



## **Mohawk Council Communiqué**

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### **Monday, 31 Kenténha/October 2016**

**In:** Ratitsénhaienhs Joe Norton, Rhonda Kirby, Christine Zachary-Deom, Gina Deer, Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, Billy Diabo, Arlene Jacobs, Martin Leborgne, Kenneth McComber, Clinton Phillips, Carl Horn, Bobby Patton (all in attendance)

**Also Present:** Trina Diabo-Jacobs (Council Meeting Administrator), Alana Goodleaf-Rice (Executive Director), Winona Polson-Lahache, (Chief Political Advisor) and Dwaine White (General Manager, Office of the Council of Chiefs)

#### **House Keeping**

- Minute Acceptance for September 27, 2016
- Travel Request by Joe Norton and Gina Deer to attend annual 'ICE' gaming exposition/conference in London, England in February. Approved
- Holiday Parade scheduled for December 4. Chief & Council have agreed to participate. To be coordinated by Brandi Meloche
- Rhonda Kirby: meeting on proposed Residency Law on Monday; Step-By-Step meeting on Tuesday; meeting on Quebec/Kahnawà:ke Relations issues on Thursday; Onkwata'karitáhtshera meeting on Thursday (with Billy Diabo)
- Gina Deer: Travel Request to attend Gaming meeting in Toronto on November 10. Approved
- Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer: Kahnawake Youth Center board meeting on Thursday
- Bobby Patton: participating in Dreams Take Flight on Wednesday and Thursday mornings (see press release dated November 1<sup>st</sup>)
- Clinton Phillips: In Akwesasne from Tuesday to Thursday to participate in Assembly of First Nations of Quebec & Labrador Chiefs' Assembly
- Kenneth McComber: update meeting on Thursday re: status of *Kathryn Spirit*, the derelict vessel moored in Beauharnois
- Martin Leborgne: in Winnipeg from Tuesday to Thursday to participate in Assembly of First Nations Housing Conference
- Billy Diabo: Tioweró:ton meeting on Wednesday; taking Vacation Days on November 9 and 10
- Joe Norton: Meeting with Canadian Border Services Agency on Friday (with Clinton Phillips, Bobby Patton and Billy Diabo)

#### **Formal Agenda Items or other Mohawk Council Executive Directives**

None submitted

#### **Discussions/Updates**

- Martin Leborgne updated the table on renovations taking place at the Multi-Dwelling apartments
- Kenneth McComber provided an update on the situation with the derelict vessel *Kathryn Spirit*, which is currently moored in Beauharnois



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- Bobby Patton updated the table on the recent conference on Consultation held in Quebec City (regarding difficulties/costs/short timeframes, etc.); informed Chief & Council that a follow-up meeting will be held in Ottawa on November 17<sup>th</sup> in regard to the Treaty Alliance against the Alberta Tar Sands development
- Christine Zachary-Deom: provided an update on Consultation issues
- Gina Deer: brief update on Mohawk Online; brought forth news of Dwayne Zacharie's selection as President of the First Nations Chiefs of Police Association (see press release dated November 1<sup>st</sup>)
- Arlene Jacobs: updated the table on Membership and Social Assistance
- Clinton Phillips: discussion on situation regarding Mikinaks; complaints about garbage dumping along St. Lawrence Seaway; discussion on possible permanent closure of the portion of Rabaska Road directly adjacent to the new addition to the Kateri Memorial Hospital; update on dumping of raw sewage in Ottawa River by the City of Gatineau; discussion of possible sale of land to the MCK by a private owner
- Discussion took place regarding Child Care Authority

**Note:** The meeting was adjourned at 11:25am.