



Mohawk Council Communiqué

Monday, 13 Tsothóhrha/December 2021

Meeting held at the Kahnawà:ke Office Complex

In: Ratitsénhaienhs Tonya Perron (Chairperson), Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer (Wellness Time in the morning), Cody Diabo, Alan John Rice, Jessica Lazare, Ross Montour, Mike Delisle, Jr., Lindsay LeBorgne, Ryan Montour, Barton Goodleaf, and Arnold Boyer (*Please note that Michael Delisle, Jr., Lindsay LeBorgne, and Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer participated remotely*)

Out: Harry Rice (Vacation)

Also Present: Kiera Beauvais (Recorder), Winona Polson-Lahache (Chief Political Advisor), and Joe Delaronde and Justus Polson-Lahache (Public Relations)

Housekeeping

- Ohén:ton Karihwatéhkwén by Jessica Lazare
- Cheque signers: Lindsay LeBorgne & Alan John Rice
- Approval of Minutes for November 29, 2021
- Request from Lheidli T'enneh First Nation (from northern British Columbia) to visit Kahnawà:ke and meet with the Council of Chiefs. Their delegation will be welcomed at a date to be confirmed in 2022
- Wednesday: COVID-19 weekly update
- Friday: All-day Administration & Political Priorities meeting (all Ratitsénhaienhs attending)
- K1037 'MCK Friday' this week: Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer & Tonya Perron
- **Alan John Rice:** Tuesday: Language class; Wednesday: Finance, Administration & Operations (FAO) Committee, and Consultation meetings; Thursday: Consultation meeting, and Language class
- **Mike Delisle, Jr.:** Wednesday: Kahnawà:ke Gaming Commission meeting; Thursday: Mercier Bridge briefing, and Gaming Working Group meeting
- **Cody Diabo:** Monday: K1037 talkshow; Tuesday: Language class; Wednesday: JFK Quarry meeting; Thursday: Language class, and Energy Production Project meeting
- **Barton Goodleaf:** Monday: Language class; Tuesday: Language class; Wednesday: JFK Quarry meeting; Thursday: Tioweró:ton strategic planning, and Indian Day School meeting with Deloitte
- **Ross Montour:** Tuesday: Consultation meeting; Wednesday: JFK Quarry, and Mohawk Online meetings; Thursday: Gaming Working Group, Mohawk Online Board of Directors, and Transport Canada Consultation meetings
- **Arnold Boyer:** Tuesday: Language class; Wednesday: Mercier Bridge meeting; Thursday: Mercier Bridge briefing
- **Ryan Montour:** Tuesday: Language class; Wednesday: Search & Rescue meeting; Thursday: Assembly of First Nations Quebec-Labrador Public Security meeting
- **Lindsay LeBorgne:** Wednesday: FAO Committee meeting; Thursday: Mercier Bridge briefing
- **Jessica Lazare:** Wednesday: Consultation meeting, and Language class; Thursday: Administration of Justice, and Administrative Tribunal technical drafting committee meetings
- **Tonya Perron:** Tuesday: Language class; Wednesday: FAO Committee meeting; Thursday: Language class, Administrative Tribunal Regulations technical drafting committee, and Administration of Justice workplan meetings; Friday: K1037 MCK Friday talkshow
- **Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer:** Monday: meeting with Federal Minister of Crown-Indigenous Relations Marc Miller; Thursday: Indian Day School meeting with Deloitte; Friday: K1037 MCK Friday talkshow

Agenda Items



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Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Lease Renewal, Department of Fisheries & Oceans Canada

Presence of Jean Pommerville (MCK Legal Services), Martin Stacey, and Jean Guimond. Portfolio Chief: Cody Diabo. Request to renew a five-year lease with the Department of Fisheries & Oceans Canada for a small piece of common land at Johnson Point (Lot 64, Block 8) for the purposes of housing a tower/buoy for the provision of safe navigation. Further, Ratsénhaienhs Cody Diabo is authorized to sign the lease agreement on behalf of the MCK. **Passed by Consensus**

Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Renewal of State of Recovery

Presence of Lloyd Phillips. Lead Portfolio Chief: Ryan Montour. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, request for approval of Renewal of State of Recovery for an additional period of thirty (30) days from December 19, 2021 to January 18, 2022 (see Press Release date December 13th for details). **Passed by Consensus**

Request for Decision: Delson Old Mill Site

Presence of Francis Walsh & Stacey Douglas (MCK Legal Services), and Rose-Ann Morris.. Portfolio Chiefs: Michael Delisle, Jr. & Ross Montour. Request for decision to proceed with action plan to address the issue of the property in Delson (known as the Old Mill Site). At this time, this matter is considered confidential until the plan is further discussed/developed. **Approved by Consensus**

Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Indigenous Community Business Fund

Presence of Neil McComber, Ron Abaira, Tammy Delaronde & Angie Marquis (Tewatohnhi'saktha). Portfolio Chiefs: Michael Delisle, Jr., Cody Diabo, Barton Goodleaf, and Ross Montour. Request to approve the transfer of \$1.2 million from the Indigenous Community Business Fund to Tewatohnhi'saktha to fund economic recovery programming. **Passed by Consensus** (Please note: *Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer joined the meeting in time for this item*)

Additional Mohawk Council Executive Directives

- Five (5) Land Allotments, **Passed by Consensus**

Council Updates

- Alan John Rice updated on Mercier Bridge Consultation/Transportation meeting; human resource staffing developments
- Rt-132 Urban Boulevard project discussion
- Michael Delisle, Jr. updated on a Montreal media panel discussion on Reconciliation; Gaming Working Group discussions/meetings; Hydro-Québec/Hertel communications planning; External Government Relations portfolio meetings (with input from Ross Montour)
- Cody Diabo updated on Asbestos Working Group activities & Asbestos Civil Investigation press conference; potential Housing partnership opportunities; JFK Quarry prep meeting; and research into an investment property in Montreal
- Barton Goodleaf updated on Kanehsatà:ke/Kahnawà:ke relationship re: Tioweró:ton
- Ross Montour updated on relations with Assembly of First Nations and the Assembly of First Nations Quebec-Labrador; labor issues with Quebec; potential Kahnawà:ke environmental legislation; Gaming matters (including meeting with Senator McCallum re: Bill C-218)
- Client/Attorney Privileged discussion, with Mary Lee Armstrong (Director, MCK Legal Services) present
- Arnold Boyer updated on meetings with Jacques Cartier-Champlain Bridges Inc.re: Mercier Bridge works, and meeting with Department of Indigenous Services Canada/Infrastructure Canada



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- Ryan Montour updated on Housing; issues with Policing; and the Public Safety Commission
- Lindsay LeBorgne attended the Housing presentation; updated on Heritage portfolio meeting; updated on sewage pump failure over the weekend
- Jessica Lazare updated on meetings from two weeks ago (as she was on Vacation last week), including Global Prioritization strategy, and the Kahnawà:ke Legislative Coordinating Commission (KLCC) working group
- Tonya Perron updated on work on the Cannabis file; KLCC; Administration of Justice; and review of the Justice Sectoral workplan (Quebec-Kahnawà:ke Relations);
- Closing by Cody Diabo. Meeting ended at **4:43pm**