



Mohawk Council Communiqué

Monday, 25 Ohiarí:ha/June 2018

In: Ratitsénhaienhs Joe Norton, Martin Leborgne, Carl Horn, Kenneth McComber, Rhonda Kirby, Clinton Phillips, Bobby Patton, Arlene Jacobs, Christine Zachary-Deom, Billy Diabo and Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer (Wellness time in the morning, attended afternoon session)

Out: letsénhaienhs Gina Deer (Vacation)

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

House Keeping

- Cheque signers – Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer & Kenneth McComber
- Department of Indigenous Services Canada Ten-Year Grant – Expression of Interest. MCK invited to apply for new type of funding arrangement with Canada. After discussion, Chief & Council rejected the invitation as completely unsatisfactory for MCK's purposes. A formal letter of rejection is forthcoming, which will be shared with the Assembly of First Nations Quebec-Labrador
- **Kenneth McComber:** Tuesday: Finance, Administration & Operations Committee meeting; Friday: Wellness Day
- **Arlene Jacobs:** Tuesday: *Kanien'kehá:ka of Kahnawà:ke Law* Hearing; Thursday: *Kanien'kehá:ka of Kahnawà:ke Law Regulations* meeting; Friday: Wellness Day
- **Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer:** Tuesday: Finance, Administration & Operations Committee meeting, *Kanien'kehá:ka Onkwawén:na Raotitíóhkwa Language & Cultural Center Board of Directors* meeting, *Kanien'kehá:ka of Kahnawà:ke Law* Hearing; Thursday: *Kanien'kehá:ka of Kahnawà:ke Law Regulations* meeting
- **Bobby Patton:** Tuesday: Sectoral Table on Justice work plan meeting; Wednesday: Sectoral Table on Justice Strategic Report meeting; Thursday: Thompson Distillery Federal Inspection
- **Clinton Phillips:** Tuesday: *Kanien'kehá:ka of Kahnawà:ke Law* Hearing; Thursday: Lands meeting; Friday: attending Lands staff function; Saturday: follow-up Community Meeting in Tioweró:ton (see press release dated June 26th for details)
- **Rhonda Kirby:** Tuesday: Sectoral Table on Justice work plan meeting, *Kanien'kehá:ka of Kahnawà:ke Law* Hearing; Thursday: meeting with Kahnawake Mohawk Entertainment Resort group, *Kahnawà:ke Cannabis Control Law* working group meeting
- **Martin Leborgne:** Tuesday: meeting on Housing issues; Wednesday: Medical appointment in the morning
- **Christine Zachary-Deom:** Tuesday: Sectoral Table on Justice work plan meeting; Wednesday: Sectoral Table on Justice Strategic Report; Friday: meeting with Parks Canada
- **Billy Diabo:** Thursday: Lands meeting; Saturday: follow-up Community Meeting in Tioweró:ton
- **Joe Norton:** Tuesday: *Kanien'kehá:ka of Kahnawà:ke Law* Hearing (tentative)

Formal Agenda Items

Audit Presentations

Presence of Jeremy Asch & Gordon Leebosh (MNP Assurance and Accounting Services), and Erica Delisle. Audit presentations by the following organizations and their representative(s):

1. **Kahnawake Shakotii'takéhnhas Community Services** (Derek Montour & Dana Stacey)
2. **Kahnawake Education Center** (Louie John Diabo & Robin Delaronde)
3. **Tewatohni'saktha** (Barbara Taylor-McComber)
4. **Kanien'kehá:ka Onkwawén:na Raotitíóhkwa Language & Cultural Center** (Reaghan Tarbell)
5. **Kahnawake Fire Brigade:** including Ambulance Services (David Scott, Terry Diabo, Wishe Stacey & Ivan Thompson)
6. **Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke:** Operations and Consolidated, including Pension Plan (Paul Rice). **Note:** Audit presentations ended at 12:35pm

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Mohawk Council Executive Decision: Addition of Designated Inspectors under Sanitary Condition Law

Presence of Patrick Ragaz. Request for approval to appoint two additional Inspectors, which will provide MCK and the Kahnawà:ke Environment Office with increased flexibility in administering/enforcing the provisions in the *Sanitary Conditions Law*. Passed unanimously

Request for Decision: Indigenous Data Initiative – Confirmation of Mandate

Presence of Richard Basques. Request to confirm Mandate regarding this project. Chief & Council agreed to develop a Memorandum of Understanding between the MCK and the proponents (Forrest Green, and BlackBerry) as the next step in the process.

Request for Decision: Kahnawake Fire Brigade

This item was deferred

Other Mohawk Council Executive Directives

None submitted

Discussions/Updates

- Joe Norton updated the table on his meeting with Quebec Minister of Aboriginal Affairs Geoffrey Kelley on Friday, June 22. He indicated that Mr. Kelley is arranging a meeting with Quebec Minister of Finance Carlos Leitão in July
- Lloyd Phillips provided an update on the Aboriginal Initiatives Fund
- Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer updated Chief & Council on last week's Kahnawà:ke/ Canada Relations meeting on Membership issues. There is concern at the level of control that Canada will exert in the implementation of Bill S-3. Canada expected to begin consultations with First Nations in late July.
- Meeting adjourned at 4:03pm