



Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities

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Introducing the 2010 AVICC Executive

(Victoria, British Columbia) The Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities is pleased to announce the composition of its 2010-11 Executive. Oak Bay Mayor Christopher Causton has been elected to a second term as President and will be joined by a team of local government leaders from across the region:

First Vice President

Chair Joe Stanhope
Regional District of Nanaimo

Second Vice President

Councillor Barry Avis
Town of Qualicum Beach

Electoral Area Representative

Director Mary Marcotte
Cowichan Valley Regional District

Directors-at-Large

Mayor John Fraser
District of Tofino

Mayor Darren Inkster
District of Sechelt

Councillor Ronna-Rae Leonard
City of Courtenay

Past President

Mayor Barry Janyk
Town of Gibsons

The Executive was appointed at the recent annual convention held in Powell River. Environmental issues topped the resolutions sessions at this year's meeting, including a number that addressed the issue of derelict and abandoned vessels.

“Our members are quite concerned with the environmental and safety issues posed by abandoned sea vessels,” said Mayor Causton. “These vessels are languishing along community shorelines for months because of jurisdictional issues and the lack of an efficient process for their removal.”

The delegates also passed resolutions in support of a rail terminus in Nanaimo and two-train early morning southbound service. Looking ahead, Causton indicated that the AVICC has concerns with Terasen Gas franchise fees and will be giving further attention to this issue.

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