



Mohawk Council Communiqué

Monday, 30 Kentenhkó:wa/November 2015

In: Ratitsénhaienhs Joe Norton, Rhonda Kirby, Clinton Phillips, Martin Leborgne, Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, Kenneth McComber, Arlene Jacobs, Gina Deer, Christine Zachary-Deom, Carl Horn

Out: Billy Diabo (Medical Leave, to return on December 4, 2015), Bobby Patton (Vacation)

Also Present: Samantha Montour-Cross (Recorder), Dwaine White (Office of the Council of Chiefs General Manager), Winona Polson-Lahache (Chief Political Advisor)

Housekeeping

- Martin Leborgne: Tawatohnhi'sakta meeting on Tuesday (with Gina Deer); out of office on Wednesday afternoon, Thursday and Friday (medical)
- Gina Deer: tobacco meeting on Tuesday
- Rhonda Kirby: Onkwata'karitáhtshera meeting on Thursday
- Kenneth McComber: meeting re: Montreal 375th Anniversary on Tuesday
- Kahsennenhawe Skye-Deer: Kahnawà:ke Legislative Coordinating Commission meeting on Wednesday; Membership Working Group meeting on Thursday (with Arlene Jacobs)
- Gina Deer and Clinton Phillips: attending Iroquois Caucus meeting in Ottawa next Monday
- Joe Norton: Assembly of First Nations Special Chiefs' Assembly in Ottawa next Monday to Thursday (Tuesday to Thursday with Clinton Phillips and Gina Deer)

Formal Agenda Items

Request for Decision, Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Canada Mortgage & Housing Corporation On-Reserve Housing Program

Presence of Iris Jacobs and Paul Rice. Approval of Affordable Housing initiative through Canada Housing and Mortgage Corporation for six new units. Details to be announced via press release in the near future. Passed unanimously

Other Mohawk Council Executive Directives

Request for Decision, Land Allotment

Land re-allotted to community member as a result of payment in full of mortgage

Discussions/Updates

- (Housekeeping) Discussion on December 7th Council Meeting Quorum (due to several Chiefs attending meetings outside of Kahnawà:ke). Despite this, there will be quorum and a meeting is scheduled
- (Housekeeping) Request for Decision re: JFK Quarry Proposed Saturday Hours. Agreement to extend operating hours to Saturdays on an 'as-needed' basis. Hours for Saturday operations will begin at 8am. Passed, with Carl Horn objecting
- (Housekeeping) Emergency Preparedness Planning Committee discussion. Representative to the Committee will be selected by Director of Lands, supported by Chief & Council. A Mohawk Council Resolution to formalize the appointment will be presented for signature at the next Council Meeting
- 207/Old Chateauguay Road traffic issues, update and discussion (brought forth by Carl Horn). Peacekeeper Chief Dwayne Zacharie, Director of Public Safety Arnold Lazare and Director of Justice Services Ron Skye in attendance. Remedial measures to be taken, including increasing Peacekeeper presence during peak periods, meeting to be held with area residents, and more short- and long-term planning. Meetings with Ministère des Transports du Québec and other provincial agencies will be prioritized (see press release dated November 30, 2015 for details)
- Grand Chief Norton explained that the boycott of Chateauguay remains in place for the time being
- Meeting closed at 12:15pm