



Mohawk Council Communiqué

Monday, 15 Enniskó:wa/March 2021

Meeting at MCK and via Video Conference

In: Ratitsénhaienhs Tonya Perron (Chairperson), Cody Diabo, Frankie McComber (at MCK), Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, Rhonda Kirby, Mike Delisle Jr., Clinton Phillips, Harry Rice, Gina Deer & Ross Montour (via Video Conference)

Out: Lindsay LeBorgne (Wellness Day)

Also Present: Trina Diabo-Jacobs (Council Meeting Administrator), Onerahtókha Karlie Marquis (Executive Director), Winona Polson-Lahache (Chief Political Advisor), Joe Delaronde (Public Relations) and, for Housekeeping & Upcoming Meetings only, Brandi Meloche (Executive Assistant to the Ratitsénhaienhs)

Housekeeping and Upcoming Meetings

- Virtual St. Patrick's Day Luncheon Participant with St. Patrick's Society of Montreal (Wednesday): Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer or Cody Diabo will attend
- U.S. Consul General in Montreal: Ross Montour, Cody Diabo and Harry Rice have expressed interest in attending proposed upcoming meeting
- Call for Nominations – Lieutenant Governor's First Peoples Medal: The Council is in support of two nominations to be submitted by Council Chiefs
- Cheque signers: Nitsénhaiehns Rhonda Kirby & Lindsay LeBorgne
- Minute Acceptance for November 2, 2020, and February 15 & March 1, 2021
- Assembly of First Nations Quebec-Labrador virtual meetings: Gina Deer (proxy) & Ross Montour (observer) will participate in both March 16 prep meeting and March 19 virtual meeting with Quebec Premier Legault.
- Wednesday: COVID-19 Task Force Update
- Friday: Executive Director 'Expectations' meeting (all Ratitsénhaienhs to attend)
- **Tonya Perron:** Wednesday: Consultation, and Ministère du Transports Québec (MTQ) Highway 132 urbanization project meeting; Thursday: Transport Canada, Governance Portfolio, and internal Claims Tribunal Proceedings meetings, as well as recording Chiefs Uncut
- **Clinton Phillips:** Wednesday: COVID-19 Task Force and Asbestos meetings; Thursday: Land Management meeting, and Housing/Lands/Asbestos scheduling meetings
- **Cody Diabo:** Wednesday: Asbestos Civil Investigation (ACI), Asbestos (x2) meetings; Thursday: Asbestos, Housings/Lands/Asbestos scheduling, and potential 'green energy' projects meetings
- **Gina Deer:** Tuesday: Vacation (morning), and meeting with Canada's Attorney-General Minister David Lametti; Wednesday: Finance, Operations and Administration (FAO) Committee and ACI Chiefs & Executive Office meetings; Thursday: ACI, Chiefs/Executive Director subcommittee Debrief CMC Training, Housing/Lands/Asbestos scheduling, and Expectations planning meetings
- **Harry Rice:** Thursday: Karihwanó:ron, Housing/Lands/Asbestos scheduling, and Lasalle street renaming project meetings
- **Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer:** Monday: Kanien'kehá:ka Onkwawén:na Raotitíóhkwa Language & Cultural Center Board meeting; Wednesday: Language & Culture Network Mentorship Program meeting; Thursday: Chiefs/Executive Director subcommittee Debrief CMC Training, Governance Portfolio, and 'Expectations' planning meetings
- **Mike Delisle, Jr.:** Wednesday: Finance, Administration & Operations (FAO) Committee meeting; Thursday: Chiefs/Executive Director subcommittee Debrief CMC Training, 'Expectations' planning, Collective Impact roundtable, and Kahnawà:ke Labor Office strategic meetings
- **Rhonda Kirby:** Tuesday morning: Wellness; Wednesday: FAO Committee, and Kahnawà:ke Shakotíia'takéhnhas Community Services Board meeting; Thursday: updating meeting with Jacques Cartier – Champlain Bridges Inc.
- **Ross Montour:** Wednesday: Consultation, and MTQ Highway 132 Urbanization Project meetings; Thursday: Transport Canada, and internal Claims Tribunal Proceedings meetings
- **Frankie McComber:** Wednesday: COVID-19 Task Force meeting

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Formal Agenda Items

Request for Decision: 2021-2022 MCK Budget Presentation

Presence of Erica Delisle, Paul Rice & Dwaine White. Lead Portfolio Chief: Mike Delisle, Jr. Request to, A) accept the MCK's 10-month Operational Review; B) accept the Forecast for the 2021-2022 Annual Operating Budget of \$61.8 million, which includes a projected deficit of \$52,000 for 2021 and a projected surplus of \$95,000 for 2022; C) appropriate the \$95,000 projected surplus to the MCK's Operational Reserve; D) defer internal Secondary Budgetary Requests of \$1,153,512 to Strategic Discussions; and E) defer external Secondary Budgetary Requests of \$465,312 to Strategic Discussions. **Approved by Consensus**

Request for Decision: Department of Indigenous Services Canada New Comprehensive Funding Agreement Extension

Presence of Erica Delisle. Lead Portfolio Chief: Mike Delisle, Jr. Request to approve extension of current Multi-Year Comprehensive Funding Agreement (MYFA), which was originally scheduled to expire March 31st of this year. It was initially planned to explore the possibility of negotiating a new agreement to replace the current agreement but, due to the Pandemic, it was decided to request a one-year extension of current funding levels instead, with a letter being sent indicating MCK's condition to review and discuss specific clauses of the agreement. This extension will expire on March 31, 2022. Additionally, amendment to current MYFA (#1112-03-000003-70) read into the record. **Approved by Consensus**

Mohawk Council Resolution: Extension of State of Emergency

Presence of Lloyd Phillips. Lead Portfolio Chief: Frankie McComber. Request to extend the current State of Emergency, and to extend the Mandate of the Kahnawà:ke COVID-19 Task Force for a 30-day period from March 21 to April 21, 2021. **Passed by Consensus**

Council of Chiefs Updates

- Due to time constraints, there were no Updates presented at this meeting. Community members are reminded that they are always welcome to contact the Ratitsénhaienhs for updates on any matters concerning their Portfolios.
- Meeting ended at **3:57pm**