



## **Mohawk Council Communiqué**

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# **Monday & Wednesday, 3 & 5, Ohiarí:ha/June 2024**

### **Meeting at Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke**

**In:** Ratitsénhaienhs Tonya Perron (Chairperson), Cody Diabo, Jessica Lazare, Ryan Montour, Stephen McComber, Ross Montour, Arnold Boyer, Lindsay LeBorgne

**Out:** Ratitsénhaienhs Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer (Wellness), Iohahí:io Delisle (Wellness), Harry Rice (Out)

**Also Present:** Winona Polson-Lahache (Chief Political Advisor), Lisa Lahache (Political Press Attaché), Tricia Diabo (Administrative Support Coordinator); and for Housekeeping only: Tyanna Kirby, Sarah Delisle, and Taiawentetie Hemlock (Executive Assistant to the Kahnawà'kehró:non Ratitsénhaienhs)

### **Housekeeping and Weekly Meeting Schedule**

- Ohén:ton Karihwatéhkwén by Stephen McComber
- Cheque Signers: Tonya Perron, Lindsay LeBorgne
- Chiefs vacations: Stephen McComber (June 13-14 Vacation, June 19-20 Vacation, June 25-28 Vacation), Cody Diabo (June 12-14 Vacation, June 25-28 Vacation, July 2-5 Vacation), Arnold Boyer (June 27-28 Vacation, July 2 Vacation)
- Public Relations Item(s): no updates at this time
- Letter from Public Services and Procurement Canada (received May 29, 2024) **No action required**
- Letter from Kahnawà:ke Marina (received May 29, 2024) **Acknowledgement to be issued, request to be discussed at Strategic Discussion**
- Invitation: Assembly of First Nations Quebec-Labrador (AFNQL) Annual General Assembly banquet (Montreal – July 10, 2024) **Invitation accepted, name TBD**
- Land Allotments (4) (NOTE: Cody Diabo abstained from one file due to a conflict of interest) **Approved by Consensus**
- **Cody Diabo:** Wednesday: Kahnawà:ke Gaming Commission meeting, out pm (Wellness); Thursday-Friday: out (Vacation)
- **Jessica Lazare:** Wednesday: Multi-Purpose Building Committee meeting; Thursday-Friday: out (Vacation)
- **Ryan Montour:** Thursday: internal preparatory meeting for Transportation and Public Safety meeting
- **Stephen McComber:** Wednesday: out am (Wellness), Kahnawà:ke Collective Impact meeting; Thursday-Friday: out (Wellness)
- **Ross Montour:** Monday: attendance at Peel Trail Inauguration event; Tuesday: Tawatohnhí'saktha Board meeting; Thursday: Indigenous Rights and Research (IRR) Preparatory and IRR Project Development meetings, Saint-Lawrence Seaway Management Corporation session; Friday: External Governmental Relations and internal Seigneurie of Sault Saint Louis meetings
- **Arnold Boyer:** Wednesday: out (Vacation); Thursday: Transport and Onkwata'karitáhtshera meetings; Friday out (vacation)
- **Lindsay LeBorgne:** Thursday: out (Wellness); Friday: out (Vacation)
- **Tonya Perron:** Wednesday: Review of Strategic Discussions; Thursday-Friday: Out (Vacation)



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### **Agenda Items**

#### **Record of Decision: Information Management (IM) Network Infrastructure**

*Presence of: Onerahtokha Marquis (Executive Director), Kyle Delisle (Executive Financial Officer), Sose Canadian (Director of Information Management) Portfolio Chief: Lindsay LeBorgne*

Request to the Council of Chiefs to approve the use of Operational Reserve funds to replace Network Infrastructure hardware and support services in the amount of \$250,000. Funding is to be replaced upon receipt of the transfer of 2024-2025 infrastructure program funding.

**Approved by Consensus**

#### **Record of Decision: Finance, Operations and Administration Committee (FAO) Approval Limit**

*Presence of: Kyle Delisle (Executive Financial Officer), Ercia Delisle (Director of Finance), Portfolio Chief: Lindsay Leborgne*

Request to the Council of Chiefs to approve the institution of a limit to the FAO Committee's spending authority for unbudgeted items in the amount of \$175,000.

**Approved by Consensus**

#### **Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Appointment of Recreation Master Plan and Feasibility Project Signatory**

*Presence of Kyle Zacharie (Kahnawà:ke Youth Center Executive Director), Alan John Rice (Executive Operations Officer), Roiahtate Horn (Director of Sports and Recreation), and Kahonwentha Stacey (OCC Technician). Portfolio Chief: Ryan Montour*

Request to the Council of Chiefs to designate Onerahtokha Marquis as the signatory for the consulting contract for the Recreation Masterplan and Feasibility Study.

**Passed by Consensus**

### **Executive Director Updates**

Onerahtokha Marquis updated on the partnership with the Kateri Food Basket, Infrastructure

### **Ratitsénhaienhs Updates**

**Cody Diabo** updated on the Land Management Committee and Gaming

**Tonya Perron** updated on the Iroquois Caucus/Blackfoot Confederacy meeting and the Kahnawà:ke Legislative Commission

**Ryan Montour** updated on Public Safety, the Special Needs softball game

**Arnold Boyer** updated on Transport

Closing by Stephen McComber. Meeting ended at **3:15pm**

Council reconvened for a special meeting at 3:30pm on Wednesday, June 5<sup>th</sup>.

### **Client Attorney Privileged Discussion & Decision**

*Presence of Marylee Armstrong (Director of Legal Services), and Justus Polson-Lahache (Director of Public Relations) In attendance: Ratitsénhaienhs Tonya Perron, Jessica Lazare, Iohahí:io Delisle, Ryan Montour, Harry Rice, Stephen McComber, Lindsay LeBorgne. Absent from discussion: Ratitsénhaienhs Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, Ross Montour, Cody Diabo, Arnold Boyer.*

Client-Attorney Privileged Discussion and Decision

Closing by Stephen McComber. Meeting ended at 4:50pm