



Mohawk Council Communiqué

Monday, 28 Kenténha/October 2019

In: Ratitsénhaienhs Joe Norton, Cody Diabo, Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, Gina Deer, Frankie McComber, Clinton Phillips, Mike Delisle Jr., Harry Rice, Ross Montour, Tonya Perron, and Lindsay LeBorgne

Out: Rhonda Kirby (Vacation)

Also Present: Samantha Montour-Cross (Recorder), 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)

- Check Signers: Nitsénhaienhs Lindsay LeBorgne & Mike Delisle, Jr.
- Travel Requests for Iroquois Caucus Harvesting Working Group and Iroquois Caucus meetings from Monday, November 5 to 7 in Ottawa; and Assembly of First Nations Quebec-Labrador (AFNQL) Chiefs Assembly on November. Joe Norton, Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer & Frankie McComber to attend Iroquois Caucus. Clinton Phillips & Cody Diabo to attend AFNQL Chiefs Assembly on November 5 & 6 in Lac Beauport. Additionally, Joe Norton & Clinton Phillips will attend Assembly of First Nations Special Chiefs' Assembly from December 3 to 5. All unanimously approved
- Recommendations for, and Reading into the Record of Department of, Indigenous Services Canada Multi-Year Funding Agreement #1112-03-000003 #50 into the Record. \$341,579 decrease in funding due to adjustments made due to persons on *Kahnawà:ke Kanien'kehá:ka Registry* 'presumed deceased'
- Request for Letter of Support for Business Venture. A response will be drafted for Chief & Council's consideration
- Agenda for upcoming Fall Community Meeting: deferred to next week
- **Cody Diabo:** Wednesday to Friday: Orientation activities
- **Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer:** Wednesday: Sober Event, and Elders Commemoration planning meetings; Friday & Saturday: Language conference in Cornwall, Ontario
- **Gina Deer:** Wednesday: Tioweró:ton Committee, and Tewatohnhi'saktha strategy meetings; Thursday: Economic Development Portfolio; Thursday afternoon & Friday: Wellness Time
- **Frankie McComber:** Wednesday: Tioweró:ton Committee, and Tewatohnhi'saktha strategy meetings; Thursday: Economic Development Portfolio meeting; Friday: Indigenous Rights & Research meeting
- **Clinton Phillips:** Wednesday & Thursday: meetings on Kanawaki Golf Club files
- **Mike Delisle, Jr.:** Tuesday: meeting regarding Commission de la construction du Québec (CCQ); Wednesday: Alcoholic Beverages Control Board, Kahnawà:ke Gaming Commission, Tewatohnhi'saktha, and Caisse Populaire Board meetings; Thursday: Economic Development Portfolio, Finance, Administration & Operations (FAO) Committee meeting (Tentative); Friday: Youth Protection follow-up meeting at Kahnawake Shakotia'takéhnhas Community Services, and Indigenous Rights & Research meeting
- **Harry Rice:** Wednesday: *Kahnawà:ke Animal Protection Law* meeting, and Karihwanó:ron meeting (tentative)
- **Ross Montour:** Tuesday: Tiohtià:ke Project meeting; Friday: Indigenous Rights & Research meeting, and legal strategy meeting with James O'Reilly
- **Tonya Perron:** Tuesday: Wellness Day; Wednesday: Victims of Crime Advocacy Group meeting; Thursday: Language Class; Friday: Indigenous Rights & Research meeting
- **Lindsay LeBorgne:** Wednesday: Tioweró:ton Committee; Thursday: FAO Committee meeting (tentative)
- **Joe Norton:** Wednesday: attending Council for Advancement of Native Development Officers conference in Gatineau (Ottawa); Friday: legal strategy meeting with James O'Reilly

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Formal Agenda Items

Request for Decision: Asbestos Working Group Terms of Reference

Presence of Robyn Montour & Kevin Kennedy. Request to formally accept the Terms of Reference for Asbestos Working Group. The Terms of Reference includes the Mandate, Committee Composition, Decision Making Authority, Roles & Responsibilities, Meetings, and Accountability. Approved unanimously

Other Mohawk Council Executive Directives

None submitted

Chief & Council Updates

- Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer updated on topics including Kanien'kehá:ka Onkwawén:na Raotitíóhkwa Language & Cultural Center, Governance, Collective Impact, Housing, and Intergovernmental Relations meeting
- Gina Deer reported on Tawatohni'saktha quarterly meeting, upcoming Cannabis conference in Kelowna, British Columbia, Intergovernmental Relations meeting, and Tioweró:ton Bridge situation
- Clinton Phillips provided updates on progress of *Kahnawà:ke Family Homes Law*, Lands Management, and Intergovernmental Relations meeting
- Mike Delisle, Jr. updated on developments regarding Mercier Bridge maintenance contract, Tawatohni'saktha quarterly meeting, and potential economic development project
- Harry Rice reported on leadership/public speaking/negotiations training held last week. (Ross Montour, Tonya Perron, Cody Diabo & Frankie McComber also attended)
- Ross Montour discussed Archaeology funding proposal, Language & Culture meeting, and Cannabis Control Board
- Tonya Perron updated on Governance, and Cannabis Control Board
- Lindsay LeBorgne provide update on School Bus Transportation
- Cody Diabo updated on research into sustainable foods & alternative energy
- Joe Norton gave a recap of last week's 'Regulating Cannabis Edibles' forum
- Discussion on Conflict of Interest guidelines
- Meeting concluded at **3:15pm**