



## **Mohawk Council Communiqué**

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### **Monday, 9 Kentenhkó:wa/November 2015**

**In:** Ratitsénhaienhs Joe Norton, Rhonda Kirby, Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, Clinton Phillips, Martin Leborgne, Kenneth McComber, Arlene Jacobs, Bobby Patton, Gina Deer, Christine Zachary-Deom

**Out:** Billy Diabo (medical leave, to return on December 4, 2015), Carl Horn (wellness)

**Also Present:** Trina Diabo Jacobs (recorder), Alana Goodleaf-Rice (Executive Director), Dwaine White (Office of the Council of Chiefs General Manager)

#### **House Keeping**

- Minute Acceptance for October 26, 2015. Passed unanimously
- Fall Community Meeting agenda announced: Land allotments; Membership/residency update; Education funding shortfalls; City of Montreal's sewage dumping; Open discussion
- Gina Deer: Kahnawà:ke Sustainable Energies meeting on Monday; Gaming Commission and Tewatohnhi'sakta meetings on Tuesday; out of the office on Thursday and Friday (time for time)
- Bobby Patton: Housing meeting on Tuesday (with Martin Leborgne); meeting with Enbridge on Thursday (with Martin Leborgne), with costs to be covered by Enbridge
- Kenneth McComber: meeting with Legion on Tuesday
- Arlene Jacobs: Community Decision Making Process Membership Law Hearing on Thursday (with Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer)
- Christine Zachary-Deom: Meeting in Quebec City on November 24<sup>th</sup> to discuss issues revolving around the provincial Mining Act
- Clinton Phillips: Out on Thursday afternoon (appointment); request to attend Assembly of First Nations (AFN) Special Chiefs Assembly in Odanak in early December (approved)
- Rhonda Kirby: Social Policy meeting on Monday; Kahnawà:ke Christmas Basket meeting on Thursday
- Joe Norton: Meeting with representatives from Tobique First Nation on Tuesday to discuss potential business opportunities; will attend AFN Special Assembly to be held in Odanak in early December (approved)

#### **Formal Agenda Items**

##### **Request for Decision, Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Aboriginal Initiatives Fund (AIF) Consultation Funding**

Formal agreement to move forward with request to access funds from AIF to support consultation activities. Passed unanimously

#### **Other Mohawk Council Executive Directives**

- **Request for Decision, Aboriginal & Northern Affairs Canada Multi-year Funding Agreement #1110-03-000003, Amendment #4**  
Funding adjustments for provincial school transportation (\$55,000 for special needs bussing), \$100,000 for Kahnawà:ke/Canada Relations table. Passed unanimously

#### **Discussions/Updates**

- Brandi Meloche (lead organizer) in for discussion whether Chief & Council will participate in upcoming Holiday Parade. Agreed, with enthusiasm
- Discussion on Energy East Pipeline workshop upcoming in early December
- Discussion of complaint regarding trucks using Route 207. Public Safety (formerly 'Community Protection') Unit will be formalizing a response
- Clinton Phillips updated the table on actions taken in the past several weeks up to and including this past weekend in regard to the City of Montreal's dumping of untreated sewage into the St. Lawrence River. He reported that he spoke to the Federal Environment Minister on the weekend. Community will be brought up to date via visits by Chief Phillips to K103 morning show and Partyline talkshow. MCK has been very active in addressing this issue and will continue to be involved.
- Meeting closed at 12:15pm