

# MOTIONS OTHER THAN GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

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**MOTIONS OTHER THAN GOVERNMENT MOTIONS****Tuesday, May 11, 2021**

## 1. Motion No. 13

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to disclose the total costs of operating the Whitehorse Emergency Shelter, including increased operational costs, capital costs, and costs associated with Yukon Emergency Medical Services and RCMP responses to problems or emergencies at the facility.

**Wednesday, May 12, 2021**

## 2. Motion No. 15

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to release the total estimated costs of implementing the 76 recommendations contained in *Putting People First – the final report of the comprehensive review of Yukon’s health and social programs and services*.

## 3. Motion No. 16

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to waive solid-waste facility tipping fees for brush, clean wood, and demolition material resulting from the windstorm of October 26, 2020 which resulted in many fallen trees and some destroyed buildings.

## 4. Motion No. 17

Ms. White, Leader of the Third Party

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to act on the Health Canada recommendation that individuals over the age of 55 get the SHINGRIX vaccine by covering the cost of the vaccine.

## 5. Motion No. 18

Ms. Tredger, Member for Whitehorse Centre

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to communicate to the Ross River Dene Council and the community of Ross River clear timelines on the repairs to the washout on the Robert Campbell Highway and what measures are in place to ensure emergencies, medical or otherwise, are attended to in a timely manner.

**Thursday, May 13, 2021**

## 6. Motion No. 22

Mr. Dixon, Leader of the Official Opposition

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to immediately rebuild and repair its relationship with the Yukon Fish and Game Association by:

- (1) restoring core funding to the Yukon Fish and Game Association; and
- (2) ensuring that no future funding agreements contain non-disclosure clauses as proposed by the previous government.

7. Motion No. 23

Mr. Dixon, Leader of the Official Opposition

THAT this House urges the Government of Canada to strongly condemn the rocket attacks by Hamas against Israeli citizens and be clear in all of its public statements that this attack by Hamas on innocent people is an act of terrorism.

8. Motion No. 25

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

THAT this House urges the Yukon government to take action to improve access to health care by developing a wait-time reduction strategy.

**Monday, May 17, 2021**

9. Motion No. 28

Mr. Dixon, Leader of the Official Opposition

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to conduct a liquor-pricing review.

10. Motion No. 31

Mr. Kent, Member for Copperbelt South

THAT this House urges the Minister of Education to ensure that parents who choose to homeschool their children have the option of using a paper-based curriculum.

11. Motion No. 32

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

THAT this House urges the Yukon government to provide the Yukon Hospital Corporation with stable and predictable funding to meet the health care needs of Yukoners, including providing an annual increase to core funding for hospitals.

12. Motion No. 33

Ms. White, Leader of the Third Party

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to reflect current COVID-19 measures by ensuring that all Yukon government workers, regardless of job classification, have access to paid sick leave.

13. Motion No. 34

Mr. Istchenko, Member for Kluane

THAT this House urges the Minister of Community Services to provide communities with nearby garbage-disposal options by taking the following actions:

- (1) keeping the Silver City solid-waste transfer facility open;
- (2) pausing plans to close other solid-waste facilities; and
- (3) consulting with affected businesses and communities and First Nations before making a decision to implement fees at solid-waste transfer stations.

14. Motion No. 35

Mr. Istchenko, Member for Kluane

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to recognize the importance of ensuring that people in the electoral district of Kluane have a full-time doctor located in Haines Junction by taking action including ensuring that steps are taken immediately to find a physician willing to live in the community and provide service to the people of the surrounding area.

15. Motion No. 36

Mr. Istchenko, Member for Kluane

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to dedicate a portion of its Highways and Public Works 2021-22 capital budget to work on the north Alaska Highway.

16. Motion No. 37

Mr. Istchenko, Member for Kluane

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to use its 2021-22 budget to build turning lanes at the entrances to the Takhini and Mendenhall subdivisions.

17. Motion No. 39

Mr. Dixon, Leader of the Official Opposition

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to extend the 25-percent discount for liquor licences for one year and amend the current program so that it applies equally to all licencees throughout the territory.

**Tuesday, May 18, 2021**

18. Motion No. 41

Mr. Hassard, Member for Pelly-Nisutlin

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to work with the community of Ross River to immediately begin the process of building a new school.

19. Motion No. 42

Mr. Istchenko, Member for Kluane

THAT this House urges the Minister of Highways and Public Works to work with the communities of Beaver Creek, Burwash Landing, Destruction Bay, Haines Junction, Canyon Creek, Champagne, Mendenhall, and Takhini to improve the current standard of highway vegetation control in order to address safety concerns and improve visibility.

## 20. Motion No. 43

Mr. Istchenko, Member for Kluane

THAT this House urges the Minister of Highways and Public Works to take actions to ensure that milled highways are resurfaced, including ensuring that contracts are issued early enough in the year to allow resurfacing to be done before the end of the construction season.

## 21. Motion No. 44

Mr. Istchenko, Member for Kluane

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to initiate consultations with the St. Elias Seniors Society, the Village of Haines Junction, and the Champagne and Aishihik First Nations on the construction of phase 2 of seniors housing in Haines Junction.

**Wednesday, May 19, 2021**

## 22. Motion No. 46

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

THAT this House urges the Minister of Highways and Public Works to make improving Takhini River Road a high priority and move forward with a major upgrade to the roadbed, ditches, and road surface.

## 23. Motion No. 47

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

THAT this House urges the Yukon government to work with commercial garbage haulers and the City of Whitehorse to restore commercial garbage service to customers in the Mayo Road, Hot Springs Road, and Ibex Valley areas.

## 24. Motion No. 48

Ms. Blake, Member for Vuntut Gwitchin

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to ensure that patients' voices are heard on decisions with regard to coverage for medications by creating a patient advisory committee to advise the Pharmaceutical Advisory Committee Formulary Working Group.

**Thursday, May 20, 2021**

## 25. Motion No. 49

Mr. Kent, Member for Copperbelt South

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to work with the Yukon Montessori School and the Yukon Teachers' Association to establish a pilot project for a publicly funded Montessori program in a Yukon elementary school.

26. Motion No. 50  
Ms. Clarke, Member for Porter Creek Centre  
THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to work with the City of Whitehorse to address traffic issues in Whistle Bend and along Mountainview Drive in light of the upcoming construction of the new Whistle Bend school.
27. Motion No. 53  
Ms. Van Bibber, Member for Porter Creek North  
THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to enhance traffic safety along the Alaska Highway in Porter Creek by installing a turning lane in front of Super A and installing pedestrian-activated crosswalks.
28. Motion No. 54  
Mr. Hassard, Member for Pelly-Nisutlin  
THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to work with appropriate levels of government to lobby for Yukon's required access to tidewater via Skagway and Haines, Alaska and Stewart, British Columbia.
29. Motion No. 55  
Mr. Istchenko, Member for Kluane  
THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to support local initiatives and events that promote Yukon's trapping industry, including but not limited to:
- (1) UnFURled, organized by the Yukon Trappers Association and the North Yukon Renewable Resources Council;
  - (2) the Alsek moose recovery program administered by the Champagne and Aishihik First Nations and the Alsek Renewable Resources Council; and
  - (3) the Dawson Fur Show, organized by the Dawson District Renewable Resources Council.
30. Motion No. 56  
Mr. Istchenko, Member for Kluane  
THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to recognize the importance of ensuring that community libraries have the resources to operate and pay staff by working with community library boards to determine an appropriate increase to their funding.
31. Motion No. 57  
Mr. Istchenko, Member for Kluane  
THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to develop a Yukon forestry strategy in consultation with Yukon First Nations and appropriate stakeholders to support value-added products for Yukon timber, including biomass energy production.

## 32. Motion No. 58

Mr. Istchenko, Member for Kluane

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to work together with the Champagne and Aishihik First Nations and the Yukon Energy Corporation on the protocol agreement regarding relicensing of the Äshèyi Män, also known as Aishihik Lake, generating facility and attempt to reach a mutually agreeable consensus on the proposed future operation of the dam.

## 33. Motion No. 59

Ms. Blake, Member for Vuntut Gwitchin

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to include in-centre hemodialysis when implementing the recommendations in *Putting People First – the final report of the comprehensive review of Yukon’s health and social programs and services*.

## 34. Motion No. 60

Ms. Tredger, Member for Whitehorse Centre

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to direct the Yukon Housing Corporation to immediately address the issue of bedbug infestations in seniors units that are impacting the health and mental well-being of tenants.

**Tuesday, May 25, 2021**

## 35. Motion No. 62

Mr. Dixon, Leader of the Official Opposition

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to work with the chief medical officer of health to develop a clear path forward for safe reopening that includes timelines and benchmarks to ensure that decisions are open and transparent.

## 36. Motion No. 64

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

THAT this House urges the Yukon government to revise the elk management plan to provide hunting opportunities and improve protection of farmland, including designating all of the Takhini River valley an elk exclusion zone.

## 37. Motion No. 66

Ms. Tredger, Member for Whitehorse Centre

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to adhere to the 1998 *National Accord for the Protection of Species at Risk*, to which Yukon is a signatory, and introduce complementary legislation to provide for effective protection of species at risk in Yukon.



## 38. Motion No. 67

Mr. Dixon, Leader of the Official Opposition

THAT it is the opinion of this House that the Government of Yukon should condemn anti-Semitism and all forms of systemic racism and religious discrimination.

**Wednesday, May 26, 2021**

## 39. Motion No. 69

Mr. Istchenko, Member for Kluane

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to dedicate a portion of the Department of Highways and Public Works 2021-22 capital budget to upgrade with bituminous surface treatment, also known as BTS, the gravel stretches on the Champagne access road.

## 40. Motion No. 70

Mr. Istchenko, Member for Kluane

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to dedicate a portion of the Department of Highways and Public Works 2021-22 capital budget to improve maintenance of the Kusawa Lake and Aishihik Lake roads.

## 41. Motion No. 71

Mr. Istchenko, Member for Kluane

THAT this House urges the Minister of Community Services to work with first responders, First Nations, municipal governments, and unincorporated communities to develop a strategy to strengthen rural fire and ambulance services, including:

- (1) holding recruitment drives for new volunteers;
- (2) increasing retention of EMS and fire volunteers, including improving supports and addressing barriers;
- (3) looking at possible ways of making training more accessible to volunteers;
- (4) reviewing training standards and qualification requirements to ensure that they strike the right balance between keeping people safe and not leaving communities without coverage as a result of high minimum standards; and
- (5) improving fire protection and ambulance coverage for rural communities.

## 42. Motion No. 72

Ms. Tredger, Member for Whitehorse Centre

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to uphold the commitment made in the Speech from the Throne to subsidize the cost of period products for Yukoners in need by providing menstrual products in all Yukon schools.

## 43. Motion No. 73

Ms. Blake, Member for Vuntut Gwitchin

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to require the Yukon Liquor Corporation, when approving offsales licences, to collaborate with the Department of Health and Social Services by assessing locations and hours from a public health perspective.

**Thursday, May 27, 2021**

## 44. Motion No. 74

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

THAT it is the opinion of this House that the Yukon government should follow the example of provinces including British Columbia and Prince Edward Island by releasing a reopening plan that includes clear dates and benchmarks for ending pandemic restrictions and returning to normal life.

## 45. Motion No. 76

Ms. Clarke, Member for Porter Creek Centre

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to introduce a regulatory framework for psychology in Yukon.

## 46. Motion No. 77

Ms. Van Bibber, Member for Porter Creek North

THAT this House urges the Government of Canada and the Chancellery of Honours, in recognition of the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, Queen of Canada, to maintain the Canadian tradition of creating and awarding a jubilee medal to recognize Her Majesty's reign and also to honour deserving Canadian citizens who have made a significant contribution to their region or community during the COVID-19 pandemic or have otherwise made outstanding achievements that bring credit to Canada.

## 47. Motion No. 78

Ms. White, Leader of the Third Party

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to encourage active transportation to and from Government of Yukon buildings by creating and maintaining year-round cycling infrastructure and storage facilities.

## 48. Motion No. 79

Ms. Blake, Member for Vuntut Gwitchin

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to ensure that every Mental Wellness and Substance Use Services hub is appropriately staffed to meet the needs of residents, including:

- (1) a mental wellness and substance use counsellor;
- (2) a clinical counsellor;
- (3) mental health nurse; and

(4) a child and youth counsellor.

49. Motion No. 80

Ms. Blake, Member for Vuntut Gwitchin

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to include the licensing of psychologists in the regulations under the *Health Professions Act* to establish, monitor, and enforce standards of practice.

**Monday, May 31, 2021**

50. Motion No. 82

Mr. Istchenko, Member for Kluane

THAT this House urges the Yukon government to reverse its plans to increase camping fees for Yukon senior citizens.

## **MOTIONS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF PAPERS**

**Thursday, May 20, 2021**

1. Motion for the Production of Papers No. 1

Mr. Dixon, Leader of the Official Opposition

THAT this House do issue an order for the return of a detailed list showing all projects and Government of Yukon initiatives that were delayed as a result of the April 12, 2021 territorial general election.