

# Mohawk Council Communiqué

## Monday, 21 Seskehkó:wa/September, 2009

The following is a synopsis of the latest Council Meeting

## **Chief Attendance**

**In** – Chiefs Michael Delisle Jr., John Dee Delormier, Mike Bush, Martin Leborgne, Johnny Montour, Kenneth McComber, Peggy Mayo-Standup, Rhonda Kirby, Lloyd Phillips, Carl Horn, Clinton Phillips, Kahsennenhawi Sky-Deer.

Absent - None

**Also present** – Michael O'Brien (Chief of Staff - Office of the Council of Chiefs), Alana-Goodleaf-Rice (Executive Director).

## Housekeeping/Travel/Updates

- Chiefs Kenneth McComber and Rhonda Kirby will be attending the Aboriginal Round Table discussion hosted by the Conseil Construction du Quebec in Montreal on Tuesday, September 22, 2009.
- Chief Lloyd Phillips will attend the Assembly of First Nations of Quebec & Labrador Policing Summit in Quebec City on Tuesday & Wednesday, September 22 & 23, 2009.
- Chief John Dee Delormier requested the table's agreement for him to attend the 'Communities, Commodities, Certainty' conference from November 1-3, 2009 in Toronto.
- Chief Rhonda Kirby reported to the table that a meeting will take place Tuesday, September 22, 2009 between representatives of the Mohawk Bridge Consortium and Union Local 711 regarding Mercier Bridge Project issues.

#### Declaration of Office- Rescind and Replace # 37/ 2009-2010

The Declaration made by Chief & Council following the July 4, 2009 General Election was rescinded and then replaced to officially include Chief Clinton Phillips subsequent to the September 9, 2009 By-Election. Chief Mike Bush abstained from voting, Chief Carl Horn objected. The document will be published.

#### **Informal Discussion**

Discussion took place on a Draft Project Plan to create a Comprehensive Manual Governing the Administration & Financial Accountability of the Elected Chiefs of the Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke (MCK). The manual is intended to provide a process for Chief & Council to define the roles, responsibilities, conduct and accountability requirements for MCK elected chiefs. It will also clearly document the entitlements of the elected chiefs as it relates to compensation and benefits. A Request For Decision will be tabled at the next Council Meeting tentatively scheduled for September 29, 2009. The development of the Manual is expected to take approximately 6 months or more to complete.