

David Watts Sr

For Tseshaht Council

"I bring dedication, determination, skill and fairness"



I am married to Annie Watts, the daughter of Alan Ross Sr (Kaanowish) and Rosie Ross. Our children are our beloved daughter Jennifer (Huupqwista-aks) who we tragically lost this past April, David Jr (Chachimsanup), and Nathan (Yaatsa-alth). My Father is Jack Watts and my Mother is Lillian Gus. My Grandparents on my father's side are Watty Watts (Yaatsa-alth) and Eva Thomas (Lal). My grandparents on my mother's side are George Gus (Wickanish) and Gladys Owens (Clinta).

Community contributions include: Created an educational bursary in the name of Jennifer Watts at Ha-Ho-Payuk School. Supported loonie toonie auctions by way of donations and participating. Donated to bottle drives for youth basketball. Donated fish to community food distribution. Tseshaht Cemetery Beautification plots, donated food, clothing, blankets to local homeless and needy. Donated time to the local Salvation Army.

My interests and aspirations are to provide leadership that puts Tseshaht membership as first priority in filling jobs, attaining education, training, and fishing rights. Including Economic development that creates employment for Tseshaht membership, and ensuring Tseshaht benefits from the economic activities occurring in Tseshaht Territory. Furthermore, would address the problems of drug abuse and find solutions. During my term on Chief and Council as Elected Chief and elected Council, produced results with twelve Tseshaht jobs in a joint venture with Coulson Mill Works, and provided Road building contracts for a Tseshaht company. Provided Salvage work for Tseshaht members to cut cedar bolts. Furthermore, our council overseen, and directed the construction of Haahuupayak School. I am a regular at Tseshaht Band Meetings. Born, raised and live full time in Tseshaht. I was voted by the elders to be the Elders representative on the Tseshaht Land Claims Panel, and have extensive knowledge of Tseshaht history. In the past have held the positions of Chief Councillor, Treaty Chief Negotiator, President of Tsemac Manufacturing, Director of Nisma Silva culture, Director of Equis Forest Products. Requiring duties of financial planning, budgeting, management, negotiation of agreements,

and reporting on progress of business. Also, NTC Jurisdiction and Governance Mandate Working Group Coordinator during the Treaty negotiation process. For over eight years at NTC, I held the positions of NTC Capital Projects Advisor 2, Pre-employment Supports Program Coordinator for NTC Social Development Department, and prior to this was the Special Projects Coordinator for Nuuchahnulth Employment and Training Program. Also, a Professional driver, carpenter, millworker, logger and fisherman.

EDUCATION:

- **Vancouver Island University**, Business Administration Diploma
- **Camosun College**, Diploma Red Seal in Carpentry, and Certificate of Apprenticeship
- **Job Developers Institute**, Job Developer Certificate.
- **Alberni District Secondary School**, Grade twelve Graduate, Dogwood Diploma.
- **Additional Certificates;** **CAMERA** Assessor Training Certificate, **Excel 2010** Certificate, **Word 2010** Certificate, **Power Point 2010** Certificate, **Suicide First Aid** Certificate, **International Training in Communications** Certificate, **Negotiation Training** Certificate, **Book Publisher** Certificate, **Basic Computers** Certificate, Introduction to **Corel Draw 7.0** Certificate, Introduction to **ArcView** Certificate, and **SVOP** certificate.