



## Mohawk Council Communiqué

# Monday, 21 Kenténha/October 2019

**In:** Ratitsénhaienhs Joe Norton, Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, Gina Deer, Frankie McComber, Clinton Phillips, Rhonda Kirby, Mike Delisle Jr., Harry Rice, Ross Montour, Tonya Perron, Lindsay LeBorgne, and Cody Diabo (all in attendance)

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

### House Keeping (morning discussion)

- Chief & Council officially welcomed Cody Diabo as the newly-elected Ratsénhaienhs followed by *Declaration of Oath of Office* (see below in 'Other Mohawk Council Executive Directives')
- Check Signers: Nitsénhaienhs Mike Delisle, Jr. & Lindsay LeBorgne
- Minute Acceptance for September 19 & 30 (re-tabled from previous meeting), September 9, and October 7, 2019. All approved
- Travel Request for Joe Norton to attend Indigenous Technology Summit from November 21 – 23 in Osoyoos, British Columbia. Approved unanimously
- Travel Request for Frankie McComber to attend Iroquois Caucus Harvesting meeting. Approved, pending confirmation of meeting date and agenda
- Travel Requests, Harvesting & Iroquois Caucus: deferred
- Travel request, Assembly of First Nations Quebec-Labrador Chiefs Assembly attendees: deferred
- Travel Request by Rhonda Kirby to attend Housing Conference in Wendake from November 26-29. Travel paid by conference organizers. Approved unanimously
- Facilitation, Communication, Public Speaking & Negotiation Workshop from Wednesday to Friday. Cody Diabo, Frankie McComber, Harry Rice, Ross Montour & Tonya Perron to attend
- **Cody Diabo:** Tuesday: Medical Appointment in morning
- **Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer:** Monday: Kanien'kehá:ka Onkwawén:na Raotitióhkwa Language & Cultural Center (KORLCC) Board meeting; Tuesday: Governance; Wednesday: Collective Impact, Language & Culture regulations; Thursday: meeting on *Kahnawà:ke Kanien'kehá:ka Registry/* Housing matters; Friday: Intergovernmental Relations meeting
- **Gina Deer:** Thursday: Tawatohni'saktha meeting; Friday: Intergovernmental Relations meeting
- **Clinton Phillips:** Thursday: *Kahnawà:ke Family Homes Law* presentation with Kahnawà:ke Legislative Coordinating Commission; Friday: Intergovernmental Relations meeting
- **Rhonda Kirby:** Vacation from Wednesday, October 23 to Wednesday, October 30
- **Mike Delisle, Jr.:** Wednesday: meeting regarding potential Economic Development initiative, Kahnawà:ke Gaming Commission meeting, and Collective Impact; Thursday: Tawatohni'saktha meeting; Friday: meeting on Youth Protection Agreement at Kahnawà:ke Shakotia'takéhnhas Community Services
- **Ross Montour:** Thursday: Cannabis Control Board meeting
- **Tonya Perron:** Tuesday: Governance; Thursday: Cannabis Control Board meeting
- **Lindsay LeBorgne:** Wednesday: Town Garage meeting
- **Joe Norton:** Tuesday & Wednesday: "Regulating Cannabis Edibles" conference in Toronto; Friday: Intergovernmental Relations meeting

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### **Formal Agenda Items**

#### **Mohawk Council Executive Directives (MCED) (2): MCK Governance Framework**

*Presence of Working Group.* Request to pass two (2) MCED's to establish mechanisms and procedures to oversee and monitor Administrative and Operational aspects of the Council table. The first MCED will address the "Administrative Guidelines for Chief & Council," while the second will address the "Regulations for the Operations for Chief & Council." Both passed unanimously. Additionally, a Mandate to create a Terms of Reference was requested to conduct a Salary Market Review & Benefits Survey for Chief & Council. This was approved unanimously

#### **Introduction of Executive Team**

*Presence of Alana Goodleaf-Rice (Executive Director), Kevin Kennedy (Executive Operations Officer), Ken Bourque (Business Comptroller, Special Projects), Erica Delisle (Interim Executive Finance & Administration Officer), Richard Basque ((Executive Strategic Officer), and Paul Rice (Business Economic Development Advisor).* Alana Goodleaf-Rice presented the Executive Team to Chief & Council. All were present, except Nelva Diabo (General Manager, Executive Office)

### **Other Mohawk Council Executive Directives**

*Declaration of Oath of Office* read into the record by newly-elected Ratsénhaienhs Cody Diabo. Accepted/passed unanimously by Chief & Council

One (1) Land Allotment

### **Chief & Council Updates**

- Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer updated on KORLCC initiatives, and Kahnawà:ke Kanien'kehá:ka Registry/Residency matters
- Gina Deer reported on recent "Bridging Communities" initiative held in St. Lucie des Laurentides/Mt. Kaaikop, as well as provided update on last week's G2E Gaming conference in Las Vegas
- Clinton Phillips updated on Hydro-Québec and Kanawaki Golf Club files, and Kahnawà:ke Environment Protection Office matters
- Rhonda Kirby provided update on Kateri Memorial Hospital Centre Expansion & Renovation Project; Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women meeting in Quebec City, and developments in Housing file
- Mike Delisle, Jr. reported on potential Economic Development project, and updated on Mercier Bridge Maintenance Contract
- Harry Rice reported that he was approached by community member regarding Quebec sales tax issues at Fairview Pointe Claire mall
- Ross Montour spoke briefly about the Tiohtià:ke archaeological project
- Tonya Perron updated on meetings with Kahnawà:ke Legislative Coordinating Commission and Cannabis Control Board
- Lindsay LeBorgne updated on progress regarding the proposed "Blue Collar Park"
- Joe Norton continued the discussion regarding earlier topic of *Kahnawà:ke Kanien'kehá:ka Registry/Residency* matters, the lack of communications with Government of Quebec, and two further potential Economic Development opportunities. Morning session ended at 11:55am
- Meeting reconvened at 1:30pm with "in camera" session for Chief & Council only.
- Meeting concluded at **3:41pm**