

The First Nations Tax Commission, pursuant to the *First Nations*Fiscal and Statistical Management Act, hereby approves the following law made by the Skowkale First Nation in the Province of British Columbia,

Skowkale First Nation Annual Expenditure Law, 2009

Dated at Kamloops, British Columbia this 6th day of August, 2009.

On behalf of the First Nations Tax Commission

C.T. (Manny) Jules - Chief Commissioner First Nations Tax Commission





SKOWKALE FIRST NATION ANNUAL EXPENDITURE LAW, 2009

WHEREAS:

- A. Pursuant to section 5 of the First Nations Fiscal and Statistical Management Act, the council of a First Nation may make laws respecting taxation for local purposes of reserve lands, interests in reserve lands or rights to occupy, possess or use reserve lands, including laws authorizing the expenditure of local revenues;
- B. The Council of the Skowkale First Nation has enacted the Skowkale First Nation Property Taxation Assessment By-law dated October 20, 1995, which law has been deemed to be a property taxation law made under the First Nations Fiscal and Statistical Management Act, pursuant to section 145 of that Act;
- C. Section 10 of the First Nations Fiscal and Statistical Management Act requires a First Nation that has made a property taxation law to, at least once each year, make a law establishing a budget for the expenditure of revenues raised under its property taxation laws;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Skowkale First Nation, at a duly convened meeting, enacts as follows:

- 1. This Law may be cited as the Skowkale First Nation Annual Expenditure Law, 2009.
- 2. In this Law:
- "Act" means the First Nations Fiscal and Statistical Management Act, S.C. 2005, c.9, and the regulations made under that Act;
- "annual budget" means the budget, attached as a Schedule to this Law, setting out the projected local revenues and projected expenditures of those local revenues during the budget period;
- "Assessment and Taxation Law" means the Skowkale First Nation Property Taxation Assessment By-law dated October 20, 1995;
- "Council" has the meaning given to that term in the Act;
- "First Nation" means the Skowkale First Nation, being a band named in the schedule to the Act;
- "Law" means this annual expenditure law enacted under paragraph 5(1) (b) of the Act;
- "local revenues" means money raised by a First Nation under a property taxation law;
- "property taxation law" means a law enacted by the First Nation under paragraph 5(1)(a) of the Act; and
- "taxable property" means property in a reserve that is subject to taxation under a property taxation law.
- 3. The First Nation's annual budget for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2009 and ending March 31, 2010 is attached as a Schedule to this Law.
 - 4. This Law authorizes the expenditures provided for in the annual budget.
- 5. The grant amounts set out in the annual budget are hereby approved as expenditures in accordance with the Assessment and Taxation Law.
- 6. This Law authorizes the expenditure of contingency amounts as necessary within any of the categories of expenditures set out in the Schedule.
 - 7. Expenditures of local revenues must be made only in accordance with the annual budget.
- 8. Notwithstanding section 7 of this Law, Council may at any time amend the annual budget by amending this Law in accordance with Council procedure and the requirements of the Act.
- 9. Except where otherwise defined, words and expressions used in this Law have the meanings given to them in the Assessment and Taxation Law.

- 10. Where a provision in this Law is expressed in the present tense, the provision applies to the circumstances as they arise.
- 11. This Law must be construed as being remedial and must be given such fair, large and liberal construction and interpretation as best ensures the attainment of its objectives.
 - 12. The schedule attached to this Law form part of and is an integral part of this Law.
- 13. This Law comes into force and effect on the day after it is approved by the First Nations Tax Commission.

THIS LAW IS HEREBY DULY ENACTED by Council on the June 22, 2009, at Chilliwack, in the Province of British Columbia.

A quorum of Council consists of three (3) members of Council.

Chief Willy Hall

Councillor Gordon Hall

Councillor Gerald Sepass

Conneillor Jeffrey Point

Councillor James Archie

Schedule

2009 Annual Budget

Revenue	-	\$421694.74
Local Revenue for current fiscal yr		\$421694.74
Expenditures:		
General Government Expenditures		\$ 76,600.00
Administration	\$ 13,100.00	
General Administration	\$ 56,000.00	
Audit	\$ 7,500.00	
Other Services:		
Municipal Service Agreement		\$173,554.50
(District of Chilliwack)	\$173,554.50	
Assessment Services		
(BC Assessment)	\$ 4,232.50	\$ 4,232.50
Grants		
Home Owners Grants	\$162,724.00	\$162,724.00
Contingency Amounts	,	\$ 4583.74
Total Expenditures		\$421,694.74

Note: The First Nation has the following service agreements with third-party service providers, and the amounts indicated are the amounts payable by the First Nation under each agreement during the budget period:

Municipal Service Agreement (District of Chilliwack): \$173,554.50

Assessment Services (BC Assessment): \$ 4,232.50