



Mohawk Council Communiqué

Tuesday, 2 Seskehkó:wa/September 2025

Meeting at Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke

In: Ratitsénhaïenhs Chairperson Cody Diabo, Jeremiah Johnson, Iohahiio Delisle, Paul Rice, Melanie Morrison, Ryan Montour, Jeffrey Diabo, David Diabo, Stephen McComber, Ross Montour, Tonya Perron, Arnold Boyer. Jeffrey Diabo and Ross Montour departed at 2pm for travel.

Also Present: Jaime-Lynn Deere (Council Meeting Administrator), Abbey Diabo (Director of the Office of the Council of Chiefs), Justus Polson-Lahache (Public Relations); for Housekeeping only: Tyanna Kirby, Sarah Delisle and Taiawentetie Hemlock (Executive Assistants to the Kahnawà'kehró:non Ratitsénhaïenhs).

Housekeeping

- Ohén:ton Karihwatéhkwén by Cody Diabo.
- Cheque Signers: Tonya Perron and Melanie Morrison.
- Public Relations Items: Ratitsénhaïenhs Report (Cody Diabo), MCK Friday (Paul Rice and Iohahiio Delisle).
- Minutes for Approval: July 7 & 22, August 4 & 18, 2025. **Deferred.**
- Invitation: Request to attend L'art Autochtone Illumine le Quartier des Spectacles announcement in Montreal on September 16, 2025. Stephen McComber to attend. **Approved.**
- Invitation: Request to attend Krueger networking session in Chateauguay on September 11, 2025. Paul Rice to attend. **Approved.**
- Invitation: Request for Cody Diabo and Paul Rice to attend Multi-Purpose Building Press Conference on September 23, 2025. **Approved.**
- Incoming donation - This item was confidential.
- Tewatohnhi'saktha Board of Directors - MCK to issue call out for community member to be appointed.
- Invitation: Request to Canada School of Public Service to meet with students of an Executive Leadership Development Program on September 18, 2025. Paul Rice to attend. **Approved.**
- Request for letter of support for Université de Québec à Montreal to host the 2028 World Indigenous Peoples Conference on Education. **Approved.**
- **Jeremiah Johnson** - Thursday: Kahnawà:ke Legislative Commission (KLC) Process Review, Canadian Pacific Kansas City (CPKC) prep meeting, Mortgage and Reconciliation meetings (x2).
- **Paul Rice** - Wednesday: Meeting with Hydro Quebec for Hertel Line Project; Thursday: CPKC prep meeting; Friday: Infrastructure, Transport and Operations (ITO) Portfolio, JCCBI meeting. Wellness on September 26th
- **Melanie Morrison** - Friday: Jacques Cartier and Champlain Bridges, Incorporated (JCCBI) Bi-weekly, ITO Portfolio.
- **Ryan Montour** - Thursday: Special Justice Commission meeting; Friday: Mortgage and Reconciliation meetings (x2).
- **Jeffrey Diabo** - Attending Assembly of First Nations (AFN) Annual General Assembly in Winnipeg, Manitoba from September 2-5.



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- **David Diabo** - Wednesday: Kahnawà:ke Gaming Commission 2nd Quarter Report, Multi-Purpose Building, Kahnawà:ke Labor Office Agreements Presentation, Boiler Plate Language discussion; Thursday: Tekakwitha Island Restoration Project meeting, Jay Treaty Border Alliance meeting regarding security; Friday: Consultation and Accommodation Protocol meeting.
- **Stephen McComber** - On vacation for remainder of week.
- **Ross Montour** - Attending AFN Annual General Assembly in Winnipeg, Manitoba from September 2-5.
- **Tonya Perron** - Tuesday: Governance Kiosk for Code of Conduct; Thursday: KLC Process Review, 2nd Kiosk for Code of Conduct; Friday: Special Justice Commission meeting.
- **Arnold Boyer** - Wednesday: Hydro Quebec meeting; Thursday: Pathways ; Friday: Onkwatakaritatshera, JCCBI Bi-weekly, ITO portfolio.
- **Cody Diabo** - Wednesday: Review of Strategic Discussions; Thursday: Governance Kiosk for Code of Conduct.

Update: Second Phase of Oral History Project

Presence of Gerald Taiaiake Alfred (Project Lead) and Trina C Diabo (Project Technician, Office of the Council of Chiefs). Portfolio Lead: Ietsénhaïenhs Melanie Morrison. Update on the continuation of the Kahnawà:ke Oral History Project (Cody Diabo was not present)

Update: Ohént:ton Í:rate ne Ratitsénhaïenhs Update to Council

Presence of Ratitsénhaïenhs, Jaime-Lynn Deere (Council Meeting Administrator) and Abbey Diabo (Director of the Office of the Council of Chiefs). Justus Polson-Lahache (Director of Public Relations) was not present for this item).

This item was confidential.

Ratitsénhaïenhs Updates

Iohahiio Delisle: Updated on Client Based Services.

Melanie Morrison: Updated on continuation of Ratitsénhaïenhs Kanien'ké:ha language classes.

Ryan Montour: Updated on Kahnawà:ke/Canada Relations meeting with Federal Negotiation Team, new Kahnawà:ke Mohawk Peacekeepers.

David Diabo: Updated on Iroquois Caucus, Harvesting update, Shipping Dock request.

Tonya Perron: Updated on Administrative Tribunal branding, the new location of the Community Justice Center and upcoming Special Justice Commission meeting.

Cody Diabo: Updated on the Seigneurie of Sault Saint Louis Land Grievance, meeting with Minister of Justice and representatives on Quebec's proposed constitution, Iroquois Caucus, potential Economic Development opportunity.

Adjournment

Closing by Cody Diabo. **Meeting adjourned at 3:30pm.**