

William (Bill) Yoachim, Sqwulutsultun, is a proven leader with deep roots in his community and a strong commitment to improving the lives of Indigenous children and families. Born to Ivy Wyse and grandson of Eva and Alfred Wyse, Bill proudly hails from the Snuneymuxw First Nation. Currently serving as the Executive Director of Kw'umut Lelum in Nanaimo, Bill's career has been defined by his dedication to youth outreach and community wellbeing.

Bill's journey began with his family and community, who instilled in him the snuw'uy'ulh that has shaped his path. Bill's commitment to restoring jurisdiction and self-determination to Indigenous communities has driven his work at KL, providing vital support to families both in our communities and within central Vancouver Island's urban areas.

Bill is also a co-founder of the Hope and Health movement, which uses sports to inspire hope and well-being in Indigenous communities across BC.

Bill has a strong record of public service, having served 16 years on SFN council, and 4 years on Nanaimo city council and the Nanaimo Economic Development Committee. He is also a member of the AFN Chiefs Committee on Child and Family Services and Self-Determination and played a pivotal role in implementing a province-wide tuition waiver program for children in care during his tenure on the Board of VIU. He has proven to be fiscally responsible in his professional life as well as with the Nation's finances.

Bill Yoachim's extensive experience, deep-rooted dedication, fiscal accountability and unwavering commitment to Indigenous rights and child and family services make him an exceptional leader and a formidable candidate for the role of Councillor.

## CHARLENE PAUL(SELPIN)

## ABOUT ME

I have been nominated for Snuneymuxw First Nation Council. I am humbled and truly honored and have accepted the nomination to run for a SFN Council position.

My grandparents are late Josephine and George Good. My parents are Gayle (Good) White and late Stan Paul (Sechelt). Lam a mother of four children and two grandchildren.

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## **VOTE FOR CHARLENE**

#### EDUCATION

Strongly believe in uplifting our youth and children for better education, whether thats at College/University or trades

#### HOUSING

I will advocate for more housing for our Snuneymuxw members. Whether that be membership, crisis housing, transitional and low income housing

#### ECONOMIC/SOCIAL

I WOULD LIKE CREATE MORE TRAINING PROGRAMS FOR OUR MEMBERS IN HOSPITALITY AND TOURISM INDUSTRY, BUSINESSES IN AND AROUND SNUNEYMUXW TERRITORY,



Hello, my name is Darren Good. My traditional name is Sum'Sa'Lay'Staa. I am writing an introduction of myself to my community both on and off reservation. I have lived on reserve since 2005 and spent most of my life living off reservation. My mother is Lolly (Loraine) Good. I have been married to my wife Jackie since 2001. We have a blended family with 4 children. I have been involved with our culture for over 30 years and continue to speak on behalf of the families within our Coast Salish communities.

I am a stroke survivor! About 15 months ago I suffered a massive stroke. Doctors did not believe I would ever walk or talk again. It was a tough fight to come back! But I am here and proving the Doctor's wrong! During this hard time, my perspective on what matters in life has changed. My family, friends and community mean so much more to me. Today I work hard at my recovery and pay more attention to what is important to me now. Up until my stroke I had been employed with Western Forest Products for over 30 years. Although I have been challenged, I am still a strong believer that hard work will be rewarded.

I have just been honored to be nominated to run for a council seat within our community. I have had the privilege of serving our community at the council table for 3 terms previous.

I am hoping that you will consider voting for me at our next community election. I believe I could represent our community with an open mind and fairness. Hy'ch'qa

My name is Denean F. Good, en' thu pe' Tee tee sul wut,

I am a young mom of one teenage-boy, Blair, his cultural name is Solatiluk. Both my son and myself are Snuneymuxw.

My nanny is (Lolly) Lorraine Good, she has helped raise me to be the woman I am today, to hold onto my culture, walk with my head held high.

In the Snuneymuxw First Nation Territory, we have the least land to Population ratio with over 80% of our population living off-reserve. why were we forced onto reserves? why was our language was forced out of us? Why were the first nations people treated so terribly? why were my people raped/tortured/killed for speaking their native tongue. I will do my part by learning to speak my language fluently.

What will I do for Snuneymuxw if I get voted into Council? I will attend the meetings. I am a woman, and a single parent I can bring my perspective to the table the struggles of living off-reserve and living on reserve. We need to keep looking at what can be done to create a better future for our Snuneymuxw what can our generation uphold in our community.

Not for the public's sake, but for our Snuneymuxw.

I have the time and energy to help create connection amongst our people including on and off -reserve engagement.

### Vote Denean F. Good 😊 on Jan 10/ 20, 2024

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# ELI WYSE

## FOR SNUNEYMUXW COUNCIL

Uy' Skweyul,

My grandparents are Arnie Wyse Sr. and Arlen Wyse and my parents are is Arnie Wyse Jr. & Tia Fawdry.

For the last 4 years, through my employment at Kw'umut Lelum as an Outreach Worker and Boxing Coach, I have advocated and supported children and youth from many Nations. My job creates an opportunity to link members to resources and guide youth to a healthier, brighter future, and I'd like to do the same for my Nation. I strive to serve my community and to make our collective voices heard.

I am running for council to represent Snuneymuxw First Nation. I am a strong listener, dedicated and will work on your behalf for a stronger Snuneymuxw.



Huy tseep q'u.

## VOTE BY JANUARY 20TH CONTACT 250-734-1236

#### **VOTE FOR GERALDINE MANSON FOR COUNCIL**



Today, I Geraldine Manson accepted with great honor the position to run for Snuneymuxw Council position for the term of 2024-2028.

Reflecting on my role here at the Vancouver Island University as the "Elder-in-Resident" where I now been for 15 years. This role became possible though our dear Dr. Auntie Ellen White, "Kwulasulwut" who was getting ready to retire at the

time from her role as the "VIU, Elder-in-Resident." It was Auntie Ellen that appointed my name to this role. In this role, I continue to share with students and Faculty the history of the land, from the mountains to the river that flows into the ocean and all its resources. Using the gifts embraced within as a mother and grandmother, greatgrandmother ensuring stories and knowledge received from our Elders are kept alive.

Exciting times ahead and every voice matters in bringing forth decision making specifically to support what the new land base coming, what that will look like whether that be for residential or economical uses.

As an elected councilmember, I would bring Energy of Togetherness, Voice for Change where the need be, supporting Education right up to the University level, and taking the time to listen to all. Members can reach me through email, geri\_2023@hotmail.com, cellphone – 1-250-618-1686.

#### **Vote for Geraldine Manson**

Advance Poll: Wednesday January 1, 2024 – 9AM – 8PM at the GYM

Online Voting: opens Wednesday January 10, 2024

Regular Poll: Saturday, January 20, 2024 – 9AM – 8PM

## **Vote for Isaac Thomas**

Greetings Snuneymuxw mustimuhw,

My name is Suliip'tun, Isaac Thomas, and I am humbly seeking your support for re-election. My paternal grandparents are the late Oscar Thomas & Phyllis Thomas (nee Wyse). My parents are John & Maureen Thomas and I have one sister, Erralyn Joseph. Together with my wife Desiree we live in community with our three children, Kaylee, Jayden & Isabella. I am currently employed with Coastland Wood Industries for 20 years. I feel honoured to serve you and support all Snuneymuxw families and adhere to my commitments including supporting the growth of our Nation.



#### **My Commitment:**

## I am the Chair for the following Council portfolios, 2019-present:

- Administration & Governance
- Capital Projects & Infrastructure

## I am the co-chair for the following Council portfolios, 2019-present:

- Elders advisory group
- Lands & Resources

## Our Council worked together to accomplish the following initiatives:

- First Nations financial law
- Electoral reform (online voting)
- SFN Administration Personnel Policy
- Cannabis Dispensary, Sealand Market development, hotel, gas station and fee simple land acquisitions
- I Remain Committed to Consistency Into Our Future:

If re-elected, I am committed to completing the initiatives already underway as well as embark on new initiatives such as:

- Complete the Additions to Reserve process for the National Defence Lands (DND)
- Ratify a Snuneymuxw Membership & Land Code;
- Gender harmony on Council in keeping with our traditional ways;
- Continue working to bring forward new housing initiatives to support bringing our people home; and
- Continue to implement our Treaty of 1854 for future generations to come.

Vote Isaac Thomas on January 10, 2024 (advance voting day) and January 20, 2024! You will also be able to vote online starting January 10, 2024. Ask our electoral officer for details!



James Richard Thomas

Born and raised Snuneymuxw, as I look back I find a family of resource, servitude and leadership. I believe we are bound by blood and kinship.

I have helped in many different fields starting with serving in the U.S. Marine Corps which shaped my early life. I have been employed with the Federal Government for the last 23 years where I gained an understanding of justice.

The honour is mine to continue what my Ancestors have begun. My familial responsibility guides the work I am to complete. I feel an obligation to carry on the work with respect, which is the foundation on which I stand.

Hy'c~ap aywuth



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## JOHN L. WHITE

#### UY'SKWEYUL/GOOD DAY,

Dear Elders, Membership, and Family. My name is John L. White. I am the son of Debbie White and late Ronnie White. My grandparents are late Reginal and Rena White.

I have lived most of my life in and around our beautiful Snuneymuxw Territory, both on and off reserve. As a proud Snuneymuxw member, some of my most cherished memories involve harvesting from the bounty of our lands and waters that have sustained our people for thousands of years.

I live a very healthy lifestyle and giving back to my community is something I take pride in and have personally committed to do. I have a strong work ethic. I am a critical thinker and problem solver. I love listening to our people and leading by example to get things done.

My areas of strength are intergovernmental relations, resource management, fisheries, youth empowerment, and project management.

I am confident that I bring skills and knowledge that will benefit all Snuneymuxw.

Please consider voting for John L. White.



# VOTE KATE GOOD

For Council

January 20, 2024

Uy Skweyul Snuneymuxw Mustimuxw,

My name is Kate Good, born and raised in Snuneymuxw territory, and I cherish our Snuneymuxw Community and our Snuneymuxw People. I am a proud daughter of Joe Wyse and late Chief Viola Wyse, and wife of 16 years to Edward Good Sr. Together, Edward and I have 3 beautiful children: Edward Jr., JoJo and Carter. Currently, I am the Crisis Support and Wellness Manager for the Snuneymuxw Health Department and support our people to receive these services.

During my second term serving on Council, I was the Chair of the Wellness Council Portfolio, and co-chair of the Education, employment, and Social Development Council Portfolio. Personally, I take great pride in Health and Wellness and model this desired lifestyle with how I raise my children and how I live my day-to-day life. It is my passion to strengthen health and wellness in our community as a whole and support Snuneymuxw families in their health and wellness goals as well.

Our Council has taken great strides moving our Nation forward and carrying on the work of our Ancestors and Elders. With new economic ventures like our new hotel and gas station, bringing new housing into our community, getting some of our land back at Kwa'luxw and the DND lands, and the development of our Snuneymuxw Health Centre. I am honoured to help support the growth of our Nation.

I want to thank you for supporting me to represent your thoughts and feelings at our council table and to make important decisions for our future generations. I am humbly seeking your support for re-election.

Sincerely,

Kate Good

### **Patrick Cooper**



My name is Pat Cooper. I was born and raised on Vancouver Island. If chosen to represent the Snuneymuxw community on council, my priorities would be Family, Experience and Focus to benefit us all.

#### Family

My ancestry is connected to the Peterson family from Gabriola. I have been honored to learn more about my family and my ancestors in recent years. I am married and have two children and one grandson.

#### Experience

I am retired after a long career in the Pulp and Paper industry with roles in Environment, Supervision and Management. I would bring a corporate & industrial perspective to the caretaking and administration of the Snuneymuxw operations and planning.

#### Focus

Improvements to housing, employment and health benefits are my personal priorities and will be the focus I will bring to the Chief and Council meetings. Our younger generations struggle to financially survive in the Nanaimo area and I believe we need to use SFN resources to help our membership to stay and live together on our lands.

## ELECTION 2024 CANDIDATE FOR BAND COUNCILLOR

To Snuneymuxw Members:

I would like to introduce myself, Regan Seward, son of Late Ray Seward & Late Norma Seward. I am one of the candidates for Band Councillor for upcoming election. I have had the pleasure to serve Snuneymuxw members as an Elected Councillor since 2014 to present.

Presently working as Non-Insured Health Benefits Clerk for Snuneymuxw Hulit Lelum (27 years) in which I'm responsible for assisting Snuneymuxw and Other First Nation members who are eligible for First Nation Health coverage.

In the past I have worked in Education Department as Education Assistant, Finance Department as back up for Accounts Payable, also assisted Social Development.

I am very cultural orientated, I always seek direction and teaching from our respected Elders whether in the longhouse or other cultural events. As this has been the way of my life growing up, always learn from the elders or other members that have been taught by elders.

Thank you and I am asking for your support to be re-elected as one of the Band Councillors.

Huy cee:p qa

## **REGAN R.A. SEWARD**



## VOTE: TERENA GOOD(ROSS) JANUARY 20, 2024



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'een'thu pe' shx uy' sulwutt, tu nu shwunitum'a'lh nu skwish Terena Good, tun'i'tsun 'utl' snuneymuxw,

My name is shx uy'sulwutt, my english name is Terena Good, I am from snuneymuxw

My family connection to snuneymuxw is through the Good family. My grandmother and grandfather were the late Caroline Good(Wilson) and Peter Good Sr. My great grandparents were late Louie Good and Sybil Good (Wyse).

What is leadership to me? It is a selfless act of caring, leading and inspiring others to do their best work. As a leader, I aim to be direct and collaborate with my team members, lead by example and making sure that my community knows I care. As a leader I will be responsible to serve the people and community of snuneymuxw. We're stronger when we work together.

I have worked alongside varying types of leadership, Elders, Chief and Council, and the administration leadership. I have fought alongside our Education department to have our voices heard in many issues that affected our families.



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It is my hope that I can help lead our community in a good way. In a way that we will all grow and succeed, in a positive and healthy direction, for both on and off reserve membership.

huy ch q'a'! I look forward to speaking with every family of snuneymuxw first nation, your voice is important!



My name is Wendy Manson and my maiden name is White. I live on IR #1 at 208 Eaton Street with my husband Dwayne, and our two daughters Carmanah and Freya. We have resided on-reserve together for the past 20 years. My late grandparents are Dick and Hannah White. My parents are Neil White and Greta Clifton. I am honoured to run for Snuneymuxw Council and would like to serve our Nation.

I would like the opportunity to utilize my education and work experience to assist our Nation with governance. I have obtained a Business

Administration Diploma, an Applied Business Technology Certificate specializing in Computing and Accounting, a Bookkeeping Certificate, and an Event Management Certificate. With a passion for learning, I am working towards a Bachelor of Business Administration Degree with a major in accounting.

My current work experience provides me with working knowledge of framework for government-to-government discussions and negotiations. It also provides me working knowledge of proposal writing, contract language and contract execution. My prior work experience has provided me with the working knowledge of GIS and the forest industry. My bookkeeping and accounting background provides me with the ability to read and understand financial statements while understanding business trends.

I believe that every minute counts, every person matters, and my personal motto is to be happy and helpful. I am open to discussing topics that are important to you. Please feel free to call me 236-516-9388. I look forward to hearing from you. Thank you.