



## **Mohawk Council Communiqué**

**Tuesday, 19 Onerahtohkó:wa/May 2015**

**In:** Ratitsénhaienhs Mike Delisle Jr., Lloyd Phillips, Martin Leborgne, Rhonda Kirby, Billy Diabo, Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, Clinton Phillips, Gina Deer, Kenneth McComber, Christine Zachary-Deom, Bobby Patton, Carl Horn (all in attendance)

**Also Present:** Dwaine White (General Manager, Office of the Council of Chiefs), Mike O'Brien (OCC Chief of Staff), Alana Goodleaf-Rice (Executive Director), Trina Diabo-Jacobs (Minutes)

### **Housekeeping and Upcoming Meetings**

- Minute acceptance for May 4, 2015
- Christine Zachary-Deom: Consultation Group meeting on Wednesday; consultation meeting regarding new Champlain Bridge on Thursday; Independent Living meeting on Friday
- Kenneth McComber: meetings on Hydro Québec files on Monday and Wednesday; out Friday (wellness day)
- Martin Leborgne: Friday meeting with Kanésatake Council to discuss Tioweró:ton (tentative). If no meeting, Chief Leborgne will use vacation days on Thursday and Friday
- Billy Diabo: Friday meeting with Mohawk Council of Kanésatake to discuss Tiowero:ton issues (tentative)
- Rhonda Kirby: meeting regarding Kateri Memorial Hospital Center expansion project on Monday; Tobacco Reduction Strategy meeting on Friday
- Mike Delisle: Kahnawake Shakotiaa'takehnhas Community Services board meeting on Monday

### **Official Agenda Items**

#### **Request for Decision, Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Tioweró:ton Policy & Procedure Review**

*Presence of Tara McComber.* Draft policy presented to Chief & Council. Accepted unanimously. Document will be prepared for 30-day Community Consultation. Due to joint ownership of Tiowero:ton with Kanésatake, meetings will need to take place to further develop the document.

### **Updates and other Discussion Items**

- Discussion on upcoming visit by Governor General's Canadian Leadership Conference to take place on June 1
- Rhonda Kirby gave a brief update on the progress of the Kateri Memorial Hospital Center expansion project
- Christine Zachary-Deom updated the table on developments regarding upcoming Champlain Bridge replacement project and the role of the MCK's Consultation Committee in this project, upcoming meetings, etc.
- Lengthy discussion on the events of the past weekend in which a non-Native individual was removed from the Territory, with Peacekeeper Chief Dwayne Zacharie and Director of Justice Services Ron Skye present. Chief & Council agreed to give the issues regarding Membership their top priority and have postponed other meetings throughout this week to strategize. Press release issued on Tuesday to clarify the sequence of events that caused the incidents on Sunday, May 17. Press release issued to inform community of new communications efforts to re-engage community on the issues of membership/residency/public security. Reiteration and reminder in both releases that community conduct itself in respectful and peaceful manner
- Meeting was closed at 12:05pm