsiza).

7. Tłchq Youth Exchange to Scotland Funding Request:

Tłchq Government to contribute financially to the Chief Jimmy Bruneau Regional High School Scotland trip scheduled for March 2008. The financial contribution will cover any shortfall for the cost of the trip and shall next exceed the requested amount of \$63,000. Tłchq Government financial support is based on the condition that there be at least 2 youth selected from Whatì, Wekweètì and Gamètì as part of the 18 that are travelling or in addition to the 18.

8. 15th Session and Session Scheduling:

The 15th Tłchq Assembly Session will be held in Behchokò on March 11 - 13, 2008.

9. Tłchq Hand Game Tournament Proposal:

Tłchq Hand Game Tournament will be held during the month of March 2008. Tłchq Government will contribute up to 50% of the total budget based on the proposal submitted by the Behchokò Youth Society.

10. Tłchq/Deline/Kugluktuk Snowmobile Trip Proposal:

Tabled until next Session.

11. Support for Therese Arrowmaker:

Therese Arrowmaker requires adequate housing and Tłchq Government will assist in acquiring adequate housing for her. Tłchq Government will send a letter of support to the Minister Responsible for Housing and arrange for meeting with the Minister.

12. Cost of Living Allowance – Assembly Members:

Tabled until next Session.

13. Working Group – Code of Conduct:


Tabled until next Session.

14. Assembly to visit Nisga'a Government:

Tabled until next Session.

15. Residential School payments – Chief Jimmy Bruneau School:

The Tłchq Government to write a letter to the Indian Residential Schools Resolution Canada recommending the placement of the Edzo Residence (Chief Jimmy Bruneau School) to be added to the list of eligible schools under the Indian Residential Schools Settlement Agreement.

Signature:  _____

This directive was approved by the Tłıchǫ Assembly. Chief Leon Lafferty abstained on item #6.

Grand Chief George Mackenzie signed this Directive on January 31, 2008.