The First Nations Tax Commission, pursuant to the *First Nations*Fiscal Management Act, hereby approves the following law made by the Seabird Island Indian Band in the Province of British Columbia,

Seabird Island Band Annual Expenditure Law, 2014

Dated at Kamloops, British Columbia this 10th day of July, 2014.

On behalf of the First Nations Tax Commission

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





SEABIRD ISLAND BAND ANNUAL EXPENDITURE LAW, 2014

WHEREAS:

- A. Pursuant to section 5 of the *First Nations Fiscal 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 Seabird Island Band has made the Seabird Island Band Property Taxation By-law and the Seabird Island Band Property Assessment By-law, which by-laws have been deemed further to section 145 of the Act as property taxation laws;
- C. Section 10 of the First Nations Fiscal 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; and
- D. The Council of the First Nation wishes to establish an annual budget for the expenditure of revenues raised in the current taxation year, and an interim budget for the next taxation year;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Seabird Island Band duly enacts as follows:

- 1. This Law may be cited as the Seabird Island Band Annual Expenditure Law, 2014.
 - 2. In this Law:
- "Act" means the First Nations Fiscal Management Act, S.C. 2005, c. 9, and the regulations made under that Act;
- "annual budget" means a budget setting out the projected local revenues and projected expenditures of those local revenues during a budget year;
- "annual expenditure law" means a law enacted under paragraph 5(1)(b) of the Act as required by paragraph 10(b) of the Act;
- "Assessment Law" means the Seabird Island Band Property Taxation By-law:
- "Council" has the meaning given to that term in the Act;
- "First Nation" means the Seabird Island Band, being a band named in the schedule to the Act:
- "interim budget" means a budget setting out the projected local revenues and projected expenditures of those local revenues during a budget year, that is intended to have effect only until replaced with an annual budget for that budget year;
- "Law" means this annual expenditure law enacted under paragraph 5(1)(b) of the Act;
- "local revenues" means money raised by the 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;

"taxable property" means property in a reserve that is subject to taxation under a property taxation law; and

"Taxation Law" means the Seabird Island Band Property Taxation By-law.

- 3. The First Nation's annual budget for the budget year beginning April 1,2014, and ending March 31, 2015, is attached as a Schedule and the expenditures provided for in the Schedule are authorized.
- **4.**(1) The First Nation's interim budget for the budget year beginning April 1, 2015, and ending March 31, 2016 is comprised of
 - (a) section 1 of Part 1 of the Schedule; and
 - (b) all of Part 2 of the Schedule except for section 6.
- (2) The expenditures provided for in subsection (1) are authorized until the First Nation's annual expenditure law for the budget year referenced in subsection (1) comes into force and effect, at which time the interim budget ceases to have force and effect.
- 5. Expenditures of local revenues must be made only in accordance with the annual budget.
- 6. Where the First Nation wishes to authorize an expenditure not authorized in this Law, or change the amount of an expenditure authorized, Council must amend this Law in accordance with Council procedure and the requirements of the Act.
- 7. The grant amounts set out in the annual budget are hereby approved as expenditures in accordance with the Taxation Law.
- 8. This Law authorizes the expenditure of contingency amounts as necessary within any of the categories of expenditures set out in the Schedule.
- 9. Except where otherwise defined, words and expressions used in this Law have the meanings given to them in the Assessment Law and the 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. (1) The Schedule attached to this Law forms part of and is an integral part of this Law.
- (2) A reference to the Schedule is a reference to the Schedule to 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 26th day of June, 2014, at Agassiz, in the Province of British Columbia.

A quorum of Council consists of six (6) members of Council.

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Councillor Art Andrew
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Councillor Carol Hope

SCHEDULE

ANNUAL BUDGET 2014 AND INTERIM BUDGET 2015

PART 1: REVENUES

PA	ART I: REVENUES			
1.	Local revenues for current fiscal year:			
	a. Property Tax	\$ 1,092,261		
TOTAL REVENUES		\$ 1,092,261		
PART 2: EXPENDITURES				
I.	General Government Expenditures			
	a. Executive and Legislative	296,000		
	b. General Administrative	111,226		
	c. Other General Government			
	i. By-law Development	20,490		
	ii. Appeals	25,000		
2.	Protection Services			
	a. Policing			
	b. Firefighting	50,000		
	c. Regulatory Measures			
	d. Other Protective Services - Dyking	50,000		
	e. Animal and Pest control	5,000		
3.	Transportation			
	a. Roads and Streets			
	b. Snow and Ice Removal			
	c. Parking d. Public Transit			
	e. Other Transportation			
4.	Recreation and Cultural Services			
	a. Recreation	157,100		
	b. Culture	93,500		
	c. Heritage Protection			
	d. Other Recreation and Culture			
5.	Community Development			
	a. Education	9,500		

b. Planning and Zoning	
c. Community Planning	
d. Economic Development Program	
e. Tourism	
f. Trade and Industry	
g. Land Rehabilitation and Beautification	72,525
h. Other Regional Planning and Development	91,280
d. Education	
e. Other Service	
6. Grants:	
a. Home owner grant equivalents:	1,140
b. Other grants:	
i. Age over 65	\$ 275
7. Contingency	\$ 109,226
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 1,092,261
BALANCE	\$ 0

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:

a. District of Kent – Road Maintenance
 b. District of Kent – Sewer Service
 14,750 per Annum
 1.15 per Cubic meter