



Mohawk Council Communiqué

Monday, 20 Tsothohrhkó:wa/January 2020

In: Ratitsénhaienhs Gina Deer (Chairperson), Cody Diabo, Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, Frankie McComber, Clinton Phillips, Rhonda Kirby, Mike Delisle Jr. (only participated in morning session, used Wellness time in the afternoon), Harry Rice (left at noon for Vacation), Ross Montour, Tonya Perron, and Lindsay LeBorgne

Out: Grand Chief Joe Norton (Vacation January 20-23)

Also Present: Trina Diabo Jacobs (Recorder), Winona Polson-Lahache (Chief Political Advisor), and Joe Delaronde (Public Relations)

House Keeping

- Cheque Signers: Nitsénhaienhs Rhonda Kirby & Lindsay LeBorgne
- Minute Acceptance for December 9, 2019 - Deferred
- Travel Request by Cody Diabo to attend a series of three (3) meetings on Indigenous Clean Energy Projects – one week each in April, May, and July at no cost to MCK). Approved by consensus
- **Cody Diabo:** Thursday: meeting with Kahnawà:ke Environment Protection Office, and Kahnawà:ke/Canada Relations (K/CR) prep meeting; Friday: K/CR maintable, Lands & Environment sectoral meetings
- **Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer:** Wednesday: *Kahnawà:ke Residency Law* communications; Thursday & Friday: Iroquois Caucus meetings in Tyendinaga
- **Gina Deer:** Wednesday: Mercier Bridge Special Committee; Thursday: Quebec/Kahnawà:ke Relations (QKR) Central Table, and K/CR prep meetings; Friday: K/CR maintable
- **Frankie McComber:** Tuesday: Economic Development meeting; Wednesday: Iroquois Caucus Harvesting Working Group meeting; Thursday & Friday: Iroquois Caucus meetings in Tyendinaga
- **Clinton Phillips:** Wednesday: Thursday: K/CR prep meeting; Friday: K/CR maintable, Lands & Environment sectoral table meetings
- **Rhonda Kirby:** Monday: Kahnawà:ke Shakotia'takéhnhas Community Services (KSCS) Board meeting; Tuesday: Indian Day School settlement meeting, KCR prep meeting; Wednesday: Mercier Bridge Special Committee, and Bike Path meetings; Thursday: Quebec/Kahnawà:ke Relations Central Table meeting, and Kateri Memorial Hospital Centre meetings
- **Mike Delisle, Jr.:** Monday: KSCS Board meeting; Tuesday: Economic Development meeting; Vacation, January 22-29
- **Harry Rice:** Vacation from 12 noon today until January 28th
- **Ross Montour:** Tuesday: *Kahnawà:ke Residency Law* communications; Wednesday: Justice Portfolio meeting; Thursday: Consultation meeting; Friday: Repatriation/Reburial ceremony, and K1037 talkshow
- **Tonya Perron:** Wednesday: Justice Portfolio meeting; Thursday: QKR, and Community Decision Making Process review meetings; Friday: Consultation meeting
- **Lindsay LeBorgne:** Wednesday: Mercier Bridge Special Committee meeting; Thursday: QKR, and 'Blue Collar Park' meetings; Friday: K1037 talkshow

Formal Agenda Items

Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Public Safety Mandate Approval
Presence of Lloyd Phillips & Robyn Montour. Request to approve the new Mandate for the MCK's Public Safety Division. The Mandate will allow the Public Safety Division to operate more effectively and efficiently. It will empower the Public Safety Division to implement measures and strategies for the purposes of Prevention, Protection, Mitigation, Response and Recovery over public safety matters. Passed by consensus.

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Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Formation of Negotiation Team – EBC
Presence of Jean Pommerville (MCK Legal Services), Robert Deom (Kateri Memorial Hospital Centre) & Kevin Kennedy. Client/attorney Privileged

Other Mohawk Council Executive Directives

- None submitted

Chief & Council Updates

- Harry Rice provided update on Quebec Bridge Monument repairs/ maintenance matters, discussions on lighting for smaller outdoor rinks, reported on Native Education Council request for support re: Indigenous Language initiatives, and brief update on 'Orange Shirt' (Residential School Survivors) initiatives
- On behalf of Joe Norton, Winona Polson-Lahache reported on meeting with Chateauguay Mayor Jean-Claude Routhier on the topics of potential movement of Hydro Poles along the Old Chateauguay Road, the inactive CSX rail line, Parcel 'E' Lands, and improving relations between the communities
- Cody Diabo briefly updated on Solar Energy lighting
- Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer agreed to attend Iroquois Caucus with Frankie McComber on Thursday & Friday, updated on changes to federal Aboriginal Language Initiatives project; Governance Engagement Project, and Kanien'kehá:ka Onkwawén:na Raotitióhkwa Language & Cultural Center matters
- Frankie McComber informed the table on Peacekeepers Accountability Board matters, Asbestos matters, and Land access project
- Clinton Phillips commented on meeting with Chateauguay Mayor, Lands Acquisition informal survey, and federal reporting mechanisms regarding Asbestos issues
- Rhonda Kirby reported on concerns regarding provincial Daycare legislation
- Ross Montour provided update on jurisdictional matters, the Indigenous Rights & Research Portfolio, meeting with the First Nations Regional Adult Education Center, and Consultation on A35/Route 133 extension project
- Tonya Perron updated on Cannabis Control Board, and Consultation regarding environmental effects of marine vessels
- Lindsay LeBorgne updated on the Hydro-Québec Line 2 Dismantlement project
- Gina Deer updated on Tawatohni'saktha Board meeting, and additional info on the Land Acquisition informal survey
- Meeting was closed at **4:18pm**