



Mohawk Council Communiqué

Monday, 4 Enniska/February 2019

In: Ratitsénhaienhs Rhonda Kirby, Tonya Perron, Mike Delisle, Jr., Ross Montour, Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, Carl Horn, and Harry Rice

Out: Ratitsénhaienhs Joe Norton & Gina Deer (attending ICE Conference, see Press Release dated February 4th), Clinton Phillips (Bereavement), and Lindsay LeBorgne (Medical Leave)

Also Present: Trina Diabo-Jacobs (Council Meeting Administrator), Winona Polson-Lahache (Chief Political Advisor), Dwaine White (General Manager, Office of the Council of Chiefs), and Joe Delaronde (Public Relations)

Housekeeping/Travel

- Cheque Signers: Rhonda Kirby & Mike Delisle, Jr.
- Minute acceptance for January 21, 2019
- Reading into the Minutes: Department of Indigenous Services Canada Multi-Year Funding Agreement, Amendment #45
- **Mike Delisle, Jr.:** Wednesday: Labor meeting with Quebec representatives; Thursday: conference call with Montreal Commissioner of Indigenous Relations Marie-Eve Bordeleau, Akwesasne representative, and representative of Navajo Nation re: business/tourism opportunities
- **Rhonda Kirby:** Wednesday: Collective Impact; Thursday: 'Sesame Street' proposed park working group
- **Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer:** Wednesday: Kahnawà:ke Residency Law review meeting; Thursday: *Indian Act* S-3 amendments Communications brainstorming; Friday: meeting with Lachine Borough Mayor
- **Tonya Perron:** Wednesday: Cannabis Working Group meeting; Thursday: Kahnawà:ke Legislative Coordinating Commission (KLCC)
- **Ross Montour:** Wednesday: Indigenous Archaeology guidelines development meeting; Thursday: KLCC

Formal Agenda Items

Request for Decision: Karihwanó:ron Funding Request

Presence of Erica Delisle. Request to assist in providing conduit for Department of Indigenous Services Canada (DISC) funding for Karihwanó:ron School in the amount of approximately \$500,000 annually for the next three years. This will take effect by using the MCK's Multi-Year Funding Agreement with DISC, effective April 1, 2019. MCK's role is strictly to house and transfer Federal funding allotted in the Agreement – MCK has no governance role. Passed unanimously

Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Consultation – Funding Request

Presence of Francis Walsh (MCK Legal Services). Request for funding from Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency for Consultation purposes. Specifically, \$12,000 for development of policy and guidance on impact assessment systems. Dwaine White given authority to sign on behalf of MCK. Passed unanimously

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Request for Decision: Housing

Presence of Marylee Armstrong, Stacey Douglas & Francis Walsh (MCK Legal Services), Erica Delisle, Davis Montour & Paul Rice. Client/Attorney Privileged

Other Mohawk Council Executive Directives

None submitted

Updates

- Client/Attorney Privileged update on Lease Arrangement issue.
- Ross Montour provided update on mandate work for Indigenous Rights & Research
- Harry Rice gave a brief update on Karihwanó:ron funding, which led to a general discussion on education matters
- Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer updated the table on upcoming events regarding the United Nations Year of Indigenous Languages
- Tonya Perron reported that the Recreation Bay project is moving in a positive direction
- Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer provided updates on Governance Framework working group; the recent poll regarding the Multi-Purpose Building; Language Law review; progress on proposed Residency Law; and *Kanien'kehá:ka of Kahnawà:ke Law* status of instatements and re-instatements
- Harry Rice informed the table of a potential project to install a new commemorative plaque at Shrine of Kateri Tekakwitha/St. Francis Xavier church, and potential to declare it a Parks Canada Historical Building
- Rhonda Kirby gave a brief update on the progress of the Kateri Memorial Hospital Centre expansion/renovation project
- Winona Polson-Lahache brought forth a discussion on next steps regarding Council Priorities and related engagement ideas
- Meeting ended at **3:15pm**