



Mohawk Council Communiqué

Monday, 4 Seskéha/August 2025

Meeting at Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke

In: Ratitsénhaïenhs Cody Diabo (Chairperson), Jeremiah Johnson, Paul Rice, Melanie Morrison, Ryan Montour (PM only), Jeffrey Diabo, David Diabo, Ross Montour, Stephen McComber, Tonya Perron, Arnold Boyer

Out: Nitsénhaïenhs Iohahí:io Delisle (Wellness), Ryan Montour (AM only)

Also Present: Jaime-Lynn Deere (Council Meeting Administrator), Abbey Diabo (Director of the Office of the Council of Chiefs), Gene Diabo (Public Relations); and for Housekeeping only: Tyanna Kirby, Taiawentetie Hemlock, and Sarah Delisle (Executive Assistants)

Housekeeping

- Ohén:ton Karihwatéhkwen by Cody Diabo
- Public Relations Items: Ratitsénhaïenhs Report – Ross Montour, K1037 Tetewathá:ren MCK Friday – Stephen McComber and David Diabo
- Council Meeting Minutes: April 7th Approved - April 22nd and 28th and June 23rd Deferred
- Invitation: Assembly of First Nations Annual General Assembly – Cody Diabo and Jeffrey Diabo attending - Accepted
- Invitation: Electricity Transformation Canada (ETC) 2025 Tuesday, October 7, 2025 – Ratitsénhaïenhs Paul Rice will attend. All expenses covered by ETC - Accepted
- Invitation: Connecting Horizons – Ratitsénhaïenhs Ryan Montour to attend - Deferred
- Land Allotments: Ten (10) passed by consensus, one (1) deferred
- **Arnold Boyer:** Tuesday: Strategic discussions; Wednesday to Friday: Trauma Informed Workshop; Tuesday, August 12: Ministère des Transport du Quebec and Kateri Memorial Hospital Centre Board meetings; Wednesday, August 13: Lands and Land Use Agreement meetings; August 14-15: Vacation
- **Cody Diabo:** Tuesday: Strategic Discussions, Press Conference on C-5; Wednesday: Trauma Informed Workshop, interview with Montreal Gazette; Thursday: Trauma Informed Workshop, CJAD 800 Radio interview; Friday: Trauma Informed Workshop, Kateri Memorial Foundation Scholarship ceremony; August 11 – 15: Vacation
- **Jeffrey Diabo:** Monday: Tewatohnhi'saktha Board meeting; Thursday, August 14: Tobacco Working Group Kiosk; Saturday, August 16: First Nations Education Council graduation in Odanak
- **Jeremiah Johnson:** Tuesday: Strategic discussions; Wednesday to Friday: Trauma Informed Workshop
- **Melanie Morrison:** Tuesday: Strategic discussions; Wednesday to Friday: Trauma Informed Workshop; Monday, August 11: Strategic discussions; Travel to Ottawa for the 2025 Indigenous Language Conference until Friday, August 15
- **Paul Rice:** Monday: Radio Canada Interview, and Complaints Committee meeting; Tuesday: Strategic Discussions; Wednesday, August 6 to Friday, August 15: Vacation (back in office Monday, August 18)
- **Ross Montour:** Monday: meeting with Montreal Port Authority; Thursday: K1037 Tetewathá:ren Talkshow - Onkwehón:we Project launch.
- **Ryan Montour:** Tuesday: Kahnawà:ke Search and Rescue Operation; Wednesday to Friday: Trauma Informed Workshop; Monday, August 11: Strategic discussions; August 12 - 15: Vacation
- **Stephen McComber:** Tuesday: Strategic discussions; Wednesday to Friday: Trauma Informed Workshop



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- **Tonya Perron:** Tuesday: Strategic discussions; Wednesday to Friday: Trauma Informed Workshop; Monday, August 11: Strategic discussions; Tuesday, August 12: Kahnawà:ke Legislative Services working group meeting; Thursday, August 14: Kahnawà:ke Legislative Commission monthly meeting and a tentative Governance Advisory team meeting

Rescind & Replace Indigenous Services Agreement and Appointment Registry Officer – Mohawk Council Executive Directive

Presence of: Melanie Gilbert (General Manager, Client Based Services), Kiera Beauvais (Kahnawà:ke Kanien'kehá:ka Registry Officer), Portfolio Lead: Ratsénhaïenhs Jeremiah Johnson. Request to rescind the appointments of Jennifer McComber and Shari Lahache as Indian Registry Administrators, while appointing Keira Beauvais as an Indian Registry Administrator. **Passed by consensus**

Fuel Spill Update

Presence of: Lloyd Phillips (Commissioner of Public Safety), Robyn Montour (Director of Public Safety Division), Portfolio Lead: Ohén:ton Í:rate ne Ratitsénhaïenhs Cody Diabo. **Confidential Discussion**

Kahnawake Occupational Safety and Health - Confirmation of Categorization & Approval of Mandate Purpose and Scope - Records of Decision

Presence of: Chris Bush (Kahnawà:ke Legislative Services), Trisha Delormier (Kahnawà:ke Legislative Services), and Jeff Morris (Director of Kahnawà:ke Labor Office), Portfolio Lead: Ratsénhaïenhs David Diabo. Request for confirmation of the categorization, purpose, and scope of the proposed *Kahnawà:ke Occupational Safety and Health Law*, and give the mandate to move the Law through the Community Decision Making Review Process as a Type II Law. **Passed by consensus**

Amendment to Staff Appointments for the Sanitary Conditions Law Permitting Body - Mohawk Council Executive Directive

Presence of: Patrick Ragaz (KEPO General Manager Field Services), Chris Stacey (Executive Infrastructure Officer), Joelle Perron-Thibodeau (Legal Services), Portfolio Lead: Ratsénhaïenhs David Diabo. Request to address capacity issues with the Sanitary Conditions Law Permitting Committee, by adding the following positions to the Committee: General Manager of Environment Protection, Director of Public Safety, Senior Civil Engineer, and Technical Services Manager. **Passed by consensus**

Onkwehón:we Research Project Budget – Record of Decision

Presence of: Trina C. Diabo (Project Technician), Portfolio Lead: Ratsénhaïenhs David Diabo Request for approval to contract Gerald Taiaiake Alfred as the lead for the Onkwehón:we Research Project. **Passed by consensus**

Executive Office Updates

Presence of: Onerahtókha Marquis. Deferred

Ratitsénhaïenhs Updates

Deferred due to time constraints

Adjournment

Closing by Cody Diabo. **Meeting adjourned at 3:55pm**