



Mohawk Council Communiqué

Monday, 26 Ohiarihkó:wa/July 2021

Meeting held remotely via Teams

In: Ratitsénhaienhs Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, Tonya Perron, Cody Diabo, Alan John Rice, Jessica Lazare, Mike Delisle, Jr., Lindsay LeBorgne, Arnold Boyer, Ryan Montour, Barton Goodleaf, and Harry Rice

Out: Ross Montour (Vacation)

Also Present: Kiera Beauvais (Recorder), Winona Polson-Lahache (Chief Political Advisor), Dwaine White (General Manager, Office of the Council of Chiefs), and Joe Delaronde (Public Relations)

Housekeeping

- Community Meeting on Thursday
- Cheque signers: Mike Delisle, Jr. & Lindsay LeBorgne
- Minute Acceptance for July 12, 2021
- Assembly of First Nations Quebec-Labrador 'Chiefs Assembly' on August 4th. Ross Montour has confirmed his participation and will hold the proxy on behalf of Grand Chief Sky-Deer. Jessica Lazare, Arnold Boyer, and Alan John Rice requested to participate/observe.
- No Council meeting scheduled for Monday, August 2nd
- **Tonya Perron:** Tuesday to Friday: Vacation Days
- **Alana John Rice:** Tuesday to Friday: Working at the Office of the Kahnawà:ke Kanien'kehá:ka Registry for transition purposes; Friday: Men's meeting (to be confirmed)
- **Cody Diabo:** Wednesday: JFK Quarry Working Group meeting; Thursday: Asbestos Working Group (AWG), Asbestos Civil Investigation (ACI), and Lands meetings; Friday: ACI update meeting
- **Mike Delisle, Jr.:** Tuesday to Friday: Vacation days (please note that he will attend Wednesday's Kahnawà:ke Gaming Commission meeting)
- **Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer:** Monday: meeting with historian Paul Williams; Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: Vacation Days; Thursday: AWG meeting; Vacation Days on Monday, August 2nd & Friday, August 6th
- **Jessica Lazare:** Friday: Wellness Day
- **Harry Rice:** Friday: Wellness Day; Friday, August 6th: Wellness Day
- **Bart Goodleaf:** Thursday: AWG, and ACI meetings; Friday: Wellness Day
- **Lindsay LeBorgne:** Mercier Bridge Community Consultation meeting (to be confirmed); Thursday: ACI meeting; Friday: ACI update meeting
- **Arnold Boyer:** Thursday & Friday: ACI meetings
- **Ryan Montour:** Monday: Meeting with Kahnawà:ke Peacekeepers and Public Safety regarding security matters

Agenda Items

Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Appointment of Justice of the Peace to the Court of Kahnawà:ke

Presence of Kevin Fleischer. Portfolio Chiefs: Tonya Perron & Ross Montour. Request to appoint Joyce King as Justice of the Peace to the Court of Kahnawà:ke on a supernumerary basis, to preside in the event that the current Justices are unavailable. Ms. King has been a Justice of the Peace since 1989 and previously presided at the Court of Kahnawà:ke from 1990-1993. **Passed by Consensus**

Request for Decision: Gaming Working Group Renewal

Presence of Winona Polson-Lahache. Portfolio Chiefs: Mike Delisle, Jr. & Ross Montour. Request to reapprove the Mandate of the Gaming Working Group, and to approve the composition to include Ohén:ton Í:iente ne Ratitsénhaienhs Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, and Ratitsénhaienhs Mike Delisle, Jr. & Ross Montour until such time that the composition shall be reviewed concluding the Council of Chiefs Portfolio Allocations process. The Gaming Working Group must seek approval on any substantive political positions of the Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke. **Approved by Consensus**



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Discussion: Client/Attorney Privileged Item

Presence of Neil McComber, Marissa Leblanc & Erica Shadeed (Tewatohnhi'saktha), and Eric Doucet & Stacey Douglas (MCK Legal Services).

Presentation: Amendment Approval Process Explanation

Presence of Erica Delisle. Item Deferred

Discussion: Proposed Removal of Remains

General discussion on the current situation regarding the remains of the former pastor of the St. Francis Xavier Church

Council Updates

- Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer updated on last week's meeting with Ian Lafrenière, Quebec's Minister Responsible for Indigenous Affairs; the recent announcement on High Speed Internet within the Territory; comments on the appointment of Mary Simon as Canada's new Governor-General
- Cody Diabo updated that he was approached regarding a potential land trade, with more information to come; Aquaponics project funding; encroachment issue addressed and rectified along Chateauguay/Kahnawà:ke border at Industrial Boulevard area; potential upgrade to the access bridge to Tekakwitha Island (with resulting discussion)
- Arnold Boyer updated on security issues regarding suspicious persons on the Territory; parking issues at the new Mini-Putt facility
- Bart Goodleaf updated on last week's men's meeting, with added input from Ryan Montour and Arnold Boyer
- Harry Rice commented on this past weekend's positive community events (collector's show, community-wide garage sale, and opening of Mini-Putt facility), with comments from Mike Delisle, Jr.
- Alan John Rice updated briefly on work being conducted by Public Works, and the letter from the mayor of Chateauguay regarding the current land issue
- Tonya Perron updated on the process for community comments proposed regulations for the Cannabis Control Law; small change in the Memorandum of Understanding with Health Canada regarding Cannabis
- Mike Delisle, Jr. updated on gaming matters
- Ryan Montour updated on a meeting he had with Tewatohnhi'saktha for the possibility of acquiring funds for security training purposes
- Meeting ended at **2:59pm**