



## **Mohawk Council Communiqué**

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**Monday, 24 Enníska/February 2014**

**In:** Chiefs Mike Delisle, Lloyd Phillips, Martin Leborgne, Rhonda Kirby, Kenneth McComber, Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, Carl Horn, Christine Zachary-Deom, Bobby Patton, Billy Diabo, Gina Deer

**Out:** Clinton Phillips (personal)

**Also Present:** Melissa Curotte (recorder)

### **House Keeping:**

- Minutes accepted for February 10, 2014 Council Meeting
- Bobby Patton: Meeting Tuesday re: Community Decision Making Process report
- Rhonda Kirby: Kateri Memorial Hospital center board meeting on Wednesday
- Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer: Kahnawà:ke/Canada Relations (Membership) meeting on Tuesday (with Lloyd Phillips); Kanien'kehá:ka Onkwawén:na Raotitiohkwa (KOR) and MCK Kanien'kéha language initiative meeting on Wednesday; KOR board meeting on Thursday
- Lloyd Phillips: Organizational Review meeting on Wednesday
- Gina Deer (with Bobby Patton): will be guests on K103 Partyline Talkshow on Friday

### **Agenda item:**

#### **Request for Decision, Mohawk Council Executive Directive: CSX Railway Specific Claims Submission**

*Presence of Francis Walsh, Eric Doucet (MCK Legal Services), Lanny Jacobs.* Chief & Council agreed unanimously to submit this Claim to Aboriginal and Northern Development Canada (AANDC) for processing under the Specific Claims Process. Submission is made without prejudice to other Claims. Of note, similar Claims regarding the Mercier Bridge and the Canadian Pacific Railway have already passed initial AANDC requirements.

### **Update/discussion items:**

- Lloyd Phillips gave brief update regarding last week's visit to Musqueam First Nation in British Columbia for purposes on gathering information on Musqueam's movement towards removing land regime from the *Indian Act*. A written report on the visit is being prepared.
- Martin Leborgne informed table of series of interviews conducted by Aboriginal Peoples Television Network re: MCK Housing initiatives, to be broadcast at a later date.
- Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer announced that she has been accepted into McGill teaching program and will take part-time evening classes.
- Discussion on Iroquois Caucus resolution against Canada's proposed C-10 'Anti-Contraband Tobacco' amendment to the Criminal Code. Chief & Council in agreement, will ask that Kahnawà:ke's changes are included in the signed version.
- Martin Leborgne asked for information on behalf of community members re: suspension of Landfill operations within the Territory. Advised that it will remain in effect until internal investigation is completed.
- Chief & Council informed that Kanesatake Grand Chief Serge Otsi Simon has requested a delay for the upcoming Tioweró:ton strategy session.
- Mike Delisle updated the table on several issues, including Seigneurie of Sault St. Louis; the return of Highway 30 lands; Canada's 'Duty to Consult' on the Kanawaki Golf Club file