



## Mohawk Council Communiqué

# Monday, 9, Seskehkó:wa/September 2024 and Friday, 13, Seskehkó:wa/September 2024 Meeting at Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke

**In:** Ratitsénhaienhs Cody Diabo (Chairperson), Jeremiah Johnson, Iohahí:io Delisle, Paul Rice, Melanie Morrison, Ryan Montour, Jeffrey Diabo, David Diabo, Stephen McComber, Ross Montour, Tonya Perron, Arnold Boyer

**Out:** Paul Rice (pm only – travel to Calgary)

**Also Present:** Meagan Ottereyes (Council Meeting Administrator), Winona Polson-Lahache (Chief Political Advisor), and Lisa Lahache (Public Relations), and for housekeeping only: Tricia Diabo (Administrative Support Coordinator), and Tyanna Kirby, Sarah Delisle, and Taiawentetie Hemlock (Executive Assistants)

### Housekeeping and Upcoming Meetings

- Ohén:ton Karihwatéhkwen by Cody Diabo
- Ratitsénhaienhs directed for follow-up pertaining to an incident in-office; **Confidential**
- Ratitsénhaienhs Upcoming Meetings & Upcoming Out of Office Dates: Paul Rice (September Sep 25-26 – Vacation, September 20 – Wellness)
- Cheque Signers: Tonya Perron and an Administrative signer (TBD)
- Invitation - Forum Saint-Laurent 2024 / Preliminary Program (Quebec – October 15-16)  
**Cody Diabo to attend**
- Invitation to meet with Debbie Einsan, Indigenous Military and Veteran Advocate  
**Iohahí:io Delisle and Jeffrey Diabo to attend**
- Assembly of First Nations Quebec-Labrador Chiefs Mobilization Re: Presentation to the Quebec Parliament regarding Bill 69 (Quebec – September 12) **Declined**
- Public Relations Items: Special Community Meeting (September 11 – all Ratitsénhaienhs to attend), Community Meeting (September 18 – all Ratitsénhaienhs to attend); MCK Friday (September 20 – participant TBD), Community Survey re: priority setting (in development), Social Media photo updates (new PRU service)
- Travel Request: Paul Rice (Calgary – September 9-11) **Approved**
- **Jeremiah Johnson:** Wednesday: Social Supports and Development Portfolio meeting; Friday: Kahnawà:ke Legislative Services (KLS) meeting, and meeting with representatives from Old Port of Montreal
- **Iohahí:io Delisle:** Tuesday: Tawatohni'saktha Board meeting; Wednesday: Social Supports and Development Portfolio meeting; Thursday: External Governmental Relations (EGR) Portfolio team meeting; Friday: Economic Development Portfolio team and Lands Portfolio team meetings
- **Paul Rice:** Monday: Gaming meeting preparatory session; Tuesday: Gaming meeting (Calgary), Tawatohni'saktha Board meeting (attending remotely); Wednesday: travel day; Thursday: Administrative Affairs Portfolio team and CDPQ meetings; Friday: Economic Development Portfolio team meeting
- **Melanie Morrison:** Thursday: Administrative Affairs Portfolio team meeting; Friday: meeting with representatives from Old Port of Montreal, out pm (Wellness)
- **Ryan Montour:** Wednesday: Coast Guard/ Public Safety training, Technical Drafting Committee (TDC) meeting, Social Supports and Development Portfolio meeting; Thursday: attending Walk to Recovery (use of personal time); Friday: EGR Portfolio team and Economic Development Portfolio team meetings, KTV filming, meeting with representatives from Old Port of Montreal
- **Jeffrey Diabo:** Tuesday Tawatohni'saktha Board meeting; Thursday: EGR meeting; Friday: Economic Development Portfolio team meeting and meeting with representatives from Old Port of Montreal
- **David Diabo:** Thursday: EGR Portfolio meeting; Friday: Lands Portfolio team meeting and meeting with representatives from Old Port of Montreal
- **Stephen McComber:** Wednesday: out (Wellness); Thursday: EGR meeting, Community Wellness Plan presentation; Friday: Fort Chambly meeting
- **Ross Montour:** Wednesday: High Frequency Rail internal meeting and ERG meetings; Thursday: Kahnawà:ke Governance Project meeting; Friday: pre-hearing for Northvolt
- **Tonya Perron:** Wednesday TDC meeting, out pm (Wellness); Thursday: out am (wellness), Administrative Affairs Portfolio team and Household Survey meetings, Friday: KTV filming Justice Services, KLS meeting, and meeting with representatives from Old Port of Montreal



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- **Arnold Boyer:** Monday: Minister of Transport and Mobilité Durable (MTMD) meeting; Wednesday: Social Supports and Development Portfolio meeting; Thursday: Community Wellness Plan presentation; Friday out pm (Wellness)
- **Cody Diabo:** Wednesday: review of strategic discussion items, Grand Chief's Office, MTMD, and Canada Space Agency meetings; Thursday: EGR Portfolio team meeting; Friday: CDPQ meeting

### **Agenda Items**

#### **Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Ratitsénhaienhs Portfolio Allocation**

*Technician: Winona Polson-Lahache (Chief Political Advisor), Portfolio Chief: Cody Kanerahti:io Diabo*

Request to the Ratitsénhaienhs to formally approve the 2024-2027 Portfolio Allocations, as follows:

#### **Heritage**

- Lead Portfolio Chief: Melanie Morrison
- Portfolio Chiefs: David Diabo, Stephen McComber, Paul Rice

#### **Environment**

- Lead Portfolio Chief: Ross Montour
- Portfolio Chiefs: Jeremiah Johnson, Stephen McComber

#### **Lands & Territories**

- Lead Portfolio Chief: David Diabo
- Portfolio Chiefs: Iohahiiio Delisle, Paul Rice

#### **Indigenous Rights & Research**

- Lead Portfolio Chief: Ross Montour
- Portfolio Chiefs: Cody Diabo, David Diabo, Jeffrey Diabo, Stephen McComber

#### **External Government Relations**

- Lead Portfolio Chief: Cody Diabo
- Portfolio Chiefs: Iohahiiio Delisle, Jeffrey Diabo, Ryan Montour

#### **Administrative Affairs (including Finance, Administration & Operations Committee)**

- Lead Portfolio Chief: Paul Rice
- Portfolio Chiefs: Melanie Morrison, Tonya Perron

#### **MCK Governance**

- Lead Portfolio Chief: Tonya Perron
- Portfolio Chief: Jeffrey Diabo

#### **Legislation**

- Lead Portfolio Chief: Jeremiah Johnson
- Portfolio Chief: Tonya Perron

#### **Justice**

- Lead Portfolio Chief: Tonya Perron
- Portfolio Chief: Ryan Montour

#### **Infrastructure, Transport & Operations**

- Lead Portfolio Chief: Arnold Boyer
- Portfolio Chiefs: Melanie Morrison, Paul Rice

#### **Sustainable Development**

- Lead Portfolio Chief: Stephen McComber
- Portfolio Chiefs: Cody Diabo, David Diabo, Ryan Montour

#### **Economic Development**

- Lead Portfolio Chief: Paul Rice
- Portfolio Chiefs: Iohahiiio Delisle, Jeffrey Diabo, Ryan Montour

#### **Regulatory Boards/Commissions & Labor**

- Lead Portfolio Chief: Iohahiiio Delisle
- Portfolio Chiefs: David Diabo, Jeffrey Diabo, Jeremiah Johnson, Tonya Perron, Paul Rice

#### **Community Safety**

- Lead Portfolio Chief: Ryan Montour
- Portfolio Chiefs: David Diabo, Jeremiah Johnson, Melanie Morrison

#### **Health**

- Lead Portfolio Chief: Arnold Boyer
- Portfolio Chiefs: Cody Diabo, Stephen McComber

#### **Social Supports & Development**

- Lead Portfolio Chief: Iohahiiio Delisle
- Portfolio Chiefs: Arnold Boyer, Jeremiah Johnson, Stephen McComber, Ryan Montour

#### **Education**

- Lead Portfolio Chief: Jeffrey Diabo
- Portfolio Chief: Ross Montour

**Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Caisse Populaire Kahnawake and BMO bank signers**



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*Presence of: Erica Delisle (Director of Financial Services) and Kyle Delisle (Executive Financial Officer) and Onerahtokha Marquis (Executive Director) Portfolio Chief: Paul Rice*

Request to the Council of Chiefs to rescind and replace MCED #59/2024-2025 and MCED #60/2024-2025, and appoint the following signers at the Caisse Populaire and BMO:

Ohén:ton Í:rate ne Ratitsénhaienhs Cody Kanerahti:io Diabo, Ratitsénhaienhs Tonya Perron, Melanie Morrison, and Paul Rice, and Administrative Representatives Onerahtókha Marquis, Kyle Delisle, Dawn Marquis-Deere, and Christopher Stacey

**Passed by consensus**

### **Northvolt Litigation Update**

*Presence of Katie Spillane (MCK Legal Counsel)*

This item is Client Attorney Privileged

### **Kahnawà:ke Gaming Commission Urgent Request for Budget Increase**

*Presence of: Marnie Lahache (Interim Executive Director, KGC), and Ashley Stacey (KGC Legal Counsel) Portfolio Chief: Cody Diabo (Note: Absence of Arnold Boyer)*

This item is confidential

### **Executive updates**

*Presence of Onerahtokha Marquis, Executive Director*

Confidential updates concerning HR matters

### **Ratitsénhaienhs updates**

Cody Diabo updated on the Intergovernmental Relations file

Jeremiah Johnson updated on Legislation

Ryan Montour updated on Community Safety

### **Adjournment**

Closing by Cody Diabo. Meeting ended at **3:56pm**

### **Special Council Meeting – September 13, 2024**

**In:** Ratitsénhaienhs Cody Diabo (Chairperson), Jeremiah Johnson, Paul Rice, Ryan Montour, Jeffrey Diabo, David Diabo, Ross Montour, Tonya Perron, Arnold Boyer

**Out:** Iohahí:io Delisle, Melanie Morrison, Stephen McComber

**Also Present:** Meagan Ottereyes (Council Meeting Administrator), Winona Polson-Lahache (Chief Political Advisor), Justus Polson-Lahache (Director of Public Relations), Lisa Lahache (Political Press Attaché), and Tricia Diabo (Administrative Support Coordinator)

### **Agenda Items**

#### **Discussion/Decision: Response to Industrial Spill Community Meeting**

The Council of Chiefs discussed the news story that reported the details of the closed community meeting held on September 11, 2024, sharing privileged information that was disclosed to community members only and not suitable to be printed or reported.

**Approved by consensus**

### **Adjournment**

Closing by Cody Diabo. Meeting ended at **10:34am**