



Mohawk Council Communiqué

Monday, 16 Tsothóhrha/December 2019

In: Ratitsénhaienhs Joe Norton, Cody Diabo, Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, Frankie McComber, Clinton Phillips, Rhonda Kirby, Mike Delisle Jr., Harry Rice (arrived at 10:15am), Ross Montour, Tonya Perron and Lindsay LeBorgne

Out: letsénhaienhs Gina Deer (Wellness)

Also Present: Trina Diabo-Jacobs (Council Meeting Administrator), Winona Polson-Lahache (Chief Political Advisor) and Joe Delaronde (Public Relations)

House Keeping

- Cheque Signers: Nitsénhaienhs Lindsay LeBorgne & Rhonda Kirby
- Request for Letter of Support by Language Nest to access funding from Heritage Canada's Aboriginal Language Initiative. Approved by consensus
- **2020 Community Meeting dates set for February 18, May 12, August 11 and November 10.** All meetings are scheduled for Tuesday evenings
- 'Chiefs Breakfast' (for staff) will take place on Thursday morning.
- **Cody Diabo:** Tuesday: Kanawaki, and Housing meetings; Wednesday: Lands meeting; Friday: Aquaponics follow-up meetings
- **Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer:** Tuesday: Language & Culture Network working group Mentorship meeting, and Collective Impact; Wednesday: participating in K1037 all-Kanien'kéha Christmas broadcast; Vacation from Friday, December 20, returning to the office on January 6, 2020
- **Frankie McComber:** Tuesday: Housing; Wednesday: Asbestos Working Group; Thursday: Peacekeepers Services Board meeting; Vacation from January 2 to 13, 2020
- **Clinton Phillips:** Wednesday: Asbestos Working Group, and Lands meetings; Out of the office on Monday, December 23
- **Rhonda Kirby:** Tuesday: Kateri Memorial Hospital Centre Building Committee, Quebec/Kahnawà:ke Relations (QKR) internal meeting, and Kahnawà:ke Shakotia'takéhnhas Community Services (KSCS) Board meeting
- **Mike Delisle, Jr.:** Tuesday: Hydro-Québec Dismantlement, QKR internal, and KSCS Board meetings; Wednesday: Kahnawà:ke Gaming Commission; Thursday: Economic Development
- **Ross Montour:** Tuesday: Archaeology, and QKR internal meetings; Thursday: Consultation meeting; Vacation from Friday, December 20, returning to the office on Monday, January 6, 2020
- **Tonya Perron:** Tuesday: QKR internal meeting; Thursday: Consultation meeting; Vacation from Friday, December 20, returning to the office on Monday, January 6, 2020
- **Lindsay LeBorgne:** Monday: accompanying film crew; Tuesday: Hydro-Québec Dismantlement, and QKR internal meetings; Friday: meeting with St. Lawrence Seaway
- **Joe Norton:** Tuesday: meeting on Office of the Council of Chiefs logistical matters; QKR internal meeting

Formal Agenda Items

Request for Decision: Water & Sewer Application

Presence of Thomas Sky & Paul Rice. Request for special approval to install Water & Sewage services for community member. Request for Decision came to Chief & Council due to extraordinary circumstance. Approved by consensus, Harry Rice not present due to late arrival (Wellness)

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Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Land Designation for Multi-Purpose Building



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Presence of Martin Stacey, Jean Guimond & Paul Rice. Request to formally designate approximately three (3) acres of common land located previously identified for cultural, language & heritage use to house the new Multi-Purpose Building, which will house the Kanien'kehá:ka Onkwawén:na Raotitióhkwa Language & Cultural Center and the Turtle Island Theatre. Passed by consensus, with Harry Rice (Wellness) and Mike Delisle, Jr. not present

Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Chief & Council Terms of Reference

Presence of Winona Polson-Lahache & Paul Rice. Request to pass Chief & Council Terms of Reference document, and request for conducting Salary Market Review. Passed by consensus, with Clinton Phillips not present (Medical appointment)

Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Portfolio Allocations

Presence of Winona Polson-Lahache & Paul Rice. Request to formally pass the changes to the Portfolio Allocations as a result of the resignation of Carl Horn and the subsequent election of Cody Diabo to replace him. Passed by consensus, with Clinton Phillips not present (Medical appointment). (Note: see Press Release dated December 19 for details)

Discussion: Asbestos Working Group – Client/Attorney Privileged

Presence of Suzanne Jackson & Francis Walsh (MCK Legal Services).

Other Mohawk Council Executive Directives

- None submitted

Chief & Council Updates

- Discussion took place on the topic of Substance Abuse. It was decided to schedule a Strategy meeting in 2020 to further address this matter, with appropriate portfolio representatives
- Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer provided update on last week's Kahnawà:ke/Canada Relations Maintable meeting in Gatineau regarding Membership matters, and proceeding with an Interim Measures Agreement
- Cody Diabo updated on Kahnawà:ke Environment Protection Office
- Mike Delisle, Jr. provided updates on posting of the Mercier Bridge maintenance contract Call for Tenders, and Kahnawà:ke Gaming Commission matters
- Discussion on the position of Iroquois Caucus Coordinator
- Meeting was closed at **3:55pm**