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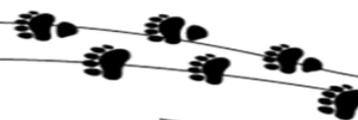


Xlaaxw (October) 2025 Edition



## **Gitlaxt'aamiks Village Government Council at Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a: October 2025**

October 27 and 28, 2025, the Gitlaxt'aamiks Village Government Council proudly participated in the Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a (WSN), showcasing their commitment to community leadership and governance. The council, comprising eight dedicated representatives, engaged in meaningful discussions and decision-making processes that reflect the values and aspirations of the Nisga'a Nation. Their active involvement in the WSN highlights their dedication to fostering a strong, united community and ensuring the well-being and prosperity of all members. These quarterly meetings is a significant step forward in the council's ongoing efforts to uphold the traditions and future growth of the Nisga'a Village of New Aiyansh.



# Village Government Name Change



## MEMO

Gitlaxt'aamiks Village Government  
PO Box 233, 5200 Skateen Avenue  
New Aiyansh, B.C. V0J 1A0

**Date:** NOVEMBER 3, 2025  
**To:** COMMUNITY OF NEW AIYANSH  
**Cc:** CHIEF & COUNCIL  
**From:** DARLENE MORGAN, CAO  
**RE:** VILLAGE GOVERNMENT NAME CHANGE

WE CONTINUE TO RECEIVE QUESTIONS REGARDING THE VILLAGE NAME. ENCLOSED YOU WILL FIND THE COUNCIL RESOLUTION DATED DECEMBER 10, 2018, THAT CONFIRMS THAT ONLY THE VILLAGE GOVERNMENT NAME WAS CHANGED.

THE NEW AIYANSH VILLAGE GOVERNMENT NAME WAS CHANGED TO GITLAXT'AAMIKS VILLAGE GOVERNMENT FROM NEW AIYANSH VILLAGE GOVERNMENT.

THE VILLAGE NAME REMAINS "THE NISGA'A VILLAGE OF NEW AIYANSH". WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF CHANGING THE SIGN AT THE ENTRANCE.

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### GITLAXT'AAMIKS VILLAGE GOVERNMENT

RESOLUTION			
DATE	10	December	2018
	DAY	MONTH	YEAR
CHRONOLOGICAL NUMBER			
2018-2019	Third		10-12-18-02
FISCAL YEAR	QUARTER		NUMBER

#### DO HEREBY RESOLVE:

- THAT** On May 20, 2010 Gitlaxt'aamiks Village Government passed a resolution to authorize a name change from New Aiyansh Village Government to Gitlaxt'aamiks Village Government;
- AND** That there continues to be confusion on whether this name change was to include mailing addresses, legal documents, land title documents, etc.
- AND** That all our legal documents continue to show us registered as the "Nisga'a Village of New Aiyansh";
- Whereas** The initial request for the name change was only to change the Village Government name for Branding & Website design purposes;

#### BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

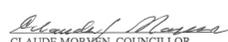
That effective immediately only the village government name shall be Gitlaxt'aamiks Village Government and that any legal documents or signage shall revert back to Nisga'a Village of New Aiyansh and for purposes of mailing addresses it shall remain New Aiyansh..

QUORUM FOR GITLAXT'AAMIKS VILLAGE GOVERNMENT CONSISTS OF FIVE(5)

  
KEITH TAIT, CHIEF COUNCILLOR

  
KEITH CLAYTON, DEPUTY

  
EDMOND WRIGHT, COUNCILLOR

  
CLAUDE MORVEN, COUNCILLOR

  
DENISE ELI, COUNCILLOR

  
FLOYD DAVIS, COUNCILLOR

  
NOAH GUNO, COUNCILLOR

  
TARON SCOTT, COUNCILLOR

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The Gitlaxt'aamiks Village Government, formerly known as the New Aiyansh Village Government, has officially changed its name to better reflect its branding and website design.

The village name remains "The Nisga'a Village of New Aiyansh," and legal documents and signage will revert to this name for mailing addresses.

This change, confirmed by a council resolution dated December 10, 2018, aims to clarify the scope and purpose of the name change, ensuring that the community of New Aiyansh and the Chief & Council are well-informed.



## Community Engagement and Transparency in New Aiyansh

On October 29, the Operations and Maintenance Public Works Department hosted their annual Public Meeting, with an impressive attendance of 148 community members.

Earlier in the month, on October 15, the Community Relations Department also held their annual Public Meeting, drawing 144 attendees.

These meetings, held in accordance with Part 3, section 14 (1) of the New Aiyansh Village Charter, underscore the commitment to promoting accountability and transparency within the community of New Aiyansh.



## NESS Band's Heartwarming Performance and Generous Donations

On October 28, the NESS Band delivered a captivating performance for the Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a (WSN).

The event was marked by the generous donations from NLG, contributing \$10,000, Ksi-Lisims LNG, adding \$1,500 and \$953 common bowl collection to support the NESS Band Class.



This funding will aid the 37 students, including 13 from New Aiyansh, as they prepare for an exciting cultural exchange trip to Japan in April 2026.

Si'aamhl wilin!



Scan the QR code to view  
the NESS Band  
Performance at WSN  
online album



## Brian Tait Sworn-In as Councillor for Nisga'a Village of New Aiyansh

On October 16, Brian Tait was officially sworn-in as the elected Councillor for the Nisga'a Village of New Aiyansh under section 58 of the Nisga'a Election Act. The swearing-in ceremony was held during the Regular Council Meeting in the GVG Council Chambers. We extend our congratulations to Brian on this significant achievement.



Scan the QR code to view  
the The Swearing-in of  
Brian Tait online album

## Gitlaxt'aamiks Village Government Participates in the 15th Annual Great ShakeOut BC

On October 16, from 10:16 to 10:20 AM, the Gitlaxt'aamiks Village Government actively participated in the 15th Annual Great ShakeOut BC.

This event is dedicated to promoting earthquake preparedness and ensuring the safety of our community. During the drill, participants practiced the essential "Drop, Cover, and Hold On" technique, which is crucial for minimizing injuries during an earthquake.

The Gitlaxt'aamiks Village Government's involvement underscores their commitment to fostering a culture of safety and preparedness among residents.





## Nisga'a Language Symposium Highlights: Darlene Morgan Shares Her Story

On October 7-8, the NLG Language and Culture Department successfully hosted a pivotal Nisga'a Language Symposium in New Aiyansh, bringing together community members and experts dedicated to the preservation and revitalization of the Nisga'a language. A notable highlight of the event was the participation of Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Darlene Morgan as a panelist on Day 1. CAO Morgan presented a powerful review of her forthcoming book, 'Through the eyes of a child: Indian Residential School Experience.' This deeply personal account shares her own residential school experience, offering a crucial perspective that weaves together the themes of personal history, cultural loss, and the resilience inherent in the ongoing efforts to reclaim and strengthen Nisga'a language and culture.



### Nisga'a Phrases

Hlaa maadim - Its winter now.

Sakhl gwineexkw txas-maadim. - The weather is cold in the winter.

Sinmuus nidiit. - The went moose hunting.

Huxwdii duulaaganuutkws nuum hlaa Halloween. - We also wear funny costumes at Halloween

Dim saytwandii Haniigwilahl sa. - There is a meeting on Wednesday.

Duulakw - To get firewood.

Hahligwootkwhl hooksit dahlaa yatslakwdii. - An axe is used to chop wood.

Hasiipgum-gwineexguma'a niiy. - I guess I have a cold/the flu.

Ts'axwhl Gayahlgwihl laxgenx. - The road (surface) is very slippery.

Council an t x'algaahl galts'ap. - The council governs the village.

# GVG Department Notices and Memos

HANISOWAA'YKW - SUNDAY	KSGOOGAM SA - MONDAY	HANIGILPILHL SA - TUESDAY	HANIGWILALHL SA - WEDNESDAY	HANITKALP'XHL SA - THURSDAY	HANIKWSDINSHL SA - FRIDAY	HANIT'EEK - SATURDAY	
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	AI Training 9-4pm Simalgax 6pm	Travel -> Terrace for PADM	PADM 201 Municipal Finance - Terrace, Coast Mountain College				8
	Remembrance Day LUNCHEON Simalgax 6pm	Closed - STAT	Movement is Medicine 1:30pm Housing and Capital Public Meeting	Get Hooked Crafts 2-4pm	Admin Day	15	
	Simalgax 6pm	Lunch Sale: Fish Hash	Movement is Medicine 1:30pm Governance Public Meeting	Get Hooked Crafts 2-4pm	POP-UP Bake Sale	22	
	Simalgax 6pm	Lunch Sale: Chowmein	Movement is Medicine 1:30pm GVG Priority and Planning Public Meeting	Get Hooked Crafts 2-4pm	Closed - Deep Cleaning	29	
						30	



## MEMO

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Date: **OCTOBER 15, 2025**  
To: **COMMUNITY OF NEW AIYANSH**  
Cc: **GVG ADMINISTRATION**  
From: **CHIEF & COUNCIL**  
RE: **COMMUNIQUE NOTIFICATIONS**

WE ARE RECEIVING A NUMBER OF QUESTIONS REGARDING VARIOUS PROGRAMS & SERVICES IN THE VILLAGE. WE KNOW THAT ADMINISTRATION HAS DONE NOTIFICATIONS OUT TO THE PUBLIC THROUGH OUR NEWSLETTER AND OUR FACEBOOK PAGE. FOR THE INFORMATION OF OUR COMMUNITY, WE ARE HAPPY TO PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING UPDATES:

- JANT HAS BEEN APPOINTED AS YTC FOR 2025
- CONGRATULATIONS TO GLORIA NISYOK, WHO HAS BEEN APPOINTED AS DIRECTOR FOR OUR EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION PROGRAMS.
- THE FIRST 4 TINY TOWN UNITS ARE COMPLETE, AND ADMINISTRATION WILL BE MEETING WITH THE NEW HOMEOWNERS THIS WEEK.
- WE HAVE TO COMPLETE HANDICAP RAILINGS ON 3 OF THE PINERIDGE UNITS, THEN THE NEW HOMEOWNERS WILL BE MOVING IN.
- WE HAVE FOUR CMHC UNITS UNDER CONSTRUCTION
- WE HAVE ONE UNIT UNDER CONSTRUCTION THAT IS A PILOT PROJECT WITH ENERGY EFFICIENT MATERIALS, WHICH WILL INCLUDE HARDY BOARD SIDINGS, INSULATED WINDOWS & DOORS, HEAT PUMPS, GENERATOR PLUG-IN, AND SOLAR PANELS.
- THE MECHANIC SHOP IS NEAR COMPLETION. WE ARE WAITING ON THE PAVING BEFORE WE SET UP THE SHOP. WE MAY OPEN THE FUEL STATION WITHIN THE NEXT WEEK.
- WE CURRENTLY HAVE ALL NORTH CONSULTANTS WORKING ON A NUMBER OF PROJECTS FOR US, SUCH AS THE SOUTH ACCESS ROAD, THE GATHERING PLACE AND MOTEL, SECOND WATER SOURCE & RESERVOIR, LIFT STATION, TRAILER & RV PARK, NEW FIRE HALL & FIRETRUCK, PRV STATION, AND NEW SUB-DIVISION
- CONSTRUCTION FOR THE 22-UNIT APARTMENT WILL BEGIN IN APRIL 2026.

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## GWILATKW 2025

"NOVEMBER - BLANKET OF SNOW"

OCTOBER 2025	DECEMBER 2025
1 2 3 4	1 2 3 4 5 6
5 6 7 8 9 10 11	7 8 9 10 11 12 13
12 13 14 15 16 17 18	14 15 16 17 18 19 20
19 20 21 22 23 24 25	21 22 23 24 25 26 27
26 27 28 29 30 31	28 29 30 31

Simdaala'am Nagats'e

GITLAXT'AAMIKS ELDERS CENTRE  
- PHONE: (250) 633 2067

Hours, Closed 1h Lunch on non-sale days.

Monday - Friday 9am-4pm

Drop-in always welcome

Movement is Medicine - REC Weds 1-2

Get Hooked Crafts - Thurs 2-4pm

Bake Sale, pop up sales occasionally

www.gitlaxtaamiks.com  
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## MEMO

To: Community of New Aiyansh  
From: Adult Care Program  
Cc: Lorna Davis, CSSW  
Date: November 5, 2025  
Re: Pension Run for November 2025

Good Day New Aiyansh residents,

The pension run is scheduled to run on **November 26, 2025.**

**Pick Up starts at 8:30 am**  
**Depart New Aiyansh at: 9:00 AM**  
**Returning from Terrace: 3:00 PM from Save-On Foods**

Please call the Gitlaxt'aamiks Village Government office to sign up (250)633-3100 for the pension run on November 26, 2025.

Contact Person is Crystal Stewart, Home Support Worker.

# 2025 NOVEMBER

## Meeting Schedule



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	29	30	31	01
02	03 BC Cabinet & First Nations Leaders Gathering - Vancouver, BC	04 BC Cabinet & First Nations Leaders Gathering - Vancouver, BC	05 BC Cabinet & First Nations Leaders Gathering - Vancouver, BC	06 BC Cabinet & First Nations Leaders Gathering - Vancouver, BC	07	08
09	10 GVG Committee of the Whole (COW) Meeting - Day 1 - 10:00AM	11 GVG Office Closure Statutory Holiday Remembrance Day	12 GVG Capital and Housing Public Meeting - Doors Open at 4:00PM at the Auditorium  GVG Committee of the Whole (COW) Meeting - Day 2 at 10:00AM	13 GVG Regular Council Meeting - 9:30AM	14	15
16	17	18	19 GVG Governance Public Meeting - Doors Open at 4:00PM at the Rec Centre	20	21	22
23	24	25	26 GVG Priority & Planning Public Meeting - Doors Open at 4:00PM at the Rec Centre	27 NLG Executive Meeting	28 NLG Executive Meeting	29

## Stay Informed: GVG November 2025 Meeting Schedule

We're pleased to share the upcoming Gitlaxt'aamiks Village Government (GVG) Public Meeting Schedule for November 2025!

We encourage all citizens to participate in these important community discussions. Your involvement helps shape the direction of our Village.

Please ensure you stay informed about specific meeting times and detailed Agendas. These will be posted in multiple convenient locations:

- On the GVG Website
- On the official GVG Facebook page
- Via hard copies delivered door-to-door throughout the community

We look forward to seeing you at our November meetings!

# November 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Notes
						1 U13 Boys & Girls tournament Rec centre	<p>December 2-4 NESS BAND hosting BINGO canteen/bakesale Tuesday &amp; Thursday Wednesday concert</p> <p>December 8-14 YMCA hosting BINGO canteen/bakesale</p> <p>Tribal Tournament Dec 12-14 Rec centre</p> <p>Elders Gala?</p>
2 U13 Boys & Girls tournament Rec centre	3	4 Bingo canteen/bakesale 13 & Under Girls hosting	5 Movie night Aiyansh NIFA PARENTS HOSTING	6 Bingo canteen/bakesale Aiyansh NIFA PARENTS hosting	7	8 Stonemoving feast	
9 Foodsale Gitlaxt'aamiks Ceremonial dancers hosting	10	11 BINGO Aiyansh NIFA parents Hosting	12	13 Memorial for the Late Linda Hudson	14 Settlement Feast for the Late Linda Hudson	15	
16 BINGO canteen/bakesale Gitmidiik Storm hosting	17	18 BINGO canteen/bakesale Gitmidiik Storm hosting	19	20 BINGO canteen/bakesale Gitmidiik Storm hosting	21 U17 boys & girls tournament Rec centre	22 U17 boys & girls tournament Rec centre	
23 U17 boys & girls tournament Rec centre	24	25 BAZAAR & Sundae sale Thunder ladies hosting	26	27 BINGO canteen/bakesale Thunder ladies hosting	28 Adult Dance Thunder ladies hosting	29	
30 BINGO canteen/bakesale Laxgibuu hosting							

SPECIAL FORM FOR

## Santa Claus

Please draw a picture on the back

I SWEAR I WILL ANSWER WITH THE TRUTH

MY NAME IS:

I AM  YEARS OLD. MY PARENTS ARE

THIS YEAR I HAVE BEEN:

SUPER GREAT    REALLY GOOD    PRETTY GOOD

ONE GOOD THING I DID WAS:

I LEARNED THAT:

MY WISHES FOR CHRISTMAS ARE:

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE

Please return forms for Jocelyn

## November 2025: Gitlaxt'aamiks YTC Fundraising Events

Stay connected and involved as the Gitlaxt'aamiks YTC gears up for its November 2025 fundraising events!

This month is critical for supporting the YTC's events and we encourage all local societies, sports teams, and pdeeks to mark your calendars and prepare for your respective upcoming fundraising days or weeks. Your participation and energy are key to the success of these initiatives.

Furthermore, this is a crucial reminder that the deadline for submitting YTC Wish Lists to Jocelyn Morven is fast approaching on November 15, 2025.

Please ensure all wish lists are submitted on or before the deadline date to help the YTC so the elves at Santa's workshop can start preparations!



GVG Website



GVG Facebook



GVG Zenfolio

## **Scan, Click, and Engage with GVG!**

Don't miss a beat with the Gitlaxt'aamiks Village Government! We're making it easier than ever to stay engaged and up to date with all our latest news, events, and amazing photos.

Look for the GVG QR Codes and give them a quick scan: one will take you directly to the official GVG website for comprehensive information, another to our active GVG Facebook page for community interaction and announcements, and a third to GVG Zenfolio to check out and share our vibrant galleries.

It only takes a second to scan, click, like, and share to help us spread the good vibes! By engaging across all our platforms, you ensure you never miss an update and help our community grow.

# **Call for Submissions**

If you would like to submit a story please call (250)633-3100  
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