



Mohawk Council Communiqué

Monday, 12, Ohiarí:ha/June 2023

Meeting at Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke

In: Ratitsénhaienhs Michael Delisle Jr. (Chairperson), Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer (attended virtually for am session – Chairperson for pm session), Cody Diabo, Jessica Lazare, Iohahí:io Delisle, Ryan Montour, Stephen McComber, Ross Montour, Arnold Boyer, and Lindsay LeBorgne

Out: Ratsénhaienhs Harry Rice (Medical Leave), Tonya Perron (Vacation)

Also Present: Jaime-Lynn Deere (Council Meeting Administrator), Winona Polson-Lahache (Chief Political Advisor), Lisa Lahache (Public Relations), and Assistants to the Council of Chiefs Sarah Delisle & Tyanna Kirby

Housekeeping

- Ohén:ton Karihwatéhkwén by Lindsay LeBorgne
- Cheque Signers this week: Lindsay LeBorgne & Arnold Boyer
- Public Relations Items: Chiefs Uncut – Iohahí:io Delisle (Monday, June 19, 2023); MCK Friday – Cody Diabo & Stephen McComber (Friday, June 23, 2023)
- Minute Approval: February 20, February 27, and March 6, 2023 – **Approved by Consensus**
- Audit Presentation: Tuesday, July 18, 2023 (Stephen will not be present, traveling)
- Grand Chief Designate: Ryan Montour – June 14, Mike Delisle Jr – June 15 & 16, 2023, while Kahsennenhawe attends the Assembly of First Nations Quebec-Labrador (AFNQL) Chiefs Assembly.
- Grand Chief Request to accept the invitation to be on the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiative Board of Directors: approved.
- Upcoming Chiefs Vacations (V) and Wellness (W): Arnold Boyer – June 22-23 (W), July 11-14 (V), August 21-Sep 1 (V); Mike Delisle – June 19 PM (W), July 6-7 (W), July 21 (W), July 24-28 (mix of W&V); Kahsennenhawe – June 19 (W), July 2-7 (W), Aug 14-18 (W), September 11 (W); Stephen – Aug 24-Sep 1 (V), September 11-15 (V), September 17-21 (V); Lindsay: August 4-8 (V); Jessica: June 28-30, July 6-7 (V), August 7-11 (V); Iohahí:io: June 16 (V)
- **Cody Diabo:** Wednesday: Regional Assessment of St Lawrence River (virtual meeting); Thursday: meeting with ORPC Canada, Land Management Committee meeting; Friday: Ministère des Transports et de la Mobilité Durable (MTMD, formerly MTQ), External Governmental Relations Portfolio meetings and Weekly Check-in with Consultation Committee
- **Jessica Lazare:** Wednesday: Technical Drafting Committee meeting for Administrative Tribunals; Thursday: Kanien'kehá:ka Onkwawén:na Raotitíóhkwa Language and Cultural Center (KORLCC) and Verdun 150th Committee meetings; Friday: Attending Culture and Heritage event by AGORA Montreal
- **Iohahí:io Delisle:** Wednesday: Regional Assessment of St Lawrence River (virtual meeting), Kanien'kehá:ka Funding Association (KFA) meetings; Thursday: meeting with Onen'to:kon Treatment Center's Executive Director; Friday: Weekly Check in with Consultation Committee
- **Ryan Montour:** Thursday: meeting with Onen'to:kon Treatment Center's Executive Director; Friday: Kahnawà:ke Labor Office update meeting
- **Stephen McComber:** Wednesday: meeting for garden project on church grounds, and Turtle Bay Elders Lodge gardening workshop; Thursday: Sustainable Development working group meeting; Friday: weekly 3 Sisters Garden working group meeting
- **Ross Montour:** Wednesday: Regional Assessment of St Lawrence River (virtual meeting), Plan d'urbanisme et de mobilité 2050 (PUM) virtual meeting, world refugee day event in Montreal; Thursday: Kahnawà:ke/Canada Relations (KCR) meeting; Friday: External Governmental Relations Portfolio, weekly Consultation Committee, and Sustainable Development meetings
- **Arnold Boyer:** Tuesday: Fort Wall meeting with Director of Infrastructure; Thursday: Carillon Canal Historical Site Plan meeting; Friday: bi-weekly Jacques Cartier and Champlain Bridges Incorporated (JCCBI) and MTMD meetings
- **Lindsay LeBorgne:** Tuesday: Kahnawà:ke Youth Center board meeting, Thursday: Public Works meeting; Friday: bi-weekly JCCBI and MTMD meeting
- **Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer:** Wednesday: Gaming file and Strategic Discussion Scheduling meetings, attendance at AFNQL Chiefs Assembly; Thursday: Gaming Working Group monthly and June Cabinet meetings, attendance at AFNQL Chiefs Assembly; Friday: External Governmental Relations Portfolio meeting
- **Michael Delisle Jr.:** Tuesday: Gaming file and Thompson Group meetings; Wednesday: Canadian Gaming Summit (Toronto); Thursday: Gaming Working Group monthly and KCR meetings; Friday: External Governmental Relations Portfolio and Sustainable Development meetings; Saturday: Delivering a speech at Montreal Synagogue



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Agenda Items

Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Appointment of Legal Services Representative and Communications Representative to the Kahnawà:ke Legislative Commission

Presence of Leslie Skye (Coordinator, Kahnawà:ke Legislative Commission). Portfolio Chief: Jessica Lazare. Request to the Council of Chiefs to appoint Suzanne Jackson, Legal Services representative, and Justus Polson-Lahache, Communications representative as Commissioners on the Kahnawà:ke Legislative Coordinating Commission. **Approved by Consensus**

Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Acceptance of the 2023-2029 Kahnawà:ke Waste Management Plan

Presence of Holly McComber (General Manager of Waste Management Department). Portfolio Chief: Arnold Boyer. Request to the Council of Chiefs to approve the 2023-2029 Waste Management Plan and to authorize the continuation of MCK participation in the program that redistributes fees paid for waste disposal. **Approved by Consensus**

Additional Mohawk Council Executive Directives

One (1) Land Allotment. **Passed by Consensus**

Executive Director Update

Onerahtókha Marquis updated on the MCK's participation in the Kahnawà:ke Pride Parade and HR updates.

Alan John Rice updated on taxation letters from the IRS being received by community members not exclusively, but seemingly, related to COVID funds received.

Ratitsénhaienhs Updates

- Cody Diabo updated on the Lands and Territories portfolio.
- Jessica Lazare updated on the Multi-Purpose Building Committee and the Governance and Language and Culture portfolios.
- Iohahí:io Delisle updated on the CANSEC Global Defence & Security Trade Show and recent relationship-building meetings with Akwesasne.
- Ryan Montour updated on the Public Safety portfolio.
- Stephen McComber updated on Sustainable Development.
- Ross Montour updated on the Indigenous Rights and Research and Education (in the absence of Harry Rice) portfolios.
- Arnold Boyer updated on transport and Health portfolios.
- Harry Rice joined the meeting briefly to advise that his medical leave will remain effective until June 21, 2023, inclusively. He will return to office on June 22, 2023.
- Lindsay LeBorgne updated on Administrative Affairs and the Sports and Recreation (in the absence of Harry Rice) portfolios.
- Michael Delisle Jr. updated on Kahnawà:ke/Canada Relations and the Seignury of Sault Saint Louis portfolios.
- Kahsennenhawe updated on the Great Lakes Alliance Conference and the MCK Governance portfolio.
- Closing by Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer. Meeting ended at **3:32pm**