



## **Mohawk Council Communiqué**

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**Tuesday, 7 Onerahtókha/April 2015**

**In:** Chiefs Mike Delisle Jr. , Lloyd Phillips, Martin Leborgne, Rhonda Kirby, Kenneth McComber, Billy Diabo, Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, Clinton Phillips, Gina Deer, Bobby Patton, Carl Horn, Christine Zachary-Deom

**Also Present:** Dwaine White (OCC General Manager), Mike O'Brien (OCC Chief of Staff), Trina Diabo Jacobs (Minutes)

### **House Keeping**

- Minutes approved for March 23, 2015
- Christine Zachary-Deom: attending Kateri Memorial Hospital Centre Users Committee meeting on Wednesday
- Kenneth McComber: out of the office on Friday (wellness day)
- Rhonda Kirby: attending Kateri Memorial Hospital Centre expansion and renovation project information session on Wednesday
- Lloyd Phillips: meeting with Quebec on Tuesday regarding renewal of policing agreement between Kahnawà:ke and the province
- Clinton Phillips: Regional Lands Environment Management Program strategy meeting on Monday to discuss funding issues with Canada; out of the office on Friday (wellness day)
- Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer: Kahnawake Youth Center board of directors meeting on Tuesday
- Gina Deer: meetings on tobacco on Monday and Friday; meeting on Internet gaming issues on Tuesday
- Bobby Patton: tobacco meeting (with Gina Deer) on Monday; out on Friday and next Monday (wellness days)
- Mike Delisle: (with Lloyd Phillips and Mike O'Brien) meeting scheduled for Thursday with Quebec Native Affairs Minister Geoff Kelley

### **Agenda**

#### **Request for Decision, Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Appointment of Investigator**

*Presence of Marylee Armstrong (Legal Services).* Appointment of Rish Handa, Attorney at Law, to investigate complaints against Chiefs Christine Zachary-Deom and Gina Deer. Passed unanimously. (Please note that Chiefs Zachary-Deom and Deer were not present for the discussion and appointment). A final report with recommendations will be presented to MCK Legal Services on or before May 7, 2015, to be followed by a discussion with Chief & Council.

#### **Request for Decision, Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Kateri Memorial Hospital Centre Landfill Permit**

*Presence of Arnold Lazare, Ken Bourque, Kevin Kennedy (Kahnawà:ke Landfill Authority).* Plan of action put in place to address issue of soil to be removed from Kateri Memorial Hospital Centre (KMHC) expansion/renovation project; soil/stone to be removed from the site does not conform to "A/B material" standards and, as such, cannot be used as landfill within the Territory. Kahnawà:ke Landfill Authority to ensure that remedial measures will be taken by working with KMHC project management team and other parties as deemed necessary.

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### **Discussions/Updates**

- Mike Delisle updated the table on a meeting held last week to discuss Internet gaming issues. Meeting was held in Montreal with several gaming lobbyists
- Mike Delisle also provided an update on last week's meeting with Justice Canada regarding the return of Highway 30 lands to Kahnawà:ke. While Quebec has signed off on the transfer, Canada will not do so until the legal actions taken by Roussillon are resolved
- Christine Zachary-Deom reported on her meeting (along with Mike O'Brien) with Quebec regarding consultation protocols. She noted that the MCK is currently 'overloaded on consultation' requests, and that this issue needs to be addressed
- Lloyd Phillips provided an update on the recent Assembly of First Nations of Quebec & Labrador meetings. The entire agenda was focused on the relationship between the First Nations and Quebec, along with preparations for an upcoming meeting with Premier Phillippe Couillard
- Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer brought up the issue of community group that has indicated that they will be issuing letters to non-Native people who are not eligible to reside on the Territory. Issue will be discussed with Peacekeeper Chief Dwayne Zacharie in future meeting
- Martin Leborgne brought up an issue of roads in Tioweró:ton mistakenly being used as a thoroughfare. Signs in French language to be acquired indicating that the roads in question are dead ends.
- Lloyd Phillips informed the table that the annual Assembly of First Nations general assembly will be held in Montreal in early July. AFN representatives have asked if Kahnawà:ke can assist with planning certain aspects of the assembly; they have been informed that MCK does not have the time/resources to assist at the level that the AFN is requesting but may be able to help identify other local resources
- Meeting was closed at 11:30am