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## December 2020 Newsletter

### 1. Our 2020 Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Our AGM was held virtually – hosted by Alana Dixon and the Canim Lake Band – on December 10th, and saw the re-election of the previous slate of officers and directors, namely Kerry Chelsea of the Esk'etemc First Nation as President; Irene Gilbert of the Canim Lake Band as Vice President; Harold Duncan of the Stswecem'c Xgat'tem First Nation as Treasurer; Graham Leslie of the 100 Mile House & District Historical Society as Secretary; and as Directors at Large – Alana Dixon of the Canim Lake Band, Charlotte Gilbert of the Esk'etemc First Nation and former Chief Patrick Harry of the Stswecem'c Xgat'tem First Nation.

### 2. Awaiting the Results of Our Several Funding Applications

We still expect to be, for some time, awaiting the results of the three funding applications that, if all successful, would finance the construction of our long-awaited cultural centre and museum at our 108 Mile Lake site. We are also awaiting the results of two other applications we made earlier in the Fall to fund David Jensen's continuing work with our member Bands to convert into actual exhibits and programs the ideas and themes identified during his earlier work in 2018 and 2019, and published in his April 2019 Road Map report. If either of these two applications is approved, his work will be able to commence as early as April, and will challenge us to manage the logistics of his team acquiring the input it needs during a continuing period of social distancing and other safety measures. We are confident we will be able to manage.

### 3. The New Year 2021

Ever mindful of the fact that hundreds of British Columbians lost their lives to the pandemic during 2020, leaving behind them grieving family and friends, we nevertheless take this opportunity to wish our readers all the best for the New Year in the hope that it will eventually turn out to be a better and happier one than 2020 was for most of us. At this time of writing, the casual approach of too many of our fellow citizens may be making the next few weeks the most dangerous of all, and we can only hope that by exercising caution and following the prescribed behaviours, you and your loved ones will remain safe and well. From all our Society members we wish you that much happier New Year.



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