



Mohawk Council Communiqué

24 and 25, Kenténha/October 2016

In: Ratitsénhaienhs Joe Norton, Rhonda Kirby, Christine Zachary-Deom, Gina Deer, Billy Diabo, Arlene Jacobs, Martin Leborgne, Kenneth McComber, Clinton Phillips, Carl Horn, Kahsennenhawe Skye-Deer (Vacation Day on Monday, October 24; attended Tuesday, October 25 portion of the meeting)

Absent: Ratsénhaienhs Bobby Patton (Consultation Conference in Quebec City from Monday to Wednesday. Vacation Days on Thursday and Friday)

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

- Reading into the Minutes: Aboriginal & Northern Affairs Multi-Year Funding Agreement # 1112-03-000003 Amendment #18.
- Fall Community Meeting Agenda set: Land Allotments; Membership update; Kanawaki Golf Club Lease Consultation update; and Open Discussion
- Reminder of *Kahnawà:ke Membership Law* Hearing on Tuesday (Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, Arlene Jacobs and Joe Norton attending)
- Discussion on potential purchase of land/property from a community member (*presence of Paul Rice*). Working group to be set up to address this issue
- Rhonda Kirby: proposed Residency Law meeting on Monday; Non-Insured Health Benefits Meeting in Quebec City on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday; Shakotiiatákéhnhas Community Services board meeting on Wednesday evening; Wellness Day on Friday
- Billy Diabo: Tioweró:ton discussion on Thursday; Appointment on Friday – out all morning
- Clinton Phillips: Quebec/Kahnawà:ke prep meeting on Tuesday; Lands Unit all-day Priorities Planning meeting on Friday (with Carl Horn and Billy Diabo)
- Kenneth McComber: Finance, Administration & Operations meeting on Tuesday (with Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer and Arlene Jacobs); Wellness Day on Wednesday; Indigenous Access meeting at McGill University on Friday
- Martin Leborgne: out of office on Wednesday to attend out of town funeral; Vacation Days on Thursday and Friday
- Arlene Jacobs: Bus Drivers' meeting on Tuesday; Community Decision Making Process prep session on Tuesday (with Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer); prep sessions for Seigneurie of Sault St. Louis discussions on Wednesday
- Carl Horn: meeting regarding Ironworkers training selection on Monday; meeting with Kanawaki Golf Club representatives on Wednesday



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Formal Agenda Items

Visit by officials from the State of New Jersey Department of Law & Public Safety, Division of Gaming Enforcement (DGE)

Presence of George Rover (Deputy Director), David Rebeck (Assistant Attorney General Director) and Anthony Strangia (Deputy Attorney General). Discussions regarding recent

Agreement between Kahnawake Gaming Commission and DGE and visits to Mohawk Internet Technologies, Kahnawake Gaming Commission and Tawatohni'saktha

Other Mohawk Council Executive Directives

Land Allotment

Passed unanimously

Request for Decision, Request for Eligibility: MCK – Revolving Loan Fund New Construction Program

Presence of Rosemary Lahache and Iris Jacobs (MCK Housing). Decision required regarding eligibility of a community member to apply for a loan for new housing construction. Individual applied for Housing Loan with a person who would normally meet the criteria for Non-Member Resident (Indigenous person from another community), as the law is currently in amendment process. The house and land would have to be in the Member's name. Passed unanimously.

Discussions/Updates

- Rhonda Kirby updated the table on planned Spirit of Wellness activities
- Reminder of internal Seigneurie of Sault St. Louis & Kahnawà:ke/Canada Relations meeting on Wednesday
- Martin Leborgne advised the table that the Assembly of First Nations of Quebec & Labrador has agreed to pay costs of one person to Winnipeg from November 1 to 3 for a Housing Conference
- Reminder of upcoming Border Crossing Meeting with Canada Border Services Agency scheduled for November 4 in Kahnawà:ke
- Discussion of letter received from a local business. Response will be forthcoming pending meeting with various internal stakeholders

Note: The meeting was adjourned at 12:33pm on Monday; resumed on Tuesday and concluded at 11:47am.