



Mohawk Council Communiqué

Tuesday, 10 Kenténha/October 2017

In: Ratitsénhaienhs Joe Norton, Billy Diabo, Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, Rhonda Kirby, Gina Deer, Christine Zachary-Deom, Martin Leborgne, Kenneth McComber, Arlene Jacobs, Clinton Phillips (arrived after Housekeeping due to Medical appointment), Bobby Patton and Carl Horn (left meeting before the Council Updates)

Also Present: Trina Diabo-Jacobs (Council Meeting Administrator), Alana Goodleaf-Rice (Executive Director), Dwaine White (General Manager, Office of the Council of Chiefs) and Joe Delaronde (Political Press Attaché)

House Keeping

- Cheque signers for the week: Rhonda Kirby & Kenneth McComber
- Chief & Council agreed to once again participate in the Holiday Parade
- Minute Acceptance for September 5, 19 and 20, 2017. Passed unanimously
- Indigenous & Northern Affairs Canada Multi-Year Funding Agreement #1112-03-000003 Notice of Budget Adjustment #8
- MCK Representation on the Kahnawake Youth Center Board of Directors. Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer has agreed to continue to serve as the MCK representative on the Board. Unanimously supported
- Joe Norton, Bobby Patton and Martin Leborgne approved for travel to Iroquois Caucus meetings on October 18 and 19 in Ottawa
- Special Community Meeting on Loose Dogs will be held on Tuesday evening. Most Ratitsénhaienhs will attend
- **Rhonda Kirby:** meeting with Quebec Native Affairs Minister Geoffrey Kelley on Tuesday; Membership and Residency working groups combined meeting on Friday
- **Arlene Jacobs:** Kahnawà:ke/Canada Relations meeting in Gatineau on Wednesday; Finance, Administration & Operations Committee meeting on Thursday
- **Clinton Phillips:** Kahnawà:ke/Canada Relations meeting in Gatineau on Wednesday
- **Christine Zachary-Deom:** Champlain Bridge meeting, Cultural Artwork project meeting in Montreal; and opening speech at Ivanhoe Cambridge opening ceremony celebrating Indigenous Artwork commissioned for new building in Montreal on Tuesday; giving speech at Kitigan-Zibi Indigenous Heritage event in Ottawa on Friday
- **Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer:** meeting on Second Hand Smoke initiatives on Tuesday; Kahnawà:ke/Canada Relations meeting in Gatineau and presentation at Royal Military College in St. Jean on Wednesday; Finance, Administrations & Operations Committee meeting on Thursday; Membership and Residency working groups combined meeting on Friday
- **Gina Deer:** Information Kiosks on Electronic Gaming Devices scheduled for Wednesday and Friday at Services Complex (postponed due to death in the family); Electronic Gaming Devices meeting with Kahnawake Gaming Commission on Friday
- **Martin Leborgne:** meeting on Housing issue on Tuesday
- **Bobby Patton:** will be using Wellness Day on Friday
- **Kenneth McComber:** out on Tuesday afternoon (Medical appointment)
- **Joe Norton:** meeting with Quebec Native Affairs Minister Geoffrey Kelley on Tuesday

Formal Agenda Items

Request for Decision, Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Approve and Authorize Kahnawà:ke Proposal regarding Amazon.com's Call for Proposals for new Headquarters

Presence of Eric Doucet (MCK Legal Services) and Paul Rice. Chief & Council have approved and authorized the preparation of a proposal to be submitted to Amazon.com, who has asked for proposals to construct their new headquarters. Details are client/attorney privileged at this time. Passed, with Clinton Phillips abstaining



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Other Mohawk Council Executive Directives

N/A

Discussions/Updates

- Clinton Phillips updated Chief & Council on the current status of the *Kahnawà:ke Family Homes Law* and planned actions regarding the law
- Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer informed the table that the new draft of the *Kahnawà:ke Membership Law* will be posted before the end of the month
- Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer offered to allow the Language Nest representative to use one night's accommodation in order to fully participate in upcoming *Raising Our Voices* bi-annual Indigenous language conference in Belleville, Ontario. Chief & Council instead decided to fund the shortfall
- Gina Deer updated the table on the status of the mediation between the MCK and the Mohawk Council of Kanehsatà:ke
- Clinton Phillips updated on several Lands issues and initiatives, including the plans to pave Diabo Road; the Land Use Planning Committee community meeting scheduled for November 8, 2017; review of the effectiveness of the recent Tioweró:ton Community Meeting, which utilized a new format; update on the status of the new Caretaker Cabin in Tioweró:ton; Kahnawake Environment Protection Office initiatives along Bike Paths and Tekakwitha Island; Recreation Bay update; brought information regarding the scope of the loss of ash trees due to emerald ash borer; upcoming Kanawaki Golf Club environmental assessment (part of the Kanawaki project)
- Bobby Patton provided an update on the meetings with Mi'kmaq and Maliseet communities regarding hunting and fishing issues (on behalf of the Iroquois Caucus)
- Gina Deer provided a brief update on last week's G2E gaming conference in Las Vegas
- Clinton Phillips asked for approval to sign a petition regarding water protection on behalf of the MCK. Approved unanimously
- Kahsennenhawe brought an issue to the table regarding request for funding from community member
- Billy Diabo reminded the table of Tuesday's meeting with representatives of the Canada Border Services Agency and informed that additional meetings are likely in the future
- Meeting closed at 12:05pm.