



My name is Nalaga, my English name is Camille Hamel, my parents are Gina Pearson (nee Watts) and Alfred Shewish and his wife June. My grandmother is Darleen Watts, my late grandparents are Cecil Wadhams Sr and Florrie Matlipi (nee Mountain) from Alert Bay, Gerald Sr and Philomena (nee Underwood) Fred, Raphael and Marie (nee Watts) Johnnie from Duncan. I have 3 sisters (Olivia, Enya, and Briah) and my stepbrother David. My late brother is Adam Fred.

I have been happily married to my husband; Leon for 9 years and we are raising 4 beautiful children, 3 girls at the age of 5, and a little boy who is 4. We have been fostering them for 4 years, and have full custody of 2.

I completed high school in 2000 from Alberni District Secondary School, I then furthered my education in Cosmetology, where I received a Nail Technician and an Esthetics certificate. My most recent education is Medical/Dental Office Management, which I graduated in 2010.

I've been working a variety of jobs since I was 16 yrs old. I started at the Tseshah Market, I worked in the Fisheries Department with the Tseshah First Nation, Administration for Family & Child Services, a painter (Commercial and Residential), with housekeeping being my current job. I have volunteered all over Port Alberni, varying from AVB concessions, Tlu Piich games, community events within Tseshah, score keeping basketball, baseball and softball.

I have many skills that help me in a variety of ways to solve problems. I have found that my past experiences, good and bad, have helped me with my people skills, communicating well with others.

My hopes if elected, is to help clear a path to a brighter future for our next generations to come. I would like to see the start of a reconciliation of our lands, more involvement with and from our youth, building a stronger future for the Tseshah Community. I will listen to our people and hear their voices, to echo them so they have been heard.

Thank you for my nominations and the opportunity to run for Council.