



Mohawk Council Communiqué

Monday, 30 Enniskó:wa/March 2015

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

Out: Lloyd Phillips (wellness day)

Also Present: Dwaine White (OCC General Manager), Mike O'Brien (OCC Chief of Staff), Brandi Meloche (Minutes), Alana Goodleaf-Rice (Executive Director)

House Keeping

- Minutes approved for March 16, 2015
- Request for Decision: Reading into the Record of Amendment #9 to Aboriginal Affairs & Northern Development Canada Multi-Year Funding Agreement #1112-03-000003 to increase contribution funding by a total amount of \$1,690,545. Passed unanimously
- Request for Decision, Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Appointment of Commissioner/Chairman to the Kahnawà:ke Gaming Commission. Mark Jocks appointed to replace Dean Montour, whose term ends on March 31, 2015, for a one-year term expiring on or near March 31, 2016. Passed unanimously
- Gina Deer: attending meetings on tobacco on Monday and Tuesday; attending meeting regarding Kahnawà:ke Sustainable Energies project in St. Cyprien on Tuesday
- Martin Leborgne: informed the table that he will be taking vacation from April 17 to May 1. Returning to the office on May 4
- Kenneth McComber: attending Hydro-Québec meeting on Tuesday; attending ceremonies to commemorate opening navigation season for St. Lawrence Seaway
- Bobby Patton: attending drafting team meeting for proposed Kahnawà:ke tobacco law (with Gina Deer)
- Christine Zachary-Deom: to represent the MCK at event being hosted by City of Hamilton, Ontario commemorating historical meeting held at conclusion of War of 1812. Host will pay for accommodations.
- Rhonda Kirby: attending Onkwata'karitáhtshera meeting on Thursday; will be taking vacation from April 15 to 22, returning to office on April 23
- Clinton Phillips: land Allotment Committee meeting on Thursday; request for approval (*approved*) for travel to Iroquois Caucus meeting in late April to address Canada's C-2 'Matrimonial Real Interests' legislation
- Billy Diabo: meeting on Tuesday with two Akwesasne residents who requested a discussion on various aspects of Kahnawà:ke's election laws
- Mike Delisle: meeting on social policy on Monday; meeting with Québec Native Affairs Minister Geoff Kelley tentatively rescheduled to April 9

Agenda

Request for Decision, Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Kahnawà:ke Labour Competency Program Terms of Reference

Presence of Arnold Lazare, Louis Stacey (Community Protection), Kevin Fleischer (Legal Services), Kevin Kennedy. MCK approves the Terms of Reference for the Kahnawà:ke Labour Office. MCK also mandates the Kahnawà:ke Labour Office, in the persons of Louis Stacey and Martin Morris, to certify and recognize the competencies of workers and contractors for the purposes of qualifying to work on the Kateri Memorial Hospital expansion and renovation project. (*Please note that the Kahnawà:ke Labour Office is still in development at this time*). Passed unanimously.



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Discussions/Updates

- Kenneth McComber updated the table on last week's Tourism conference in Québec City. He reported that, during the conference, it was announced that the Kahnawà:ke Tourism Office Coordinator had been nominated for an award for her work in the tourism field
- Discussion regarding concerns raised this past weekend in regard to 'local content' of certain portions of the Kateri Memorial Hospital Centre (KMHC) expansion and renovation project. Chief Rhonda Kirby will meet immediately with KMHC decision-makers in order to address the concerns
- Discussion on two separate housing issues, raised by Portfolio Chief Martin Leborgne. First issue was in regard to issues made public on local media in relation to lack of available housing options for people in certain situations. Also the issue of another community member who made complaints via local media was discussed; MCK Housing Department staff will remind complainants to follow existing protocols in order to resolve issues
- Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer updated Chief & Council on the peaceful march by community members in support of the residency requirements of the *Kahnawà:ke Membership Law*. The event took place on Saturday, March 28, with about 40 participants
- Mike Delisle reported on a meeting he had with a gas retailer regarding the topic of a 'community gas bar.' Meeting was very preliminary in nature
- Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer brought up the issue of a plan for a 'community cabin' planned for Tioweró:ton. Some discussion ensued. It was decided that the community should be engaged in the planning or funding of such a facility
- Meeting was closed at 11:10am