



## Mohawk Council Communiqué

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# Monday, 4, Kentenhkó:wa/November 2024

### Meeting at Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke

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

**Out:** Ratitsénhaienhs Tonya Perron (attending Indigenous Justice System Symposium, Calgary AB), Cody Diabo (pm attending Assembly of First Nations Quebec-Labrador Chiefs' Assembly, Montreal), Jeffrey Diabo (pm travel to Ottawa for National Claims Research Workshop, Ottawa, ON)

**Also Present:** Meagan Ottereyes (Council Meeting Administrator), Vernon Goodleaf (OCC General Manager of Operations), Lisa Lahache (Public Relations), and for housekeeping only: Taiawentetie Hemlock (Executive Assistant), and Sarah Delisle (Executive Assistant), Tyanna Kirby (Executive Assistant to the Ohén:ton Í:rate ne Ratitsénhaienhs)

#### Housekeeping and Upcoming Meetings

- Ohén:ton Karihwatéhkwén by Cody Diabo
- Cheque Signers: Cody Diabo, Melanie Morrison
- Upcoming absences: November 15, Cody Diabo working from home
- Invitation - The Vimy Foundation November 19, 2024 – Chief Cody Diabo & Melanie Morrison **Declined**
- Invitation – 2 tickets to Media Premiere Kukum (Montreal – November 14) **Tickets to be offered to the community**
- Lacolle Border Art Project: Request for letter of support **Approved**
- November fundraising: Donations will be presented to the KMHC Cancer Support Group **Arnold Boyer, Stephen McComber, and David Diabo to participate**
- Public Relations Items: September Report, October Report, Ratitsénhaienhs Report Video: Iohahí:io Delisle **For information purposes**
- (2) Land Allotments **Approved by Consensus**
- **Jeremiah Johnson:** Wednesday: Railway Safety meeting; Friday: Kahnawà:ke Legislative Services Working Group meeting
- **Iohahí:io Delisle:** Tuesday: Tawatohni'saktha Board meeting
- **Paul Rice:** Monday: Capital Campaign meeting; Tuesday: Tawatohni'saktha Board meeting; Wednesday: Out sporadically throughout the day (Wellness), Kahnawà:ke Gaming Commission, CPKC Rail and Multi-Purpose Building (MPB) Capital Campaign meetings; Thursday: MPB Finance & Technical Committee meeting; Friday: Gaming Nations meeting; Saturday: Remembrance Day ceremony
- **Melanie Morrison:** Tuesday: Kanien'keháka Onkwawén:na Raotitíóhkwa Language & Cultural Center Annual General Assembly; Thursday: MPB Finance & Technical Committee meeting; Saturday: Remembrance Day ceremony
- **Ryan Montour:** Tuesday: Tawatohni'saktha Board meeting; Wednesday: Railway Safety meeting; Thursday: St. Willibrord Remembrance Day ceremony; Friday: Howard S. Billings Remembrance Day ceremony and Ministry of Public Security Quebec probation agreement signing; Saturday: Remembrance Day ceremony
- **Jeffrey Diabo:** Monday: out pm, travel to Ottawa; Tuesday-Thursday: National Claims Research Workshop; Friday: Regional Adult Education Center meeting and Ministry of Public Security Quebec probation agreement signing; Saturday: Remembrance Day ceremony
- **David Diabo:** Wednesday: Railway Safety meeting; Thursday: St. Willibrord Remembrance Day ceremony and Saint Lawrence River workshop; Friday: Indigenous Rights and Research (IRR) Portfolio meeting, out pm (Wellness); Saturday: Remembrance Day ceremony
- **Stephen McComber:** Wednesday: Spirit of Wellness (SOW) Health Secretariat event
- **Ross Montour:** Wednesday: out am (Wellness); Friday: Consultation Committee, Industry, Science, and Economic Development Canada, IRR Portfolio, Northvolt, and Saint Lawrence Seaway Authority (SLSA) Terms of Reference meetings; Saturday: Remembrance Day ceremony



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- **Arnold Boyer:** Tuesday: Kateri Memorial Hospital Centre Board meeting; Wednesday: SOW Health Secretariat event; Thursday: Elders Certificate presentation, Onkwata'karitáhtshera meeting; Friday: Jacques Cartier and Champlain Bridges Incorporated (JCCBI) bi-weekly meeting, SLSA Terms of Reference meeting; Saturday: Remembrance Day ceremony
- **Cody Diabo:** Monday: Assembly of First Nations Quebec-Labrador (AFNQL) Chiefs' Assembly; Tuesday: out (AFNQL) Chiefs' Assembly; Wednesday: Review of Strategic Discussion schedule; (AFNQL) Chiefs' Assembly, virtual meeting with Premier Legault; Thursday: Elders Certificate presentation, Grand Chief's Office meeting; Friday: out (Wellness); Saturday: Remembrance Day ceremony

### **Agenda Items**

#### **Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Infrastructure, Transport and Operations Portfolio Team Mandate, 2024-2027**

*Presence of: Brandon Cross (OCC Project Leader), Portfolio Chiefs: Arnold Boyer, Melanie Morrison, Paul Rice*

Request to the Council of Chiefs to approve the updated mandate of the Infrastructure, Transport and Operations Portfolio Team for the 2024-2027 term of office.

**Passed by consensus**

#### **Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Approval of Memorandum of Understanding in support of Bill S-268**

*Presence of: Eric Doucet (MCK Legal Counsel), Portfolio Chief: Paul Rice*

Request to the Council of Chiefs to authorize Chief Paul Rice to sign the Memorandum of Understanding between Gaming First Nations establishing guiding principles and support for Bill S-268.

**Passed by consensus**

#### **Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Rescind the Appointment of Kahnawà:ke Gaming Commission Commissioners**

*Presence of: Dennis Diabo (OCC Project Leader), Portfolio Chief: Paul Rice*

Request to the Council of Chiefs to rescind the appointment of 2 Commissioners on the Kahnawà:ke Gaming Commission, MCED #62/2022-2023 appointment of Daryl Leclair, and MCED #27/2021-2023, appointment of Daniel Montour.

**Passed by consensus**

#### **Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Appointment of a Commissioner to the Kahnawà:ke Gaming Commission**

*Presence of: Dennis Diabo (OCC Project Leader), Portfolio Chief: Paul Rice*

Request to the Council of Chiefs to appoint Heather Bauersfeld to the position of Commissioner on the Kahnawà:ke Gaming Commission for a one-year term.

**Passed by consensus**

### **Executive updates**

*Presence of Onerahtokha Marquis, Executive Director*

Updates on Human Resources, Staff events, the Multi-purpose Building business plan, Organizational Structure, Asset Management, Executive Directors Committee

### **Ratitsénhaienhs updates**

Jeremiah Johnson updated on Housing, Railway Safety, the Social Supports & Development Portfolio, and Environment Portfolio

Cody Diabo updated on Seigneurie of Sault St Louis

Jeffrey Diabo updated on the Skawenni:io Tsi Iewennahnotákhwa Kahnawà:ke Library

Cody Diabo updated on the Jay Treaty Border Alliance and Seigneurie of Sault Saint Louis (SSSL)

Paul Rice updated on Gaming, Commissions/Boards & Labor, and the Revenue Investment Committee

Ross Montour updated on the SSSL file, Consultation Committee, and IRR Portfolio

Ryan Montour updated on Housing and Community Safety

David Diabo updated on Land Management, the Education and Awareness Calendar



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### **Adjournment**

Closing by Ross Montour. Meeting ended at **2:28pm**